



Finals are almost here!

As this week comes to a close so does the last week of normal classes for the Fall 2018 semester. On Sunday, Dec. 9 finals begin. The schedule for finals can be found on my.brevard.edu.

In honor of finals the annual Pancake Break will be in Myers Dining Hall at 10 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 10.

Other events will be happening during the week. On Sunday, Open Mic Night will be Christmas themed. From Monday until Wednesday, Tornado Alley will have massage therapy from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Grades will be available for students to view the week following finals on Dec. 19 via my.brevard.edu.

—Jeni Welch

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Christmastime in Brevard

On Saturday, Dec. 1 community members gathered along N. Broad St. to watch the annual Christmas Parade. Despite rainy weather, many lined the street with umbrellas in tow. Following the parade was the Twilight Tour, which serves as an open house for the shops downtown.

During the parade, BC's Beth Abrams, Chris Center, Deb D'Anna and Dee Dasburg rang a Salvation Army bell and collected donations as people shopped along E. Main St.

Brevard College sophomore Hannah Spear organized caroling by BC students during the Twilight Tour. Students gathered downtown, then went from shop to shop singing Christmas classics.

—Mary Lewe



Photo courtesy of Hannah Spear



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(Clockwise from top left)

Students gather in Tranquility Spa in downtown Brevard. Joy Sexton, the owner, helped coordinate the caroling and also many different activities for the Twilight Tour.

The beautifully lit tree in Brevard College's residential quad.

The Rosman High School Marching Band marches in the Christmas Parade wearing ponchos due to Saturday's rainy weather.

BC's Deb D'Anna (left) and Dee Dasburg outside of D.D. Bullwinkel's Outdoor Store.

Voice of the Rivers 2019

'An expedition-based interdisciplinary study of America's rivers since 1997'

By John Buford
Contributor

Got an itch do something amazing this spring? Become a team member of a river expedition while earning academic credit toward graduation? Join the 2019 Voice of the Rivers program!

From May 6–23, ten BC students and two professors will sea kayak the Neuse River from its source near Durham, N.C. to Cape Lookout National Seashore on the Atlantic coast. Along your journey you will study “The Sun, Planets, and Stars” (PHY 290K) and “Navigating Leadership” (WLE 290K) while sharing your experiences with the people you meet—residents, community leaders, school programs, media organizations and conservation groups.

The expedition is open to all returning BC students in academic good standing—no prior experience in outdoor activities is required. All training, gear, food, lodging and transportation is included the tuition cost.

If you are interested or have questions about VOR check out BC’s Voice of the Rivers Facebook page and speak to your advisor, professors John Buford or Mike Castelaz, or one of the many student or faculty VOR alumni on campus. Applications are due by Jan. 25. Scholarships are available.

For more information about past VOR adventures visit www.facebook.com/BCVOR/.



Student Emilie Abbott on the Cape Fear River during 2018's Voice of the Rivers trip.

Security Report

By Zach Dickerson
Campus News Editor

The most recent security reports for Brevard College have been released as of Monday, Dec. 3 at 12:36 p.m., according to Brevard College Campus Security.

On Saturday, Dec. 1, an email was sent out to the entire Brevard College campus notifying them of an unknown male who has been messaging women on campus and asking them for inappropriate information.

He is using Snapchat to do so and is going by the name Link Timmers (username: ltimmers40). It is reported that he has messaged five female students so far. There are attempts to identify the individual taking place and it is believed that he is not affiliated with Brevard College.

If contacted by him, do not answer him or provide him with any information. Contact Campus Security immediately if you receive any messages from him.

It is reported that there has been purposeful damage to a ceiling tile in East Beam. This type of juvenile activity results in costs to the college and extra work for the maintenance staff.

There are cameras located in the hallways of the residence halls and anyone recorded doing damage will be subject to judicial proceedings.

As with any cellphone, the cellphone for security malfunctions and/or students call the wrong number. Please be aware that if the cellphone (answered 24/7) does not work or if for some reason no one answers, the number for the security guard in the office in Coltrane is (828) 884-8295.

If the situation is serious, call 911 first and then call Campus Security.

Everyone is requested to contact Campus Security at (828)-577-9590 if wrongful or suspicious activity is observed on campus.

In Remembrance of Pearl Harbor

By Julie Carter
Opinion Editor

Dec. 7, 2018 marks 77 years since the attack on Pearl Harbor which launched the United States into World War II. As the years have passed since the attack, fewer and fewer survivors have been able to share their stories in remembrance of those who died on that tragic day. However, this does not mean we can forget the tragedy and triumph that occurred there.

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor forever altered the United States. The attack began early in the morning with hundreds of Imperial Japanese aircrafts striking in two waves. The surprise attack ended up killing over 2,000 people, later being deemed a war crime at the Tokyo Trials.

The attack changed the lives of many, including former U.S. President George H.W. Bush who died on Friday. The former president was a high school senior at the time, and, in his biography, would claim that the attack on Pearl Harbor changed the world.

“Your country’s attacked, you’d better get in there and try to help,” Bush said.

Bush did just that, joining the Navy just after his graduation. Bush is now remembered for his public service both as president and as a Naval officer and war hero.

If we forget the lives we lost on Dec. 7, 1941, we would forget what made the United States what it is today.

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Expected winter storm this weekend could change final exam schedule

Students with scheduled exams on Sunday or Monday should check email for announcements of any changes

By John Padgett
Contributor

An expected winter storm this weekend could force the postponement of the first four exams during finals week, including two currently scheduled for Monday that would be delayed until Friday.

Students with exams scheduled for Sunday or Monday should check their email starting on Saturday to find out if inclement weather has forced an official change in their exam time.

The National Weather Service is forecasting a potential winter storm warning this weekend that could dump eight inches or more of snow in this area between Saturday and Monday morning.

If weather forces a change in the exam schedule, notification will be made by the office of Academic Affairs before noon on Saturday. However, students should continue to monitor

their email over the weekend should conditions change.

The contingency plan was created to bring some structure to the final exam schedule in case inclement weather leads to school cancellations or closures, Vice President of Academic Affairs Scott Sheffield said. Copies of the plan were given to faculty at their regular meeting on Tuesday, and instructors were asked to alert students in the four affected exams to prepare for the possibility that the schedule might change.

Students in exams scheduled for Monday morning and early afternoon would be the most affected, should the plan be implemented. The Monday 9 a.m.–noon exam, for classes that meet Mondays and Thursdays 8–9:15 a.m., would be rescheduled for Friday, Dec. 14 from 1–4 p.m.

The exam scheduled for Monday at 1:30–4:30 p.m., for classes that meet Tuesdays and Fridays 9:30–10:45 a.m., would be postponed until

Friday, Dec. 14, at 6–9 p.m.

Students whose exams are rescheduled for Friday because of weather “may not reschedule this time unless they have a documented pre-arranged travel plan that precludes changes,” according to the contingency plan.

Exams currently scheduled for Sunday would both be moved to evening exam slots on Monday and Tuesday, according to the contingency plan. The Sunday 1:30–4:30 p.m. exam, for classes that meet Wednesdays 8–10:45 a.m., would be rescheduled for Monday, Dec. 10 from 6–9 p.m.

The Sunday 6–9 p.m. exam, for classes meeting Wednesdays 2–4:45 p.m., would be rescheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 11 from 6–9 p.m.

If inclement weather forces a change in the exam schedule, students with conflicts because of those changes should work with their professors to find an appropriate time for their exams.

PSY 490 students show movie to increase awareness about immigration issues

By Carmen Boone
Arts & Life Editor

Luz Hernandez, Oscar Sifuentes and Tom Mittring showed a film for their Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality psychology class community project on Wednesday, Nov. 28 in MG 125 at 7 p.m. The film was titled “Under the Same Moon.” It was a Latin film that lasted two hours, and was followed by a discussion.

The film highlighted struggles that Mexican immigrants go through to try to make a better life for themselves with the people they love.

“Under the Same Moon” was a story about a mother, Rosario, and a son, Carlitos finding one another. Rosario had moved from Mexico to Los Angeles when Carlitos was very young. She sent money every month from the two jobs that she worked.

Carlitos decided to cross the border to find his mom after his grandmother passed away. He encounters all kinds of issues such as hiding from the INS because he is illegal, coming across deceitful people and having to find a way

to travel to Los Angeles. Carlitos finds friendship with a man named Enrique. After a long struggle, Enrique agrees to take Carlitos to find his mom.

Carlitos’s mother calls him every Sunday at 10 a.m. sharp from a payphone on a corner. The surroundings are very crucial to how he finds his mother. Rosario tells him there is a beautiful mural, a laundromat, a Domino's pizza place and a party store all in the vicinity of the payphone in East L.A.

Toward the end of the movie, he is searching for all of those specific surroundings at every payphone he comes across. Carlitos finally sees Rosario across the street from him at a payphone. He calls for her and they reunite beautifully at the end of the movie.

After the film there was a discussion that consisted of several questions. One that stood out was “Has anyone here ever experienced something similar or know someone who has?” A couple people mentioned they knew people who had difficulty getting citizenship or crossing borders to other countries.

There was a speaker who came up to educate the audience about a new idea that was being put into motion in Brevard. His name was Rich Kunz. He and his wife are working with El Centro, a supportive place for the Latino community in Brevard, to try to get non-government issued, reliable, trustworthy ID photos for all people in Brevard. The main reason for this is to provide a sense of community and to bring people together. This plan has been discussed with law enforcement as well. Whenever a person is asked for identification, he or she can simply show the Brevard local ID in case they have no other form of identification.

This is an example of someone doing something in the community that will help Latinos or other foreign citizens to have identification in an official manner. The presentation was a great way to bring awareness to the topic of immigration. It was very relevant to everything going on in the news currently. It was very well done.

Yes, climate change is real

No matter what the president says

By Julie Carter
Opinion Editor

On Black Friday, 13 federal agencies along with 300 climate scientists released their report which highlighted the disastrous events that could occur as a result of climate change. President Trump, whose own administration released the report, stated that he “did not believe it” and that he had read “some” of it.

There are obviously several issues with this.

First of all, this report was released ahead of schedule. The report was slated to be made public in December, but the administration bumped it up to Black Friday. Why? Well, what does everyone do on Black Friday? They eat, shop, hang out with family and pay almost no attention to politics.

It would be like publishing it on Christmas. No one is going to read it and that is precisely the reason that they released it then.

While it is rather unsurprising that Trump

does not believe his administration’s own report, it is still infuriating. On Nov. 22, Trump tweeted, “Brutal and Extended Cold Blast could shatter ALL RECORDS – Whatever happened to Global Warming?”

In this tweet, Trump is discussing the weather. In case you are unaware, climate and weather are not the same thing. It would be like saying “world hunger doesn’t exist because I ate a sandwich today.”

Weather changes on a daily basis. It answers: am I going to need an umbrella? Climate is the overall trend of the world. It answers: will all the polar bears die within my lifetime due to the ice caps melting?

The report was vast and full of truly terrifying information from the economic impact of climate change with farms being hit the hardest to exactly how each region of the United States will be impacted. For Donald Trump to say

he read “some” of the report, is extremely disconcerting. If you only read some of the stuff for your class, you might as well have not been in the class.

This may all seem a bit doomy and gloomy, but that is because it is. This isn’t something to be taken lightly. The United States and Nicaragua are the only countries that are not signed onto the Paris Agreement. It’s ridiculous.

It is not likely that Donald Trump is suddenly going to change his mind on climate change. That does not mean it is okay for us to have the same laissez-faire attitude as him, though. If the President of the United States isn’t going to do anything to save us, we have to do it on our own. Do something. Research. Take action. Vote him out.

Your weekly horoscope

By Mary Lewe

Aries

Before you go full-steam ahead on your next big idea, make sure you’ve ironed out the details! If not, you may face some unneeded embarrassment, not to mention lost time due to setbacks. Take time to do it right!

Taurus

Make sure that you aren’t at fault before you confront someone about what’s been bugging you. Watch your words in the coming days as possibilities for change will be high. Once you’ve said something, you can’t take it back.

Gemini

If you think you haven’t been moving forward, think again! Know that things may be better than they seem, and it’s a good time to seek advice from someone more experienced. Get ready to jump ahead in your timeline to success.

Cancer

Did some recent criticism leave you feeling low? Whoever gave it to you may be doubling down soon, but don’t worry. You can definitely improve from what they tell you if you can keep your emotions out of it and consider it objectively.

Leo

Be suspicious if you get some compliments that seem less than genuine. You have a lot to offer, and someone’s bound to want your help. Settle things with your friends and family this week if there’s been any conflict.

Virgo

Looking for attention and validation in the wrong places could be your downfall this week. Check in on friends you may have forgotten and try to remember your worth. You are capable of handling everything on your own.

Libra

Don’t be so fast to help people out. Sometimes, you have to let people make their own choices even if they’re headed for disaster. Instead of backseat driving, perhaps help them by setting up a fun group activity for the weekend.

Scorpio

Get out of your head and get out into the real world! You’ve thought (read: obsessed) over your next move long enough and with the planets moving in the right direction, you’re ready to make that leap of faith!

Sagittarius

If you have shared your secrets you may be in for a surprise when everyone knows your business. Now is the time to make careful choices regarding your goals and finances. Your life could look quite different by summertime.

Capricorn

Things other people tell you today may not make much sense. You may need to let a commitment go as you welcome Friday’s New Moon. Think about whether or not that commitment is pushing toward your goals.

Aquarius

Make sure no one is taking advantage of your generosity this week. You may become your own nemesis by showing a lack of self control with money, so don’t tempt yourself by going along with a shopping trip you aren’t ready for.

Pisces

You may feel like everyone around you is wearing rose-colored glasses, while you’re still dissatisfied. Don’t hide your true discontent! You may feel more ready to talk it out by the end of the week, but be very honest.

Senior Profile

Jess Wiegandt readies herself for her next big adventure

By Carmen Boone
Arts & Life Editor

Jess Wiegandt is a senior at Brevard College. She is a double major in Wilderness Leadership (WLEE) paired with experiential education and English with an emphasis in journalism and professional communications.

Wiegandt decided to attend Brevard College because it was a place where she could continue to kayak and paddle. She also likes how close the campus is to Pisgah National Forest. The journalism program at Brevard College is another thing that drew her in, along with the connection that she quickly formed with the WLEE faculty.

Many hobbies that Wiegandt enjoys include outdoor exploration. She likes to mountain bike in Pisgah and white water kayak. Photography and videography are also important hobbies she has. "I really enjoy capturing people's stories and emotions through photo and video," said Wiegandt.

On campus, Wiegandt is one of three presidents of the Paddling Club. She also takes part in BC Greens. She lives in the sustainability village. "Anytime I can, I help out with the departments I'm involved with on campus and also student government projects as well," she said.

Along the way, Wiegandt has had several great mentors to help her out. Since her freshman year, Robert Dye has been her advisor. He was also her professor for the whole Spring semester of 2017, when she did her 21 day trip into the forest, also called immersion. Dye was the most influential mentor as far as faculty goes.

Wiegandt also mentioned what a great support system her parents are.

Her mother and father taught her a lot about the outdoors before she came to Brevard. She said Molly Riddle, one of her close friends, has also acted like a student advisor to Wiegandt. "She is just someone that I found at pretty much any turn," Wiegandt said, "I can ask her a question and she is able to really think about it and give quality answers. She is highly involved and engaged on campus and is a constant inspiration for me. She has been one of my really good friends since freshman year and somebody that I just really look up to."

Brevard College has taught Wiegandt a lot of important lessons. She learned how to organize and plan, to coordinate group projects. She was able to get involved with a large community and develop skills to help market events and get support. She loved having the opportunity to develop relationships with the people all around her.

Currently, Wiegandt is in the process of applying to graduate schools. She hopes to go to American University in Washington D.C. for a masters in film and media production. "If I don't end up going to grad school I just hope to work in outdoor media. So just working for companies that place their emphasis on environmental protection and sustainability," Wiegandt said.

Going into the future she has some big plans; the skills she has developed from her Brevard College experience will help her with whatever path she chooses to take.



(Top Left) Jess kayaked the entirety of the Grand Canyon this summer.



(Top Right) This past spring, Jess spent her semester living in Kalu Yala, a off-grid town in Panamá, studying media, Spanish, and sustainability.

Photo by Selah Phillips



(Bottom Left) While spending her semester in Panamá, Jess summited Volcan Barú, the tallest point in Panamá, with several friends (Wiegandt left).

Photo by Jon Battista



(Bottom Right) Every year in Saluda, NC the Green River Women's Takeover is held. Jess has attended since her freshman year and encourages female BC Paddling Club members join in on the community!

Photo by Daniel Brasuell

Multiple wins for Brevard College at SECCC Cyclocross Championships

By Phil de Montmollin
Sports Information Director

SWANNANOVA, N.C. – Three Brevard College riders won events and several other Tornado riders earned top-ten finishes at the Southeastern Collegiate Cycling Conference Cyclocross Championships held Saturday, December 1 in muddy conditions at Warren Wilson College.

Brevard's Tyler Clark was crowned SECCC Cyclocross champion after winning the Men's Collegiate Category A race. Clark won the event in impressive fashion, defeating a deep field that included 30 riders.

Clark was one of four Tornados to finish in the top ten in the Men's A race with Scott McGill (4th), Ryan Johnson (6th), Zack Lowden (9th) and Carson Beckett (10th) also finishing in the top 10. Tim Coffey just missed the top-10 with an 11th place finish. The championship win by Clark and the four top-10s easily gave Brevard College the top cumulative score of any school in the event.

In Men's Collegiate Category B, Dalton Collins of Brevard College earned another win for the Tornados, defeating two other riders.

Brevard's Hannah Dickson won the Women's Category B/C race to earn her second straight cyclocross victory. Dickson, who also won the Women's Category 4/5 North Carolina Cyclocross race in Gibsonville, N.C. on November 10, came away victorious at the SECCC Championships by defeating a field of 12 riders. Dickson's teammate Nicole Rusden finished second in the event just as she did at the Gibsonville race. In total, five Brevard College riders finished in the top-10 in

Women's B/C at the SECCC Championships, more than any other school. Joining Dickson and Rusden in the top-10 were Emilie Abbott (7th), Kaitlin Chaump (9th) and Audrey Cardwell (10th).

With Dickson finishing first and Rusden second in Women's Category B/C, both riders are upgraded to the Women's A level for future cyclocross competitions.

In the team relay, Brevard's team of Rusden, Dickson, Clark and Beckett finished in second place behind the team from Milligan College.

Cumulatively, Brevard College produced more event wins (three) and more individual top-10s (10) than any other school competing at the SECCC Championships. A total of 11 colleges had riders participating in the championships. In addition to Brevard College, the schools represented at the SECCC Championships

were Furman University, Milligan College, Lees-McRae College, Clemson University, University of Tennessee, King University, Mars Hill University, Piedmont College, Union College (Ky.), and host Warren Wilson College.

Next up for the Tornados is the Hunter Subaru North Carolina Cyclocross Grand Prix hosted by Brevard College. The event will take place this Saturday and Sunday, December 8-9 at Jackson Park in Hendersonville, N.C. For more information on the Hunter Subaru North Carolina Cyclocross Grand Prix, go to www.nccyclocross.com

Following this weekend's race in Hendersonville, N.C., the Tornados will travel to the USA Cycling Cyclocross National Championships to be held December 11-16 in Louisville, Ky.



(Left to right) Brevard College student-athletes Audrey Cardwell, Hannah Dickson, Kaitlin Chaump and Nicole Rusden after a successful SECCC Cyclocross Championship in Swannanoa, N.C.

Lockwood named Rookie of the Week

By BC Tornados

The USA South Conference announced that freshman center Avery Lockwood has been named USA South Rookie of the Week for the week ending on December 2. The announcement marks the first-ever USA South regular season accolade for the Tornados Women's Basketball team.

Avery Lockwood, the Foxworth, Mississippi freshman center controlled the boards as she averaged 12.3 rebounds to go along with 5.3 points, 1.7 steals and 1.3 assists per game in a 3-0 week for the Tornados. In 72-45 win over Toccoa Falls, Lockwood scored six points with 14 rebounds, a career-high three steals, two assists, and one block. In a 64-57 win

over Bob Jones, Lockwood totaled six points, eight rebounds, and one steal. Finally, in an 84-30 victory over USA South foe Wesleyan, Lockwood posted four points, a career-high 15 rebounds, two assists, one steal, and one block.

Lockwood currently ranks fourth in the USA South Conference, averaging 9.7 rebounds per game. Per 40 minutes, Lockwood's rebounding total jumps to a conference-leading 21.5 rebounds per contest.

Lockwood and the rest of the 2018-19 Tornados Women's Basketball team (5-1, 1-0 USAS) are back in action as they host Maryville College on Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Boshamer Gymnasium.



Avery Lockwood