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Snowmania 2018

Winter Storm Diego leaves its mark

By Jeni Welch
Editor in Chief

After recovering from a foot of snow, the Brevard College campus has nearly returned to normalcy. Students enjoyed the break from studying for finals to have snowball fights and to go sledding.

The snow from Winter Storm Diego started on Saturday, Dec. 8 at around 3 p.m. and did not stop until noon on Sunday. During the snowfall, BC experienced campus wide power outages along with the rest of the county.

Power was back on for most of the upper portion of campus by early Sunday morning with the rest of campus regaining power not long after.

Along with the issue of the power outages, students also had to work around problems with IT and the internet being down. The large amount of snow left the library closed through Monday.

A campus wide email read, "Remember that Library resources are available 24/7 through our website. Librarians are available through email and chat, as well (when we aren't out playing in the snow)."

With finals looming around the snow day fun, IT worked to restore internet access and important sites like MyBC and Sakai quickly.

The school made plans for the rescheduling of finals and sent out emails with information about where students needed to go if power was lost to their building.

Email, phone call and text alerts were used to update students regarding power outages and exam rescheduling.

Finals were cancelled for Sunday and Monday due to the bad weather conditions. Those finals were rescheduled for later in the week.

Some areas of Transylvania County experienced power outages until Tuesday and saw snow accumulations of up to 18 inches.

Mount Mitchell received the largest amount of snow from the storm with 34 inches, according to The Weather Channel.

Fallen trees and downed power lines made the waiting times longer as the power companies worked around the clock to fix the problems.

According to the Asheville Citizen-Times, "At midday Sunday, more than 76,000 Duke Energy customers were without electricity in WNC, and Duke Energy had some 9,000 workers out in the Carolinas to restore power."

The storm first left snow in California at the Alpine Meadows Ski Resort and then moved across the lower Midwest gaining moisture from the Gulf of Mexico before dumping snow on Arkansas, South Carolina, North Carolina and then up through Kentucky and Maryland.

This is the first snow of the winter season in WNC and with warmer temperatures and rain in the future forecast it will not be long until it melts away.



Photo by Lucas Gomez



Photo by Mary Lew

Above: Students huddled together in an igloo they built outside the Villages on campus Sunday. (From left to right) Nathan Boepple, Hannah Arensman, Sam Schaer, Emilie Abbott, Malyne Petoia, Gabe Neckolaishen, Duncan McWilliam-Grench, Ivy Blanton, Abi Fuesler, Matt Stephens, Taylor Everard and Danielle Brown.

Left: Brevard College's campus was transformed into a winter wonderland after over a foot of snow poured down Saturday and Sunday. Downed limbs were seen in many areas on campus, as were picturesque winter views, such as this one just outside of Green Hall

Joyce to the World

The holidays have officially hit Brevard College; with the recent tree lighting, the freezing temperatures, and the ending of another semester coming, people have become more enthusiastic around campus.

Last Thursday, Nov. 29, students gathered in President David Joyce’s house to kick off the holiday season with an annual tradition. David Joyce made it his goal to give the students of the campus a night to relax and kick back with friends, food and a reading of a classic Christmas tale. Having carried on the tradition from both Union College and Ripon College, Joyce says he enjoys giving students the fun that comes with it.

The students were more than ready to enjoy the yearly event. With ample decoration, cookies and cocoa, and good times all around, students enjoyed the reading of “The Night Before Christmas”, and joined in with “oohs” and “aahs” every other line.

All in all, the yearly tradition is open to every student, and David Joyce and his wife Lynne always love to share these fun times with the student body.
—Kenny Cheek



Photo by Kenny Cheek

(Left) Dr. David Joyce reads “The Night Before Christmas” to students as they enjoy some holiday treats. (Right) Students Summer Wilson, Kaitlynn Farmer and Kendall Brackin pose in front of the Christmas tree with Santa Claus.



Photo by Kenny Cheek

An Update to Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week

By Kenny Cheek
Staff Writer

I would like to start out this article by issuing an official apology from myself to all the students, faculty and community members who were involved with planning and executing the events from Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week right before Thanksgiving. A lot of work and dedication went into the event without being fully recognized in the article in the Nov. 28, 2018 issue. Thanks to Beth Abrams for contacting the Clarion and getting the word out.

The events that have occurred on this campus usually are done in order to help the student body get out of their dorms and to become more social with their community, and the events for Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week were used to allow them to show care for less fortunate members of that community.

Students volunteered their hours to helping at places like the Haven and the Bread of Life. It was a way to give back to those who truly need a helping hand. Students were also granted the opportunity to see an event that gifted a week’s worth of food to 50 families in need in Polk County.

Some may have wondered where their canned goods they donated during the Harvest Fest went to, and they can rest assured knowing that they were used to benefit people who need them. The

cans collected were given to local food pantries to prepare for November’s “Stock the Pantry”.

Clothing was also donated for the event; 37 coats were collected during the coat drive and other winter necessities were donated at the Rockin Bowl Bowling Alley. The students of Brevard College were extremely charitable and truly made the event a success.

Other ways students can get involved with helping out their community is to volunteer for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing during the Christmas Parade that is coming up in December. A Toy Drive for children is also being hosted by Angel Tree.

Donations for Angel Tree were accepted through December 8, it allowed students another opportunity to give back to their community.

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New members of Alpha Chi and Omicron Delta Kappa inducted

By Mary Lewe
Copy Editor

Students, faculty and staff gathered on Tues., Dec. 4 to honor new members of Alpha Chi National Honor Society and Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society.

Professor of physics Dr. Michael Castelaz organized the event and Dr. Mel Bringle gave a speech titled “Goose Sense” before new members were inducted.

Dr. Bringle’s speech encouraged students to embrace some habits of the Canada goose by helping others, encouraging one another and standing by those in tough circumstances.

Bringle’s inspiring and creative words set the stage for a night of

reverent celebration.

Alpha Chi has existed since 1922 and accepts juniors or seniors in the top 10 percent of their class, in this case the students held GPAs ranging from 3.8 to 4.0.

Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) is a national honor society which recognizes “leadership in academics, athletics, service, communications, and the arts,” according to the evening’s bulletin. Brevard College was selected for a Circle of ODK in 2000.

Each student was accompanied by a sponsor, who presented them with their pin.

Fall 2018 Alpha Chi Inductees

Students	Sponsors
Caroline David	Tim Powers
Tim Oliver Hengst	Steve Woodsmall
Alexis Kai Henley	Ralph Hamlett
Sidney Maria Holloway	Kyle Lusk
Ashley Hughes	Juan Mascaro
Kiara Jordan	Sharad Creasman
Mary Hazel Lewe	Sarah Maveety
Xavier Enrique Mariduena	Juan Mascaro
Hallie Elizabeth Moore	Michael Castelaz
Cameron Lee Ranslow	Bailey Varley
Molly Riddle	Jessica Wiegandt
Caroline Huntley Safford	Sarah Maveety
Courtney Sharp	Elizabeth Fuller

Current Members of Alpha Chi

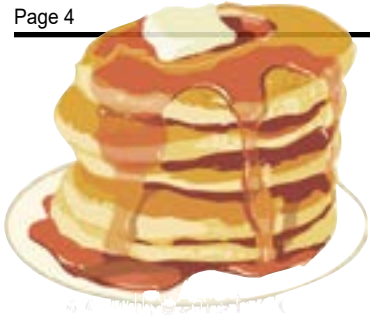
- Daniel Brown
- Hunter Denney
- Daniel Ethridge
- Sara Haga
- Justin Harris
- Megan Orr
- Lance Perl
- Shannon Summitt
- Jenifer Welch
- Jessica Wiegandt

Fall 2018 Omicron Delta Kappa Inductees

Students	Sponsors
Molly Anne Brown	John Buford
Audrey Anette Cardwell	Maureen Drinkard
Kailin Renee Chaump	John Buford
Rebecca Megan Harris	Tim Powers
Tim Oliver Hengst	Steve Woodsmall
Alexis Kai Henley	Ralph Hamlett
Derrick Hill	Michael Castelaz
Sidney Maria Holloway	Kyle Lusk
Mary Hazel Lewe	Sarah Maveety
Dianna Carolina Loaiza	Kristin Rosato
Xavier Enrique Mariduena	Juan Mascaro
Emma Jean Moore	Margaret Brown
Olivia Michelle Murray	Kyle Lusk
Lance Joseph Perl	Lisa Busche
Cameron Lee Ranslow	Bailey Varley
Caroline Huntley Safford	Sarah Maveety
Megan Shina	Steve Woodsmall
Dora Kathryn Wiesecke	Sarah Maveety
Erica Rose Zuffery	Sarah Maveety
Faculty and Staff	Sponsors
Kristina Holland	Mel Bringle
Mary Harris	Mel Bringle
Nacole Potts	Shirley Arnold
Michael Castelaz	Shirley Arnold
Amy Hertz	Shirley Arnold

Current Members of Omicron Delta Kappa

Faith Caroline Alexander	Megan Samantha Orr	Mel Bringle
Daniel Trey Brown	Haley LeAnn Putnam	Betsy Burrows
Caroline Elizabeth David	Ashley Taylor Scovel	Michael Cohen
Katelyn Marie Didio	Courtney Suzanne Sharp	Robert Dye, Jr.
Daniel Mark Ethridge	Shannon Nicole Summitt	Ann Garren
Justin Paul Harris	Jenifer Aileen Welch	Ralph Hamlett
Ashley Kristin Elizabeth Hughes	Jessica Patricia Wiegandt	Jennifer Kafsky
Kiara Alivia-Jewel Jordan	Shirley Arnold	Caron Surret
Hallie Elizabeth Moore		



Pancake Break!

Every semester, Brevard College holds an event called Pancake Break. Traditionally it is held at 10 p.m. the evening before finals begin. It is a chance for students to come and take a study break during exam week and eat pancakes.

There are many toppings available for the pancakes such as sprinkles, maple syrup, chocolate syrup, chocolate chips, whipped cream and much more. Students are allowed to go back to get a second or third plate and load up their pancakes up with whatever they want.

This semester's pancake break was last night, Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 10 p.m. in Myers. It is a very well attended event each year. There is music, friendship and delicious pancakes. It is a wonderful way to give students a chance to relax before finals and a great reminder that winter break is right around the corner.

— Carmen Boone



(Left) Students had plenty of toppings to choose from at Tuesday evening's Pancake Break.



(Right) Myers Dining Hall filled with students taking a respite from finals week studying and playing in the snow.

Both photographs by Carmen Boone.

Your weekly horoscope

By Mary Lewe

Aries

You've got the urge to be your most authentic self. Maybe you're tired of the games others have been playing, or perhaps it's been you who's played too much this year. Step into a vulnerable space and let the truth be known.

Taurus

Holding a grudge only hurts you. Consider saying sayonara to whoever is keeping you up at night. No need to make yourself feel worse. Instead, be on the lookout for someone new who makes you feel at ease.

Gemini

Confused by recent interactions? Try to see things through a logical lens, but be cautious that your logical mind isn't biased toward negative outcomes. Speak up for yourself, but allow a bit more optimism before you do.

Cancer

It's time for something brand new this week. Whether you meet your latest crush, or begin conceptualizing a big trip, there is room for something big in your life. Check out a new location to get some inspiration.

Leo

Not feeling the festive holiday vibes? Indulge in a bit of vanity to get into party mode. Once you've bolstered your confidence, set your focus on others. Then, get ready to contemplate the reason for your holiday season.

Virgo

Have you fallen behind on holiday preparations? Get out the wrapping paper and mistletoe, or search for your grandma's famous cookie recipe. Your relationships may be settling down, so try to focus on being cozy rather than bored.

Libra

You may be feeling pressure to "fix" your friends' problems for them. Know that your willingness to help could come off as judgemental. Instead, focus on your own health and let your friends work at their own pace.

Scorpio

You may be interested in someone new this winter, but make sure they aren't already taken before you get your hopes up. Your romantic side may be making you flightier than usual, so don't let yourself be caught off guard.

Sagittarius

You've finally made up your mind about an important matter, so don't be shy. Let people know how you feel. Let yourself celebrate the end of this week, even if you do so by spending some much needed time at home.

Capricorn

You're ready to call this semester a done deal, and you've really earned it! Take extra time with friends and loved ones, but not just out of holiday obligation. Instead, dive deep in conversation. Be present with your pals.

Aquarius

Considering hosting a party this winter? Don't hesitate! You naturally analyze your ideas, and you could be acting as your own worst enemy. Let yourself dream and discover what it is you really want from 2019.

Pisces

Work worries? There's still time to make moves toward your professional goals this year. Remember that you can find networking opportunities in strange places, so be sure to put your best foot forward!

Top five myths about working for The Clarion

1. “I’m not an English major, so they probably don’t need me.”

The Clarion welcomes any student, regardless of major, to serve on our staff. In fact, we *encourage* students from other majors to join us because only that way can we truly represent everyone. Whether you major in fine arts, science and math, experiential education or business and social science, we need your expertise to cover all that Brevard College has to offer.

2. “I can’t write that well, so I wouldn’t be of much use.”

As a newspaper, The Clarion does of course welcome anyone with an ability to write and report news, but we also need photographers, artists, graphic designers, business people, and more. We especially want cartoonists, whether to do a regular strip or for editorial cartoons.

3. “I don’t know anything about working for a newspaper.”

Very few people do ... until they’ve actually done so. If you join the Clarion staff, you will learn what goes into the creation of the campus newspaper, including knowledge and skills that will help you in whatever field you go into after graduation.

4. “I’m sure they have plenty of staff already.”

Nope. The number on our staff changes from semester to semester, but we could always benefit from more. And the larger our staff, the better we are able to serve the needs of the Brevard College community.

5. “There’s nothing in it for me.”

This is perhaps the most bogus myth of all. Working on the newspaper has numerous rewards, both tangible and intangible. Clarion staff experience looks great on a résumé, even if you’re not pursuing a journalism career. It opens the door for internships and the possibility of traveling to college media workshops and conventions. And on top of everything else, you can earn academic credit by signing up for COM 108.

COM 108, “Newspaper Workshop,” is worth 1 credit and will be Wednesdays at 9:30–10:30 a.m. in the Spring semester.

BC Men's Basketball beats Averett

By Joseph Marvin

Assistant Sports Information Director

A big night from junior forward Levi Lamb and a monumental last possession defensive stop pushed the Brevard College Tornados Men's Basketball team (4-4, 1-1 USAS) past the Averett Cougars (0-7, 0-1 USAS) in a thrilling USA South Conference matchup late Friday evening at the Boshamer Gymnasium.

The Tornados improve to the .500 mark both overall and in conference play. Brevard, who will now embark on a season-long five game road trip, has played a perfect 3-0 home schedule to open the 2018-2019 season.

"Our team showed incredible resolve," Head Coach Lee Burges said following Brevard's triumph. "The second half by and large did not go our way, but we were able to make some big plays down the stretch and stuck with it to get over the hump."

Lamb set a new single-game career high mark with an efficient 24-point outing, shooting a remarkable 10-of-14 from the field which included 3-of-4 from long range. Lamb grabbed a game and season-high nine rebounds and swatted four Cougar shot attempts away for a season-high four blocks.

"Levi was great for us all night," added Coach Burgess. "He made a big block at the end to seal it and made some great plays offensively. He threw in a big three with the shot clock expiring late that helped us shift momentum our way."

Freshman center Drew Mosley left his mark on this contest in a big way. Mosley showed great range shooting a perfect 4-of-4 from the 3-point arch. Three of Mosley's long-range

connections came in a row, as the Southport, N.C. native drilled back-to-back-to-back attempts to ignite the crowd at the Bosh.

"Drew was great for us off the bench," said Coach Burgess. "4-of-4 from 3-point range was big for us. Someone on our bench has been able to step up huge for us night in and night out, and tonight that was Drew."

Junior guard Qadhafi Turner and senior guard Ke'Vel Kingsberry also turned in double-digit scoring performances for the Tornados. Turner tallied 10 points on 4-of-6 shooting, while Kingsberry added 10 points, including a perfect 4-of-4 from the charity stripe.

Both sides played a tight first half with neither able to gain much separation. Tied at 31-31 late in the stanza, a Turner 3-pointer gave Brevard a 34-31 lead. Averett would call a timeout to draw up a final play before the half ended. However, Lamb came up big for the Tornados, stripping the ball free from Harrison Cochran and slamming it down on the other end at the buzzer to send the Tornados into the intermission with a 36-31 advantage.

The Cougars started the second half on fire. After a Lamb 2-pointer extended Brevard's lead to a game-high seven points, Averett utilized a quick 9-0 scoring run to take a 40-38 lead. Vince Contreras, who broke out for a career-high 31 points, scored all nine Averett points during its scoring run.

The two sides would jockey back and forth, but with Averett holding an upper hand propelled by Contreras' strong outing. Averett held two separate six-point leads (15:10, 3:09), with the latter vaulting the Cougars to a 70-64

lead with just 3:09 left in regulation.

Like most great veteran leaders, Lamb stepped in and took things over for his team. Brevard ended the game on an unforgettable 9-0 run to earn a hard-fought victory.

Lamb knocked in the back end of two free throws to cut Averett's lead to 70-65 with 2:51 left. Following a defensive stop, Lamb once again found the bottom of the net to slice Averett's lead to 70-67 with 2:16 remaining.

The Tornados once again made a key defensive stop, forcing Contreras to take a tough, contested shot. Lamb would drill a monumental shot from long distance as the shot clock expired to knot things up at 70-70 with a mere 1:21 remaining.

The Tornados' defensive stalwart Turner picked the pocket of Contreras, which led to a clutch fastbreak layup by senior captain Kingsberry, giving Brevard a slim 72-70 advantage.

Following an Averett timeout, the Tornados' stingy defense once again forced Contreras to take a contested shot, stopping the Cougars' efforts. Turner was fouled and sent to the line, and he converted the back end of his free throw attempts to extend Brevard's lead to 73-70 with only 23 seconds left. Averett called its final timeout on the game's final possession.

Sophomore forward Cannon Lamb made the first emphatic defensive stop for Brevard, blocking a Montre' Cash 3-point attempt. Cash secured his own rebound and dished the ball out to Timothy Henry, who was forced to take an off-balance contested 3-pointer. Levi Lamb, the game's hero, promptly swatted Henry's attempt away to end the game and give the Tornados their fourth win of the season and first conference win.

Brevard as a team recorded a game-high nine steals, causing havoc late in the contest. The Tornados shot a very impressive 58.1 percent (25-of-43) from the field, which included 10-of-17 from long distance. Both sides matched up evenly in the rebounding column, as both Brevard and Averett recorded 30 boards apiece.

Averett controlled the paint for much of the contest, outscoring Brevard by a 38-24 margin in the paint. Brevard's benched edged out Averett's, outscoring the Cougars by a 22-17 mark. Averett dug itself into foul trouble early in the second half, as the Cougars reached the bonus midway through the second stanza. The game saw nine total lead changes and was tied 10 times.

The Tornados will enjoy a well-deserved nine days off before returning to USA South action. Brevard will travel to LaGrange (4-3, 1-1 USAS) on Sunday, Dec. 16 for a 3 p.m. tip-off.



Photo by Tommy Moss

The Tornados beat Averett by 3 points at Friday's game.