

BC responds to global pandemic

College extends spring break, moves to online classes for at least two weeks

The coronavirus pandemic officially hit home on Thursday, March 12, 2020.

That was the day on which Brevard College students, staff and faculty received word from BC president David Joyce that the college's response to the pandemic was to extend spring

break by one week and very likely move to online classes starting on Monday, March 23. That decision to move to online classes was made official a few days later.

Brevard College's change in its method of instruction falls in line with nearly every other

college, university and school in the United States. The rapid transition to online education has affected nearly every institution of higher education and school district in the nation. The World Health Organization officially labeled the outbreak a global pandemic on March 11, the first pandemic for WHO since the H1N1 outbreak of 2009.

President Joyce's email the next day acknowledged the impact of the outbreak on Brevard College students, staff and faculty. "This is a very unique and rapidly changing time," he wrote. "All of us are well aware of the spread of the COVID-19 virus and angst and anxiety associated with these developments."

Joyce said it was important for all of us to be patient and supportive, and he pledged to be transparent in informing the campus community of steps being taken to respond to the pandemic. "Perhaps our greatest asset is our campus community," he wrote. "Calling ourselves a family, is more than a wish, it is a reality. Now we have the opportunity to demonstrate it to the wider community."

BC's response to COVID-19

The latest information about the college's COVID-19 plans can be found on this website, <https://brevard.edu/covid-19-updates/>.



Photo by Zach Dickerson

A parking lot near Beam, Jones and Stanback residence halls was virtually deserted earlier today. Students were informed not to return to campus unless they got special permission to do so.

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BC response to COVID-19 outbreak

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As of today, key items that will affect students are as follows:

- Classes will move to an online format starting Monday, March 23 until at least April 3, with the possibility of extending online classes further into the semester.
- All athletic contests (games, tournaments) have been canceled for the remainder of the spring semester.
- Students requesting to return to campus for any reason must email campuslife@brevard.edu to receive permission and guidance before returning to campus.
- For students who are on campus, BC Dining Services announced via an email today that starting Monday, March 23, meals (lunch and dinner) will be delivered to the lobby of your residence hall, and you must fill out an online form to reserve a meal for each day. Check your email for more information.

The college's COVID-19 Updates website also includes pages with changes to the academic calendar and pandemic guidelines for BC faculty, staff and students. Some important points on these pages are as follows:

- Advising for the fall 2020 semester will take place virtually with your academic adviser for two weeks, from March 23 to April 3.
- The job and grad fair scheduled for March 26 has been canceled.
- Pre-registration for fall 2020 will begin as scheduled on April 5.
- College officials are considering alternate plans for Honors and Awards Day (April 21) and for Commencement Weekend (May 8-9), though no changes have been made as of right now.
- All students, staff and faculty are urged to read through all of the guidelines on this website and to check your email frequently for updates or changes.

Moving to online classes

The move to online classes for at least two weeks starting on Monday, March 23 will present some special challenges for everyone. In an email to the campus yesterday, Vice President for Academic Affairs Scott Sheffield acknowledged the difficulties and provided some helpful information.

The two-week online period from March 23 to April 3 will be a time for transition during which college officials will monitor what

is happening and assess our ability to transition to online classes effectively before deciding what to do after April 3. "Let me assure you that we will make a decision on what we will do next as soon as we can," Sheffield said.

Of utmost importance for students is to prepare for what comes next.

"Right now, it is important for you to focus on getting ready to participate in your classes online," Sheffield wrote in the email. "Your professors are working to move course content online for you to access beginning on Monday. Be sure that you read your campus email and login to your courses in Sakai to find out what you need to do for each class.

"Login to your classes BEFORE the time they are normally scheduled when you are on campus. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact your instructors. They care about you and want you to succeed."

Sheffield also included the link to a support website designed to help students as we shift to online classes: <https://sites.google.com/brevard.edu/onlinestudents/>. (You may have to login with your brevard.edu Google account to view this website.) The site includes a page of what to expect, a list of common issues students might face, and a page on how you can be successful in online classes. The page also has a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page, and Sheffield encouraged students to check the page and your campus email for occasional updates.

Good communication is key to thriving in online class environments. "Please do not hesitate to contact your instructor immediately with your questions and concerns," Sheffield said.

A Note from the Editor

As all of you are now aware, Brevard College decided to extend Spring Break for an extra week and has put online classes in place for at least the next two weeks. Because of this, the Clarion staff will not be able to meet as we regularly do, but we remain committed to reporting and serving BC as much as possible. Consequently, we will continue to put out issues for the remainder of the semester as we work remotely, including this issue.

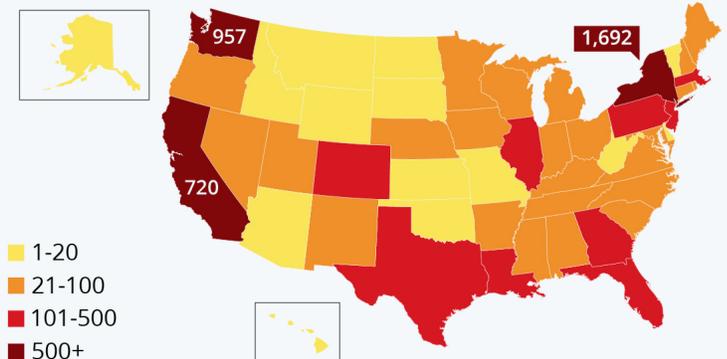
Also in this issue, because the NCAA has suspended athletics for the remainder of this semester, we felt that it was best to include as many articles as we could about all of the sports that have occurred since the last issue we published on March 4.

We will be publishing for now in electronic format only, but as I say, we are strongly committed to serving the college as much as possible and we will do whatever we can during this time to report on the college and the world.

—Zach Dickerson,
editor in chief

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in the U.S.

U.S. states with current COVID-19 cases, by number of patients infected*



California figure includes U.S. passengers on Grand Princess cruise ship
* as of March 18, 2020 6 a.m. EST

Sources: Johns Hopkins University, CDC



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Around 6,500 cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in the U.S. as of today, according to the CDC and Johns Hopkins University. As seen in the map at left, all states are now affected, with West Virginia logging its first case despite having tested only 137 people so far. Hardest hit are California, Washington state and New York state, where at 6 a.m. today there were 720, 957 and a whopping 1,692 active cases. Case numbers in Texas and Pennsylvania have also been rising rapidly and reached 129 and 115, respectively, as of 6 a.m. today.

Coronavirus: A global pandemic

President Trump declares national state of emergency two days after WHO officially labels COVID-19 a global pandemic

By Eleanor Flannery
Sports Editor

On Friday, March 13, President Donald Trump signed documentation declaring a national state of emergency in the United States in response to the coronavirus pandemic. In addition, the World Health Organization labeled the outbreak “a public health emergency of international concern.”

During the COVID-19 media briefing, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, the Director General of W.H.O, stated, “W.H.O. has been assessing this outbreak around the clock and we are deeply concerned both by the alarming

levels of spread and severity, and by the alarming levels of inaction. We have therefore made the assessment that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic.”

President Trump also enacted a travel ban on 26 European nations, as well as on England and the Republic of Ireland, restricting incoming airline flights. The U.K. was initially exempt from the list of European nations under the ban, but was soon modified after the Trump administration took into account the growing number of cases in the U.K. and Ireland. The ban applies to non-Americans who have been in the Schengen border-free travel area within 14 days of traveling to the U.S.

In response to the President’s actions and W.H.O. updates, the United States has been taking extreme but appropriate measures to try and contain the spread of the virus. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends individuals follow their released guidelines in order to best protect themselves and those around them.

As of March 15, the CDC recommended that no gatherings with 50 people or more take place for the next eight weeks to slow the spread. This includes conferences, festivals, parades, concerts, sporting events, weddings and other large assemblies, though the announcement excludes some organizations such as colleges and businesses.

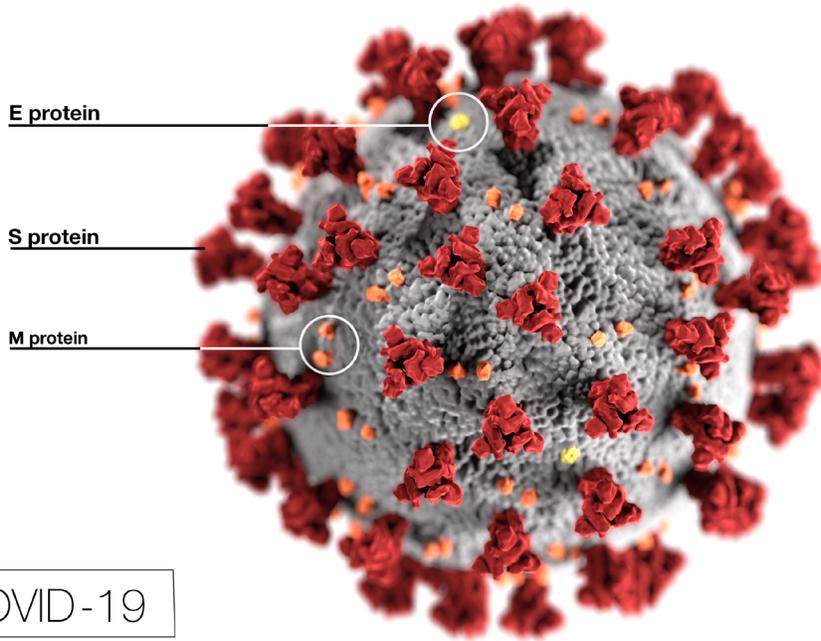
“Large events and mass gatherings can contribute to the spread of COVID-19 in the United States via travelers who attend these events and introduce the virus to new communities,” the agency said in its newest guidelines.

As of March 16, there are at least 3,482 confirmed coronavirus cases in 49 states, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands and Washington DC, according to the U.S. government and the CDC. At least 65 people have died. West Virginia remains the only state without any confirmed cases.

On a closer level, many Americans have experienced inconveniences in their day-to-day lives, including earlier closings of restaurants, shopping centers and community centers. The shutdown of Disneyland in California was announced “in an effort to contain the rapidly growing coronavirus pandemic.”

According to Vox, “...the Walt Disney Company confirmed it would be also closing Walt Disney World Resort in Florida and Disneyland Paris for the rest of the month starting Monday, March 16, marking the first time in history all six Disney theme park resorts would be closed simultaneously.”

The effect of the coronavirus is being felt on Brevard College’s campus, with steps being taken to ensure students’ and faculty’s safety. With spring break extended until March 22, classes are to be resumed online starting Monday, March 23. To stay updated, make sure to check out the updates on BC’s COVID-19 precautions, posted on the college’s website at Brevard.edu.



COVID-19

This illustration, created at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), reveals ultrastructural morphology exhibited by coronaviruses. Note the spikes that adorn the outer surface of the virus, which impart the look of a corona surrounding the virion, when viewed electron microscopically. In this view, the protein particles E, S, and M, also located on the outer surface of the particle, have all been labeled as well.

A novel coronavirus, named Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), was identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness first detected in Wuhan, China in 2019. The illness caused by this virus has been named coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

For more resources from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), please see pages 7-10 of this issue of The Clarion.

The Caulerpa Taxifolia

By Soloman Turner
Contributor

Caulerpa taxifolia is a species of green macroalgae that is in the genus comprised of the largest single celled organisms on earth. While it is single celled it has a complex appearance that is aesthetically pleasing with neatly arranged leaf-like fronds. Don't let it fool you though, it is one of the Mediterranean's most invasive species and is one of the top 100 most invasive species in the world according to the Global Invasive Species Database.

When the first invasive patch was discovered in 1984 outside the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco, there were huge concerns throughout the Mediterranean area that this algae would outcompete the entire aquatic flora in the sea according to Pierre Madl and Maricela Yip, professors at the University of Salzburg. This invasion wouldn't have happened on its own as the wild species, native to the warm pacific

waters, does not grow well in cool water. This was in fact completely due to inadvertent artificial selection in the Wilhelma Zoo, in Germany.

This highly adept invasive species started out as a normal algae used as an aquarium decoration in tropical exhibits. Through numerous years of breeding in the Wilhelma Zoo along with exposure to UV light and chemicals, genes in the algae were altered, allowing it to grow in aquatic conditions outside its normal range. Due to this unique discovery, it was shipped all over the world to numerous aquariums. This is how it ended up in the Mediterranean in the shadow of the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco.

Since its discovery in the Mediterranean, it has since grown unchecked but generally limited to rocky environments, according to a study published in the Italian Journal of Zoology. Like most invasive organisms, it lacks native controls, which in this case is due to its unique toxins called caulerpicin, which make it unpalatable for potential predators according to a journal article published by Nature. However, for some strange reason, the study published by the Italian Journal of Zoology found that Caulerpa taxifolia infestations had similar fish biodiversity as non-invaded environments with some indicators pointing to a benthic food source surviving among the invasive algae.

With additional contradictory findings to the actual destructiveness of Caulerpa taxifolia, there is much controversy over the actual potential threat that this species causes. In many

coastal cities, according to Aquarium Design, the algae are successful in establishing itself in polluted, oxygen depleted, nutrient heavy areas around sewage outfalls. In these areas it has a remediation effect increasing dissolved oxygen levels and boosting the health of the polluted environment.

Even though it may have beneficial effects in polluted environments, this super strain of Caulerpa taxifolia is not looked upon kindly by the global standard, as it can grow in depths up to 100 feet, forming with an average growth rate of three inches per week. According to NOAA fisheries, a small infestation was found off the coast of California likely due improper disposal of the algae by an aquarium owner. This triggered a response by the Southern California Caulerpa Action Team which involved poisoning the algae with chlorine. While killing some non-targets, this action was deemed inevitable.

California has since passed a law in 2001 preventing the ownership, transport, or sale of Caulerpa taxifolia and any other species under the genus Caulerpa. Caulerpa taxifolia is also listed under the Federal Noxious Weed Act and the Federal Plant Protection Act, preventing its importation, transport, interstate and online sale.

No matter what your stance is regarding the actual invasiveness of this algae you should not release or flush any aquarium plants, animals, or algae into the wild, for any reason. If you no longer want your aquatic décor be sure to dispose of it properly by drying them out or submerging in a bleach solution.

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Courtesy of National Geographic

Caulerpa Taxifolia on the sea floor.

Weekly Horoscopes

— Mickayla Smith

Aries: You may notice that things are working out as you wanted them to. You haven't seemed to feel this way in a long time. Everything is looking positive except for one nagging issue. Focus on what makes you happy now, and if that nagging issue doesn't go away on its own- fix it.

Taurus: Don't compare your achievements to others. You are special, not everyone has what you have. Don't let insecurities get in the way of your own personal happiness.

Gemini: You are always surrounded by people it seems. However, this week be prepared to find yourself in higher demand. People may ask you to join something big because they see your potential. Take this opportunity.

Cancer: Someone has been needy lately, and it's beginning to get overwhelming. Everyone deserves a break, whether it is easy or difficult. This person may be in need right now, but in order for you to take care of them, you have to take care of yourself first.

Leo: Take time to finish plotting out your ideas before you share them with other people. Your energy is high right now, so there is room for error. Take it one step at a time, and see where that takes you.

Virgo: You and another person are debating on a joint partnership. You may get along as friends, but will you two be good business partners? Take time to think about all of the pros and cons before committing to anything serious.

Libra: This is your chance to let go of anything that has been weighing you down for a long time. Something you have never experienced before will shed some light on the situation you have been dealing with.

Scorpio: Don't fear compromise. Sometimes we cannot get our way and we have to meet in the middle. You are not letting your guard down when you compromise.

Sagittarius: Lately you have kept to yourself more, but this week, all that will change. You have been working on yourself and formulating goals to accomplish. Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort box and experience new things; you could learn something.

Capricorn: You may be feeling misunderstood at the beginning of the week. Not everyone understands how your mind works, so take time this week to be more thorough in communicating what you want.

Aquarius: Things may seem to be going as they always do, but be prepared for life to throw you a curveball. Something that you say or do could ruffle someone's feathers. However, don't pay too much attention to this because some people need time to adjust to a new idea or opinion.

Pisces: You may have recently started a goal that you have pushed away for many years. Achieving this goal may be difficult to start up again, but it's worth it. So far, people are starting to notice every little change.

Metaphysical Properties of Crystals

By Mikayla Smith
Staff Writer

Crystals and gemstones have had an important purpose alongside human existence for thousands of years. We can find ruins of how important crystals and gemstones were to the ancient Sumerians, Egyptians, and people in the Middle Ages, even to this day.

Stanford scholar Marisa Galvez chose to work on a comprehensive history of the relationship between humans and stone through the centuries. "The physical qualities of crystal make it stand out among other stones," Galvez said. "Its ability to refract light and its transparent but dark appearance are partially the reason why so many different cultures and societies ascribed magical powers to this stone." Whether you believe in gemstone's metaphysical properties or not, a lot of people have found a power within these little pieces of Earth that vary in reason.

Gemstones and crystals have numerous important qualities. They can be used to heal (physical or mental ailments), protect, activate self-awareness, shed negative energy or capture positive energy. Lately, the healing properties of crystals and gems have become prevalent in today's modern culture. We can see this

practice of crystal/gemstone healing in spas, holistic facilities, reiki, a massage therapist's practice, and some mental health professionals incorporate stones into their practice as well.

However, crystal and gemstone healing isn't backed by science. Many medical professionals think crystal/gem healing is a pseudoscience. It's difficult to see the correspondence between how the healing powers of stones affect physical ailments of the body and mind. These ailments aren't found to be part of someone's energy flow

naturally. Some say that crystal/gem healing is just a placebo effect. Even if a person feels like this stone healing is working, studies have shown that there is no physical difference in someone's body chemistry when getting treated with crystal/gems. With this being said if you find that this metaphysical practice of using gems/crystals for healing life's troubles work for you - do it, no one is stopping you.

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Courtesy of Mikayla Smith

Crystals Beware the Ides of March

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Sometimes having something that you can physically hold in your hand or placed on your body with an intention can really make an impact on a person's health. Stones are anchoring and keep someone's mind "in the now." They keep you present "in the moment" or ease your energy. Here is a list of some crystals/gemstone's powers and meanings. Whatever you seem to be drawn to, take time to research about it; it may change your life.

Agate: Overall working with mental health and energy. Discovery of truth, memory, and healing. Overcoming sadness.

Amethyst: Treats depression, anxiety and reduces stress. May avoid drunkenness.

Bloodstone: Fertility, and abundance.

Carnelian: Grounding and gives protection from psychic attack.

Diamond: Helps with infertility issues, sexual dysfunction, and sexual health.

Garnet: Womanhood. It sets a balance between the spiritual world and the physical world.

Hematite: Protection over your home and property.

Jade: Symbol of love, serenity, innocence, and truthfulness.

Lapis Lazuli: Lift's up the spirit. Best used when meditating or communicating with the gods.

Moonstone: Aids female reproduction, menstrual cycles, and childbirth. Wisdom and intuition radiate from this stone.

Obsidian: Draws toxins away from the body.

Quartz: Connected to love, friendships, giving and receiving love and relief from emotional issues or drama.

Sapphire: Helps in assistance with meeting your spirit guide.

Turquoise: Brings about wisdom and intuition.

Zircon: Related to sexual energy. Radiates peace, love, and beauty.

By Aia Andonovska
Arts & Life Editor

You may have heard of the saying "beware the ides of March" before in a history class, but what does it mean, exactly? It has a lot to do with Ancient Rome, Julius Caesar, and the Roman calendar, which is still in use throughout modern society.

The earliest Roman calendar is said to have been created around 753 BCE, by King Romulus. You might recognize this name from the mythological story of Romulus and Remus; the story about twin brothers raised by a she-wolf. Romulus ended up killing his brother Remus in a strategic power-play move. 753 BCE is also the date that the city of Rome was founded.

The original Roman calendar consisted of 10 months, beginning with Martius, or March. In Romulus' time, dates were configured according to lunar phases. The new moon signified the first day of the month; the quarter moon signified the fifth or seventh day of the month; and the full moon fell on either the 13 or 15 of

the month, and was called "Ides." The ides of March therefore referred to the first full moon of the year.

During the Roman Republic, festivals were held on the ides of March. People would gather on the Tiber River and celebrate with wine, food, music and offer sacrifices to the Roman goddess, Anna Perenna, for a prosperous year. The ides of March also came to symbolize the beginning of a new consular year, as consuls were elected every two years to serve the republic.

In 46 BCE, Julius Caesar consulted with an astronomer and decided that the Roman calendar should be reformed. He added 10 more days to the 355 calendar year, making January 1 the first day of the new year, and also implemented a leap year every four years. Shortly after this, Caesar was elected Dictator Perpetuus, or "dictator for life." However, Caesar was never able to fulfill this role, as his enemies were concerned with his increasing power, and murdered him on March 15, in 44 BCE. This forever connected him to the ides of March and the bad omens that came with his ill fortune.



Oil painting of Julius Caesar being assassinated.

Courtesy of Aia Andonovska

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.



Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.



Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.



Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.



Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.



Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.



cdc.gov/COVID19

SHARE FACTS ABOUT COVID-19

Know the facts about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and help stop the spread of rumors.

**FACT
1**

Diseases can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity.

Fear and anxiety about COVID-19 can cause people to avoid or reject others even though they are not at risk for spreading the virus.

**FACT
2**

For most people, the immediate risk of becoming seriously ill from the virus that causes COVID-19 is thought to be low.

Older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions may be at higher risk for more serious complications from COVID-19.

**FACT
3**

Someone who has completed quarantine or has been released from isolation does not pose a risk of infection to other people.

For up-to-date information, visit CDC's coronavirus disease 2019 web page.

**FACT
4**

There are simple things you can do to help keep yourself and others healthy.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

**FACT
5**

You can help stop COVID-19 by knowing the signs and symptoms:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Seek medical advice if you

- Develop symptoms

AND

- Have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.



Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and you

What is coronavirus disease 2019?

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus that causes COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China.

Can I get COVID-19?

Yes. COVID-19 is spreading from person to person in parts of the world. Risk of infection from the virus that causes COVID-19 is higher for people who are close contacts of someone known to have COVID-19, for example healthcare workers, or household members. Other people at higher risk for infection are those who live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

Learn more about places with ongoing spread at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/transmission.html#geographic>.

The current list of global locations with cases of COVID-19 is available on CDC's web page at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/locations-confirmed-cases.html>.

How does COVID-19 spread?

The virus that causes COVID-19 probably emerged from an animal source, but is now spreading from person to person. The virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It also may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads. Learn what is known about the spread of newly emerged coronaviruses at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/transmission.html>.

What are the symptoms of COVID-19?

Patients with COVID-19 have had mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of:

- fever
- cough
- shortness of breath

What are severe complications from this virus?

Some patients have pneumonia in both lungs, multi-organ failure and in some cases death.

People can help protect themselves from respiratory illness with everyday preventive actions.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

If you are sick, to keep from spreading respiratory illness to others, you should

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

What should I do if I recently traveled from an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19?

If you have traveled from an affected area, there may be restrictions on your movements for up to 2 weeks. If you develop symptoms during that period (fever, cough, trouble breathing), seek medical advice. Call the office of your health care provider before you go, and tell them about your travel and your symptoms. They will give you instructions on how to get care without exposing other people to your illness. While sick, avoid contact with people, don't go out and delay any travel to reduce the possibility of spreading illness to others.

Is there a vaccine?

There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to take everyday preventive actions, like avoiding close contact with people who are sick and washing your hands often.

Is there a treatment?

There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms.



What to do if you are sick with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

If you are sick with COVID-19 or suspect you are infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, follow the steps below to help prevent the disease from spreading to people in your home and community.

Stay home except to get medical care

You should restrict activities outside your home, except for getting medical care. Do not go to work, school, or public areas. Avoid using public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis.

Separate yourself from other people and animals in your home

People: As much as possible, you should stay in a specific room and away from other people in your home. Also, you should use a separate bathroom, if available.

Animals: Do not handle pets or other animals while sick. See [COVID-19 and Animals](#) for more information.

Call ahead before visiting your doctor

If you have a medical appointment, call the healthcare provider and tell them that you have or may have COVID-19. This will help the healthcare provider's office take steps to keep other people from getting infected or exposed.

Wear a facemask

You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) or pets and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then people who live with you should not stay in the same room with you, or they should wear a facemask if they enter your room.

Cover your coughs and sneezes

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw used tissues in a lined trash can; immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60-95% alcohol covering all surfaces of your hands and rubbing them together until they feel dry. Soap and water should be used preferentially if hands are visibly dirty.

Avoid sharing personal household items

You should not share dishes, drinking glasses, cups, eating utensils, towels, or bedding with other people or pets in your home. After using these items, they should be washed thoroughly with soap and water.

Clean your hands often

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, covering all surfaces of your hands and rubbing them together until they feel dry. Soap and water should be used preferentially if hands are visibly dirty. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Clean all "high-touch" surfaces every day

High touch surfaces include counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets, and bedside tables. Also, clean any surfaces that may have blood, stool, or body fluids on them. Use a household cleaning spray or wipe, according to the label instructions. Labels contain instructions for safe and effective use of the cleaning product including precautions you should take when applying the product, such as wearing gloves and making sure you have good ventilation during use of the product.

Monitor your symptoms

Seek prompt medical attention if your illness is worsening (e.g., difficulty breathing). **Before** seeking care, call your healthcare provider and tell them that you have, or are being evaluated for, COVID-19. Put on a facemask before you enter the facility. These steps will help the healthcare provider's office to keep other people in the office or waiting room from getting infected or exposed.

Ask your healthcare provider to call the local or state health department. Persons who are placed under active monitoring or facilitated self-monitoring should follow instructions provided by their local health department or occupational health professionals, as appropriate.

If you have a medical emergency and need to call 911, notify the dispatch personnel that you have, or are being evaluated for COVID-19. If possible, put on a facemask before emergency medical services arrive.

Discontinuing home isolation

Patients with confirmed COVID-19 should remain under home isolation precautions until the risk of secondary transmission to others is thought to be low. The decision to discontinue home isolation precautions should be made on a case-by-case basis, in consultation with healthcare providers and state and local health departments.



Brevard College conclude Spring sports as response to COVID-19

By Joseph Marvin

Assistant Sports Information Director

(March 13, 2020) - After careful consideration in the wake of nationwide cancellations and postponements in the intercollegiate and professional sports landscape as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States, and in the best interest of the health and well-being of student-athletes, family, staff, and fans, the USA South Athletic Conference has announced the conclusion of the 2020 Spring regular season. This also extends to all USA South Conference championships and the 2020 USA South Spring Sports Festival, originally scheduled for April 23-26 in Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

As a result of this news, and in alignment with the USA South and the NCAA, the Brevard College Department of Athletics will be suspending all athletic-related activity - including competitions, practices, and travel - for the remainder of the 2020 Spring semester. This extends out to current Spring sports in

their traditional season of competition as well as Fall sports entering into their non-traditional practice seasons. The cancellation of all athletically-related activities includes Brevard College's non-NCAA sports of Cycling, Climbing, and Competitive Cheer & Dance, while also extending to the use of on-campus athletic facilities such as the weight room and gymnasiums, among other areas.

Below is the official statement and release from the USA South Conference in relation to COVID-19 and the cancellation of all remaining regular-season Spring competitions.

"Due to the ongoing spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), with the safety and well-being of students and campus communities being paramount, the Presidents' Council of the USA South Athletic Conference has unanimously decided to cancel all remaining regular season, including non-conference contests, and tournament competition in all sports for all League members, effective Monday, March 16.

Although the Conference acknowledges

the disappointment this decision creates for our student-athletes, families, and fans, it keeps the safety of those individuals and their communities at the forefront."

Release link: <https://www.usasouth.net/general/2019-20/releases/20200313i3v37n>

Below is the statement from the NCAA released on March 12:

"Today, NCAA President Mark Emmert and the Board of Governors canceled the Division I men's and women's 2020 basketball tournaments, as well as all remaining winter and spring NCAA championships. This decision is based on the evolving COVID-19 public health threat, our ability to ensure the events do not contribute to the spread of the pandemic, and the impracticality of hosting such events at any time during this academic year given ongoing decisions by other entities."

Release link: https://www.ncaa.com/live-updates/ncaa-cancels-remaining-winter-and-spring-championships-due-coronavirus-concerns?utm_campaign=hp-rr-links

Tornados sweep two in Myrtle Beach

By Joseph Marvin

Assistant Sports Information Director

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (March 10, 2020) - The Brevard College Softball team (5-5) swept its two opponents on Monday in day two of the Fast Pitch Dreams Classic at the North Myrtle Beach Sports Complex. The Tornados defeated Lancaster Bible (0-2) by the score of 3-1 followed by a 3-2 victory over Iowa Wesleyan (2-2) to complete the day two sweep.

GAME ONE - BREVARD 3, LANCASTER BIBLE 1

Freshman Alyssa Flynn (2-0) and sophomore Ali Grace Hartman earned the win and the save respectively for the second straight game.

Flynn started the contest and threw four shutout innings allowing just three hits to go along with two strikeouts and two walks. Hartman then pitched the game's final three innings, allowing no hits and an unearned run while striking out five and walking one.

The two pitchers did not allow an extra-base hit or an earned run in the combined three-hitter.

At the plate, catcher Kat Carroll and right

fielder Beth Hyatt produced the game's only multi-hit performances as Carroll went 2-for-2 and Hyatt registered a 2-for-3 performance. Third baseman Emily White went 1-for-3 with a double and two RBI. Shortstop Mikayla Morgan recorded a double and a run scored, while Lauren Dowell and Jocelyn Folkers each registered runs scored as well.

The Tornados were aided with a huge day on the base paths with a season-high seven stolen bases. Morgan and Dowell each stoke two bases to go along with steals by Hartman, Hyatt, and Brittany Franks.

The game began with neither team able to generate much offensively. Flynn retired the Chargers 1-2-3 in the top of the first with two pop-ups and a ground out, then stranded one base runner in the top half of the second and third innings. The Tornados meanwhile were unable to score runs in the first of second frames despite producing baserunners.

The complexion of the contest changed however in the bottom of the third as Dowell reached base on a fielder's choice, then stole both second and third. Folkers then put the ball

in play which resulted in a fielding error that scored Dowell. White then blasted a double to center field to score Folkers and give BC a 2-0 lead.

Brevard added another insurance run in the bottom of the fifth as Morgan led off the frame with a double to right field. Folkers then laid down a well-executed sacrifice bunt to move Morgan to second. White promptly hit an RBI ground out to score Morgan for the 3-0 lead.

All along, Flynn and Hartman kept the Charger bats in check with the only opposing run coming on a fielding error in the bottom of the fifth.

Down 3-1, Lancaster Bible had one last chance in the top of the seventh. However, Hartman did not allow a base runner retiring the Chargers 1-2-3 to ice the victory.

GAME TWO - BREVARD 3, IOWA WESLEYAN 2

Jordan Kielson (3-1) earned the win in the circle with Lea Kindrick recording her first career save to give the Tornados the two-game sweep on the day.

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BC Softball victories

By Joseph Marvin
Assistant Sports Information Director

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (March 11, 2020) - The Brevard College softball team (7-5) extended its spring break winning streak to five games, claiming victories over Penn State Harrisburg and Albertus Magnus on Tuesday afternoon at the Fastpitch Dreams Spring Classic.

The Tornados used a big five-run sixth inning to thump the Nittany Lions, 10-3, while freshman Alyssa Flynn won her third-consecutive start in a 6-0 shutout victory over the Falcons.

GAME ONE - BREVARD 10, PENN STATE HARRISBURG 3

Freshman pitching sensation Jordan Kielson (4-1) earned the start and the victory for the Tornados, pitching four innings without allowing an earned run in her outing. Fellow freshman right-handed hurler Lea Kindrick threw three quality innings of shutout ball for her second save of the 2020 season.

Junior slugger Emily White led four Tornados who logged multi-hit outings against the Nittany Lions, going 3-for-4 with two runs scored, one RBI, and a season-high three doubles. Ali Grace Hartman, Mikayla Morgan all tallied two hits apiece, while Hartman and Micayla McCoy each posted an extra-base hit.

White began her big day at the plate with a

two-out double but was thrown out at the plate on a Morgan single that kept BC off the board. Kielson forced three groundouts in the bottom of the first frame, leaving the score at 0-0.

After back-to-back one-out singles from Hartman and Bearden, Dowell laid down a sacrifice bunt that moved the runners over to second and third base with two outs in the inning. A squeeze bunt by Franks forced a fielder's choice attempt, however, Hartman beat out the throw at the plate, giving the Tornados an early 1-0 lead. Surrendering just a one-out single, Kielson kept the score in favor of BC with a strikeout and groundout.

White led off the top of the third frame with her second double of the contest that was followed by a McCoy double to left field that scored White and extended BC's advantage to a 2-0 margin. Kielson erased a two-out double from PSH with a groundout, helping the Tornados maintain their advantage.

Brevard scored a trio of runs in the top of the fourth off three hits and two Nittany Lion errors to swell its lead to a 5-0 margin. Franks drove in her second run of the game on an RBI single that was followed up by a White RBI double - her third double of the game - that scored Beth Hyatt, extending the BC advantage to four runs. White was brought home after an error, giving

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Kielson pitched six innings, allowing two runs on just three hits while striking out five and walking none. Kindrick then came on to pitch a perfect seventh inning to earn the save.

At the plate, Hartman went 2-for-3 with two RBI's, a run scored and a stolen base to lead the Tornados' attack. Left fielder Makenzie Rice was 1-for-3 with an RBI. Folkers and White also registered runs scored, while Morgan and catcher Lil Bearden also recorded hits.

After two scoreless innings, Iowa Wesleyan took a 2-0 lead with a pair of runs in the third inning.

The Tornados answered in the fourth inning with an offensive attack that began with a one-out single by White. Following a walk by Folkers, Hartman then belted a sharp ground ball to right field to score both White and Folkers and tie the game 2-2. Rice then singled up the middle to score Hartman for the

go-ahead run.

Kielson then protected the lead with a 1-2-3 inning in the fifth before stranding a runner at second in the sixth.

Kindrick entered the game to close out the game in the seventh. The freshman from West Columbia, South Carolina proceeded to strike out the first two batters she faced before forcing a flyout that was caught by BC's Hyatt in right field for the final out.

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BC Track & Field relay highlights

By Joseph Marvin
Assistant Sports Information Director

PEMBROKE, N.C. (March 6, 2020) - Brevard's 4x100 meter relay team of Jerel Dewalt, Jakob Morris, Jamerial Parks, and Mitchell Yoder claimed a win in Friday's 4x100 meter relay race to highlight a strong overall showing for the Brevard College men's and women's track & field teams at the Braves Track Classic on Friday in Pembroke, North Carolina, hosted by NCAA DII UNC Pembroke.

The relay squad posted a time of 42.91 to lead the way in the five-team field. Morris started the race, with Dewalt and Yoder in the middle, while Parks served as the team's anchor to clinch the victory down the stretch.

The Brevard 4x100 team defeated second-place Guilford (43:95) by 1.04 seconds with North Carolina Wesleyan (44:54) placing third.

Freshman distance runner Michael Fader set his collegiate personal record in his first career track & field race with a 4:52.21 time in the men's 1,500-meter event.

Also in his first collegiate race, BC's Rami Kadri finished 10th out of 25 racers with a time of 53.99 in the men's 400-meter dash. Sophomore Timmie Searcy ran a 59.03 in the same event, good for a 15th-place result.

On the women's side in the 400-meter dash, Brevard College freshman Kyndall Cochran also made an impactful collegiate debut as well with a 10th place overall result and a second place in her section with a time of 1:11.05.

Seven BC Tornados raced in the 100-meter dash with 4x100 Relay team members Parks (13th, 11:52), DeWalt (16th, 11.60), Yoder (19th, 11.80) and Morris (22nd, 11.85) leading the way for the Tornados.

The Field events were highlighted by a number of results in throwing competitions.

Five Tornados placed in the top-15 in the men's shot put led by an eighth-place finish by sophomore Ari Drake (10.73). Junior Gabriel Covington (10th, 9.88), freshman Evan McAdams (11th, 9.82), freshman Walt Robinson (12th; 9.19) and freshman Nathaniel Hill (14th, 6.54) also placed for Brevard.

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BC Women's Lacrosse wins big

By Joseph Marvin

Assistant Sports Information Director

(March 4, 2020) - Freshman attacker Autumn Kraemer continued the hot start to her collegiate career, tying the single-game program record for goals scored (nine) as the Brevard College women's lacrosse team (1-2) earned its first victory of 2020 in dominant fashion, defeating the visiting Johnson & Wales University (Denver) Wildcats (0-3), 19-8, on Wednesday evening at Ives-Lemel Family Field.

Kraemer's nine-goal performance was the third time that a BC women's lacrosse player has scored nine goals in a single game. The Stewartstown, Pennsylvania native joins Caitlyn Nemeth (April 1, 2015 vs. Lees-McRae) and Nina Siu (March 7, 2018 vs. Felician) as the only Tornados to reach the nine-goal plateau.

KC Collins bolstered Brevard's offensive attack with a six-goal, three-assist performance for a career-high nine points. Collins' six

goals marked the first six career scores for the Marietta, Georgia native's career. The sophomore attacker/goalkeeper started all 16 games last season in goal for the Tornados and has started this year's first three contests in the field. Collins' nine points in Wednesday's contest are tied for the fifth-most single-game points in BC's program history.

Sophomore midfielder Hannah Scharf added a career-best four goals, while senior attacker Kelly Wilkins dished out a career-high five assists in the victory. Wilkins' five-assist outburst is tied for third-most in a single game in program history for BC women's lacrosse.

Defensively, senior Nicole O'Connor posted a career performance with eight ground balls, while Collins added five. Collins and Kraemer hauled in a team-best five draw controls each and Savannah Colliver caused a pair of turnovers. Freshman Carlie Henning notched her first win as a starting collegiate goalkeeper, stopping nine Wildcat shots in the victory.

JWU-Denver's Ashley Guerrero led her side with three goals, while Julianna Lozada and Jocheyn Suglio each put in a pair of scores. Four Wildcats caused a pair of turnovers each, while Brigid McCollam saved 12 total shots. Just over a minute into action, Kraemer got on the score sheet with an unassisted goal at the 28:55 mark to put her side up by a 1-0 margin. The freshman goal-scorer doubled BC's advantage with 24:13 left to play in the first half before the Wildcats scored back-to-back goals to tie the contest up, 2-2.

Kraemer scored her third goal of the game down a player at the 12:06 mark to put the Tornados up for good in the game. Just 10 seconds later, Scharf won a draw control and extended BC's advantage, 4-2, just 10 seconds later at the 11:56 mark. JWU-Denver cut into BC's lead with a goal 33 seconds later, but a trio of goals from Collins, Kraemer, and Scharf gave Brevard a 7-3 halftime advantage.

Scharf opened up the second half of action by scoring a power-play goal to push BC's lead to five goals before the Wildcats were able to answer back. Kraemer scored back-to-back goals to kick start a four-goal run by the Tornados, pushing BC's lead to eight goals, 12-4. Collins went on to score four of Brevard's next seven goals, with Kraemer adding three scores to tie the program's record of nine goals. BC cruised to the comfortable final score of 19-8, giving the Tornados their first win of the new season.

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The Tornados were able to outshoot the Wildcats by a 37-24 margin and outperformed their opposition on free-position shots, converting 5-of-13 compared to JWU-Denver's 2-of-7 mark. BC converted 26-of-32 clear attempts compared to the Wildcats' 16-of-23 mark. Brevard scooped 36 ground balls to JWU-Denver's 24 and won 14 draw controls to the Wildcats' 13.

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Freshman Tyson Rumley was BC's top performer in the discus with a 10th place result after a throw of 34.22 meters in his collegiate debut. McAdams (11th, 34.18), Covington (15th, 29.75) and Drake (16th, 29.41) also competed in discus.

On the women's side, freshman Kelia Oliver threw the shot put 9.54 meters en route to a twelfth place finish and a top performance in her flight to mark another impressive collegiate debut by a Tornado. Freshman Grace Pukas (7.74) finished in 18th place in women's shot put. Oliver placed seventh in the discus with a 29.81-meter throw as Pukas followed with an eleventh place finish with 20.27 meters.

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BC tennis secures multiple wins in Florida tournament

By Margaret Correl
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Brevard College men's and women's tennis took a trip to Orlando, Florida on March 8, 2020 to compete in a Spring Break tournament. Their trip extended through March 14, 2020 and included three matches for the men and four matches for the women.

The BC women's tennis team fell to the Transylvania University Pioneers from Lexington, KY in their first match of the tournament. The match was played on Monday, March 9 at Sanlando Park.

At number one doubles Samantha Sepe and Lily Farr dominated with a score of 8-5 against Transylvania's Jessica Burton and Porsche Robinson. Number two doubles team Margaret Correll and Jen Cox fell to Sheila Centina and Merrick Irwin with a score of 3-8. Freshman team Alli Kogoy and Hamrick Perry lost to Alyssa Igyarto and Christina Duvall with a score of 2-8.

Sepe fought for the second win for Brevard in singles with a close score of 6-3, 7-6 and a tie-breaker score of 7-4 against Transylvania's Robinson. Singles positions two through six fell to Transylvania bringing the overall score match score to 2-7 for Brevard.

The BC men's and women's tennis team then traveled to Lake Cane on Tuesday, March 10 to play against Curry College from Milton, MA. Both teams dominated and secured wins for Brevard College.

For the men, number one doubles team Jackson Ray and Ethan McGee defeated Curry's Isaiah Goldsmith and Andrew Barron 8-6. Troy Broska and JaMarcus Walker won at number two doubles against Kevin Meade and Nicholas Bell with a score of 8-6. Due to lack of players, there was no number three doubles team and this gave the point to Brevard.

In singles, Brevard's McGee fell to Goldsmith in a tough three-set match with a score of 6-4, 3-6, 5-7. Ray fell to Barron at two singles with a score of 2-6, 4-6. Broska secured a singles win for Brevard College against Meade with a score of 7-5, 5-7 and a tie-breaker score of 10-2. BC freshmen Miles Schafer stepped in at number four singles and fell to Curry's Bell with a score of 6-3, 3-6 and a tie-breaker defeat of 10-12. Singles five and six were forfeited by Curry due to lack of players giving BC two points.

The overall game score for the men's team was 6-3.



Courtesy of Victoria Brayman

BC Tennis team gathers before home match earlier this season.

BC women's tennis team Sepe and Farr defeated Curry's Sophia Wiernusz and Alison Daigle in doubles with a dominating score of 8-2. Doubles spots two and three were forfeited by Curry due to lack of players.

For women's singles, Brevard put in Kogoy at number one against Wiernusz securing the win with a score of 6-2, 6-4. At number two singles Cox defeated Daigle with a score of 6-0, 6-3. Lastly, at three doubles Brooke Garland won against Curry's Kayla Connors with a score of 6-4, 6-2. Singles spots four through six were forfeited by Curry due to lack of players.

Overall the BC women's tennis team shut out Curry with a score of 9-0.

On Wednesday, March 11, the BC men's team traveled to the USTA National Campus in Orlando to play against Wabash College from Crawfordsville, IN. The men won in a close match and secured the second win for them during the break.

At number one doubles, McGee and Ray fell to Reed Mathis and Emerson Courter 7-8 with a tie-breaker score of 7-9. Broska and Walker fell to Wabash's Devin Vanyo and Paul Hargitt at two doubles with a score of 4-8. At three doubles, Schafer and Brysen Hall dominated Wabash's Gerald Randle and Diego Rocca Torres with a massive score of 8-1 securing Brevard's first win of the match.

For singles, McGee fell to Mathis at number one with a score of 3-6, 1-6. Ray fought for his match against Hargitt and won with a score of 7-6, a first set tie-breaker score of 7-5, 2-6 and deciding third set tie-breaker of 10-5. Broska pulled out another win for Brevard against Vanyo with a score of 6-2, 6-3. BC sophomore Andrew Ingram stepped in at number four singles and fell against Courter with a score of 4-6, 3-6. Schafer shut out Wabash's Randle at number five 6-0, 6-0. Walker won at six singles with a winning score of 6-1, 6-1.

The overall score for the BC men's tennis team was 5-4.

On Thursday, March 12 the men's and women's teams played The University of St. Francis from Fort Wayne, IN at Fort Gatlin in Orlando. While the women's team dominated and secured another win, the men's team suffered a tough loss on an extremely hot day of playing.

Number one doubles team for the men, Ray and McGee lost to St. Francis' Jay Stanchin and Tony Tomeh with a close score of 6-8. Broska and Ingram lost at two doubles 1-8 to Tyler Chrislieb and Tannon Dishman. Number three doubles team Schafer and Walker lost to Austin

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the Tornados a five-run cushion.

With the bases loaded and two outs, a costly BC fielding error allowed three unearned runs to come around and score for the Nittany Lions, cutting the Brevard lead to a 5-3 margin. Kielson, however, limited the damage to just that, exiting the two-run ballgame with the lead.

Kindrick entered the game in the bottom of the fifth inning and erased a leadoff single with three-consecutive outs, leaving the game at 5-3 in favor of the Tornados.

Brevard's offense came through in big fashion in the top of the sixth frame, posting a crooked number with five runs scored on four hits and an error to push the advantage up to a 10-3 margin. Kindrick backed up her offense's performance with a 1-2-3 sixth inning.

Both sides went down in order in the seventh frame, as the Tornados won their sixth game of the season in convincing fashion, 10-3, over the Nittany Lions.

GAME TWO - BREVARD 6, ALBERTUS MAGNUS 0

For the third straight day of competition, Flynn (3-0) received a starting nod in the circle for the Tornados. The freshman from Gaffney, South Carolina pitched five innings of two-hit, scoreless ball. Flynn didn't give up a hit until the fourth inning. Kaitlynn Farmer came in for Flynn in relief, logging two innings allowing just one hit while striking out three batters.

White was once again a doubling machine, striking for a pair of doubles in a 2-for-3 performance that saw the junior drive in two RBI's and score a run. Folkers hit a double and recorded a pair of RBI's while scoring a run as well. Hyatt and Kat Carroll each tallied an RBI, while Morgan scored two runs in the contest.

BC's offense got going early as Hyatt drove in the game's first run on a sacrifice bunt that scored Morgan. Folkers followed that up with an RBI double, extending the Tornado lead to a 2-0 margin before Carroll's RBI single made the lead 3-0 in favor of Brevard.

Following back-to-back perfect frames from Flynn, White hit a double to left field in the top of the third that scored a pair of runs, pushing BC up, 5-0. Flynn once again sat the Falcons down in order, 1-2-3.

Folkers logged her second RBI of the contest on a bases-loaded walk, as the Tornados maintained a 6-0 lead after the top of the fourth inning through the remainder of the contest.

After allowing her first hit of the contest to lead off the home half of the fourth inning that was followed by another single, Flynn buckled down and forced three-consecutive outs. In

her last inning of work, the right-hander sat Albertus Magnus down in order, concluding her day in the circle for Brevard.

Farmer came into the contest in the bottom of the sixth inning, working around an error and a walk to strike out a pair of batters and keep the shutout intact. Despite a two-out single in the bottom of the seventh, Farmer finished out the shutout in electric fashion, forcing a swinging strikeout to clinch BC's fifth win in a row.

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Schofield and Jerod May with a score of 0-8.

McGee lost at number one singles against Stanchin with a score of 6-7, 3-6.

Ray faced off against Dishman and lost with a score of 4-6, 1-6. Broska had a tough match at number three singles against Chrislieb and lost with a score of 4-6, 3-6. Ingram lost at number four to Schofield 3-6, 2-6. Schafer lost at number five singles against May with a score of 1-6, 0-6. Walker was in at number six singles and lost to Steve Mullaney with a score of 2-6, 1-6.

The overall score for this match was 0-9 for Brevard men's tennis.

Number one doubles for the BC women's tennis team, Sepe and Farr won against St. Francis' Taylor Stanchin and Regina Faber with a score of 8-3. Correll and Cox fell to Maddy DeRoo and Jessica Henline with a score of 3-8. Three doubles Perry and Kogoy won big with a score of 8-1 against Tyra Grischke and Gabby Buday.

Sepe closed out her singles match at number one with a clean 6-0, 6-0 score against Stanchin. Kogoy fought a long and hard battle at number two singles against Henline, falling short with a score of 4-6, 6-7. Perry also battled at number three singles with a score of 2-6, 6-7 against Faber. Farr lost to DeRoo 2-6, 1-6 at number four singles. Iocovozzi pulled out a strong win at number five against Buday with a massive score of 6-1, 6-0. Correll finished the line-up at number six singles against Grischke and won with a score of 6-1, 6-1.

Overall, the women's tennis team's score was 5-4.

The women's tennis team moved into their second match of the day and only night match of the break on March 12 against Marywood

University from Scranton, PA. This win secured the women their third and final match of the break.

At number one doubles, Sepe and Farr dominated Marywood's Allison Bashore and Danielle Ogonowski with a score of 8-2. Correll and Cox won at number two doubles against Abygail Doud and Lyndsey Medric with a score of 8-5. At number three doubles, Kogoy and Perry defeated Deena Haroun Mahdavi and Brooke Panek with a score of 8-1.

For singles, Sepe shut out Ogonowski at number one 6-0, 6-0. Kogoy won at number two singles against Doud with a score of 6-0, 6-3. Cox fell short to Marywood's Bashore with a score of 4-6, 1-6. Perry secured a win for Brevard against Haroun Mahdavi with a score of 6-2, 6-4. Iocovozzi won at number five with a score of 6-0, 6-0 against Medric. Brooke Garland stepped in at number six singles against Karah Laboranti and fell short with a score of 1-6, 3-6.

Overall, the women won this match with a score of 7-2.

The match against Colorado College which was scheduled for Friday, March 13, was cancelled due to travelling issues and safety concerns regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The BC men's and women's tennis teams showed off their skills during the break and managed to secure some major wins for Brevard College. The women won three out of the four matches during the trip and the men won two out of three. These wins bring the Brevard tennis team's seasons to a close.

Due to COVID-19, USA South has decided to conclude the spring season for all spring sports. For more information, please visit bctornados.com and mybrevard.edu.

Lanier Blast, Ziomek Gem earns first home win of 2020

By Joseph Marvin

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(March 11, 2020) - Behind a first-inning, three-run homer from Holden Lanier and Reid Ziomek's first career win in his first collegiate start, the Brevard College baseball team (3-15) earned a 5-1 victory over Emory & Henry College (5-9) on Wednesday afternoon at Gil Coan Field.

BC's win marked the first victory for the Tornados of 2020 within the confines of their home ballpark.

Reid Ziomek (1-0) pitched seven innings of six-hit, one-run baseball, shutting out the Wasps after the first inning. The freshman left-hander from Charlotte, North Carolina did not walk a single batter during his seven innings of work and struck out six batters over the course of his start.

Ziomek was backed up by strong relief efforts from Huntley Hacker and Matthew Scavotto. Both hurlers pitched an inning of scoreless work, with Scavotto recording a pair of strikeouts.

All the offense that the Tornados would need was provided in the bottom of the first inning off Lanier's bat, as the junior infielder from Lexington, North Carolina launched a three-run blast over the left-field wall to give BC a lead that it would not relinquish. Lanier finished the game 3-for-4 with a pair of singles to add to his home run.

JJ Wilkes went 2-for-4 at the dish, scoring a pair of runs and hitting a triple to center field. Ryan Roon went 1-for-3 with a run and an RBI, while freshman Joc Pledger enjoyed a 2-for-3 day at the plate with a pair of singles. Zach Allison logged an RBI on a bases-loaded walk, while Matt Kelley scored a run on the same walk.

EHC's Cameron Mullins (1-1) pitched six innings, allowing four Tornado runs on eight hits, walking three batters while striking out seven. The Wasps' lone run came on a solo home run by Hayden Miley in the top of the first frame, as the Tornados shut down EHC the rest of the way.

Ziomek worked 1-2-3 innings in the second, fourth, and fifth frames while letting up just a single in the third inning. Roon was able to extend BC's advantage to a 4-1 margin in the bottom of the fifth by singling home Wilkes

following the junior's one-out single.

Despite surrendering a one-out double in the top of the sixth inning, the freshman southpaw forced a Wasp strikeout and line out to preserve BC's three-run advantage.

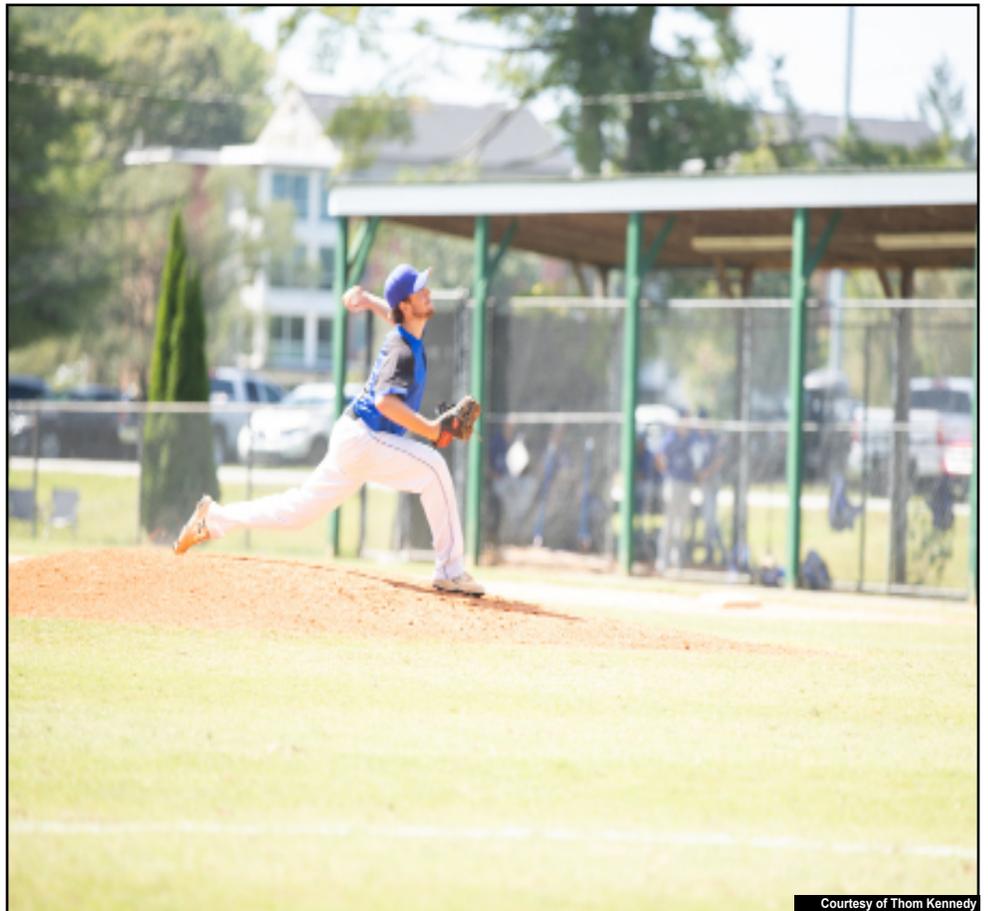
After two quick outs in the top of the seventh frame, Emory & Henry put together a small rally with back-to-back singles and a wild pitch that put runners on second and third base. Ziomek buckled down to force a flyout to Pledger in right field, closing the book on a very impressive outing from the left-hander.

Hacker came on in relief in the top of the eighth inning, working around a one-out bunt single to retire the side, sending the Tornado offense back to work.

With two outs and runners on first and second base, Jason Jucker hit a single to the shortstop that loaded the bases up for Allison.

The freshman was patient at the plate, forcing a walk that gave Brevard extra insurance run to work with. The Tornados took a 5-1 lead into the final inning of the ballgame. Scavotto came into the contest and made quick work of the Wasps, using just 12 pitches to throw a 1-2-3 inning, wrapping up Brevard College's first home win of the season, 5-1.

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Reid Ziomek pitches at away game against Mars Hill.