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“I’LL TELL YOU WHAT I CAN TELL YOU” “Hire” Expectations for CS

By Jordyn Smith and Noah Daum

Major changes have recently been made in the Campus Services department (CS) with the resignation of former CS manager Patrick Noel.

According to Associate Dean of Work Rob Weis, Noel submitted his own resignation which was then accepted by the Work Committee. According to Weis, the resignation “was part of an investigation based on what happened during the summer break and in relationship to a management position.”

When asked about the events leading up to Noel’s resignation, Weis was unable to give details. “I’ll tell you what I can tell you,” he said. “I can’t divulge information that’s confidential. We are talking about a complaint that came as an outcome of summer employment in relation to a position a student had in the fall.”

The investigation occurred as a result of discrepancies in managerial expectations. “As it says in the B Book, we hold our managers to a higher expectation,” said general manager Allie Matt. “So going off that, we pretty much account for all 12 managers and that they will be up to the expectations that we hope for. I guess that’s where we ran into some difficulties.”

As for the process and

procedure behind making these kinds of decisions, the committee follows the guidelines outlined in the B Book. “The moment a complaint is received, that’s when we start to take action in terms of determining what needs to be done and also what’s going on,” informed Weis. “I think that it’s always a case-by-case basis,” added general manager Ashleigh Clendenny. “Obviously, we have to hear every side to everything, and we have to gather all the information and have a conversation.”

“It wasn’t any one person’s decision,” added Clendenny. “It was something that all of us as a group, including Patrick, had decided was for the best. We have to think about how we want Blackburn to be represented and how we want the Work Committee to be represented—that’s really important to us.”

With Noel’s resignation came the need for an interim manager, which was filled with sophomore history major Phillip Johnson. Johnson, who had been one of the department’s assistant managers, was predesignated as a backup to the manager position in case something like this happened. The Work Program then put together a hiring committee to fill the permanent position. Johnson



PHOTO BY NOAH DAUM

New Campus Manager Phillip Johnson

was one of two students who applied, and he got the job.

Although the news came as a bit of a surprise to Johnson, he is excited about his new role and has goals in place for the year. “Really I just want CS running as efficiently as possible,” said Johnson, “but at the same time, having all the workers be happy and glad they’re working CS.”

So far Johnson said he has made steps to improve the CS work schedule and the

training of crew heads. “One of my main goals is to make sure there is always open communication between the supervisor, myself, assistant managers, crew heads, and general workers to make sure everybody knows what’s going on,” said Johnson. “That was a bit of a problem with the previous manager.”

CS supervisor Torry Grady seemed surprised to hear the news as well. “It was unexpected for everybody,”

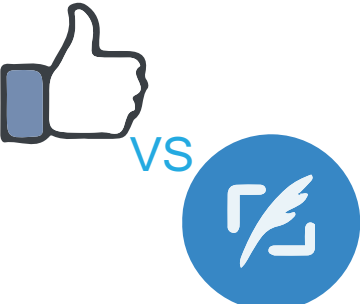
he said. “I think that having Patrick as manager and the crew that we had was a huge success. We had our struggles, but nothing that we couldn’t overcome. I had a good working relationship with Patrick.”

According to the general managers, Noel’s resignation letter was submitted Sept. 3. “We all ended on good terms and things carry on,” added Matt. Noel was unavailable for comment.



ART BY BRENDAN RILEY LERSCH

There’s a gay farm just outside Carlinville?



Twitter vs Facebook: The Debate



A letter to the editor



Policing in America panel at Blackburn



This haunted town

What's the Deal With MAP Grants?!

By Jess Willard

Illinois State Sen. Andy Manar, Illinois Treasurer Michael Frerichs, President John Comerford, Director of Financial Aid Jane Kelsey, President Dale Chapman of Lewis and Clark Community College, junior physical education major Jacob West and junior biology major Stephanie Goesmann gathered in Demuzio Campus Center's ADRs on Sept. 10. Blackburn was one of several colleges visited by Frerichs and Manar to discuss the Monetary Award Program (MAP) grant. The MAP grant is given to Illinois college students whose families' estimated contributions are below a certain number. Frerichs wanted to hear student opinions on what the grant meant to them in hopes that their voices would urge the Illinois State legislature to pass the bill that will release funding for the grant.

Both Goesmann and West are MAP grant recipients. This school year will be West's third year receiving it. He said, "I would have to take out extra loans if the grant wasn't available. I may not be able to attend college." Goesmann is a single mother of two and works four jobs to support her family as well as get her through college. "The MAP grant allows me to be here," she said. "There is nothing more I can take on to pay for college."

The reason the MAP grant funds may not be released is due to Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner's veto of the fiscal year 2016 budget. "Each year the state has been releasing the funds later in the semester. Last year, the fall 2014 funds came in during December; spring is usually not as late

in the semester," Kelsey said. According to Comerford, Blackburn typically gets payment for fall MAP grants in October. Kelsey went on to say, "...Since the budget has not been agreed upon by the state, we have no way of knowing what will happen." Rauner chose to veto all but the K-12 education portion of the budget. Manar proposed Senate bill 2043 as a way to specifically get the MAP grants passed, but it could take some time before the bill makes it through the Illinois General Assembly. Frerichs wants to make passing the grant a priority. "K-12 education is important, but higher education should be too," he said.

Comerford's understanding on why the governor decided to veto the entire budget was that Rauner

discussing the matter, and there are no major deadlines to push to get this resolved." Gov. Rauner's office was unavailable for comment.

While there may be no deadlines for the Illinois state government, Blackburn needs that grant money. 290 students (49.57 percent of campus) receive the grant. The Financial Aid Office awarded \$1,308,412 in MAP grants this school year. Comerford added, "The odds of not having MAP are low, but there will be no MAP grant until the budget is passed." Until the state government gives Blackburn the grant money, a cash-flow issue will occur where money for grants will be going out but not coming in. Comerford urged students to tell the governor and state legislature that the MAP grant matters. To find and contact your

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-Stephanie Goesmann

did not want a "piecemeal" (piece by piece) approach to the budget. The piecemeal approach would cause him to lose the leverage he needs to pass his budget proposal. "There is little chance that the full budget impasse will be resolved," said Comerford. "The governor and general assembly have stopped

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PHOTO BY DANI ANDERSON

On Sept. 10, Illinois State Sen. Andy Manar, President John Comerford and Illinois Treasurer Michael Frerichs discussed how they felt about the importance of the MAP grant.

You'll Just Have to Hold It!



PHOTO BY MARY KLINE

Campus Services workers Emily Nelson and Courtney Schofield get up bright and early to clean the bathrooms of Mahan

By Mary Kline

Imagine running up the hall to the bathroom with a bit of an emergency, only to be told that you can't go in. Lately, Blackburn's residence halls have been buzzing with complaints about the bathrooms being blocked off by Campus Services for cleaning. The reason for the inconvenience? A new chemical called Envirox Neutral Floor Cleaner is being used to scour the lavatories of Blackburn.

The reason for the change in chemicals, according to Campus Services Crew Head Ursa-Minor Matlock, is that "these chemicals are much safer than conventional cleaners. They're called Envirox and we use the h2orange2 solution that consists of hydrogen peroxide, a gentle soap and orange oils. None of those components will hurt people or the environment, plus it smells like oranges." So for all of the students concerned that the bathrooms were blocked off because the chemicals were dangerous, those fears can be put to rest, according to Matlock. The only safety

measures needed for Envirox are to make sure that it is used in a well ventilated area. It's also biodegradable.

So, if the chemicals in Envirox aren't dangerous, then why is it that the bathrooms have to be blocked off while it's used? Ms. Matlock had an answer to that question as well. "Since the Envirox's sanitizer is the peroxide in it then it takes a five minute soaking period for it to fully work. And it is just a lot faster for workers if there isn't people running in and out interrupting their process." Once the Envirox has been on a surface for five minutes, it can kill up to 99.995% of the bacteria and viruses that it comes into contact with, making sure that the bathrooms are sanitary and safe for the Blackburn community. While the waiting period may be aggravating for those who desperately need to use the bathroom, the bathrooms and the rest of the facilities at Blackburn will now be more sanitary, and just in time to help students stay healthy during cold and flu season.

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-Ursa Matlock

Policing in America

By Mary Kline

“Policing in America: Bringing the National Conversation to Blackburn College”

Bothwell Auditorium was filled with whispers and a slight feeling of tension at the beginning of the “Policing in America” panel on September 30. The panel focused on the particularly heated topics of current events involving police brutality and the riots occurring in Ferguson, Missouri. The nearly full auditorium was quieted with an address by Reverend Erica Brown, who explained the purpose of the event. “Over the last year, an often polarized discussion of social justice, race relations, and police practices in America has been on the forefront of the nation’s mind. It’s our hope that “Policing in America” can be a platform to

encourage open conversation and help educate students and community members about this complex issue,” said Brown.

Panel members Betty Lynn Jordan(Reverend at The Federated Church), Daniel Isom(E. Desmond Lee Professor of Policing and former Director of the Missouri Department of Public Safety, former Chief of Police St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department), Peter Hough(Reverend at The Alton Mission) and Morrie Fraser(Director of Campus Safety, former Commander of the Crime Scene Services Unit) were asked all sorts of questions over the course of the session by moderators Dr. Laura Wiedlocher and Spencer Brayton. The questioning included everything from how

police plan to build better relationships with community members, to who their favorite characters are in popular crime shows. In order to provide different viewpoints, the panel members were made up of people from two different professions. Betty Lynn Jordan and Peter Hough both work in the Religious field, and Daniel Isom and Morrie Fraser both have policing backgrounds. “I want for more people to care and be concerned. I hope for people to be inspired to become more engaged in pushing for change,” said Hough when questioned afterward about what he personally hopes to have accomplished with the event.

The idea for the “Policing in America” panel began at the beginning of the semester, according to Wiedlocher.



PHOTO BY MARY KLINE

From left: Panel Members Morrie Fraser, Jordan, Dan Isom, Peter Hough and Betty Lynn discuss current national social issues

“Well, Spencer Brayton and I came up with the idea together. My class always starts with a discussion of current events. This year, the semester started with Michael Brown, and my students were all talking about it. However, a lot of them had

misinformation about what had happened, and as the semester went on I thought that the topic of policing in America was one that should be addressed,” said Wiedlocher.

Think Before You Drink

By Angela Andrews

According to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, college drinking can cause significant health problems and can take a dramatic toll on the social lives

of students all across the U.S. Statistics show that each year an estimated 1,825 college students ages 18 to 24 die from alcohol related unintentional injuries, including car crashes.



PHOTO BY ANGELA ANDREWS

Alcohol education is the name of the game

Beginning last year, Blackburn students began the process of having to take a mandatory online course that helps with prevention and alcohol safety. The course teaches students harm reduction and also informs them on how sexual assault ties into the dangers of drinking. The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse states that each year an estimated 97,000 students within the aforementioned age range are victims of alcohol-related sexual assault or date rape. Date rape is when a person spikes or drugs another person’s drink without them knowing and eventually takes advantage of them while the drug is in effect.

Director of Counseling Services Tim Morenz is in charge of making sure students complete the online course. Morenz stated, “Students will drink regardless of the rules and we want to inform them of the risks there are when drinking in college and to follow the procedures if they are going to drink.” Though some students feel this course

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-Tim Morenz

is meaningless, there are some who believe this new course is a good idea for everyone to take. Senior Alexis Richie, who took the course last year, said that before she took it she felt it was pointless, but felt differently about it after completing it. She stated, “I thought it was really informational because there were facts I didn’t know were applicable.” However, if the course didn’t take so long to

complete more students might not mind taking it. The course takes two and a half hours to finish and some, like freshman Lillian Gavin, feel that this is much too long. Gavin feels there would be nothing wrong with taking it if it wasn’t so time consuming. The Drug Free Schools and Campuses Act is in its second year and is anticipated to remain for years to come.

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Features

Don't Go There, It's Gay!

By Brendan Riley Lersch

The Lustremen Farm, about 20 minutes outside of Carlinville and more commonly known as “the farm,” was started in the early 2000s as a place where the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community could get together and be themselves without any judgement. It started as a Sunday night tradition when “Queer as Folk” and “The L Word” were airing on TV. When the shows stopped airing, people continued to get together on the farm and hang out.

Very few people at

Blackburn know about the farm and the ones who do are weary to talk about it. It is a taboo subject. I have heard many rumors about the farm, all of which have something to do with drugs, sex or alcohol. Alum, Vinny Watson stated, “I think it is a bit outdated... I think there are MUCH healthier outlets for the LGBT community. It has its place with the older generation, but it isn't a place for the younger ones. It encourages reckless behavior and in some cases draws some unneeded sexualizing towards the younger generation.”

According to Watson, the older generation there stares at the younger guests making them feel uncomfortable and there has also been suspicion of underage drinking.

However, others say the farm is like Blackburn: it is what you make of it. Senior DeArryka Williams remembers going there between 2011 and 2013. She said, “The farm is a nice place to get off campus and meet new people. The environment is always friendly and super chill. Every time I've gone in the past, I've had an amazing

time.”

Perry Brown, owner of the farm, said rumors have always been a part of what the farm is and none of them are true. Those who did not have a good time there tend to bash it for not being what they expected. Brown said, “The rumors start from people who were never there. Friends of friends of friends who had heard of something that had happened on the farm's premises and over time they warped to give it a negative stigma.” At one time, there was a large percentage of the LGBT community at

Blackburn who were involved with the farm, but now there is a definite disconnect between the two. In recent months, the farm has been inactive, but Brown would like to be able to start it up again and have the Blackburn community feel welcomed there. Brown stated, “Don't assume just because it's a gay thing, you can stereotype it.” The farm does not focus on sex and alcohol but rather on letting people be themselves without the fear of falling into gay stereotypes.

From Volunteering to Teaching Science

By Jess Willard

Professor of biology and ecology Dr. Jonathan Micancin is new to Blackburn's biology department this semester. He can be seen with his Cane Corso mastiff named Black that he uses for his Behavioral Ecology class. A major part of his teaching style involves real life applications. “I'm lucky to have found Blackburn College,” he said. “Places like it are fewer and farther between.”

Micancin's interest in biology can be traced back to his days of volunteering for the National Audubon Society. “It got me interested in biology as a way of education and community service,” he said. He received his bachelor's degree in biology from Skidmore College in New York and went on to get his doctorate from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. For his dissertation, he

studied the cricket frogs on his family's farm and how their acoustic communication might contribute to the northern and southern species separating from each other. According to “Carolina Scientific” (a blog that focuses on science-related news and topics), Micancin discovered that most of the sites where northern and southern cricket frogs supposedly existed no longer had southern cricket frogs. However, the northern cricket frogs still thrived.

His studies led him to discover how much he wanted to teach at a college that offered courses like field biology. Micancin said, “I was trained to teach a wide range of courses—ones that fewer places are offering.” Blackburn College gave him the opportunity he was looking for. He teaches ecology, environmental science, field biology, limnology (the study of inland waters) and two

physiology courses. “I found it can be difficult to enjoy teaching elsewhere. Here, the effort is worthwhile,” he added. His goal is to take the heavy course material and make it relevant for students. He also wants to create more engaging lab classes, but it will take several years to make all of these changes.

Senior biology major Benjamin Nichols is currently taking Micancin's topics in Behavioral Ecology. Nichols appreciates that he encourages the students to read the material and critically think about the lessons. “He wants students to use what they learn,” he said. “There is a big difference between memorization and learning.” While he enjoys the class, he mentioned that there is a lot of reading and lab work. Nichols added, “He expects a lot from his students.”

Micancin supervises the vivarium (Blackburn's animal lab) as well. He is

working to clean and fix it up. He acknowledged that the vivarium needs better air conditioning and ventilation to properly house the animals. His other objectives involve deciding whether certain animals should be kept or found new homes. “I'm very focused on making things better for the animals and the students working there,” he added. In the future, he hopes to open the vivarium to the Blackburn community and have a more diverse animal collection.

Junior biology major Brooke Kinroth works with iguanas, turtles and various snakes in the vivarium. She believes that Micancin is understanding and motivated to get things done. “It's a nice change of things,” she said. “It took him a week and a half to clean up 30 years of specimens and old research equipment in the ecology lab.”

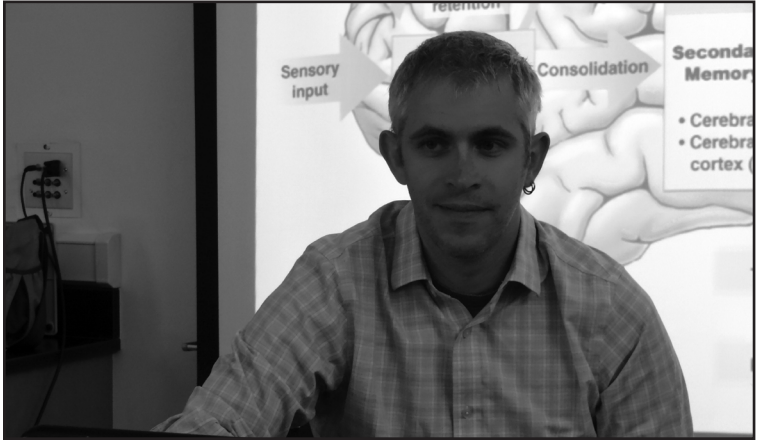


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Professor of biology and ecology Dr. Jonathan Micancin discussed paradise fish as one of his topics in Behavioral Ecology

Small Town, Big Variety

By Heidi Tyson

As a girl who grew up in a small town and moved to an even smaller town for college, I know all too well the struggle behind trying to find healthy places to shop. Carlinville obviously does not have any extravagant grocery stores such as Whole Foods or Fresh Market, but that doesn't mean you can't find healthy options. Living on campus quickly teaches you how to work with what you have available.

Walmart seems to be the most popular place to shop in Carlinville since they offer the most variety in the area. Walmart sells many different fresh produce items as well as organic brand name items,

such as Wild Oats oatmeal and Wild Oats salsa. Walmart also offers a section full of gluten-free foods for those with sensitivities to gluten. This section includes many different breads, crackers and cookies. The store also has a frozen foods section with vegetables that can be steamed and fruits that can be blended into a smoothie.

Broom's Orchard is a great place to find fresh, locally grown fruits during the months of August through October. They offer a variety of apples, peaches, pumpkins and other items. Broom's Orchard also offers a wide variety of spreads, such as apple butter,

assorted jams and fresh apple cider. Broom's Orchard has become my go-to place for fresh fruit during the late summer and early fall months.

Another great place to shop for fresh and organic produce is ALDI in Litchfield. ALDI is approximately 17 miles away from Blackburn's campus. They offer organic produce items and healthy dairy options, such as Greek yogurt and Laughing Cow cheeses. They also offer non-dairy milks such as Almond Milk. ALDI offers three healthy brands for you to choose from: Simply Nature, Fit & Active and liveGfree, a gluten-free brand.



PHOTO BY ALLIE MATT

Senior Heidi Tyson browsing the gluten-free section in WalMart

Shopping for healthy foods in a small town like Carlinville can be difficult, but it is not impossible. Do your research on the brands that certain places have to offer and make smart choices. Many stores have noticed the trend

of consumers becoming more health conscious and have updated their stock to satisfy customers' changing needs. No matter what store you go to, you are bound to find healthier options for a lot of food items.

Is Senioritis a Real Thing?

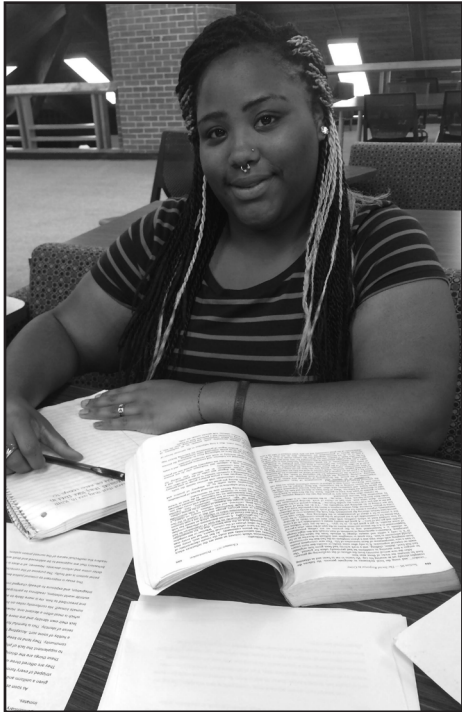
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Natasha Anthony
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Clayt Scheller
Senior
Professional Writing Major

Jamie Moore
Senior
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Tess Layton
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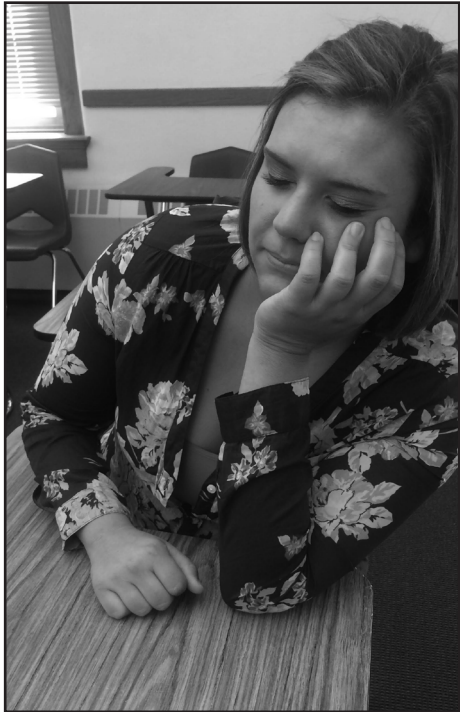
“The struggle is definitely real... Now that I’m a senior I definitely have senioritis worse than ever before.”



“Where am I?”



“I thought when I was a freshman that I had senioritis, but now that I’m a senior it has definitely kicked in full gear.”



“I’ve had senioritis since my freshman year.”

Haunted Tours In Carlinville

By Mary Kline

Is Blackburn haunted? According to tour guide Kaylan Schardan, it may be. “I would say that the majority of the older buildings in Carlinville, especially those on the square and on the tour probably do have something to it,” said Schardan when asked if she thought Blackburn was home to a few spooky specters.

Schardan works for American Hauntings, a ghost tour company based in Jacksonville Illinois that,

according to their website, was founded by the author of many ghostly tales, Troy Taylor in 1993. Taylor has published several thriller novels, including “Dead Men Do Tell Tales”, “Bloody Illinois” and “Fear the Reaper.” In August, American Hauntings added Carlinville to their ghost tour roster. The company offers tours in a lot of other places as well, some of which are Alton, Hillsboro and Carrolton.

While Carlinville is

a small town, it is rich in history and more importantly to American Hauntings, in historical architecture. A lot of the older buildings have strange backstories and legends surrounding their construction or events that have occurred within them. American Hauntings selected a few of the buildings, which they believed to hold the most historical value and intriguing stories, to be on or mentioned during the Carlinville tours.

Some of the main buildings on the tour are: the Macoupin County Enquirer-Democrat, the haunted series of stores in a large old house on the Carlinville square known as the Loomis House and the Macoupin County Courthouse. Blackburn is also mentioned, but “the reason why we don’t actually go to Blackburn during the tour is because it’s too much of a walk. I’ve had lots of different people, both Alumni and current students

tell me their stories during the tours, so I do think it’s haunted, or at least there’s some speculation that it is. Unfortunately it’s too far out of the way,” said Schardan.

The tours start in time for Halloween, with upcoming tour dates being on October 10, 17, 23, 24 and 30, all starting at 7 p.m. at the “Million Dollar Courthouse.” The price of the tour is \$25 for adults. Blackburn students and children can go for \$20.



Stoddard Hall



Macoupin County Courthouse



Macoupin County Enquirer-Democrat



The Loomis House

PHOTOS BY MARY KLINE

Blackburn's Competitive Advantage

By Heidi Tyson

If you are a student who reads the daily announcements in your Blackburn email inbox, then you will have noticed workshops to be held in the Lumpkin Learning Center. These are called “Professional Development Workshops” and are meant to help build key skills that can give students an advantage in the professional world. These skills range from resume building, navigating through Microsoft Excel and conflict resolution techniques.

Professional Development Coordinator Abbey Jones explained why the workshops are beneficial. “I think it’s important for students to begin working on their professional development before they enter into the professional world because it will give Blackburn students a competitive advantage once they start their job search,” Jones stated. These skills will also be used many times after college graduation, especially if you want to

manage a business or train employees to implement these same skills.

Director of Career Services and Experiential Learning Suzanne Krupica explained why she implemented these workshops. “I wanted to provide information to students about professional development that they may not be receiving through their regular school curriculum,” Krupica said. She teaches two different classes: CA 275, which talks about career and life planning, and CA 401, which is Career Seminar. These classes focus on building a resume and other professional skills. “The most important thing I learned in that class is that the interview starts the minute you leave your house,” said Blackburn Alumni Valeri Kolze about her experience in Career Seminar. Her message is that you should always be prepared for the unexpected. Be punctual and aware of your surroundings because you

never know who you will meet on the way.

Most of these workshops will run through early November. Some will take place in the spring semester as well so that if anyone misses them in the fall, there is still a chance to take part in them. If you have any questions or suggestions about these workshops, please contact Abbey Jones at abbey.jones@blackburn.edu or me at heidi.tyson@blackburn.edu. If you wish to stop by the Career Services office to visit with Suzanne Krupica, you can email her at suzanne.krupica@blackburn.edu to schedule an appointment or stop by the office located in Rahme 108.

**The author works in Career Services and is the Professional Development Administrator.*



Senior General Managers Allie Matt and Ashleigh Clendenny giving a presentation on time management in the Lumpkin Learning Center

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-Abbey Jones

Bringing Tog

By Jess Willard

The business and accounting department is in the process of introducing co-ed business fraternity Phi Gamma Nu to campus. According to phigammanu.com (the official website for the fraternity), Phi Gamma Nu was founded on February 17, 1924 at Northwestern University in Chicago. There are currently 13 chapters across the U.S. All majors and genders are eligible to join, but students must have



Dr. Christina Langwell McCurley will be the faculty advisor for the new co-ed b and Makayla Grove are a part of the acting executive board as the fraternity is executive board) is not pictured.

Show You

By Angela Andrews

Blackburn’s Got Talent sparked some flames in the audience this year. Sponsored by the Performing Arts Department and hosted by Brendan Lersch, there is a lot that goes on behind the scenes. The biggest one is auditioning. Managers like stage manager Rebecca Wales determined which performances were appropriate and pleasing to the audience by deciding which performances made it past auditions. Included in the show was a mixture of students and faculty doing different acts, but singing was the majority of the talent. There were eleven singing acts out of the twenty performances. According to Wales there have been many changes to the system throughout the years. This year

was the introduction of the new judging system. In previous years there was a judging panel with students, faculty, and staff. This year the votes were done by online votes only.

Opening up the show was host Brendan Lersch and his awkwardly funny jokes. Kicking off the start of act one was a band named Anthem that performed a song called “For You.” One performance that really had the crowd going was Seth Tonsor and Allie Matt dancing to “(I’ve Had) The Time of My Life.” The audience filled with laughter and smiles as Seth and Allie danced across the stage, with touches of humor added to the performance.

Together the Business Community

a 2.0 GPA and six college credit hours completed. Professor of marketing and business management Dr. Christina Langwell McCurley will be the faculty advisor of the new chapter. She has been working

closely with sophomore accounting and business management major John Aden and sophomore accounting and marketing major Kyle Kesinger to get Phi Gamma Nu started by the upcoming spring semester.

McCurley had been discussing the idea of bringing a business fraternity to campus now.” He’s looking forward to networking opportunities as well as introducing a club that

“It should be a good resume builder, and hopefully the fraternity will provide opportunities for after graduation.”

-Kyle Kessinger



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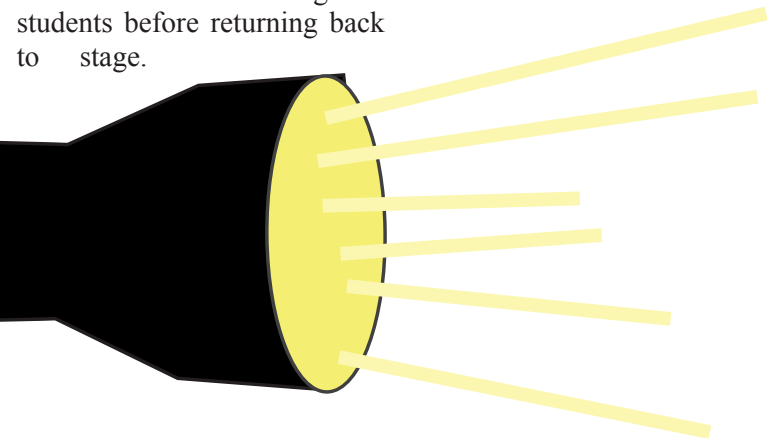
business fraternity Phi Gamma Nu. John Aden, Timothy Lacey, Emily Lyerla in the process of being established. Kyle Kesinger (also a part of the

r Talent

The act that literally lit up the stage was DeArryka Candice Williams singing “Flashlight.” Throughout her performance the audience took out their cell phones and shone their lights in the air while rocking back and forth to her singing. After the first eleven performances in act one there was a fifteen minute intermission.

Sparking up act two was Ajay Minton and Patterson Friese dancing to “Evolution of Dance.” Roaring up the audience the two men danced throughout the isles creating some excitement among the students before returning back to stage.

Another dance performance that threw in a surprise was host Lersch dancing with Pierre and the Africans to a hip hop mix. The audience laughed so much while watching Lersch comically struggle with trying to keep up with the dance moves. The audience responded well to many acts, but there could only be three winners. First place winner was Seth Tonsor and Allie Matt, second place was Pierre and the Africans and third place was Cierra Gibson who sang “Can’t give up now.”



since the spring 2015 semester. “I saw a need for professionalism and leadership on campus,” she said. She acknowledged that 36 students have shown interest so far and by next semester, Phi Gamma Nu should be asking for pledges. Her future goals involve having members from Washington University and University of Illinois come to Blackburn to help with the process of setting up the fraternity. McCurley added, “I also want students to be able to go there and experience their chapters.”

be formal elections when the fraternity starts holding meetings. Aden must participate in eight more conference calls with expansion representatives before Phi Gamma Nu can be established on campus. “The first video conference was pretty nerve-racking,” he said. “But it was exciting too.” Phi Gamma Nu worked to establish a preliminary budget and fleshed out fundraising ideas. Their current goal is to get the word out. Aden said, “It’s bringing opportunities we never knew we could have before

focuses on business majors. Kesinger is enthusiastic about setting up Phi Gamma Nu as well. “It should be a good resume builder, and hopefully the fraternity will provide opportunities for after graduation.” Phi Gamma Nu is sponsored by several companies from Standard & Poor’s 500 index, also known as the fortune 500. These are the top 500 companies in the U.S. Some of these companies include Wells Fargo and Boeing.

Blackburn College Recieves National Rankings

By Jazilyn Colon

On Wednesday Sept. 9, 2015 U.S News awarded Blackburn with three national rankings. Blackburn ranked 5th among the Best Value Regional Colleges in the Midwest, 46 in the top 50 nationally for Best Regional colleges. It resulted in Blackburn

being the number one baccalaureate college in Illinois . Blackburn’s rankings were judged based on sixteen different indicators including value, size, graduation rate, social mobility, research and community service.

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Faces Not Forgotten

By Noah Daum

On September 22, a representative of Liquitex, an artist supply company, Christine Ilewski provided a demonstration for the Blackburn Community. She currently has a display of her new series “Faces Not Forgotten” showing in the Lumpkin Learning Commons. According to facesnotforgotten.com, “The Faces Project” is a series of portrait paintings of children that were the victims of gun violence. Ilewski paints a



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watercolor portrait of each child, which is then donated to the family. After that an acrylic transfer of the portrait image is put on small handkerchiefs and will eventually exhibit together in various ways such as banners and quilts.

“The issues Christine brings up are valid” Adjunct Art Professor Chris Day stated. “It is obvious that this day in age, we should reconsider the ownership of guns and what kind of guns we own.”

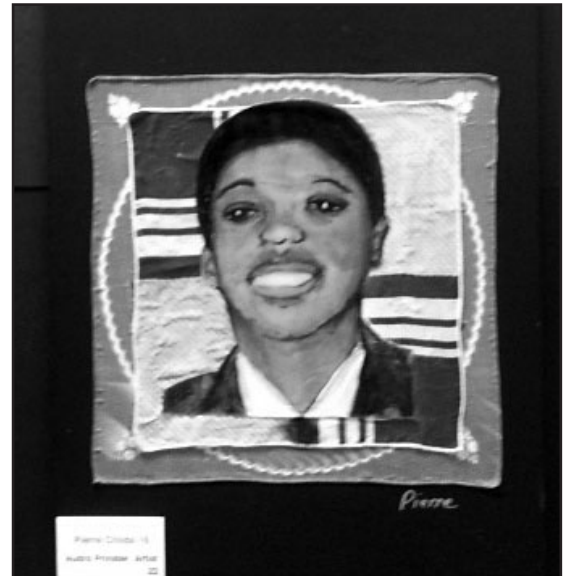


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An Apple a Day Keeps the Tech Up to Date

By Kyle Kutak

Apple recently released their newest line of products, and yes this does mean a new iPhone. The iPhone 6s and 6s plus will become available in early October. This is not the only new item that Apple is releasing. The iPad Air 3, iPad mini 4, Apple TV, iOS 9 and OS X El Captain will also be available later this year.

The new iOS operating system update will be available for iPhone 4s devices and newer. According to Apple’s website this update includes updates to Siri, multitasking features, redesigned notes app, enhanced performance, security and an extra hour of battery life. These new features are put into effect to help the phones perform more efficiently and stay up to date with security and bug breaches.

Computer science professor Dr. Joshua Gross stated, “The biggest thing Apple is rolling out is the new leasing program.” This will allow the iPhone to be “rented” for a payment decided by the carrier you are renting from. This program is like ones

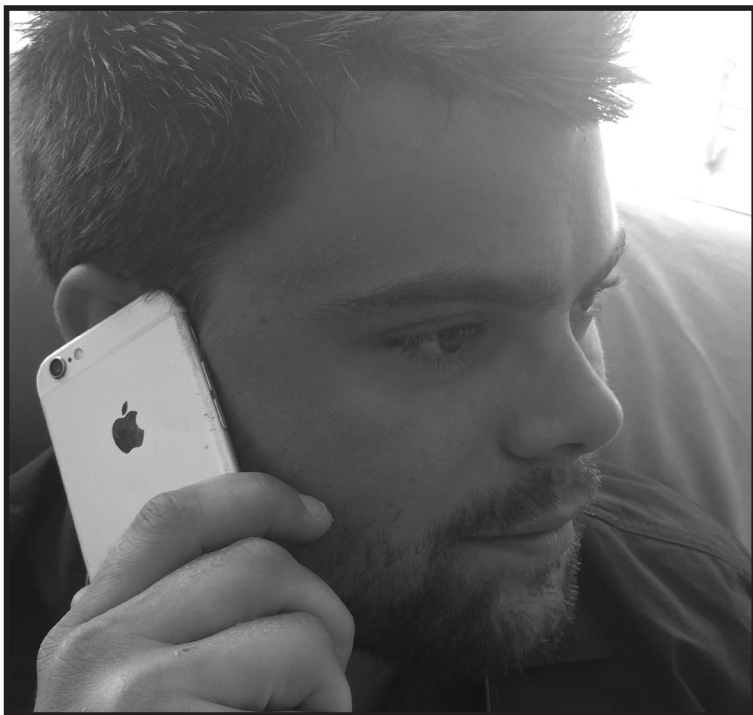


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“Woody” taking a business call on an iPhone

offered by Verizon Wireless and AT&T Networks, where you make a monthly payment on a phone and get to upgrade once a year.

The new iPad Air 3 is being released with a 13 inch screen. Technology Services Manager Nathan Wilson stated, “The new iPad coming out at thirteen inches is way too big. Tablets started off at seven inches, then ten inches

and now they are up to thirteen inches. I have a laptop that big and there is no reason for that.”

Apple is among the most popular companies today. The trend of owning Apple products is something that affects most teens and young adults. After these rollouts occur, will Apple remain highly ranked? Or will other companies, like Microsoft, take its place?

Twitter the New Facebook?

By Karlee Brimberry

You may have heard the popular debate on whether or not Twitter is the new Facebook or that Twitter is becoming more popular than Facebook. Today, Facebook is used quite frequently to interact with various clubs and organizations as a way to stay in contact with multiple individuals. I feel Blackburn is a prime example of this because I am a part of numerous Facebook groups not only for volunteer clubs but also for my major and my campus job.

According to statistics, there are 1.49 billion active users on Facebook while Twitter has 304 million active users.

When Blackburn students were surveyed, many had strong opinions on whether or not Twitter is more popular than Facebook. Most students said they wouldn’t necessarily say Twitter is the new Facebook, however they do feel Twitter is becoming very popular. “Twitter and Facebook are two completely different things. Twitter doesn’t have old people taking it over like Facebook does,” said junior communications major Alexis Mayes. Most students believe Twitter is more popular for those who were born in the “technology era” rather than for adults over the age of 25.

Most students use Facebook and Twitter for separate purposes. Sophomore biology major Kirsten Buzzard said, “I prefer Facebook for pictures and Twitter for reading and posting.” Junior marketing major Christy Hobbs feels Facebook is more of a place for people to vent due to its unlimited amount of characters users are allowed to put in a post. Twitter on the other hand only allows 140 characters. “If you think about it broadly, more people are on Facebook which makes for more talk on Facebook than Twitter. Twitter is more popular with American teenagers, but Facebook appeals to all ages all across the world,” said Hobbs.

Senior administration manager Haley Haynes has access to the Blackburn Admissions Facebook page. Haynes says although the admissions team has a Twitter account for students to follow, they feel it is easier to have separate Facebook pages for each graduating class because more students have Facebook accounts. “Some students don’t have their actual names on their Twitter accounts and also many students don’t have a Twitter account. Therefore, Facebook seems like a more professional way for me to reach my department,” said Haynes.

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Talk To Tim

By Tim Morenz

Greetings and Salutations, Blackburn College!

Fall is here, we are well into the semester and going full throttle!

Shameless plug: Are you looking to minimize the impact of stress? Are you intrigued by the power of the present moment? Join us for Mindfulness Meditation at 5 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays in Woodson. As a recent participant stated, “It’s weird, but it’s a good weird.”

Let’s proceed to our question for this issue...

Dear Tim,

“I am in 5 classes, an athlete, and a crewhead. My friends are pressuring me to be in a lot of clubs. I don’t have the time to do it, but I say yes anyway. I currently am having some roommate problems, but I hate confrontation and just don’t mention it. I am spread so thin, I think I might break. Help!” – Name withheld to protect identity.

Dear nameless,

If there is an epidemic on our campus, it is a lack of assertiveness. It can strike everywhere, from not taking a food order back when it was prepared incorrectly, ignoring potentially problematic faults in a romantic partner due to avoiding confrontation, to accepting additional responsibilities when you are already spread thin and know you will not be able to provide them the proper attention. It is usually rooted in the belief that we want to be liked and approved of more

than we believe our needs deserve attention. However, learning to address our needs is the best way to learn to act compassionately on the behalf of others. If you can’t act compassionately on your own behalf, how could you do it for someone else? Typically, we approach a situation that would require assertiveness, we perceive it as threatening, and we respond by avoidance (flight) or approach (either assertively or aggressively). Acting assertively comes down to accurately assessing the situation and then appropriately responding to the stressor (making friends with the word “No.”) Assessing the situation accurately usually involves answering the following questions: “Is my life in danger?” Will being tense help the situation?” “What is the worst thing that could happen?” and then, based upon the previous responses “What should I do next?” These situations can be overwhelming and I find by breaking them down into small chunks, they can be more manageable. Having a general stress reduction strategy can help, such as taking a small break, breathing deeply or engaging in physical exercise. The next step is addressing the beliefs that keep you from being assertive, like a fear of failure or feeling unimportant. The next progression is to take charge of your behavior and let others take charge of theirs. Each party is responsible for their own behavior. Typically

being direct and respectful is the best way to negotiate any issue. One of my favorite quotes is from the athletic arena: “You miss 100% of the shots you don’t take!” Give it a shot. Assert and address your needs, it gets better with practice!

Let me know how it goes. We are here to serve you.

Until next time, BEAVER NATION!

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Tim Morenz, College Counselor

It’s Always Fantasy Season

By Robert Fagg

Fantasy sports have been around for a long time. There are conflicting views of when it started, either 1962 in Oakland or in the 70’s in New York, but nonetheless fantasy sports are pivotal in today’s culture of sports to sports fans.

Ask around campus and you’ll be surprised how many students and faculty members are a part of at least one fantasy league. Dr. Benedetti, Dr. Pepper, the Blackburn Baseball team and numerous others are all part of fantasy sports.

The glorious thing about fantasy sports is that you don’t have to be good at a sport to do well. You don’t have to be a statistician to be good in fantasy sports either. Many people who just watch the game can tell who is good enough to put together on a

team and win some games. Of course there are plenty of casual fans who follow the weekly stats and listen to every podcast on who to start, who to sit and how to run their team, but these are usually those playing for money or who just enjoy fantasy, AKA super fans.

Fantasy sports create a community among those who are playing together in a league. It doesn’t matter if you start a league with some friends or join one with complete strangers, by the end you are going to at least know someone from that league because you have had to make a trade or talked smack to someone or have asked about teams; in some way you are making new connections with others. Fantasy sports are a crucial part of the sports

culture; they aren’t just time-wasting games that no one pays attention to. They build a stronger community in sports. I didn’t watch sports as closely as I do now until I started fantasy and that helps me get better by learning the various odds and ends, and I know of fellow fantasy players who have value in the same facets.

According to ESPN.com, there are five free fantasy sports which you can join: football, baseball, basketball, hockey and soccer. They give these options for those who are versed in all sports but also for those who know one sport really well. There are paid options for fantasy and this means you can win money, but many people who play do it just for the fun of it.

Let’s Bring
Something Hot
to Campus

FRESH & HOT

By Karlee Brimberry

Being in college, often times students struggle with staying awake because of lack of sleep. After a while, you develop the ability to tell what students are all jacked up on multiple cups of coffee and what students are not. Some take it to the extreme where they refuse to start their day unless they have had heir precious cup of coffee, and this can become a lifelong habit. Typically, on college campuses there are coffee shops for those exhausted sleep deprived students—unfortunately, Blackburn is not one of those colleges.

Although Blackburn offers coffee choices at Snack Bar, the options are very limited. According to senior computer science major Elizabeth Quick, “I think that Blackburn should get a coffee shop just so that we can have more options of what types of coffee’s we can order because right now you can only get straight black coffee from Snack Bar. We definitely need more of a variety. I think it would be really cool if we got a coffee shop to put in right in DCC.” It is common for students to complain about the limited amount of options Snack Bar has for hot beverages, regardless if it is coffee or hot chocolate.

According to scholars.unh.edu, Forty percent of 18 to 24 year olds who are in college drink coffee every day.

Junior graphic design major Keragan White, who is also a very avid coffee consumer said, “Considering coffee has been proven to increase energy levels and make a person smarter, I would say it is an essential part of a college students’ life. Snack bar right now only gives black coffee and quite frankly it tastes like cardboard. A coffee shop on campus could also offer some healthier breakfast options as well as various types of coffee. Having a coffee shop on campus would be very convenient and cheaper for me as a college student who is on a budget. Not to mention, it would quench my constant craving for caffeine!”

If Blackburn opened up a campus coffee shop, not only would it make the students happy, but it would also be a wise investment for the school in general. When the school host’s events for community members, the guests have been known to ask where the coffee shop is on campus. A coffee shop could therefore be a way to bring Blackburn and the community closer together, as well as be a way for Blackburn to make some extra money.

Whether or not you like coffee, cappuccino, hot chocolate or teas; a campus coffee shop would be very beneficial for all students, faculty, staff and community member.

Letter to the Editor

When people ask me what my brother is doing with his life, I say “he’s taking a year off from school.” In actuality, that isn’t true. Growing up, we were never close; we had nothing in common. After going off to college, we now have at least one thing in common....Rape.

I remember the night it happened very vividly. It was Easter break of my freshman year at Blackburn. Most students were home for the holiday and I had a guy over. He was a kindergarten teacher. We were watching the movie “Sister Act.” Things started to get heated and he asked if I wanted to have sex. I replied with a strong “No,” but my “No” was disregarded. Thirty seconds isn’t a long time, but thirty seconds of not being able to fight off your attacker while pleading for him to stop seems like an eternity.

As I said, I remember my experience like it was yesterday. My brother however does not. He was drugged and raped multiple times by a man he met in his college library. It took me almost a year to even ask him about his experience even though I know how being raped feels. Yes, we’re both victims of rape, so, hypothetically speaking, it should be easier for us to talk about. This isn’t true. For me, talking about it seems harder than the experience itself. For him, talking about it is like repeatedly living the experience.

A friend told me “rape robs a person of himself.”

For my brother this is true. He has been in a deep depression for the last year and has tried to kill himself on several occasions. Rape doesn’t only rob a victim of himself, but it also has the potential to rob the victim from the world. As a victim of rape, even to continue living in this world is tough.

I told my brother that rape is everywhere. I don’t mean everyone is getting raped. I mean it comes up in class, it’s on the news, it’s in everyday conversation and even the subject of jokes. The easiest thing for me to do is to smile through it. However, this is also the toughest thing for me to do.

I’ve learned that telling people about my rape makes me seem like damaged goods. I’ve learned that joking about my rape is easier than admitting to myself that someone took advantage of me. I’ve learned that I cannot trust everyone with my secret of being raped. I have learned that rape has the potential to kill. I have learned to push rape out of my life, but it will forever be part of it.

Before this piece, no one on this campus knew about me and my brother’s past. Now, in a sense, everyone does. I chose to write this article anonymously because I don’t want to be pinpointed as the student who was raped. I want everyone to be pinpointed as the student who was raped. I am your coworker. I am your peer. I am your friend. That smile I wear during your rape joke could be covering up a stab to my heart.

It is standard 'Burnian policy that no articles written anonymously are to be released to the public. Being a credible news source for our readers is of top priority. However, with difficult and very real issues like the one above, the message is more important than the name of the author.

The 'Burnian is dedicated to serving the Blackburn campus as well as the Carlinville community. If you have something to contribute, send a Letter to the Editor to burnian@blackburn.edu. We also welcome guest editorials and would love to hear your ideas.

TITLE

Concerns at Blackburn College

By Jarrod Gray

You have probably heard in the national news information regarding sexual assaults on college campuses, Title IX enforcement and the need for colleges to change their policies in response to these issues. Unfortunately, sexual assaults and gender discrimination have been present on college campuses across the country for a very long time. Most incidences have gone unreported and people have remained silent about them. Fortunately, college cultures are changing and more people have become advocates to stop, prevent and eliminate such violence on campuses. And in January 2014, even President Obama said, “Perhaps most important, we need to keep saying to anyone out there who has ever been assaulted: you are not alone. We have your back. I’ve got your back.”

Title IX provides that “no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.” Further information about Title IX can be found at www.justice.gov/crt/about/cor/coord/titleix.php

As the Blackburn Title IX Coordinator, it is my responsibility to ensure the

college takes immediate and effective corrective action if the college has notice of a sexually hostile environment or gender-based harassment. Blackburn College has notice if a responsible employee knew, or in the exercise of reasonable care, should have known about the harassment. In these cases, Blackburn College will take the following corrective actions:

- Eliminate the harassment and hostile environment
- Prevent its recurrence
- Address its effects

The College aims to bring all allegations to a resolution within a sixty business day time period, which can be extended as necessary for appropriate cause by the Title IX Coordinator or Human Resources Designee with notice to the parties. In overview, the timeline for resolution begins with notice to a mandated reporter or responsible employee, who then should make a report to the Title IX Coordinator or Human Resources Designee.

Responsible Employee/ Mandated Reporter: Includes any employee who:

1. has the authority to take action to redress the harassment;
2. has the duty to report harassment or other types of misconduct to appropriate officials; OR

3. is someone a person could reasonably believe has this authority or responsibility.

A responsible employee or mandated reporter does not include students who are not participating in the work program, peer counselors, staff counselors, the college chaplain, or professional staff members employed by Sodexo. In essence, almost all members of the college community are considered a responsible employee/mandated reporter. Tim Morenz (Director of Counseling Services), Erica Brown (Pastoral Counselor) and the Peer Counselors serve as confidential resources and can provide options for off-campus resources too.

In strategic efforts to continue with federal compliance and best practices, you will notice an increase of equitable policy, procedure and advocacy revisions in the campus student B-Book and employee handbooks. You will also notice an increase in available training to all members of our community to promote education, reporting options and available on and off campus supportive resources.

If you have any questions, please schedule a time to see me in Rahme 109. I look forward to making this a safer and more equitable college environment with you.



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A Leader On and Off the Field

By Karlee Brimberry

Leadership, self-discipline, motivation and positivity are just a few adjectives that come to mind when coaches and teammates were asked to describe senior soccer player Michael (Mikey) Stephenson.

Stephenson, a senior criminal justice major, is very optimistic about his final season as a Blackburn Beaver. Stephenson comes from many years of experience; he started playing at a young age and played for Lincolnwood High School, then continued his soccer career for Blackburn all four years. “Mikey has been an

absolute pleasure to coach,” said Coach Rob Steinkuehler. “As a player, Mikey is very intense and is an extreme

“Mikey wants to see the team excel and accomplish things that no one person can do alone.”

-Reed Gwillim

competitor. He has taken on many roles and positions and always seems to succeed.” Currently, Stephenson plays midfield for the Beavers.

Stephenson has been captain since his junior year and has been a role model for

all his teammates. “Mikey is a great leader for the team. He always has a positive attitude towards training and also in games. He makes it fun to be teammates and compete against him everyday. But above all, Mikey wants to see the

team excel and accomplish things that no one person can do alone,” said sophomore teammate Reed Gwillim. Overall, Stephenson is known for leading the team in total goals scored. During his sophomore season, Stephenson

earned the Golden Boot award, which was for the most goals scored. “Mikey has been relied on as a goal scorer, a defensive specialist in the midfield and he is the spark plug of the team. Everyone feeds off of his game play and demeanor,” commented Steinkuehler.

Although Stephenson’s collegiate career is coming to a close, he plans to stay in touch with his teammates and coaches after graduation, stating, “Not only have I stayed in touch with other players throughout the years that have already graduated, but I plan to do that when I graduate. Especially with this group of players and having a great coaching staff always makes things better as well. Coach Steinkuehler is a great guy and it’s also nice that coach Ruyle,

who is the assistant coach, also came back since I played with him my freshman year.”

Tuesday, Oct. 27 will be Stephenson’s last home game for Blackburn where he and his teammates will take on Iowa Wesleyan at 1 p.m.



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Bro, Do You Even?



PHOTO BY HEIDI TYSON

Heidi Tyson performing deadlifts. This exercise targets the hamstrings, glutes and lower back

By Robert Fagg

The weight room at Blackburn has new hours. It is now open from noon until 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. Teams have access to the weight room as needed for additional lifting as long as the coach lets them in. For example, the basketball teams currently use the room as part of their preseason work.

Weight room crew head Austin Sherfy said, “I based the schedule on the number of student workers so there was always a supervisor there.” This is good in case a student does not have a lifting partner and needs a spotter on a heavy lift. It is a safety hazard to lift without a spotter. Sherfy is concerned for students and their safety first and foremost. “USC had a top-ranked running

back crush his throat because he did not have a spotter on bench press.” He also stated that each of his workers works on a two hour shift so that they can “offer to spot someone, check the cardio room for safety concerns and make sure there is no horsing around.”

The limited hours can be an inconvenience to all students, athletes and non-athletes alike. Those who have afternoon and night classes don’t have the option to go in before noon, get their workout in and then go to class for the rest of the day. The weight room is also small and during peak hours when many people are in there, it is hard to get in and do what you need to get done because it is so crowded.

Upcoming Sports Events

Blackburn College Men and Women’s Cross Country Schedule

Oct 10, 2015	at Principia	11:00 AM
Oct 17, 2015	at Illinois College	11:00 AM

Blackburn College Men’s Golf Schedule

Oct 11, 2015	at Belk Park, Wood River, IL	8:00 AM
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Blackburn College Men’s Soccer Schedule

Oct. 8	at St. Louis College of Pharmacy	9:00 PM
Oct. 10	vs. Webster	1:00 PM
Oct. 13	at Fontbonne	6:00 PM
Oct. 15	vs. Eureka	3:00 PM
Oct. 17	vs. Westminster (MO)	1:00 PM
Oct. 20	at Principia	6:00 PM

Blackburn College Women’s Soccer Schedule

Oct. 8	at St. Louis College of Pharmacy	7:00 PM
Oct. 10	vs. Webster	3:00 PM
Oct. 13	at Fontbonne	8:00 PM
Oct. 15	vs. Eureka	1:00 PM
Oct. 17	vs. Westminster (Mo.)	3:00 PM
Oct. 20	at Principia *	8:00 PM

Blackburn College Women’s Volleyball Schedule

Oct. 8	vs. St. Louis Pharmacy	7:00 PM
Oct. 10	vs. MacMurray @ Mt. Pleasant, Iowa	2:00 PM
	at Iowa Wesleyan *	4:00 PM
Oct. 16	vs. North Central (Minn.) @ Univ. of Dubuque, Iowa	6:00 PM
	at Dubuque Spartan Homecoming Triangular	8:00 PM
Oct. 17	at Eureka	12:00 PM
Oct. 20	vs. Principia	7:00 PM

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