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FHU night at MOES is this Monday, Oct. 27.

Trick-or-Treating in the dorms will be Oct. 30.

The Lady Lions Soccer Team will be playing Trevecca at 7pm Tuesday, Oct. 28.

Anyone interested in helping start a new social club at FHU can contact Tony Allen in the Office of Student Life and Development. There will be open spots for 60 members.

Briefly:

DONATE to the HOMELESS
There will be boxes setup in each dorm and in the student center from Oct 30- Nov. 6 to collect clothes, hats, mittens, shoes, and non-perishable food for the homeless of Henderson and Jackson.

The 10th annual FHU Baseball/Carl Perkins Center Haunted Trail will be Oct. 24-26 & Oct 29-31 starting at dark. People are needed to guide the groups through the trail. If you can help, please call Coach Brent Heavener @ 989-6362.

Soul Food

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

Galatians 6:2

Dr. Wiley Inaugurated as FHU's 15th President

By Marisa Janes
Staff Writer

He was named as Dr. Milton Sewell's successor early last spring semester. He was introduced to our community at the 72nd Annual Bible Lectureships. Today, he is making progressive measures to bring Freed-Hardeman University into the communication age with the iKnow Initiative, fitting students and faculty alike with Apple MacBooks, iPhones, and iPod Touches. In the week of October 13-17, Dr. Joe Wiley took the final step to assume leadership of the school he has already left an impression on—he was inaugurated as Freed-Hardeman University's fifteenth president.

In the past 139 years of Freed history, only fifteen presidential inaugurations have occurred. The last took place in 1990, nearly twenty years ago. Several classes have since passed through their college years without ever witnessing such a celebrated event. In the gracious words of Dr. Sewell, who has stepped down from the presidency after eighteen years of service, "This is a historic transition that we are blessed to witness. Ecclesiastes says there is

a time for everything—this is a time for change in our history." Dr. Sewell continued to say that the future "looks bright under Joe Wiley. A group of fifty men picked him, and it's clear that God was with them in their choice."

The inaugural week, carefully formulated by the Inauguration Steering Committee under Jud Davis, kicked off on Monday, the 13th, with a Ladies Brunch at the Hardeman House to meet Glenda Wiley, the fifteenth first lady. Monday night allowed the faculty and staff of the University to mingle with the president and his wife on a more familiar basis at a reception held at the Wiley home. Tuesday provided students with the chance to get to know the Wileys on a more personal basis. Gano food services catered a student picnic with the president, and a Concert under the Stars featuring the Redding Brothers took place during UPC's Soccerpalooza, an event including both a Lady Lions and a Lions soccer game complete with concessions provided by UPC and a Dr. Wiley trivia game. Wednesday afternoon, Dr. Wiley attended a business reception in his honor, and Thursday evening the Inaugural

Gala took place. Throughout the week, chapel periods hosted a variety of speakers in honor of the inauguration. Monday's chapel period was dedicated to the history of Freed-Hardeman's Alma Mater, as presented by Erin Adams, University Archivist. Tuesday broadened students' minds with a summary history of Freed-Hardeman by Dr. Sam Hester, Bible professor, and Wednesday Dr. E. Claude Gardner, previous president of FHU and affiliate of the school for 63 years, reminisced about the past and looked eagerly towards Dr. Wiley's tenure as president. Thursday's chapel experience culminated with the event of hearing Dr. Milton Sewell himself introduce his successor and provide him with a few heartfelt pointers in guiding the school. All of this was in preparation for the grandest event of all: Friday's inaugural service.

All classes were reduced to a half hour on Friday to make room for the installation ceremony, which began at ten o'clock.

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Freed-Hardeman welcomed friends and alumni Friday to the inauguration of Dr. Joe Wiley as the school's 15th president.

FHU'S iKnow Program:

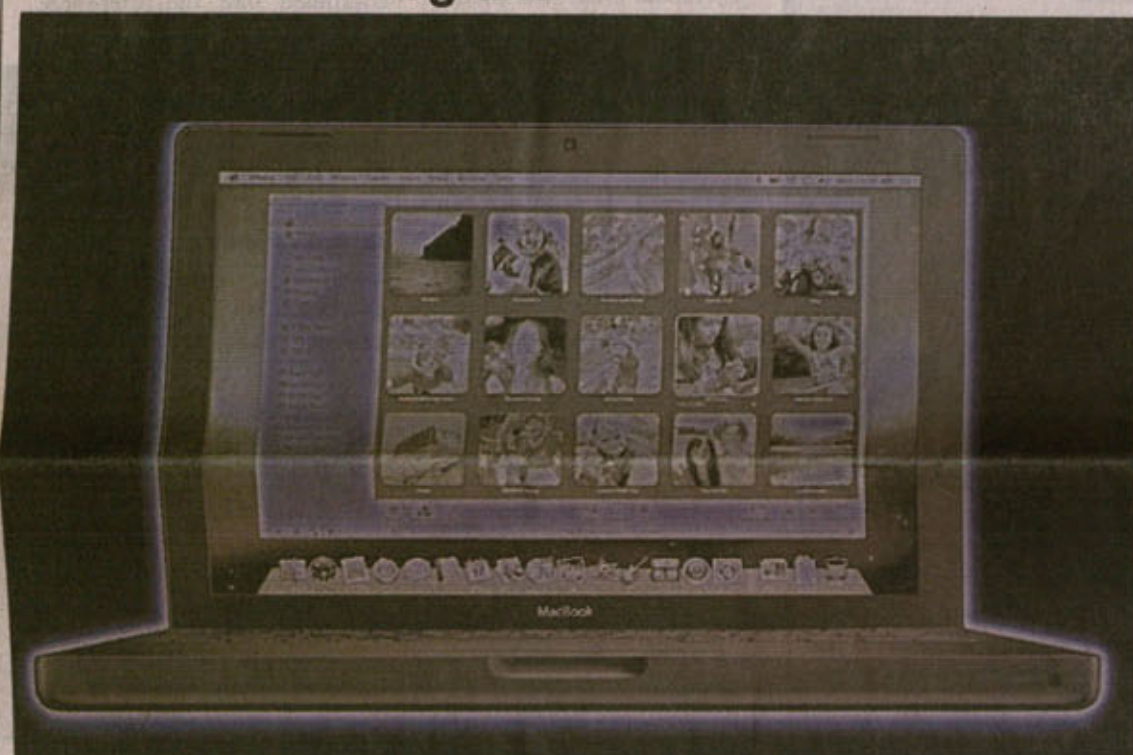


Photo Submitted

MacBook hackers leaves some students feeling unsafe.

iHack leaving students stressed?

By Heather Fortenberry
Assistant Editor

It started happening all over campus. Screams of terror filled the dorms due to the numerous frightening incidents. Panic took over, and people began frantically getting passwords and changing old ones. No one on campus saw it coming. Without any warning, students were subjected to the horror of "The Hackers."

The phenomenon we now know is called "screen sharing," began putting many students in a state of panic a few weeks ago. It seemed like something straight out of a horror movie. Imagine sitting in your room,

and your computer begins to have a mind of its own. Or so you think. This, in itself, would strike fear into anyone. But once the shock wore off, this phenomenon became even scarier. What students were learning was that someone else was controlling their computers. (Dun...dun...dunnn!!!)

So what exactly occurred to cause these dreadful events? Although many of us have heard stories, the truth about the magnitude of these situations is largely left in the memories of the victims. Here are a few of their stories:

The Strike of the "Joker":
"I was getting ready for class a couple weeks ago and had my

iTunes on. I went over to my computer to change the song to 'Ice Ice Baby' and someone else turned on another song. I was so confused, but I just ignored it. I then proceeded to check my Facebook when my cursor moved to the search bar and someone typed in, 'Hi Amy.' So I typed back, 'Who is this?' They replied with, 'Why So Serious?' I was like...this is so creepy! Then the hacker clicked on my PhotoBooth icon and I could see myself on the computer screen. I covered the camera with my finger while I shut down my computer. Scary. Then I got a diet coke.

—Amy Cross Brewer
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Psychology Dep. hosts NAMI

By Brittney Chapin
Staff Writer

On Thursday, October 9th, the Psychology Department and the Counseling Center hosted a special event in honor of National Mental Illness Awareness Week. Two speakers from The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) came to Freed-Hardeman University and enlightened the campus with their knowledge and experience. The speakers were Roger Stewart, an alumnus of FHU, and Michael Corbin.

The 9 A.M. presentation in Ayers auditorium was entitled "Un-Fractured Lives: Mending Mental Illness." It involved an open and honest discussion about the devastating impact of mental illness on individuals and families. The 1 P.M. session was entitled "So you want to work in the Mental Health field? Are you Crazy?" and it discussed the challenges and amazing rewards of helping others.

Stewart revealed that NAMI's motto is "to eradicate mental illness and improve the quality of life of people with mental illness and their family members." NAMI exists on a local and a national level and the organization has over 220,000 members all across the nation. NAMI accomplishes its mission through promoting a range of support services, advocating for the interests of persons with mental illness, educating the public to dispel myths about mental illness and helping concerned families and friends find support and advocacy groups.

During the presentations

on Thursday Stewart and Corbin represented two very different points of view. Corbin has Bipolar disorder, and he revealed his personal struggles through the illness which started at the very young age of ten years old. NAMI offered and continues to offer Corbin strength and innumerable opportunities to make a positive difference. Stewart has a wife with severe Bipolar Disorder, and his point of view is that of a family member. Stewart has also had many ups and downs, triumphs and disappointments. He is still dealing with issues related to mental health today because both of his children have mental health disorders as well. Stewart also benefits from the opportunities available through NAMI and from the powerful alliance created by the people that work there.

"Going to NAMI was a huge turning point," Stewart said. "To find that peer-to-peer support and having that iron that I can sharpen myself against is a great coping skill."

Both men are continually working through their struggles and are also trying to make leaps and bounds for mental health advocacy. They are attempting to fight the negative, and oftentimes false, stigmas associated with mental illness. Both men believe in the NAMI's acronym "MIND" which stands for "Mental Illness Needs Discussion." Keeping this in mind, NAMI reminds people that mental illness is quite common. Every year, more than 50 million people in the United States of America are diagnosed with mental illness. If you are in need of support you can go to www.namitn.org to find a free and confidential class near you.

SGA sponsors Student Lectureships

By Thomas Vick
Staff Writers

From October 5th through the 8th, the University Program Council hosted the Freed-Hardeman University student lectureships. Ten speakers spoke on eight subjects concerning the theme, "Our Family Tree."

Speaking at the Estes Church of Christ on Sunday evening, Charles Steiner reminded the audience of some great Christian fundamentals. He expounded on the idea that the family of God shares the same foundation, founder and beginning.

Also speaking on the topic of "Our Family Tree," Smith Hopkins demonstrated that Christians must represent their heavenly Father well, that they have an elder brother in Jesus who understands trials because he went through them, and that they have a tremendous blessing because they are saved and share fellowship with each other.



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UPC hosts the Freed-Hardeman University Student Lectureships.

During Monday's chapel, Tristan Wheeler spoke about "The Sacrifice of the Father." He pointed out that God is generous, even to the point of giving his very Son to an ungrateful people. In turn, Wheeler noted, people of God must develop such generosity.

Monday evening was a double dose of spiritual edification.

During the 7 P.M. service, Michael Galloway did an excellent job with the subject of "The Suffering of the Family." He explained that children of God need to turn to God during trying times, rather than to Satan "who is the one really causing" their problems.

At the 10:30 devotional, Russell Shaw provided insight

into "The Family That Comforts." He related to his fellow students how the church needs not to be thought of as just attending services but to put into practice what is preached.

Tuesday's chapel was separated by gender. The ladies stayed in Loyd Auditorium and heard a lesson about "The Correction of Daughters," by Jennifer Savage. She taught that Christians need to be humble enough to accept correction because, if they do not, they may cause others to go astray. In addition, she pointed out that followers of God must correct others in order to keep them from developing hard hearts, that the best way to do so is face-to-face, not with impersonal 21st century technology such as text messaging and email.

In the male chapel session, Daniel Overton spoke on "The Correction of Sons." He told the story of a man he had recently met who had said to him, "Bad people weren't always bad." Afterwards,

he encouraged the audience not just to think and discuss philosophies of Christianity but to actually practice it.

At the evening service on Tuesday, Ray Baker elaborated on the topic, "The Family That Laughs Together." While providing a few good laughs, Baker discussed the importance of laughter in the home, the proper kind of laughter in the home, and laughter as a medicine.

Jeremy Jenkins was the speaker in chapel on Wednesday. With the topic of "Being God's Children in Satan's World," Jenkins made the point that Christians must suffer in order to be God's children. When they do so, they will cry out to God who will hear them; they, in turn, will hear the cries of others.

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Coffee House

By Bradley Gean
Staff Writer

How often can you count on something quality being there for you, at minimum, once a week? A favorite TV show, chapel presentations, or social club meetings come close to meeting this goal—but rarely do any of these have enough variety within them to cover each student's needs every time. Even since the before the beginning of this academic year, the University Program Council has had a plan to reach such a

need as this within students' lives. And on October 21, 2008, "The Belltower" believes that UPC found a way to meet that need within one single event. The recent October "Coffee House" had just the right blend of Little Debbie snacks, music genres, and coffee beans to let anyone who came in ready for an enjoyable time leave fulfilled.

After Josh Gracin, "The Redding Brothers", "Sister Hazel", Edwin McCain, "Red Shepherd", and an array of other rising artists: where was UPC

to turn to offer students a good time? Well, despite the dangers which come with such a practice, a sign-up sheet was just what they needed to deliver the variety we all needed after half a semester of hard work. On the line-up for the night were names such as Jacob E. Wallace, Kyle Taubken, Parker Depriest, Chris Pate, Rachel Ryan, Max Roth, and "The Undertones." Depending on when they arrived, students were capable of leaving the night's event with their music repertoire expanded to its limits.

From acoustic, to ballad, to rock: it was evident that there was no need to look any further than the student body.

One of the favorites for the night was Jacob E.'s "And It Hurt." This ballad, which was originally never on the night's

line-up, was brought back to the Burk's Student Center stage for an a cappella encore, if you will. In a public statement, Jacob is noted for saying, "Some call me the most memorable person they know." He also has been noted for saying most all his songs come from situations he has faced within his own life. All these facts together, it is very impressive that he puts so much into his music—and he should be recognized for that. We were also impressed by "The Undertones" rendition of "Beat It"—a Michael Jackson hit, most recently brought back to the charts by "Fallout Boy." Take note, if you go looking for some of their music they most recently have been found practicing late nights in the old, basement portion of OSLD.

Other performances can be found on Facebook, such as Kyle and Parker's "Tape of Love" and "Distraction #74." Of course, more is added daily- so keep an eye out! It should definitely be



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worth your time. Unfortunately, those may have to last you until November's "Coffee House", November 18. But, also, keep in mind that other UPC events will be here to entertain you each Tuesday between now and then [such as "Political Bingo" (Oct. 28) and "Roast-N-Ride" (Nov. 4)] and we will be here to let you know how they really went!



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SGA sponsors town hall meeting

By Erik Stewart
Staff Writer

Earlier this month, a group of students and faculty members consisting of Sammy Jones, new president Joe Wiley, Dave Clause, Wayne Scott, Dwayne Wilson, Richard Taylor, and Greg Maples met to discuss problems around campus. It was a chance for students to express their needs and concerns to the faculty so that those issues may be resolved.

The topic of the night was Budget cuts. As I sat and listened to many questions brought before the board of faculty members, I noticed that the source of many problems was the almighty dollar. I heard a lot of girls complaining about having to buy their own toilet paper. Yes, budget cuts. The members of the board said also that residents of Henderson have complained that their houses have been rolled by the all-too-familiar "John Wayne" toilet paper that we have become so accustomed to. If you have taken a look around your room and noticed that something

is missing (maybe a landline telephone), then yes, the budget phantom has reared his ugly head once again. Landlines were taken out of dorm rooms to save money because it was proven that only 80% of rooms either didn't use or didn't have them. While on the topic of dorms, you may have noticed that your dorm room isn't what we in the business like to call, "Up-to-date." Let's be honest. These quaint little rooms that we have come to call "home" haven't been renovated in quite a while. You may ask why, and the reason is that Freed-Hardeman has been cutting back on expenses. President Wiley said that renovations are in the works. Wiley said that the girls in Hall-Roland should be excited that they are first on the list. It has been estimated that FHU has spent 1.8 million dollars on furniture thus far in the process.

A few ideas for change were brought up during the meeting. First was a sidewalk extending from the four-way



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Students, such as Loren Carol (shown above), shared their opinions asked questions during the meeting.

stop in front of Farrow to Sewell Hall. The members of the board agreed with the fact that there did need to be a way to get commuters out of the middle of the road. Second, there was talk of erecting a Performing Arts building where Milan Sitka used to stand. But it's just that—talk. No timeline has been set as of now. The third topic was chapel. Many people have stated that chapel is pointless, that there is hardly any "Jesus time" in chapel. Plans are being made to make chapel more spiritual. President Wiley is looking at making four of the five chapels a week spiritual. Finally, President Wiley said he is thinking about changing the attendance policy. If you miss 15-20% of class, you receive a failing grade.

Members of the board invited everyone to come to the 44th Annual Benefit Dinner, where comic legend Tim Conway will be speaking. The money goal for this year's dinner is 1.3 million dollars. Come out and support Freed-Hardeman and the work they are doing to make this university a place where you learn how to live and how to

NBS goes to Cleveland, Ohio

By Kyle Taubken
Associate Editor

Cleveland, Ohio. The smelliest city I've ever been to. One of the most drab, gray places I've ever seen. Windy, cloudy, and shivering cold, it's no summer vacation spot. But underneath its surface, Cleveland is a place of hard-working and friendly people. It's a place that doesn't waste time with flashy aesthetics and superficial greetings. It's a big city with small town citizens. Smack in central northern Ohio, Cleveland borders Lake Erie, boasts NBA, NFL, and MLB teams, and is the location of the Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame. I actually liked the place.

This was the setting for the first ever joint meeting of NBS and OSTN. NBS, the National Broadcasting Society, is a nation-wide professional club that helps students learn and experience all things concerning media, television, radio, and film. The chapter here at FHU is led by Ron Means, the head honcho of our own 91.5

"The Lion," and Ray Eaton, the master of disaster down in the basement of GC at our own TV40. Along with these two men traveled myself, Alex

Alex Aguirre, Parker DePriest, Brad Kelley, Antarra Haumschilt, James McKinney, and Titus Smith to the great city of Cleveland for a four-day adventure into television, broadcasting, radio, film, and all things media.

The conference was mostly geared towards the film aspect of media. There were sessions held on editing, writing, directing, and even casting student films. These sessions

started Thursday morning and continued into the afternoon. people that made this trip so much fun.

On Friday, there were sessions dealing with broadcasting, reporting, news, production, and newsroomwriting. Later on Friday, there was a student showcase where we were able to view some of the short films students put together and some news broadcasts that were filmed and aired by colleges in our region. It was beneficial to see the work other college students were putting out so that we could improve our own work here at home. The highlight of the trip, however, was the reception held at the



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Rock Hall on Thursday. For two hours, we had unlimited access to the museum and hall of fame. It was simply awesome. While the conference had some good things to offer, overall it was the

If you're interested in NBS, it's never too late to think about joining. We meet every Thursday and usually conduct a fundraiser, fun event, and field trip every month or so. Right now, we are working on small trips to Jackson and Nashville to check out some radio and television studios. Next semester, we'll be traveling to New York for nationals, and trust me, it's going to be a huge event. If you're a media or communications major, this club will get you contacts that will help you get your career started. Just swing by one of our meetings or events and talk to us. The people in this club are really great and won't mind answering any questions you have. Join now. Your life depends on it.



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Faculty members, including President Wiley and Vice Presidents Wayne Scott and Sammy Jones, addressed students questions and concerns.

Students help run Health Fair

By Laura Locke
Staff Writer

On Friday, October 3, the annual Chester County Senior Citizen Health Fair, hosted by the Chester County Health Council, was held in the Henderson church of Christ (HCOC) Activity Center and Chester County Senior Activity Center. Free blood screenings for glucose, cholesterol, and other health factors were available. Also, Influenza and Pneumonia shots were given from 8 to 10 A.M. in the Senior Activity Center. According to Freed-Hardeman University Health and Human Performance faculty member Charles Corley, the fair was expected to serve at least 200 seniors from Henderson and the surrounding area.

Forty-three vendors were expected to set up displays in

the HCOC Activity Center, according to Lenita Powers. These vendors advertised services such as wound care and in-home assistance. They provided screenings ranging from bone density scans to eyesight exams and offered practical health care advice tailored specifically for seniors but relevant to all age groups. During the wait, or after receiving their blood tests and shots, seniors were invited to browse the booths and take advantage of the free screenings, exams, and healthcare information.

One early vendor arrival, Thomas Bunetta, a local audioprothologist, demonstrated a machine that magnified the outer ear and ear drum, allowing the individual to get an "up-close and personal" glance at his or her

hearing organ. This gave Bunetta the opportunity to identify potential problems such as earwax blockage or abnormal growths. Such exams and scans serve as preventative or early identification care that may allow one to catch a disease or problem before it reaches a serious stage, which may potentially make treatment more effective.

Lunch was served in the Henderson church of Christ building, and the fair concluded at 12 noon. Many students from Freed-Hardeman University, particularly those in Coach Corley's general education Lifetime Wellness classes, assisted in preparing and setting up the venues. These students also helped sign up and direct seniors who attended the health fair.



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Girls can jam too...

By Bryson Leach
Staff Writer

Sometimes I think girls don't get a lot of credit in the music world. Turn on your radio on any given day and you'll most likely hear a guy. I thought it was about time I give some girls a shout out. The following 5 girls are some notable artists. Some have new albums out recently, some don't. Either way, they are all people that deserve a lot more radio play.

Chick No. 1: Adele

Ok, so I know this is an older album, but I just discovered it this week, give me a break. Adele is amazing. Her style nears R&B with a touch of Jazz and a hint of soul, all of which melt together with one smooth voice. She caught my attention when her song "Hometown Glory" was the free song of the week on iTunes (don't you love those?) back in June. Recently, I saw her as the musical guest on Saturday Night Live on October 18. Every track on her newest CD "19" makes me want to turn it up loud enough to annoy all the guys

on the floor just so I can hear all the sounds every song has to offer. Give "Chasing Pavements" or "Cold Shoulder" a listen. It's worth your time.

Chick No. 2: Ingrid Michaelson

Gaining popularity solely from an Old Navy commercial and Myspace, Ingrid Michaelson quickly gained fame for her song "The Way I Am". The song is a delightful tribute to the man of her dreams, a song that I'm already hearing at weddings. Her light-as-a-feather voice and quirky lyrics make each song off of her brand new album "Be Ok" a treat for your ears. Check out the songs "Be Ok," "You and I," and her live remake of Elvis's "Fools Rush In."

Chick No. 3: Tristan Prettyman

Tristan Prettyman got her start as the smooth-voiced singer in G. Love and the Special Sauce's song, "Beautiful". From there, she's now released her first album, "Hello." I'd like to say that she's the female version of Jack Johnson, relaxed and

smooth with catchy lyrics and music. Songs like "Madly" and "Hello" are worth giving a listen.

Chick No. 4: Paramore

Hailing from Franklin, TN, Paramore got their start playing around their hometown until they got picked up by Fueled by Ramen record. They are now selling platinum albums all around the nation. Their Grammy-nominated album "Riot" lives up to its name. Their edgy/close-to-metal sound is pumped by lead singer Hayley Williams's crystal clear voice. Songs like "Hallelujah" and "Misery Business" truly show what kind of pipes this girl has. I'm telling ya, she gives me goose-bumps every time I hear her. Even if you don't like hard rock, this band is really a merit.

Chick No. 5: Jenny Lewis

Frontwoman for popular indie group Rilo Kiley, Jenny Lewis is a force to be reckoned with. Her powerhouse vocals, impressive guitar skills, and superb songwriting make her one of the most talented women in the music industry of today or any day.



Photos Submitted

Listen to any one of Rilo Kiley's four albums and you'll see what I mean. Jenny Lewis has also delved into

the country and folk genre for two solo projects, "Rabbit Fur Coat" and her newest album, released just last

month, "Acid Tongue." Both are testaments to her extreme talent.

"Down to Earth" band of brothers perform at soccerpalooza

By Bradley Gean
Staff Writer

Believe it or not, a band that is authentically comprised of blood-sharing, same-mother brothers has finally graced Freed-Hardeman University. Who knew that there was such a thing out there, aside from the Jonas

Brothers, who have the musical talents of the Avett's and don't have to recruit outside the family tree? Well this band, "The Redding Brothers," came to our lovely campus on October 14, 2008, to support FHU Lion and Lady Lion Soccer Teams during the recent "Soccerpalooza" activity hosted by the University

Program Council during Inauguration Week.

Raised on Johnny Cash and 90s rock, the brothers are best known for their year-long "Song Of The Week" challenge during which they wrote, recorded, and released one new song every Saturday night for a year. Many of these songs were featured throughout the concert last Tuesday night. If you were unfortunate enough to miss out on this UPC event, then you probably also missed your chance to meet the group. We are sorry to inform you that Micah Redding (lead vocal/guitar), Josiah Redding (backup vocal/bass), and Gabe Redding (backup vocal/drums) were quite exceptional, "down to earth" people. Their main website reports that "not only have The Redding Brothers toured colleges all over the US, but they have just recently returned from a 25-day tour of the Middle East."

It all began for the "Brothers" while cruising around small-town Oklahoma in an old LeBaron convertible. As the mid-nineties mix of country music and alternative rock scratched through their FM radio, the guys beat together their idea of what real music was and what a band should be. Little did they know then that their lives were about to take several twists and turns. Through the earliest years of the 21st century, they



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would move from Oklahoma to Seattle, from Seattle to living on the road, and from living on the road back to their original home in West Virginia.

It was in West Virginia, in a town with few venues and a sparse music scene, that they would first buckle down and do the one thing most bands fail to do - grow a huge, loyal audience. Where there had been no venues, they took a local movie theater and made it one of the most popular ones around. Where there had been a sparse music scene, they helped grow a network of musicians and bands

that captivated the area. It was only after this that they started aiming for the biggest goal they could - to fill Charleston West Virginia's Civic Center.

Riding a wave of anticipation and looking for a way to grow geographically and musically, they made one final move and headed for Nashville, TN.

From Nashville, the brothers have struck out into the college circuit, traveling as far as Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Clarion, Pennsylvania. They've been selected to play alongside performers like Sister Hazel (veterans of the

Loyd Auditorium stage), Gin Blossoms, and Joan Jett & The Blackhearts. Ever since then, they've started developing a huge, loyal audience, and "that's what [they] do best," said Micah Redding.

Keep a ready ear for upcoming announcements that will reveal UPC's intentions for more big names and rising artists that may be pulling their buses up to Loyd this spring semester. That's right, Makin' Music isn't the only music planned to be made in the near future. For once, you can have your cake and eat it too!



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Politics: Abandoned Middle



Tara Schonhoff
Columnist

The election is encroaching and rather than making clear the candidates' policies, the debates have served only to provide material for the Saturday Night Live specials. Despite the candidates' pledges for change, most Americans remain in a state of disappointment, disbelieving that the promises from either Party

will materialize in January. There is disappointment that the dynamic Republican has laid down his enthusiasm, submitting to the policies of the current administration. And there is also disappointment that the Democratic candidate of change traded his dynamism for caution, complacent to maintain the status quo of his marginal lead.

This disenchantment of the majority of Americans comes from the minority of citizens who have crossed the line farther than usual in campaigning. Extreme liberals and conservatives alike have completely overstepped their boundaries this cycle. NBC has thrust SNL into the prime-time arena, bringing its liberally-biased bantering

into the coveted "Must See" Thursday night line up and cramming as many politically-associated actors and skits into the Saturday routines. As obvious as the technique may be, the network has still managed to bump up their ratings and those of the Democrats. Similarly daring, conservative Christians have become the activists for the extreme-right by forming a network through email, publication, and pulpit to question the religious fervor of anyone daring to vote for the Democratic Party. They risk their non-profit licensures and hang their beliefs on the hope of conservative Supreme Court appointees, admittedly disregarding all other policies.

The ethics of campaigning boundaries

have been violated because the complete schism between the two Parties has created an immense middle-ground. This majority remains unacknowledged, unanswered and progressively disconcerted. The Parties have dropped all other issues to fight a purely economic campaign of Capitalism verses Socialism. Thus, candidates have traded the majority's concerns for guaranteed support from the far ends of their Party spectrums on this single issue. Compromise appears impossible; indeed, it's not even the objective. With either result, this could be the most dissatisfying election in history, as drastic change will occur in the favor of one loud minority or the other, ignoring the voice of the majority.

Italy: Being Neutral to Swiss Expectations



Bailey Gilreath
Columnist

Hot chocolate, snow-capped mountains, gingerbread-style houses, and generally something resembling a stereotypical Christmas town; this was mostly how I pictured Switzerland. Honestly, I never really had a clear idea of what Switzerland was like at all. I hadn't really given it much thought, seeing as it didn't rank high on my list of places to visit on this particular stay in Europe. Somehow though, I found myself settled down on the long train to Zurich. Originally, I'd had my sights set on the warm, aromatic, and brightly-colored beaches and markets of Spain. It was warm and inviting, but due to expected bad weather, my group decided to break up and go different ways. Hesitantly, I joined a small group of five headed to Switzerland and Germany. Germany did appeal to me, mostly because of ideas I'd formed of it based on lyrics from a few songs I liked. It seemed artsy and quirky and I was excited about traveling there. Switzerland on the other hand...

Though it was far too early in the morning, and I'd spent a less-than-relaxing night in the streets of Zurich (getting the most sleep in a public restroom), it was impossible not to be excited as we entered the mountainous country. It did look something like a Christmas town, with gingerbread-inspired houses and a toy train that wound its way over lakes and between mountains, but it was so much more beautiful than I had expected.

When the train arrived in Interlaken, we stepped out into a town that looked like a painting. It was a foggy day, but it wasn't enough to obscure the beauty of the place. Distant mountains announced themselves, tall and protecting. The bright turquoise, glacial waters moved noiselessly, looking smooth and flat. Everything felt very natural and clean. The air even seemed fresh and smelled like dew. We all instantly fell in love with the beauty of Switzerland. On our second day in Interlaken, we decided to take the train to Lauterbrunnen, a small town in the Alps. From this village, three of the mountains were supposed to be prominently in view. It was still foggy, but it was starting to clear. Blue patches of sky were visible. However, the snowcaps were hidden behind the mist. Waterfalls cascaded down the rocky walls that contained the city while sheep grazed mindlessly in the still lush, green hills. Flowers were decorating every window sill, and even the one cemetery served as an excuse to plant hundreds of mini-gardens containing every color of flower imaginable.

Though the scenery was beautiful, we'd come to see the Alps. And if they wouldn't show themselves to us, we'd go find them. So we took the lift up to the first level of a nearby, less-glorious mountain, and

began to hike. The air was colder up on the mountain, but it was barely noticeable as we trekked through the fairytale-esque forest on the path composed largely of the tangled roots of trees. The mist was lifting as we reached the top of the trail and began to escape the trees that obscured our view. The path led us to a rolling hillside with a perfect view of the three snowcapped mountains. Breathtaking. The next day we went to Munich, Germany. We were sad to leave Switzerland, which had, for a short time, begun to feel like home to us. We'd each found a piece of ourselves that we hadn't known existed.

Munich, however, was disappointing. It was crowded (mostly due to Oktoberfest) and somewhat run down. It looked like any large city in America, save the slightly tipsy drones of people wearing lederhosen and German maiden dresses. This did come as a surprise to me; it just seemed too stereotypical. Drunk Germans in lederhosen?

Augsburg, Germany was a much more pleasant experience. It was smaller and it seemed more real. It was more like how Germans really live, as opposed to the scads of out-of-towners waddling around during Oktoberfest. Our "guide," a young boy who professed to be possessed by Satan, lead us through the unfamiliar but small and homey streets and through a tunnel, brightly colored, with artwork painted on the walls and classical music playing from unseen speakers. We made friends with the members of a small church there, and were shown around by Toby and Toby, two young Germans with good hearts, who were willing to help.

All in all, my first free-travel was an amazing experience. It wasn't the trip I'd originally planned to take, but I wouldn't trade it now for anything. The few expectations I had of Switzerland weren't positive enough to make it high on my list of priorities, but now it is one my favorite places. I held a much higher opinion of Germany, which was disappointing, and was then later redeemed by a small town I'd never heard of. If there is one thing I learned from that trip, it was to be flexible. Your expectations are often wrong, so go with the flow and take risks. If I'd held to my stubborn ideas, I would have missed out on one of the most amazing places I've ever been.



Brittney Chapin
Columnist

A great man once said, "Know thyself." This man was Socrates, and he stated simply what most of us will struggle with our whole lives. That's an interesting concept, if I do say so myself. Sometimes we are so busy getting to know other people and letting other people get to know us that we neglect to put introspection into action and get to know ourselves.

Oddly enough, there are lots of suggestions of how you can get to know yourself. There are whole college level classes, seminars, and books dedicated to it. Crazy. I'm just giving you a column. If someone asked you to tell a little bit about yourself, what would you say? Well personally, "I'm a senior psychology student at Freed-Hardeman University. I'm 21 years old, a member of Gamma Tau Omega, and from Nebraska. I'm a follower of Christ and I'm pretty average overall."

Her view: Know Thyself

Lame. I get so used to giving the same old spiel to every passing newcomer I meet. How about a little exercise in introspection?

Go to an art museum and see what kind of art speaks to you and what kind of art says "Shut up." Put your iPod on shuffle and analyze your eclectic taste in music. Make a list of "I am ____" 40 times on a blank sheet of paper and explore what you are and what you are not. Make a list of 10 characteristics of you, the you that you "ought" to be, and the "ideal" version of you, and examine what discrepancies there are between the various lists. Pinpoint your fears, as well as your strengths and weaknesses. Think about if you had to hang out with yourself for a day. What is the most fun type of person you could be while still being yourself? What is the best version of you? Are you being that person? Make a list of goals you want to accomplish by the time you graduate college, as well as a list of things you'd like to do before you die. You can even take personality tests to gain insight into yourself. There's an interesting quiz at <http://www.outofservice.com/morality/> that tests your moral attitudes as well as your personality. Give it a try, but don't let it completely define who you are. Only YOU can do that.

So why should you "know yourself?" How can you set goals, go about life, and have relationships if you don't know who you are or what you want? According to *essentiallifefskills.net*, to know yourself, you should be aware of your likes and dislikes as well as your strengths and weaknesses. You should observe and be aware of your moods, reactions and responses to what is happening around you. You should also examine how you interact with others and see how your environment affects you.

When you truly define who you are and what you stand for, you can strongly commit to your beliefs. Don't worry about what everyone else is doing, thinking or believing; sometimes conformity is not the way to go. Even if it's something simple, you don't want to end up changing your mind just for another person. Don't end up like Julia Roberts

in Runaway Bride and not even know what your favorite type of egg is. Finding out who you are and being yourself involves developing and expressing your individuality. If there's anything you like that is original and outside of the mainstream, magnify your quirkiness. Be a character, not a type.

While you are discovering who you truly are, be open and honest with yourself, but don't beat yourself up. So what if you're not perfect? Turn your so-called "flaws" into individualistic quirks. We are all imperfect, growing, learning human beings and the key is to recognize our potential weaknesses so that we can work on becoming stronger.

Once you have figured out just who you are and what you believe, remember that there's a difference between being yourself and being rude. You may have your opinions, dreams and preferences, but so does everyone else. You shouldn't disrespect people who disagree with you; they have the right to be themselves just as you do.

His view:

Professional Clubs at FHU



Brad Kelley
Columnist

Professional Clubs--nerds, I know. That was my first thought about professional clubs here at FHU. You know, the usual "hah, look at those law geeks over there" or "AV losers club on this corner." Only problem is, I'm in

the "AV nerds club" now, and well, it's actually pretty cool.

You may disagree, but then again, it's the kind of profession I intend to get into. Hopefully there's a radio broadcast career in my foreseeable future, so this is the kind of thing that'd be useful to me. The different professional clubs will bring in people from your field, or send you to them. Speaking of, I just got back from a media conference in Cleveland that the National Broadcasting Society helped me get to. Great conference, by the way. I spoke with a producer from the movie *Sling Blade*, heard some lectures

from people who edit movies and music, and got to meet and work with students of the same interests as myself from across the East Coast. There's a national convention in New York this March that I'll be going to, so I even get two weeks for Spring Break.

Anyway, my awesomeness aside, I'm trying to portray to you how these clubs can help your future. I'm telling you to go join a professional club. Social clubs are great; get in one. Sure, whatever. Professional clubs will help you with, well, your professional futures. So, find one for your major or area of interest,

and get in it. There's quite a few on campus covering several different things. So freshies, talk to your advisors and say "Hey, I would like to be in a professional club because Brad says it would be a good idea, and he's full of these 'idea' things," and then figure out which club is best for your interests. Or use professional clubs to figure out what your interests are. Anyway, get there now, and find yourself one. Do as I say.

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Upcoming Games

Lady Lions VolleyBall

Oct. 27th v. Crichton
7:00

Oct 28th @ Trevecca
7:00

Oct. 30th v. Bethel College
7:00

Lady Lions Soccer

Oct 28th v. Trevecca
7:00 (Senior Night)

Lions Soccer

Oct. 25th v. TNWesleyan
6:00

Lion Basketball

Nov. 2nd @ Northern Illinois
2:00

Nov. 4th @ David Lipscomb
4:00

Nov. 7th vs. Concordia
College Selma
8:00

Lady Lion Basketball

Nov. 7th vs. Missouri Valley
6:00

Nov. 8th vs. Tongaloo
College
4:00

Nov. 13th vs. Belhaven
8:00

The Bell Tower's College Football Power Poll

1. Texas
2. Alabama
3. Penn State
4. Oklahoma
5. Florida
6. USC
7. Oklahoma State
8. Texas Tech
9. Georgia
10. Ohio State
11. LSU
12. Utah
13. Boise State
14. TCU
15. South Florida
16. Missouri
17. Pittsburgh
18. Kansas
19. Brigham Young
20. Georgia Tech
21. Tulsa
22. Ball State
23. Boston College
24. Florida State
25. Minnesota

Soccerpalooza features new president Joe Wiley

By Shannon Hargis
Sports Writer

Soccer, Gano, live music, and Joe Wiley: only at Freed-Hardeman University could these things be brought together in one awesome event, Soccerpalooza. This event, hosted by University Program Council, was designed to encourage FHU students to come out and support our Lion and Lady Lion soccer teams in their match against Lambuth University out of Jackson, TN. In order to get more students out to the game, the dining hall was closed for the night and Gano was only being served down at the soccer field. Students began arriving at 4:30 to eat with the girls' game starting at 5:00.

The Lady Lions started out strong, holding the score to 0-0 in the first half. The two teams were still scoreless in the

beginning of the second half, but a Lambuth player found the back of the net in the 51st minute to put the Lady Lions down by one. Fighting hard but unable to recover, the Lady Lions recorded a 1-0 loss. Sophomore goalkeeper, Tiffany Harris, played an outstanding game, saving 11 shots and passing former Lady Lion Mandy Messer for most saves in a season.

During half time of both games, UPC got several students to participate in a Joe Wiley trivia game as well as a "Score on a faculty member" shot from the penalty mark. The students who won received iTunes gift cards, always an appropriate reward with the Mac mania on FHU's campus.

Another incentive of the night was the chance to "mix and mingle" with our newly inaugurated president, Dr. Joe Wiley. He and his wife were

seated under a tent welcoming students to come visit and chat while enjoying the game. The president confessed that this was his first chance to make it out to a soccer game but he was very thoroughly enjoying it. He and his wife were both used to watching soccer as their daughter had always played growing up. He thought that the UPC event was "very successful" and he hoped that they would have something like this at least once a year for every intercollegiate sport represented at FHU to help encourage students to come out and support our teams.

The men's game began with a strong first few minutes. Unfortunately Lambuth was able to get a goal in past FHU keeper Alexandre Girodo in the 15th minute. The Lions kept fighting hard the rest of the half keeping the score to 1-0. Already playing much of the season without last year's leading scorer, Ryan Engineer, and with losing the help of Archibold Marowa in last Saturday's game against Lyon College, injuries are seriously beginning to take a toll on the Lions. Yet another blow occurred in this game with forward Justin Connolly having to leave the game in the first half and was unable to return the rest of the



Alana Tucker/ Bell Tower

FHU students came out in large to support both the Lions and the Lady Lions teams

game. Lambuth was able to slide in two more goals in the second half, one off a free kick, and took the 3-0 win over the Lions. The Lions have their last conference regular season game October 25th against Tennessee Wesleyan at 6:00 at the Josh Riley Soccer Complex.

Throughout the evening, UPC had taken over the concession stand offering free snacks and beverages to students. Included in these snacks were popcorn, hot chocolate, cappuccinos, and even a shaved ice machine. To finish up a great night, all students were invited to stay for a free concert by The Redding Brothers that began immediately after the men's game.



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Stephanie Fields carries the ball up the field hoping to score a goal.

Volleyball rallies for "Dig Pink"

By Shannon Hargis
Sports Editor

The Freed-Hardeman Lady Lions made quick work of visiting Mid-Continent University on Tuesday night at Smith-Kirk Court. The win was FHU's 18th straight to start the season. The Lady Lions are now 8-0 in conference play. Fernanda Alves tallied nine kills in the win, while Crissandra Perez added eight and Karim Raymond and Morgan Faulkner had six apiece. Senior Martha Ray set 26 kills and freshman Amber Turner set 13.

It was also "Dig Pink" night at the match. All proceeds from

the event went to the Side-Out Foundation to aid in its fight against breast cancer. The FHU cheerleaders helped out by selling cupcakes, cookies, pink popcorn, and other items to raise additional money. Money will benefit research units nationwide focusing on cutting edge targeted diagnostics and therapy, as well as, organizations working directly with individuals with cancer to provide medical and emotional support. FHU was one of the top contributors of the Dig Pink fundraiser, raising close to \$400.

Dig Pink is the Breast Cancer awareness rally that

is being held in October 2008. Dig Pink plans to make a large statement by holding hundreds, potentially thousands, of featured High School and College matches across the country. This year they have contacted 10,000 high schools and colleges and have already gotten an incredible amount of interest. FHU was one of those colleges willing to volunteer and help promote "Dig Pink." FHU students also came out to the game to not only support our Lady Lions but also wore pink in support of Breast Cancer awareness.



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Crissandra Perez had eight kills in the match as FHU won 18th straight..

Second half intensity gains win for Lions over Faulkner

By Brad Kelley
Staff Writer

Last Thursday, Freed-Hardeman Men's soccer achieved a 5-2 win over Faulkner University at the Josh Riley Soccer Complex. By halftime, Freed was down 0-2 with scores coming from Faulkner from players Igor Popovich and Lucas Alves. Hobe Watkins said "The first half we came out flat, but after half-time collaboration, we realized we had to change the pace and add some energy. We took over the game, and the final score reflected the difference."

Diego Rojas scored FHU's first goal of the game with a penalty kick in the 58th minute. Less than a minute after that, Kevin Jamieson scored a goal with an assist from Simbarashe Zvaita. With the game tied, and the energy palpable, Rojas delivered a corner kick headed in by Simbarashe Zvaita for Freed-Hardeman's first lead 10

minutes later.

In minute 86 Joshua McReynolds was fouled and Rojas stepped up for another penalty kick. Diving the incorrect way for the second time, Faulkner's keeper let slip another goal. FHU now held a solid lead of 4-2 with less than 5 minutes left in play. Less than 60 seconds later Joshua Oberlin booted in the fifth point for FHU, cementing the win.

Later in the week, Freed was met with disappointment by a close loss to Lyon. "We've let some victories slip through our fingers, inconsistent is a good way to describe how we've done so far," Watkins said. Lyon pulled through a victory 3-0 over FHU, though Freed put up an immense effort to come back in the second half. Co-captain Diego Rojas said "In this game, the mistakes we made in the first half, cost us the entire game." And Mauricio Campos had this to say about the game, "Second half, since



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Simbarashe Zvaita scored the game-winner in the 70th minute

Lyon was up 3-0 they laid back and it was really hard to penetrate their defense, we did better with possession of the ball but we just didn't have the time we needed to start making

goals."

The Freed-Hardeman Lions have 2 more games this season, all at home, October 25 vs. Tennessee Wesleyan and October 31, against Trevecca

Nazarene University. Be sure to come support our Lions in their final games.



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Sigma Rho's AA team sports their new championship t-shirts.

Coffee Crazy?



By Michael Watson
Coffee Connoisseur

Great coffee from Latin America

Greetings fellow coffee nuts. Time for another adventure in the world of coffee. The last article covered the basics of coffee roasting and gave a small glimpse of the vastness of coffee tasting. Hopefully it served as a good start to approaching such coffee differences. Apart from the roast of the coffee, however, the place in which the coffee is grown has a great influence in its aroma, flavor, and how it is roasted. Factors such as elevation, moisture, soil, temperature, and even the amount of shade the coffee plants come into contact with shape the flavors in your cup.

Most of the world's coffee is grown between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn on plantations in Africa and Arabia, Latin America and on Pacific islands. The best growing areas offer moderate sunlight and rain, steady temperatures of around 70 degrees Fahrenheit, and rich soil. While each of these regions have their own sub regions with their own subtleties they provide to the coffee beans, the regions as a whole have their distinct coffee tastes. For example, coffee from Costa Rica will taste somewhat different than coffee from Guatemala, but both coffees will have very similar bodies, acidities, and aromas. On the other hand, each of these coffees will taste dramatically different from a Sumatran or Ethiopian coffee.

To ease your exposure to this world of regions and origins, I'll only address the basic flavors associated with Latin American coffee. These coffees are light and mild in character, having a pleasant flavor and aroma, and are usually characterized as bright, clean, sweet, and nutty. Usually beans of this region are more delicate than those

grown in Africa and Asia, so they are given a lighter roast to avoid harsh, burnt flavors while still preserving their geographical flavors. Chances are if you drink a breakfast blend or a mild roasted coffee, it is of Central American or South American origin.

As you drink these coffees, focus on the nutty overtones within the aroma. This is the delight found in these coffees, because such flavors are usually lost in darker roasts and sometimes inexist in coffees from other regions. As I said earlier, these coffees usually have a bright acidity that develops on the tip of the tongue, giving a sweet tone to the flavor. Along with this bright acidity come floral, citrus notes like lemon, orange, and bright cherry. Since these are usually lighter roasted coffees, the flavors don't linger as long as darker roasted counterparts (sad day, but still good coffee). You can find an exception to the rule. Guatemalan coffee, for example, is usually roasted longer and has a lower acidity, fuller body, chocolate flavors and delicate, spicy notes. Columbian coffee will usually have a fuller, syrupy body with a more balanced acidity than something like Starbucks shade grown Mexico coffee. But as a whole, expect a clean, refreshing coffee whose vibrant taste will wake up your senses and propel your morning, afternoon, or late night study session.

Check out these to start your tasting:

- Starbucks shade grown Mexico, Guatemala, Antigua, and House blend
- Besso's Tarrazu
- Sam's choice Breakfast blend and House blend
- Anything that says Columbian on it

iHack

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Hacker (aka: Boys) Are Stupid: "I was talking on instant messenger one night and I was also on facebook. (I'm a multi-tasker like that... you know how I do.) So, someone started typing in my instant messenger conversation (not nice things, I might add, but we do not need to go into THAT much detail). Since my sister (her story is mentioned above) had already told me what happened to her, I knew what was going on. I told the person to call me, and I signed off my screen name. Then, the person who was controlling my computer typed in my Facebook status: 'Helllllllllooooooo Christine!!!!' I didn't even reply because I thought it was lame. So I turned off my computer. Then I complained to my roommate about how stupid boys are, and how they are not funny and should not get into girls' computers. The End." —Christine Brewer

Hero vs. Hacker: "I was

on Facebook one night and I left my room for a couple minutes. Someone asked me what my status meant and I had no idea what he or she was talking about. I went back to my room and realized that someone had changed it. I didn't think much about it at first and just changed it back (anyone on the floor could have done that). Immediately after, I watched the cursor move and change my status yet again. I yelled down the hall to tell my friends to come see what was happening (at this point, I had not heard any of the stories). They all crowded around my computer, as we watched the hacker control my computer. We were all really freaked out! The person controlling my screen began to type in a website address, which went to something very gross! So one girl decided to try to shut my computer down, but the mouse started going crazy. She fought with the person for a while and finally won! Everyone in the room cheered as my computer shut down. She is my

Letter to the Editor:

Dear Editor,

Helpful, polite, and thoughtful all describe Freed-Hardeman students. After singing with three different choral groups there, I had already realized this fact. However, today I was vividly reminded of it again when a student came to the back of a long line at Gano and offered to an elderly lady and myself a place in front of him at the beginning of the line. I'm sure others could give examples of courtesy shown to them by the students of FHU. Praise is due to the students of FHU! We all appreciate you!

A former student and a friend of FHU,
Billie Noles

hero." —Heather Jones

Clutz or Creeper?: "Okay, so I was minding my own business just hittin' up some PowerPoints for the ol' Personal and Family Financial Planning class and my mouse kept pulling up my internet. At first I assumed it was probably just my clumsy self. But then, after it happened repeatedly I realized something was up. So I quit messing with the computer and just watched. He went for the ol' YouTube! Recalling some of the horror stories I had heard about inappropriate things being said and shown on

the other girls' screens, I quickly covered my camera to block the perv from catching a peek and then, he stopped. What a creeper!!!" —Lindsey Knox

So students beware! There are hackers on the loose and your computer could be their next target. Get a password and be on the watch. You need to be prepared; they can strike at any time. Now that you know the stories you can be better equipped to defend yourself from these evil fiends. Lookout hackers, Freed-Hardeman's students are ready for you!

Lectureships

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At the 5:45 service at the Henderson Church of Christ, Scott Huff had a lesson on, "Our Family Reunion." With fervor in his voice, he talked about heaven and the urgency people need to have if they are unprepared for eternity.

Closing out student lectureships, Colt Mahana had the same topic as Huff: "Our Family Reunion." He discussed that though events that involve mostly Christians are wonderful, heaven will be better beyond comparison. He also noted that Christians will recognize one another in heaven.

This year's student lectureships were organized by a council of UPC members including Michael Galloway, Tristan Wheeler, Dustin Dickey, Katherine Campbell and Augusta McClary.

Inauguration

Through the concerted effort, time, and financial support of many, Loyd auditorium was transformed into a palatial estate fit to house one of Freed-Hardeman's grandest occasions. A procession of flag-bearing faculty members dressed in full regalia entered to a fanfare of trumpets and chorus of ethereal voices. The six flags, one for each department, were placed in state upon the stage, along with the mace of Freed-Hardeman University. These prestigious trappings were each meant to lend an air of authority and elegance to this highly honored event. Dr. Roy Sharp, Master of Ceremonies, commenced the

proceedings by introducing the presenters of the devotional, which preceded all else. After being warmly welcomed by members of the administration, faculty, staff, student body, and alumni, Dr. Wiley made his inaugural address. After teasingly assuring the students of his intention to be brief, he admitted the deep honor and humility he felt in his current position. "As President, I stand on the shoulders of men who have led this institution to its current state," he began. "Any success we achieve, any accolades we are granted, are all due to our trust in God and our willingness to lean on others."

Wiley vowed simply to uphold five commitments to the Freed community: to lead by example; to lead with integrity, honesty, and complete transparency; to make every decision based on the impact it would have on student education; to be a good steward of fiscal resources; and above all, to uphold the spiritual reputation and identity of Freed-Hardeman University. Despite the overwhelming air of stateliness present, Wiley provided the school with a frank, down-to-earth glimpse of what is soon to come. It is with great faith that we expect wonderful things from a president with such promise.

Awkwardly at home



By Micah A. Barnes
Columnist

38340 is not where IT is but where it is AT. The IT of Fashion Avenues and trendy social scenes may not live here but tucked away in a county that sounds like something roasting on an open fire and neighboring a city that seems useful if pointing in a general direction or scratching is where 462 feet above sea level, Henderson Tennessee is AT. A city is but mere streets

named and numbered and accompanied by bricked buildings if not for its store clerks, educators, and officials. The university domain that boasts 1104 inhabitants per square mile accentuates the quaint aroma of Henderson. Potentially misconstrued as a stench to the untrained nose, for those who pause to smell the roses, it is considered to be Henderson's most illustrious asset. Some students are branching out from the deeply rooted tree of family and familiarity for the first time, while others are more like skipping stones riding the current encouraged by the last skim atop the water's surface. For both seekers

ensues a desire to stake Henderson as a place to call home. The concept of home is just that, a concept. ET wanted to phone there, some say it is where the heart is, and still others claim it is on the range where the deer and the antelope play. Home is an ever-changing expansion that one continues to gravitate away from starting at their day of birth. One man perceives where he is as black and white while still another sees it as grey if it is not shared with whom he desires. It is a complex connotative condition that the concept of home carries. But then it happens. The concept of home is unveiled and clarity

prevails as Henderson transforms from just somewhere designated as 35.44N and 88.64W to where someone, be it a brother or sister, lover or friend also calls home. Just as a tune and verse can turn back the tick-tock to reminisce of a previous present, so too approaching the outskirts of this once foreign city now becoming recognizably comfortable as it reaches out its awkward arms to unravel this mysterious subtle notion nudging you to its doorstep. And yet no place is truly home as we are bound for glory where we can all live as kings and queens in common neighborhoods but for now it is a place to rest our head.

POLITICAL
BINGO
NIGHT⁰⁸ ★
THIS TUESDAY



BURKS
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