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## Lady Lions finish season strong with record wins

• A summary and recap of the successful 2011 basketball season by the Freed-Hardeman Lady Lions team.

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After 35 matches of unstinting effort that included 27 wins and 8 losses (an impressive record by any standard) over 20 weeks stretched over from the cool breeze of October through the harsh freeze of December and on into the temperate embrace of March, the Freed-Hardeman University Lady Lions have been an unstoppable force these past five months. All the while there have been some adjustments to the history books with new records, honors, and prizes being given to a few of the Lady Lions' best. Of course, it's been thanks to each of the incredible players, coaches, and staff that this season was such a success.

The season started out with a string of strong wins over the likes of Asbury College, Milligan College, Cumberland College, and Concordia College Selma that ran through the halfway mark of November. Each victory made the team stronger, but it was an unbelievable 60 point wipe-out over Concordia that sent the message out loud and clear the Lady Lions were ready to do some damage. On November 18 at the Jackson Rotary Classic the Lady Lions suffered their first loss of the season by Azusa Pacific University, but just narrowly being trumped by a miniscule nine points. The next two days, as part of the Jackson tournament, the Lady Lions retaliated with two notable victories over Vanguard University and Oklahoma Baptist University, bringing their record just before the Thanksgiving Holiday to 6-1. Despite a defeat by Columbia College around the end of November, the Lady Lions trounced a series of challengers, including Auburn University-Montgomery, Faulkner University, Harris-Stowe State College, and Saint Xavier University in the few games they played around the holiday season. Out of five games the Lady Lions only lost once against Lindsey Wilson in a close match that began the Daytona Beach Shootout, which ran from December 20 until the 21.

With the beginning of the New Year came a seemingly new, re-invigorated, super-determined basketball team that defined January 2011 as a month of immense victory. Tennessee Temple, Blue Mountain College, and Cumberland University all fell to Freed Hardeman with jaw-dropping final scores like 84-45, 93-58, and 72-58, respectively. After definitive wins like that, it was a slight disappointment to lose to Union University on January 15, especially at such a small, nine-point margin. Thankfully, with their first defeat of the year out of the way, the Lady Lions went back to work, overturning Trevecca Nazarene, Martin Methodist, Mid-Continent, and Lyon College all within ten days. This included besting Martin Methodist by nearly 40 points.

As the ending of January came and went along with a loss to Bethel College, the Lady Lions moved into February with their daunting New Year's record behind them, only to make them stronger and well prepared to face a new opponent. With the beginning of February came the beginning of a four-win streak that overtook Blue Mountain College, Cumberland University, old rival Union University, and Martin Methodist, the last of which went into a heated overtime. During the second half of February FHU was dealt two losses along with two wins, the two losses coming from recurring opponent Trevecca Nazarene University along with Lyon College, and the two decisive wins coming out of Mid-Continent College and Bethel College.

March was a solid month to end the season for Freed Hardeman's Lady Lions, including both the TranSouth Championships and the NAIA National Tournament. A special congratulations goes out to the team for making it as far into those tournaments as they did.

## Campus Developments

There are many changes happening around campus including the naming of the Brewer Sports Center and the ground breaking of the new Science Center in memory of James R. Anderson.



CHRISTINA KENDRICK • The Bell Tower

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**B**ig changes are happening at Freed Hardeman University. Ground broke on March 4 for a new science center. On the same day, the sports center was named in memory of Carmack Brewer, a long-time Wayne County educator. The Anderson Science Center is being named in memory of James R. Anderson and in honor of Rubye Anderson, parents to Tom Anderson.

Anderson, co-founder and president of Capella Healthcare, is a large supporter of FHU. His generous donation will be utilized in a number of ways to benefit the student body and staff. The Anderson Science center, which is scheduled to begin construction at the end of March, will house new laboratories and improved facilities for the School of Sciences and Mathematics. Anderson's financial advancement will also help enhance student programs and activities in the Brewer Sports Center.

Anderson, a man with over 30 years of hospital and healthcare experience, is a 1973 graduate of FHU. He holds a B.S. in Accounting from Tennessee Technological State University and an M.B.A. from Auburn University at Montgomery.

In 1975, Anderson worked with Tennessee Division of State Audit, progressively moving higher within the company. Five years later, he became Chief Financial Officer of the Baptist Medical Center in Montgomery, Alabama, and in 1983 Anderson joined Harton Regional Medical Center. One year later, he was named Harton's Chief Executive Officer. His work with HRMC ended in 1990 when he was named Chief Financial Officer of Clarksville Memorial Hospital. Two years after, Anderson joined Community Health Systems, beginning as a Vice President for Financial Operations and eventually as a division Chief Executive Officer. Anderson worked with CHS for six years, managing operations of 14 hospitals in six states and was responsible for new business development including the integration of 17 facilities.

**"A facility of this caliber will elevate the quality of our science programs." - Dr. LeAnn Davis**

## Mr. and Mrs. FHU 2011 announced

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Freed-Hardeman University presented its 69th Mr. and Ms. FHU nominees to the student body this past March. Mr. and Ms. FHU has been a tradition since its conception in 1942. The contenders are voted on by the senior peers and every year the winners are announced on stage in chapel.

The male nominees for Spring 2011 were Andrew Ashley, Luke Guard, Austin Johnson, and Carter England. The female nominees were Andrea LeMasters, Augusta McClary, Abbé McCarroll, and Danae Elder.

As each couple was escorted down the aisle of Loyd auditorium, a slideshow and voiceover depicting their time at FHU played in the background. They shared funny moments from their past four years here and thanked their family and friends for all the support shown to them.

Dr. Wiley presented the plaques for Mr. and Ms. FHU to Abbé McCarroll and Carter Theta Nu and was a Makin' Music chaplain last semester. Abbé is minor from Rector, Arkansas, being a health psychologist. This Mount Juliet church of Christ. Carter is a finance major from Columbia, Tennessee. He is a member of Phi Kappa Alpha and held the office of president last semester. Carter is also a member of the Clayton Investment Team.



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Thursday Mar 24	Friday Mar 25	Saturday Mar 26	Sunday Mar 27	Monday Mar 28	Tuesday Mar 29	Wednesday Mar 30
53° Mostly Sunny 33° 0%prec.	61° Mostly Sunny 50° 20%prec.	65° Thunderstorms 52° 40%prec.	60° Partly Cloudy 45° 20%prec.	53° Showers 41° 40%prec.	54° Showers 36° 40%prec.	62° Mostly Sunny 44° 10%prec.

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### XBX in New York

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After a day of cleaning and organizing for the HATAS organization and holding our gospel meeting and VBS, we went over the Allen's home to have a singing. The Allens have a large family. Over the years they have adopted children and kept several foster children. Needless to say, their home is always full, so it was as if we were part of the family as soon as we walked through the front door. After laughing and talking and laughing some more, we all gathered in the living room to sing. I don't know if I've ever heard singing any more beautiful than I did that night. I'm not entirely sure why it was so pretty, but I can tell you that looking around the room, we all meant what we were singing, and we were all enjoying it. The Allen family was an inspiration to each one of us this week. They are going through a difficult time right now. One of their daughters has inoperable cancer. She is a young mother of three. While this is tragic (and would be for any family), the Allens know that God is in control. They know that He has a plan, and they have faith that He will get them through this time in their lives. The family still finds joy in life everyday. They are determined to enjoy the time they have left with their daughter, sister, mother as if it were her last day. I am thankful for the opportunity to watch this family throughout the week. They exhibit the love of Jesus in all that they do.

### GTO in Cayman Islands

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7 a.m. is early to matter where you are, but today was totally worth it. Our group spent the morning visiting the Lighthouse School for Special Needs Children. We were able to have a devotional with the children because in the Cayman Islands, religion is a required subject. This gave us an amazing opportunity to worship with them. We sang some VBS style songs with them. My favorite was "Father Abraham" and I think it was theirs too. Eric gave a short lesson about the burning bush and when he asked the children questions, they were quick to answer. It was amazing to me to see how those young kids are so willing to learn about the Bible, not because it is required of them, but because they genuinely want to know. After the devotional, we were given a tour of the school and were able to see how the children learn. Their classes are very small so as to allow more one on one time with the teachers. Alongside academics, the students are also taught basic life skills that will help them to be more independent after leaving the school.

This afternoon we began door-knocking for the gospel meeting. Mr. Larry, Mrs. Carol, Jonathan, and I all went together. Mr. Larry is a professional door-knocker, so it was interesting to learn from him. In the hour and a half that we were out, we set up 2 Bible studies. The other groups were able to set some up as well, so it was a productive afternoon. Tomorrow is the first night of the gospel meeting and we are hoping for a big crowd. Today was a great start to an exciting week!

### PKA in Alabama

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Today we spent time with some of the residents at Rainbow Omega. We took time helping the aids clean as well as visiting with the residents. One resident that stood out to me was a man who was nicknamed A.T. A.T. has Down Syndrome but is highly functioning. Tonight, after dinner, A.T. wanted to show me his room. He showed me his dvd collection, complete with The Hulk and Ghostbusters, his Freddy Krueger doll, and other things. He then proceeded to show me his wrestling t-shirts. He was so proud of these shirts, and got especially excited when he pulled out a John Cena t-shirt. He then asked me which one I liked the best, so I pointed to the John Cena one, because of his excitement over it. A.T. then rolled the shirt up and handed it to me, wanting me to have it. "A.T. I can't take this," I said. "But Jared, you're my buddy," he said. It took a lot for me to hold back tears after that. He was willing to give his favorite material thing to me just because he felt a close friendship between us. Matthew 5: 40-42 talks about going the extra mile, giving to those who have wants and needs. A.T., although medically slow in the mind, is one of the wisest people I've ever met, because he acts the way God asks for us to act. We scheduled this mission trip to help others and to change lives, but the residents here have likewise helped us and changed our lives for the better by showing us love, the love that God calls us to have for others.



### Theta Nu in Honduras

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Wednesday, March 19th was the day on our mission trip I had been looking forward to for many months. This past summer while I was in Honduras, I met a guy named Jony Palma at the men's prison outside of Tegucigalpa. His story inspired me, and changed my life. I got to talk to him some over the year, and got to see him again on our visit to the prison when we went this past week. It was so neat to see him so involved in the church ministry in the prison, and to see how much he has changed, and how awesome of a person he is. People deserve second chances, especially him. He is like a brother to me, and I'm going to do whatever I can to help him out until his release date in May 2015. I never thought such a person could affect my life so much, but it has. I will get the opportunity to work in the prison during my internship this summer, and hope to meet more people like Jony and learn their stories, hear about their lives, and create bonds that will last a lifetime with people who are typically shunned and looked down upon. I'm already counting down the days until I return again to Honduras. It was such a blessing to travel with my Theta Nu family and others, and I can speak for all of us when I say our hearts were truly left in Honduras.

### Sigma Rho in the Dominican Republic

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Today was rough. We woke up super early, ate breakfast, and left for the Puerta Plata hospital. We made only one stop on the way, and it still took us just less than three hours to get there on the diahatsu. Upon arriving, we broke into our assigned groups for the week again. My group visited the children's ward first. I got emotional in the first room, but I quickly pulled it together. I didn't really cry any more after that, but it definitely wasn't because the circumstances weren't sad. I just couldn't imagine that seeing me cry would make these people feel any better, and that's all that mattered.

Everyone I talked to was very warm and inviting. They were all very glad to have visitors, even though the language barrier made verbal communication extremely tedious. One lady was especially excited to see me. She had some type of tumor on her shoulder, and kept placing my hands on it. When we prayed she definitely made sure they were there.

Another person we encountered who made an impact on me was a male nurse. He was the only employee who appeared to pay us any attention. He loved hear us sing, and requested "En Mementos Asi," or "In Moments Like This."

The ride home was difficult, as everyone reflected on what we'd seen throughout the day. It's an experience none of us will soon forget.

### Students in Paraguay

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What a wonderful day! After a week of passing out flyers, visiting members of the church, and working with the missionaries, we are spending the weekend with the youth group here in Asunción, Paraguay. One of the girls got baptized today! Tonight we sang around a campfire on our last night with everyone. We laughed (¡Huy!) and we cried (at least I did!). I know the group (Jim and Becky Gardner, Spencer Clark, Chris Wright, Bryan Davis, Michael Flesher, Mauricio and Helena Yegros, Kayla Rotz, and me) is going to miss the people in the youth group and church here. Some of us played soccer with them today. It's incredible to see how easily we can connect with the people here, even though many of us only speak a little Spanish. Chris said, "Everyone speaks the language of smiles!" and as cheesy as it is, it's true! I'm not sure I'm ready to leave just yet, though we only have one day left. A week ago I was stressed out and a little unsure about things, and now God has blessed me with letting everything fall into place and giving me one of the greatest blessings of my life so far! It reminds me of my favorite verse, Romans 8:28. It's almost time to get back to school, back to responsibilities, and back to Makin Music, and even though the transition might be hard, I know Paraguay isn't the only place He will use me in His will. After seeing what He can do in a foreign country, my eyes will be more open to what He's doing in my own. Sumo Sacerdote ¡Bendiciones!



## New Art Gallery Exhibit

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Dennis Harper, first student then teacher, now artist. Harper studied at University of Alabama where he got his B.A., then went on to University of Georgia and achieved his Master of Fine Arts degree. His artwork is now on exhibit at the Troy-Plunk Art Gallery located in the Art building on campus. Harper entitled his collection, "Eggs, Milk, Silver, Graphite." These words are descriptors of the media Harper uses in his art.

Thursday, March 10 Harper held a gallery talk with over twenty students, not including faculty. He ended the talk with a live demonstration of egg tempera painting. He also let the students try the paint out for themselves on scrap canvas.

Egg Tempera is made when an egg yolk and pigment are mixed together. The paint is very permanent and holds strong to canvas over many years. Some tempera paintings date back even to the first century, although not becoming popular until the Renaissance period.

The pigment used to egg tempera can be expensive or very cheap depending on where an artist finds it. Harper has dug up beautiful pigment on the side of the road in various states, has brought back some from Italy, and bought a burlap sack full at a pigment shop.

Egg tempera is a long process, it takes Harper around three weeks to finish one painting. Harper said, "It takes a lot of work." While tempera painting one paints layer upon layer of color. The paint dries very quickly, making this process a bit easier. Harper mixes fresh paint very day, although egg tempera can be covered and stored in the refrigerator for about a week.

Harper also uses silverpoint and graphite in his artworks, while primarily sticking with egg tempera. His subjects include mostly memories from his early childhood and even some dreams he has had. This familiar image of 'childhood' is paired with features that are supernatural in nature. Harper said, "I like the idea of poetic image."

Art lovers can definitely see the poetic elements in his art. His most recent works feature artists in their own workshops. He likes this because of the reproduction art he gets to paint.

Harper is Curator of Collections and Exhibitions at the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art at Auburn University. According to his website, www.dennisharper.com, "Harper's own art has been exhibited across the United States and in Europe, and discussed or reproduced in American Artist, Art New England, Art Papers, Atlanta Journal-Constitution, New American Paintings, New York Times, Oxford American, and Philadelphia Inquirer." The exhibit will be up until April 8th. All students are encouraged to stop by and take a look at these paintings and enjoy Harper's unique style.

## Students take unique spring break trips

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Spring break at Freed Hardeman University usually means one of two things: going to a foreign country on a mission trip or going home. While both of these options are great, they are not the only options for FHU students on spring break; some adventurous students choose to spend their week off – or at least part of it – on a road trip.

These road trips took FHU students all the way from Colorado to Florida and many places in between. Some trips took the whole week, while others lasted only a day or two.

Katie Butler and some friends stayed three full days in Gulf Shores, Alabama. They spent the days relaxing on the beach or at the pool. "We all tried to jump in the pool the first day we were there and it was so cold. That was probably the most interesting thing that happened... We all just started screaming when we came up out of the water because it was freezing," said Katie. They spent the evenings eating out at unique restaurants, watching movies, or just talking and laughing together. Katie said, "That was the most enjoyable part to me because they are some of my best friends and it was great to get to spend the week with them."

Mert Shepherd and Keith Smith spent part of their spring break at Mert's house in Michigan and part at Keith's house in Fayetteville Tennessee. They also took a trip to Nashville to watch the Red Wings/Predators hockey game. Mert said, "The trip was totally worth it because some crazy Preds fan threw a catfish on the ice but then some Wings fans threw two octopi on the ice. We lost the game, but who has more Stanley Cups?"

While several students chased the warm weather on the break, at least two FHU students went north to the snow. Senior Shannon Hargis and Sophomore Shelby Jumper took a road trip to Colorado to ski. "This was definitely a genuine road trip," said Shelby. Instead of paying the money to rent a hotel room, the two had actually planned to sleep in their car the first night of

the trip. However, when Shelby's father found out about that, he promptly altered that plan by booking a room for the girls in Kansas City, MO. Shannon and Shelby arrived in Denver, CO on Sunday, March 13. They spent the first full day in Colorado checking out downtown Denver. "It had a really unique atmosphere. We could not pick out one stereotype for the people of Denver. It was a true melting pot," said Jumper.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Shelby's uncle took Shannon and Shelby to the mountains to ski. "Skiing was hard at first, but once I got the hang of it, it was so much fun! I actually had more problems standing still on my skis than I did actually skiing," said Shannon. After recovering from two days of skiing, Shannon and Shelby spent their last day in Denver with recent FHU graduate, Madison Chandler. "Madison is currently working and living in Denver, so she was gracious enough to show is around town and take us to a few of her favorite places," said Shelby. It took Shannon and Shelby two days to travel back to FHU. They spent the night in Des Moines, IA with another pair of recent FHU graduates, Michael and Stephanie Watson. Throughout the entire week of spring break, Shannon and Shelby traveled about 2,600 miles.

Although most FHU students left campus for the break, a few very dedicated athletes stayed in Henderson for the NAIA National Tournament. In between basketball games, the teams enjoyed dinners together as well as the annual sports banquets. Rachel Bloomingburg, the team manager for the Lady Lions said, "we basically breathed basketball the whole week. Games started on Thursday, and we would have a walk-through in the morning, watch film, and play that night. Then we would do it all again the next day."

There is no doubt that the 2011 FHU spring break was memorable for each and every student, whether they were on a mission trip in a foreign country, taking a road trip across the United States, or staying in Henderson to play basketball.



## the best of what's new

● Bryson lists some of his favorite new releases from the last few months.

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It's been a while since I've talked about new music that has been on my playlists lately. These golden nuggets are sure to delight.

**21- Adele** // This album is one I've been waiting for almost immediately after I reached the last track of her previous album, 19. Her voice is just pure soul. I don't know what it is about the Brits, but they sure crank out some amazing singers. Check out the songs *Rolling in the Deep* and *Rumor Has It*.

**Middle Brother** // This newly formed super group containing members of other indie rockers (Deer Tick, Delta Spirit and Dawes) put together and excellent tip of the hat to retro rock. Some of the songs almost have a sock-hop feel to them. There is also a great touch of southern songwriter mixed in. *Songs like Wilderness* and *Daydreaming* are great starters.

**Last Night On Earth - Noah and the Whale** // Even if it has a lot of poppy overtones and is a major sidestep from their second album, Noah and the Whale still makes a great album. Check out the anthem *L.I.F.E.G.O.E.S.O.N*. I wouldn't be surprised if some pop superstar picked it up as their own.

**Towards the Sun - Alexi Murdoch** // A long time has passed since Murdoch has released an album and this shorter LP is a great continuation of his baritone vocals and inventive guitar playing. His songwriting is nothing short of genius; it's some of my favorite this decade. Check out the songs *Crinanwood* and *Slow Revolution*.

**Barton Hollow - The Civil Wars** // I'm particularly fond of this group being that they are from Nashville. This duo has perfectly tight harmonies and elegant lyrics that really bring out the new southern music that is slowly growing in and around Tennessee. They must be doing something right, because they've been all over the television and radio, and stayed #1 on iTunes top albums chart for a month. Check out the songs *Barton Hollow* and *Poison and Wine*.

**Young the Giant** // This is a great new rock band that I think will start to surface soon. They may be regarded, by some, as too mainstream to be alternative-indie rock (who cares what Pitchfork says anyways?), but it's definitely something to pick up if you're wanting a break from what's circulating on the radio and billboard charts. Check out *My Body* and *Cough Syrup*.

listen to these tracks!

### Adele

- Rolling in the Deep
- Rumor has it

### Middle Brother

- Wilderness
- Day Dreaming

### Noah and the Whale

- L.I.F.E.G.O.E.S.O.N

### ALEXI MURDOCH

- Crinanwood
- Slow Revolutions

### The Civil Wars

- Barton Hollow
- Poison & Wine

### Young the Giant

- My Body
- Cough Syrup





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## Three Swings and a Fling

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// columnist



Everyone loves attention, whether they are willing to admit it or not. We all love company and some people just enjoy flirting. Problems arise, though, when the flirting and attention lead someone into believing that they mean more to you than they actually do and you have no real interest in committing to a relationship with them.

Apparently, the word "commitment" strikes fear in the young people all across campus. Being committed to someone seems to have become completely unnecessary and now has a negative connotation. But, here's the thing, commitment is not a bad thing. After talking about this issue to people who range from perpetually single to happily married, I am going to attempt to dissolve the reservations they presented about committing to a relationship. Opportunity Cost: this is the idea that if you commit to a relationship, you are giving up the chance to do something else. Having a relationship does take time, but if the person is worth anything to you then each of you will have to give something up. Relationships are give and take. Whether a couple has been together

for one week or 20 years, they have to make a conscious effort to be together and grow in their relationship. If you are selfish enough to be worried about losing the opportunity to do something you enjoy for the sake of another person, then you are completely correct, you should not be in a relationship. I completely understand the idea of waiting for the perfect person to walk into your life. You should not, however, be waiting for the perfect person; you should be the perfect person. I once heard the quote: "The longer you wait for the future the shorter it will be." If you keep waiting for something good to come along, you are wasting time not embracing the good that is already in your life. You should not settle, but you should not push away people or feelings you have for someone because you are afraid that something better could come along... someday.

Maturity in relationships is very important, but is, honestly, lacking in a big way on our campus. Many people just want to goof off and waste time, when they are actually missing out on

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## Going Home

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After weeks of hard work at school, one of the best feelings is going home. Packing, saying goodbye, and the drive get you excited for the arrival. Once you do arrive it is bliss. Seeing the family and sleeping in your own bed brings nothing but a smile to your face. Going home is one of the best feelings there is.

How about Heaven? Have you ever stopped to think about what it will feel like to go home to Heaven? After years of struggling against sin, of fighting battles against the flesh and longing for peace, we will finally be going home. To many, death can be a scary thing, it screams of pain and the end of all things. Yet to us as Christians, death is only the beginning. Death, for a Christian, brings not an end,

but a start to an eternity in Heaven.

I want to go home. I don't know about you, but I am ready to be home. Yes, life brings many joys and good memories, but we know that Heaven is indescribably better. If you have never or even rarely thought about going home to Heaven,

I encourage you to stop for a bit, close your eyes, and ponder what it will be like. When life gets tough and you feel like you do not want to keep fighting, envision Heaven.

Picture your home for which you are fighting. Just like it brings us great joy to eat home cooking and hug our family, it brings us joy to know that we will be with our God. Going home, oh how sweet it will be to be home.



## POLITICS, ETC.

### Losing the Social Media Baggage

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Social media and I have a long, twisted, complicated relationship. It all began a few years ago when I registered for a Xanga account. (Do you remember Xanga? I'm so dated.) I actually found an old Xanga post of mine from November 5, 2005. It reads, "Today, I joined facebook.com. They now have a high school edition. It's a very interesting arrangement though." Not less than three years later, I would regret my decision to participate in social media.

It was 2008. I was a junior in high school. I developed the habit of being an outspoken Facebook note writer. At the tender age of 16, I was convinced that my thoughts were profound enough to be shared with the whole world. That was mistake number one. I should have known that I wasn't wise or profound enough to write or comment on others' Facebook notes. (I had barely started taking showers on a regular basis.) Nevertheless, I made it my business to critique and expound for others, appointing myself Facebook's moral and doctrinal judge. Later that year, though, I was the one being judged.

A group of middle-aged men began mistreating me and two of my friends in 2007-2008. Somehow, they became masters of Facebook orthodoxy. Their continued harassment persisted to the point of us having to delete them from our friend lists. Dramatic, right?

There is no legitimate reason why the drama of a social media website

spilled over into reality, destroying real relationships. There are plenty of illegitimate reasons, though: not having a life being one of them. If an idle mind is the devil's workshop, then an idle computer screen is the devil's video game. It is socially pathetic for one human being to do everything within his



or her own power to try to destroy another's life through mediums like Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Xanga, etc. Please find something better to do. Volunteer at a soup kitchen. Mentor an inner city child. Give a single mother a ride to church. Do anything to prevent proving yourself to be an inept klutz.

In October, I left Facebook. In February, I left Tumblr and Twitter. Losing the baggage of those social media sites has made me more emotionally and socially present to the people I talk to, more aware of facial expressions in everyday conversation, and more likely to give weight to a person's actions than to her words. I have a dream that one day, we will turn from social media in order to become social people.



## It's Not Easy Being Green

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Over Spring Break I was blessed with the opportunity to visit the country of Honduras. There were many, many differences between the United States and Honduras, but the one that hurt my heart the most was their lack of clean water. The group that I went with was told not to drink the water, because we would most likely get a parasite. It saddened me that the precious children I was working with had to drink the unhealthy water every day. The streams and rivers in Honduras (like countless other countries) are filled with trash and animals use the streams for their personal litter boxes. You can only imagine what kind of parasites infest those same streams and rivers. After I returned home, I began searching the internet for ways to help provide the country of Honduras with clean drinking water. I found out that this week (March 20-26) has been designated World Water Week.

World Water Week raises awareness for the frightening lack of water availability and quality that many people face around the world. The fact is that 884 million people—about one in eight people—and more than 3.5 million die from water-related diseases each year (www.water.org). It is estimated that in 30 years, people in 48 nations could lack regular access to freshwater. The water and sanitation crisis claims more lives through disease than away war claims through guns. Here are a few more startling statistics:

- Every 20 seconds, a child dies

from a water-related disease

- Children in poor environments often carry 1,000 parasitic worms in their bodies at a time
- Less than 1% of the world's fresh water is readily available for direct human consumption

What's even more disheartening is that an American taking a five-minute shower uses more water than a typical person in a developing country slum uses in a whole day. As sad as these facts are there are plenty ways to help the world's water crisis. One easy way is to participate in the TAP project. During World Water Week UNICEF is partnering with 1,000 restaurants across the United States. At participating venues, waiters will encourage patrons to donate \$1 (or more) for the tap water that they usually receive free.

The money donated to the TAP project will go to the water sanitation ventures in Togo, the Central African Republic, and Vietnam. For a complete list of participating restaurants in our area, visit [www.tapproject.org](http://www.tapproject.org). World Water Week shouldn't remind people of the world crisis for one week, it should serve as a reminder for the entire year. If you want to do more throughout the year, charity:water is non-profit organization that brings clean and safe drinking water to people in developing nations. 100% of

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## HANNAH in EUROPE

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If someone were to ask me for some practical advice about traveling the European continent, I would say that you must be ready for anything if you plan on taking a six-hour train ride through Germany during Carnival season. In case you cannot tell from my oddly specific answer, I am very much speaking from experience on this point. Last Saturday and Sunday, all thirty-three of us began our journey back to Verviers at the end of our Greece and Italy trip. We left Florence, Italy around 9:00 on Saturday night and took a sleeper train to Munich, Germany. It was fun for about five minutes, until we actually tried to lay down in our tiny beds that

were stacked three-high in our six-person compartment that was about a third of the size of a Hall-Roland dorm room. Once in Munich we got on a train to Cologne, Germany, and that is where all the fun began.

We had a peaceful ride for about the first hour, since we were almost the only ones in our car. Many of us were snoozing when we were loudly awoken by a group of men that began filling the train with themselves, their luggage, and their musical instruments. Behind this rambunctious gang filed in a group of middle-aged women dressed in what appeared to be Hogwarts Quidditch team uniforms, complete with home-made

brooms and stuffed owls attached to their shoulders. Needless to say, I quickly began to feel like I was riding Ozzy Osborne's crazy train.

The Quidditch women in particular became especially boisterous as they began to ready themselves for whatever event they were attending that night. They began putting face paint on and teasing each other's hair up until every last hair was standing on end. Being the fearless and adventuresome bunch that we are, two of our number—Hannah Krantz and Justin Hammond—decided



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## UP TO THE PLATE

With 13 wins already, the baseball team isn't taking anything for granted this year.



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Baseball season is in full swing here at Freed-Hardeman University. The baseball team, with 13 wins already, isn't taking anything for granted this year. Not very far into the season, the team already has big wins over teams such as Lambuth University, Lyon College, Trinity Christian College, and Spring Arbor University.

It's really no surprise that the team has competed well the way it has. Coach Jonathan Estes, graduate of Freed-Hardeman University, always has his team ready to go on game day, and this year is no exception. Considering the players that Coach Estes has to work with, it becomes clear what kind of great recruiting and coaching he has done while here at Freed Hardeman.

Take, for example, Robert Prieto. Though the season is young, Prieto has already gotten thirty-five hits and has maintained a ridiculous .380 batting percentage, giving pitchers a headache anytime he steps up to the plate. Or consider what the opposing batters have to deal with when Hunter Newby is on the mound. In forty-one innings, he already has twenty-four strikeouts and has held opponent batters to a batting average of a mere .256. Add on top of that the talents of Josh Reynolds, Charlie Overturf, and Roberto Ferguson, who have a combined win-loss record of seven and one, and you begin to see why opposing teams have a difficult time getting on base, much less winning a game.

The Freed Hardeman baseball team doesn't stop there when it comes to talented players. Consider the speed of Kyle Dearing. This year alone, he has stolen twenty bases on only

twenty-two attempts. With that sort of speed waiting to be released, it's no mystery how Evan Mansell has batted in ninety runs this year. Nor is it a guess how, in only seventy-seven at bats, Arthur Leamond has eleven doubles on the season. Here's just one more statistic to make you believe that the Freed Hardeman baseball team has what it takes to make a name for itself this year: Kyle Day, Tyler Wilson, and Jake Francis all have a perfect fielding percentage.

If that weren't enough to make someone fall in love with the baseball team, it doesn't take long to see their personality at work. Just go to a Freed Hardeman basketball game to see the entire baseball team supporting their fellow student-athletes in rather unusual style. Taking a different theme each game, the antics of the baseball team are enough to make any home fan laugh, and any away team grimace. However, as one might guess, the baseball team is at its best when on Carnes Field, the home of the Freed Hardeman baseball team.

The Lions are taking the season one game at a time, but have their calendars marked for particularly promising games against teams such as Trevecca Nazarene University, Bethel College, Union University, and Martin Methodist. These are games that a true fan simply can't afford to miss. The baseball team can't do it alone. Without their fans, the baseball team just wouldn't be the same. Tickets are free to students here at FHU, and the weather is warming up nicely, so the time is now to cheer on the baseball team at their upcoming home games. The next time the baseball team takes the field, be sure you're there to cheer them on to their next victory.

## Lady Lions softball splits conference opener

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Brittany Yates' solo home run in the top of the sixth inning proved to be the difference in the second game of a double-header, helping the Freed-Hardeman Lady Lions split with Blue Mountain (Miss.) College on Monday evening, losing the first game 4-3 before winning the nightcap 2-1.

Yates' blast to center field came with the score tied at 1-1 and one out in the sixth. Sarah Elizabeth Cousar took care of the rest in the circle, working out of jams in the sixth and seventh innings to get the win. She stranded runners at first and second in both innings and finished the game with eight strikeouts.

Jill Brock accounted for FHU's other run with an RBI single in the third. The Lady Lions rallied from a 4-1 deficit in game one but came up one run short, leaving the bases loaded in the sixth and stranding the tying run at third in the seventh.

FHU got two runs in the sixth after Natalie Nelson's single got past BMC's center field, allowing Yates and Betsy Pickler to score. Bailey Morgan followed with a walk and Augusta McClary singled to load the bases with one out but Meggin Nelson pitched out of the jam.

Brock was hit by a pitch to lead off the seventh and eventually reached third base with one out but Yates popped up to second and Pickler grounded out to end the game. Pickler went 2-for-4 in game one while Cousar was 3-for-4 in game two.

The Lady Lions return to action on Friday, March 25, as they travel to Martin Methodist (Tenn.) College.



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## courtside.

SPORTS with JUSTIN STUBBLEFIELD

Disc golf is a sport that has been around since the 1960's, but it has started to become popular over the past couple of years.

The game of disc golf is very similar to regular golf, but instead of using clubs you use specially designed disc to throw at targets. The targets that are used are baskets on poles with chains in the center to help stop the disc from flying out of the basket.

The sport started off by people throwing a regular Frisbee at a certain target, but eventually the idea of making a basket to catch the Frisbee came about. As the popularity of the sport started to take off, people started to work on changing the Frisbee in to more of a disc. The idea was to make disc in different shapes to make them fly farther than a normal Frisbee.

In 1976 the first official disc golf course was created in California by Ed Headrick. Headrick also started the Professional Disc Golf Association in 1976. The sport has grown from one course to having over 2,000 courses worldwide. The sport has grown considerably over the years; however, it is still unheard of by many people. The PDGA has worked with many groups and companies to help spread the name of the sport. The idea of the sport sounds simple, but it takes skill to play at the level of the professionals.

The idea of throwing a disc at a basket seems easy enough, but it is far from easy. The majority of the holes that a person will throw are to be made in three shots for a par. The difficulty of courses all depends on the placement of the basket to the surrounding area. On many courses you are facing trees spaced sometimes no more than two feet apart. You have to weave your way through trees and bushes and watch out for water hazards. There are several ways to throw a golf disc; the most popular ways are called backhand and forehand.

There are three main categories of disc made for the sport, which are driver, midrange, and putter. The driver is a disc used for power shots. The driver goes farther than other discs; however, it is more difficult to accurately throw. Midrange discs are more stable and have a more predictable flight path, but they do not have the distance of most driving disc. The putter is simply used for throwing when close to the basket. Even though the disc may be a putter some players will throw them at other times do to their straighter flight pattern.

There are many companies that make discs for the sport. Two of the most popular brands are Innova and Discraft. Companies make many different discs for each category of discs. The companies will change the weight, shape, and even the type of plastic that the disc is made out of to make different styles of disc.

The price of discs starts at eight dollars and goes up from there. The price of the disc is based on the type of plastic the discs are made out of. The cheaper discs use a plastic that does not hold up as well, and the discs will have to be replaced a lot sooner than nicer plastic discs. Golf discs can be bought at specified disc stores, online, and even at Dick's Sporting Goods.

The majority of disc golf courses can be found at local parks. Muse Park, in Jackson, Tennessee, is one of the closest courses to Freed Hardeman University. So what are you waiting for? Find someone who plays, and go try it out.





# final say

## Senior Profile: Derek Wiesemann

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Building friendships is what Freed-Hardeman is all about. Meet Derek Wiesemann, a fun-loving, energetic, sports-savvy senior whose love of music and friendship only enriches his experience here at Freed.

Wiesemann transferred to Freed-Hardeman University from Blue River Community College in Missouri. When asked why he chose to transfer to Freed, he replied that he wanted to get a good Christian education, a reason probably in line with most of the other out of state students. He jokingly added another reason: Freed is far from home. Despite this, there is no doubt that he still misses and loves his family very much.

Majoring in General Communication, Wiesemann is still unsure of what he is going to do once he finishes up here at Freed. When asked what his favorite class was, he replied that he enjoyed Speech Communication with Dr. Garvis Semore as well as all the Bible classes he has taken so far. An avid sports follower, Wiesemann is a former member of Freed-Hardeman's rugby team. The last rugby game he played in was on March 5th, filling in for missing members of the team.

He is also very involved in Xi Chi Delta. Some of his most memorable experiences while here at Freed

include Xi Chi retreats and "cheering like a madman at basketball games." Wiesemann likes music and he likes his music loud and heavy. He can often be seen doing some intense head banging in the Student Center to All Time Low, Paramore, and Hey Monday, to name a few.

Wiesemann is pretty easy to get along with, a quality reflected in his relationships with other students. True dedication and loyalty are just a few of his Christian qualities. He attends the Finger Church of Christ. He has led singing, devotionals, and prayers. He has had no regrets about coming to Freed-Hardeman, though when he was asked if he could change one thing, Wiesemann admitted that he wished he had come to Freed earlier. Though we cannot change the past, what we do with the present can change our future.

Derek Wiesemann stands as a good reminder to take the time to enjoy life and make the most of the few short moments we have been granted. Wiesemann enriches not only his life, but also all those he comes in contact with, and Freed-Hardeman is a better place because of it. If you don't know him, take the time to. You won't regret it.

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From 1998 to 2005, Anderson worked with Province as a Senior Vice President of Acquisitions and Development. He acquired 18 hospitals, representing \$900 million in annual net revenue for the company. In April 2005, Anderson teamed with Dan Slipkovich, co-founding Capella Healthcare.

According to last year's summer issue of the Nashville Business Journal, Capella Healthcare is one of "Tennessee's Top 25 Fastest-Growing Companies." This was the second consecutive year that the Franklin-based company made the list. Capella is also listed as one of Tennessee's 100 largest private companies. Currently, Anderson coaches with the Duck River Youth Football League. He is also a member of the FHU Board of Trustees. He and his wife, Jade Hawkins Anderson, an FHU alumnus herself, live together in Columbia, Tennessee, where he serves as an Elder at the West Seventh church of Christ.

Anderson's generous donation is helping fund the new science center, an approximate 22,000 square foot building. The Anderson Science Center will offer a wide variety of classes such as Microbiology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Anatomy, and Physiology. Dr. LeAnn Davis, dean of the School of Sciences and Mathematics, said, "Freed-Hardeman University is home to an outstanding group of young men and women pursuing degrees in the sciences. A facility of this caliber will not only elevate the quality of our current science programs, but will also allow us to develop essential science programs for the future."

Perhaps the most exciting aspect of the new science building is the research facilities that will be available. Students' knowledge and experience will increase, aiding in a better understanding of the material and greater opportunities post-graduation. This aspect of the newer science building will help students to succeed in their academic endeavors. The Anderson Science Center is set for completion in the summer of 2012.

Anderson's donation is also funding the Brewer Sports Center, named in memory of Carmack Brewer, Anderson's uncle. At the naming of the center, Mrs. Lorene Brewer unveiled the bronze plaque that pictured her late husband Carmack. Built in 1996, the sports center seats approximately 2,700 and is home to the Lions and Lady Lions. In addition to the main arena, the center includes an auxiliary gym, offices, weight room, training room, walking track, racquetball courts, and the sports hall of fame.

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As this season officially closes out, another round of thanks goes out to all of the spectacular seniors and their endless dedication to the team. This includes Meribeth Boehler, from Ramer, TN, and Whitney Johnson, from Lexington, TN. The legacy and incredible season complimented by these two seniors will not soon be forgotten. A special congratulations goes out to Boehler for recently being named the State Farm/WBCA NAIA Player of the Year. Thanks to all of the coaches and staff, including Head Coach Dale Neal, who has just completed his 17th season with the team. As this season has officially concluded we also thank all of the incredible students, parents, and other fans that came out and supported the Lady Lions for the past five months. Here's to a fantastic rest of the season in tournament play and many more phenomenal seasons to come!

### Letter to the Editor

I would like to say a public Thank You to the great Free students that graciously volunteered their time to help at Bemis Elementary School's Book Fair during March 7-11. Many members of the social club Theta Nu and Jessie Carter visited Bemis Elementary and experienced the craziness known as Spring Book Fair, assisting students make purchases and helping the week run smoothly.

With their wonderful help, the Bemis Elementary Spring Book Fair was a great success! I am eternally grateful to Chase Gough and the Theta Nu social club and Jessie Carter. Thanks for your giving heart and volunteering spirit!

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opportunities to find a legitimate relationship while here at Freed. There are tons of great Christian people here, but once you leave this environment, a situation like this may never present itself again. Be mature enough to realize what is right in front of you and try not to waste the chance you have here.

This is the big one: fear of rejection. I have some harsh news for everyone: rejection is a big, unpleasant part of life. You can't win them all. If a person is worth the risk to you, then even being rejected was not a waste because you did all you could do. Most likely, asking someone out will not kill you, so take the chance. You are much more likely to regret not asking and never knowing the result than asking and being rejected.

Basically, commitment should not be some big horrifying concept. Commitments are a part of life and you have to be willing to push yourself out there and risk something. If you want something you have never had, then you are going to have to do something you have never done. So take a chance. Put yourself out there and know that regardless of the outcome, it was worth it.

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public donations directly fund water projects. It only takes \$20 to provide one person with a lifetime of clean drinking water. We all spend that much on the newest movie or video game, or taking a significant other out on a date. If you want to go green and change the world, save the money and give it to a good cause.

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to go ask the nice German ladies if they would mind terribly doing their hair as well. The Quidditch ladies seemed to think that was a marvelous idea! They found it especially humorous that Justin wanted his hair "fixed," and quickly pulled him down into a seat and began their fluffing, teasing, and hair spraying. (If you want to see pictorial proof of this, just check some of our Facebook albums.) So, like I said, be ready for anything on a German train during Carnival.

Once we finally made it back to Verviers, we were all exhausted and travel-weary. It was actually a bit nice to have nothing but classes and chapel for the next few days. But, of course, we could not stay in one place for long.

On Thursday we took a group trip to the capital of our temporary home country. Brussels, in my opinion, is a very lovely city. It was clean and friendly and much better than Rome, which I'm sorry to say I did not care for, except for the museums.

We ate delicious waffles covered in fruit and chocolate as we walked through the little side streets. We also stopped and saw Brussels' famous fountain, which happens to be a statue of a little boy urinating. I'm not lying; ask anyone else who has been there. It was very strange, because he seemed to pop up everywhere in the stores on mugs, t-shirts, aprons, even miniature statues. So, the next time you bemoan the fact that America is sometimes known for its obesity problem or the fact that Dan Quayle couldn't spell "potato," just be grateful that we're not known for a statue of a small boy indecently exposing himself to the world.

While in Brussels we also took a trip to the Musical Instruments Museum, which provided headphones that allowed each visitor to hear the music of whatever instrument he or she stood in front of. I got to hear everything from the sitar and Chinese gongs to pianofortes and classical violins. After that, we took a trip to the European Union Parliament, which just happens to be in Brussels.

We got to go into the Parliamentary Chamber and see all the language booths that are used while the EU Parliament is in session. Just in case you're wondering, they meet officially in 23 different languages, including Gaelic.

I've been to a lot of really interesting and beautiful places so far, but if there's one thing I learned during this past week of crazy sleeper trains and German Quidditch women, it is that sometimes the journey getting there can be just as interesting as the destination.