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## 75th Annual Lectureship explicates minor prophets

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The 75th Annual Bible Lectureship at Freed Hardeman University was held last week. Hundreds of people from different walks of life came to our campus for one week to hear the Gospel being preached. One student described Lectureship week as "Disneyworld for Christians." That is completely true; it is a way for people to take time out of their lives to come to a small town that is filled with wonderful speakers, open hearts, and loving spirits.

Dr. David Lipe, Director of FHU Annual Bible Lectureship, said, "The FHU Bible Lectureship is the highlight of the year for many, many people. Frequently, some will set their vacations to coincide with the annual lectureship. I think it speaks volumes that people will do this. They realize what a significant impact the Lectureship can have on them. Of course, without them we could not even have the Lectureship."

This year's theme was "Proclamation and Promise: Major Themes in the Minor Prophets." Lectures took place all day from Monday to Thursday, and the week ended with morning lectures on Friday. While many regular attendees could not make it due to the weather, this year's attendance was still very good.

The easy access to the lectures online allowed those who could not attend to continue to be a part of one of FHU's biggest events of the year. Many students also took advantage of the dozens of lectures that occurred each day last week by either attending the lectures or watching them from the comfort of their rooms via television and Internet. While many students only attended the number of lectures required by their Bible professors, others took the opportunity to sit at the feet of a number of the wise speakers. Sophomore Jeremy Schrimsher, who attended 24 of the lectures last week, said, "The lectureship was

an extremely edifying experience. I have been to different lectureships throughout the years, and this one now ranks high on my list. It was great." Although some students take the opportunity to be in an uplifting, Christian environment

for granted, they were reminded of this privilege last week. Men and women traveled from all over the world to be at FHU for at least a portion of Lectureship week. It is more than a week of classes, events, and exhibits. FHU's Annual Bible Lectureship is an

opportunity for Christians to revive their faith, their fire, and their passion.

Lipe said, "The lectureship of 2011 has proven to be one of the best. I have not heard one negative comment about anything relating to the content of the program. The attendance was good in spite of some challenges from the weather. The Lectureship Committee is blessed to have such interest in this great event. Such encouragement helps as we begin preparation for next year. We solicit the prayers of everyone as we do our best to prepare another great lectureship."

Lectureship week may be over for the speakers and attendees, but the Bible faculty has already begun working on the 76th Annual Bible Lectureship.

"Faith and Life in James to Jude: The Behavior of Belief."



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## Information Technology Conference

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On February 20-22, the Christian Colleges and Universities Information Technology Conference will be held at Freed Hardeman University. This is the eighth annual conference and will teach about leadership within the field of business. Thirteen Christian colleges and universities have been invited to send representatives to learn and discuss methods of incorporating technology into Christian education. Some of the schools invited include Faulkner University, Pepperdine University, Harding University, and Ohio Valley University. Most of the representatives of these colleges and universities hold top-level positions at their respective schools.

FHU founded the conference in 2003 under the leadership of Dr. Barry England. Originally, the CCUITC was to be held in FHU's newest building at the time; however, the Brown-Kopel Business Center was still under construction. Fortunately, Oklahoma Christian graciously agreed to host the conference that first year, and FHU hosted the second year. The conference rotates to a different school each year, and now it is FHU's turn again. Typically, about 40 representatives and sponsors attend the conference. There is no registration cost for attendees due to support from sponsoring companies.

The conference will begin Sunday, Feb. 20, at 6:00 p.m. with an evening worship service at the North Jackson church of Christ, immediately followed by dinner and time for fellowship at Old Country Store in Jackson, Tenn. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. on Monday. Sessions will be held in room 111 in the Brown-Kopel Business Center, featuring presentations from attending schools' IT departments. They will be sharing topics that have been important to them over the past year, along with projects that have been successful, innovative, and cost-effective. Sponsoring vendors such as AT&T, Apple, and Blackboard will also make presentations regarding their products. Speakers include Dr. James Kelley, an education technology consultant for Apple, Inc.; Kyle D. Bowen, Director of Informatics for Purdue University; Dr. William H. Graves, Senior Vice President for Academic Strategy with SunGard Higher Education; and Monte Tatom, Director of Quality Enhancement Programs at FHU.

New this year will be several companies and guest speakers to challenge the attendees to think about innovative educational technologies. According to John Bentley, Chief Information Officer

## Update on SACS reaffirmation

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It's no secret that Freed Hardeman University is up for reaffirmation of accreditation this year, but do any of us really know what that entails? The term "SACS" has been tossed around, but does anyone know what that means?

"The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges is the regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the Southern states," according to the SACSCOC website. It is important for a university to be accredited for a number of reasons. Graduate schools or future employers are significantly less likely to be interested in applicants from non-accredited universities, and if you plan to change schools your credits will be more likely to transfer if the university is accredited. Also, unaccredited institutions cannot access federal aid programs such as Pell grants, work study, or certain types of loans.

The accreditation of institutions must be reaffirmed every ten years. They are judged based on the Principles of Accreditation, which sets expectations in areas such as institutional effectiveness,

academic programs, faculty qualifications, financial stability, library and other learning resources, facilities, and student support services.

There are ten committees on campus that have been working on reports. A number of faculty and staff members worked during the '09-'10 school year and over the summer to prepare a document called the Compliance Certification Report, which was several hundred pages long, to prove that FHU deserves to be reaffirmed. The finished document was made available in electronic form, using software from a program called Xitrac, and in hard copies. This was submitted in early September to a peer group of faculty, staff, and administrators, called the Off-Site Reaffirmation Committee, who read the report and wrote an evaluation that was received in early December. This evaluation found FHU compliant in most areas, but there were a few areas for which the Off-Site Reaffirmation Committee requested additional documentation.

Dr. Vicki Johnson, Dr. Mike Johnson, Dr. Stephen Morris, and Dr. Becky Cargile make up the writing team, or the

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## Knitting on campus

• Even with the weather finally warming up, that hasn't stopped this new trend of knitting from taking campus by storm.

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Knitting isn't just for Molly Weasley during Christmas anymore. The world loves knitting. Best-selling author Kate Jacobs' trilogy entitled *The Friday Night Knitting Club* is a riveting story about Georgia Walker, the owner of a successful knitting boutique located below her apartment. According to IMDb.com, movie plans are in the works for Walker's fictional novels. Some other characters within movies that incorporate this exciting pastime include Holly Golightly (played by Audrey Hepburn) in "Breakfast at Tiffany's," Lady Cluck the chicken (played by Carole Shelley) in Disney's "Robin Hood," and the Chinese nannies in "Empire of the Sun" (which stars a young Christian Bale.)

This year, Freed Hardeman University has jumped on the knitting bandwagon. More and more students enjoy creating hats and scarves by weaving yarn into patterns.

With so many colors and patterns to choose from, knitting is just as exciting now as it was in the fifteenth century. According to Julie Theaker in her article entitled *History 101* on [www.knitty.com](http://www.knitty.com), knitting is a fairly recent invention. With no evidence of ancient legends that involve knitting, this hobby seems to have developed after mythologies were established around the world. Theaker even searched the Oxford Unabridged English Dictionary, which revealed that the term "to knit" was not added to English until the 1400s. Further investigation shows that any term meaning, "to knit," specifically to make loops with two long, straight needles, wasn't in any European language before the Renaissance. And other than the Middle East and Spain, other places in the world were even later in assigning words for knitting. So, it's pretty obvious that knitting hasn't been around for very long.

Knitting has since become one of the most popular pastimes in the world. Okay, maybe not the world, but at least on FHU's campus. Just ask freshman Rachel Hoyt, who began knitting in 2010. After her grandmother taught her a basic knit-stitch, Hoyt was hooked. "I have made so many scarves, it's unreal. I can knit up a scarf in just a day."

There are many benefits associated with knitting. Not only can you make new clothing and accessories for yourself, but knitting a hat for a friend is also one of the best ways to show you care. And for entrepreneurs, selling your creations is an easy way to earn fast cash. Susan Jefferson, senior Education major, enjoys knitting scarves and crocheting head wraps. Jefferson sells her original creations for a small price (between 10 and 15 dollars per piece). For students, knitting can also be a source of stress relief during the semester. On FHU's campus, Spring is a busy time for Makin' Music cast members. With late practices and retreat weekend, students may feel overwhelmed. This easy pastime is just the answer to give your brain a break. You can knit virtually anywhere. Hoyt said, "It's just so mindless. You can do it during class, while watching TV, or hanging out with friends."

Knitting isn't just a hobby for females. The Waldorf schools, which offer an education that concentrates on the arts, writing, literature, legends and myths, integrate knitting in their first grade curriculum. Within these vocational schools, kids (all kids, not just the girls) are being taught to knit before they learn to do math. According to [www.bestillandknit.com](http://www.bestillandknit.com), knitting helps students develop fine motor skills, teaches them to follow patterns, and helps with problem solving and logic.

Knitting is easy to learn. You can ask someone who already knits, such as Jefferson, who learned from Bryson Leach's mother in 2009.

Another avenue you can utilize is the Internet. Stephanie Benge, senior Graphic Design major, learned how to knit by watching a Youtube video at the beginning of the semester. Although Benge is only working on her first scarf, she hopes to branch out. "At some point I want to make more scarves for both myself and my friends. I would like to learn how to make hats, gloves, and more."

KnittingHelp.com is a useful website which provides tutorials from the basics of knitting to the most intricate patterns. You can even follow the website on Twitter by searching @KnittingHelp.

Visit your local Wal-Mart, which provides all the knitting tools necessary to embark on this fun pastime. The knitting community on FHU's campus is rapidly increasing, so what are you waiting for? The world is your ball of yarn.

## GO! All Together Now

• GO! Camp's founder sits down to discuss some highlights about the upcoming event "All Together Now" happening March 1 at 7:00 p.m.

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What if... "What if thousands of Christian teenagers came together: for each other, for the hurting, and for something bigger than ourselves. What if we could all just pause and acknowledge that He is the savior, He is in control, and He is our God."

What started out as a simple concept has grown into an effort that has touched the lives of people all over the nation. Young people are motivated to reach out to those around them daily.

According to the GO! web site, "We are driven by the simple idea of what could happen when a large group of young people from all parts of the country join in together to pause and reflect on God's love and power. Imagine what could happen!"

Go is about inspiring young people to serve God and to serve others.

A quote from the GO! Blog said, "Imagine a night where Christian teenagers from all over the world took time to pray for each other: youth group praying for youth group, student praying for student, city praying for city, and all happening simultaneously. Tuesday night March 1st we invite you to experience GO! Presents: All Together Now."

All this culminates into what is the one theme: service to God through service to others. To give you a better idea of what GO!'s latest project is, we went straight to the source. Brad Montague, the one in charge of it all, was kind enough to answer a few of our questions.



Bell Tower: Where did you get the idea for this event?

Montague: "We did an online conference for youth ministers last November. It was sort of an experiment. First, we weren't sure if anyone would watch. Second, we weren't sure if we could pull it off. What we found was there were tons of ministers hungry for encouragement and resources. The response was overwhelming. We immediately began thinking, 'What can we do along these same lines that would connect with teenagers?'"

BT: What do you have planned for the "online experience" on March 1st?

M: "The hope is to show teenagers in churches across the country they are not alone. We know there will be youth groups from all over watching it together - and that's exciting. The kid we're really creating this event for is the person who is at home by themselves on their computer who feels like nobody cares. We'll be sharing some stories of things that God is doing through young people in various churches. There will be stories of hope, struggle and - through it all - a reminder that God's church is really big. He is working and He is listening."

BT: Why did you decide to carry this out in this particular manner?

M: "This is an exciting time to be a Christian. That doesn't mean it's easy! Just means, we have more access than ever to see and discuss what different churches are doing. We have ways of uniting Christians together for events like this. Our thought was, 'Wouldn't it be cool if for one night we could bring together thousands of Christian teenagers to pray?' Then we began the adventure of figuring out how."

The Monday before the event, Montague will be announcing the speaker lineup for GO! Camp.

Content from "All Together Now" will be available for download the day after the event, March 2. Congregations across the nation will use this material for their classes that night, aptly dubbed "All Together Again."

The main themes that will be covered will be bringing hope to the community, patience through trials, and encouragement to be constant in prayer. Christians from all over United States can come together at one moment in time to acknowledge that God is bigger than anything we will ever go up against.

Join us online on March 1 at 7:00 p.m. CST as we come together to share stories of hope at [www.fhu.edu/go](http://www.fhu.edu/go). "Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;" (Romans 12:12).

## The Mentalist Returns

• University Program Council brought Brian Imbus back to campus last Tuesday night.

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Tuesday night UPC presented "The Mentalist." Brian Imbus put Freed Hardeman University students' wits in disarray once again as they tried to solve the mystery of the mind.

Imbus traveled all the way from central Illinois to put on a mind-bending show.

As students arrived into Loyd Auditorium they were handed a blank note card to write down their name, a location, person of significance, a number, and a question you don't have answer to.

He then collected them and proceeded to read the minds of the audience. He performed instant hypnosis and asked for several volunteers to complete his mystifying show.

With his current job as a mentalist, one might be surprised to discover that Imbus is a marketing and math major.

Because of his entertaining personality, his friends and family encouraged him to pursue his dream of becoming an entertainer, otherwise you might find him in a school doing what he loves best: teaching math.

But his performance showed no resemblance of a math lesson. He kept the audience focused and intrigued as "The Mentalist" gave them another great show. Rip Elliott commented on Imbus's show,

"It was impressive and entertaining. Brian Imbus was a pretty mellow, accommodating guy to talk to. He had a very good, yet casual stage presence."

There was a great turn out for the event. A little over a hundred students came to have their minds boggled. Students at FHU always enjoy Imbus's performance and look forward to his return year after year.





## A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline coming to Loyd

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"I don't like country music, but I love Patsy Cline," is the phrase that has quickly become synonymous with "A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline."

This musical is a joyful, loving tribute to one of the music industry's most enduring superstars. "A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline" traces the legendary singer's rise to stardom from her hometown in Winchester, VA, to the Grand Old Opry, Las Vegas, and Carnegie Hall. The musical features such songs as "Sweet Dreams," "Crazy," "Walkin' After Midnight," and "I Fall to Pieces."

Patsy Cline defined the term "crossover hit" by dominating country, blues, pop, and gospel charts simultaneously in the 1950s and early '60s.

Cline was best known for her rich tone and emotionally expressive contralto voice, which, along with her role as a mover and shaker in the country music industry, has been cited as an inspiration by many vocalists of various music genres. Millions of her albums have sold posthumously over the past 50 years.

She has been given numerous awards, which have in turn given her an iconic status and some fans similar to that of the legends Johnny Cash and Elvis Presley. Ten years after her death, she became the first female solo artist inducted to the Country Music Hall of Fame.

"A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline" is a nationally touring musical for all ages. It has been featured all over the country, and now, for one night only, it will be coming to Freed Hardeman University. It will be presented by FHU in Loyd Auditorium in cooperation with the Henderson Arts Commission. The HAC will have various local artists set up in Loyd's lobby before the show.

"We want to bring the local community closer together and promote the arts," said Seth Fish, Technical Director for FHU. "We thought that having the musical come to Freed would be a great way to bring it all together."

Stop being "crazy for feeling so blue" and get your tickets today and come "walkin' after midnight" with Patsy Cline. Tickets are \$10 for General Admission seating and free to FHU students, faculty, and staff. Tickets are also free to Henderson Arts Commission members.

Visit FHUTickets.com to purchase online. Tickets will be available from various businesses in Henderson as well. Discounted tickets for groups are also available. Call 731-989-6079 for details.



## History Professor coauthors scholarly study of Revolutionary War general

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Dr. Greg Massey has been a faculty member at Freed-Hardeman University for the past 18 years. A very well respected professor of history at FHU among students and faculty, Massey has certainly not limited himself to teaching alone. Massey is the co-editor and one of eleven authors of General Nathanael Greene and the American Revolution in the South.

This is not Massey's first book. In 2000 he authored John Laurens and the American Revolution. In addition, Massey has published numerous articles, essays, and book reviews. For General Nathanael Greene, Massey is a co-editor along with Jim Picuch of Kennesaw State University in Marietta, Georgia.

Both put a lot of time and effort into the book's publication.

Massey said, "Our book contains ten essays that explore different aspects of his [Greene's] service in the South. The war in the South was more of a civil war than our later more famous Civil War, because it divided people within states. Carolinians and Georgians were fighting each other and it became quite vicious and bloody."

So Greene had two main tasks: To defeat the British and reclaim the South for the Americans and help restore civil order by working with southern political leaders and trying to heal the divisions between patriots and loyalists. Our essays deal with these points."

The final essay of the volume, titled "Independence and Slavery: The Transformation of

Nathanael Greene, 1781-1786," is written by Massey. Regarding his essay, Massey said, "My essay concerns his [Greene's] efforts to get reinforcements for his army by convincing the governments of South Carolina and

Georgia to free and arm slaves.

The state governments refused, but later they did show their gratitude for Greene's service by granting him rice plantations. After the war, impoverished because of some bad financial decisions, he tried to recover his wealth by using these plantations and slave labor. So he went from advocating that slaves be enlisted as soldiers to depending on slave labor for his financial future.

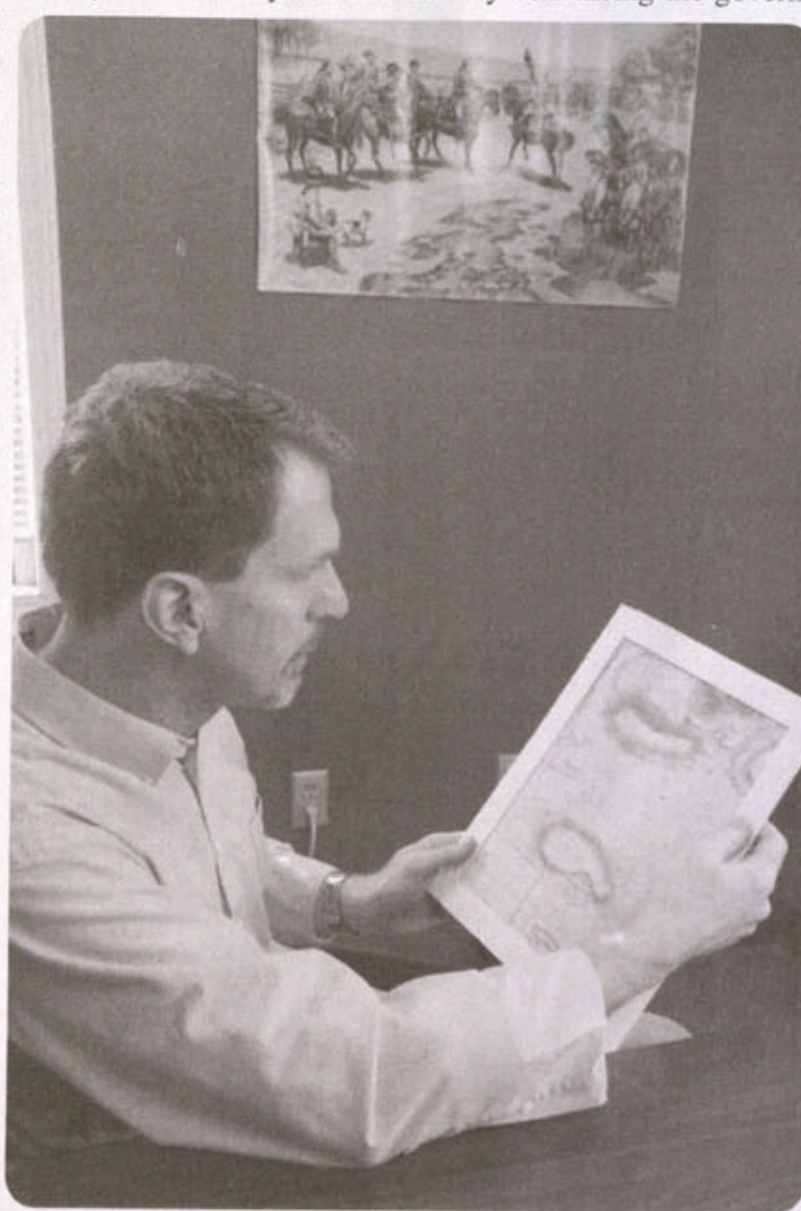
His transformation demonstrates the paradoxical relationship between independence and slavery during the Revolution."

When asked who were some main contributors to the book, Massey said, "One, Dennis Conrad, is former editor of the thirteen-volume Papers of Nathanael Greene and the foremost authority on

Greene's generalship. He wrote an appraisal of Greene's overall military leadership for our book."

Another author, John Buchanan is a historian who has written best-selling history books on the American Revolution."

FHU has several outstanding professors who have been published, and Massey definitely fits the bill. Readers can look forward to the book's publication by the University of South Carolina Press. General Nathanael Greene and the American Revolution in the South is currently in the production stage and is set to be released late this year or early in 2012.



CHRISTINA KENDRICK ● The Bell Tower

## CHORALE @ LECTURES

The University Chorale performed at the 75th Annual Bible Lectureship. Alumni chorale joined the current chorale members onstage for their final song. Grad student Scott Huff performed a solo.



HANNAH from FRONT...

in a bad, run-down kind of way. That's not what I mean here; although, it still holds true that there are places like that. What I am talking about are those few old buildings that every big downtown in America has. A city the size of Jackson may only have one or two, but these buildings have stood the test of time and have a look and feel about them that speaks of a great sense of experience—the experiences of the

TECHNOLOGY from FRONT...

and coordinator of this year's CCUITC, "We're excited about trying something new and especially about the wealth of talent we have lined up to speak."

Several round table sessions will be provided on Tuesday in room 204 of Brown-Kopel by the attendees.

These conferences will discuss a list of compiled topics that are of current interest and any attendant may submit challenges faced by their institution to be discussed and debated. The round table sessions are some of the more popular and informative sessions at the conference each year. Bentley said, "These sessions, along with the networking and fellowship that occur during

people that have lived in them, the events that have taken place in and around them, and the time periods they have lived through. But whereas we only have a handful of these kinds of edifices, in Europe they are everywhere. It reminds me of how young our country really is and of how much we have to learn from the places in the world that have experienced so much more.

our 'non-working' sessions, make the conference a 'must attend' for many." A range of topics will be discussed including business intelligence, TV services to campus, and laptop tracking and security. The conference will conclude with lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Although the conference doesn't normally host students, Bentley invites those interested to contact him via email at jbentley@fhu.edu.

For more information, contact Arika Young, Greg Maples, Redonna White, Chris Hodges, Michael Plyler or FHU's business department or visit <http://ccuitc.org>. Interested persons may register online at this site.

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HIS|HER View

## What is Love?

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// columnist

As everyone's favorite holiday has passed, the question for many people who suffered through Valentine's Day is simply, "What is love?" God commanded us to "love thy neighbor as thyself." We are supposed to love people who do not love us and love everyone we come into contact with. Christian, brotherly love is extremely important, but romantic Valentine's Day love is different. Romantic love does not consist in that strong feeling towards another person, where you are completely sure they mean more to you than anyone else every possibly could, but love is an act, a way of life, a constant thought.

Love requires honesty. A relationship of any sort cannot be built on half-truths or no truth at all. Where "love" is born from hurting another person or doing wrong, it inevitably destroys itself. So if you want to love someone, you need to realize that love is more than a word you say, it is something you do. If you love someone, you want the best for them, even if what is best for them is not what you consider ideal.

Love also means giving up yourself. If you want to love someone,

then you have to remove selfishness from your life. A selfish love is when you only want what you want and the other person has no real bearing on your emotions, when you have to be in total control, and when your own desires outweigh any thought of him or her. Love is not a one-sided game. You can love someone who hates you, but you cannot be in love with someone who has no love for you. It is a give and take situation. There is no need to try and profess yourself to be in love when all you want from a relationship is what benefits you the most.

If you want love, then you have to be dedicated. Relationships take time and will fail if they become a matter of convenience. The hard truth is that if something means more to you than the person you are with, then you are not in love with them. Preference should go to the person you love over any other thing or person.

Love has become a very lightly used word. That should not be the case. If you are really in love, you will be able to see a difference in both your life and

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## Respect

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Respect. It is something that we all want but not something we all give. Respect can take various forms and may be perceived differently, but respect is always recognizable. What troubles me at times is a lack of respect for individuals, their beliefs, ideas, and concerns. Too many times have I overheard a group of people chastising someone for something that he or she cares about. We can all think of a time when we have not just disagreed with someone, but went on to judge them and act unloving and disrespectfully towards them for what they shared with us.

This does not just happen with religious beliefs or political ideology; among Christian family members, I see disrespect stemming from all sorts of reasons, and it breaks God's heart. The last place there should be fighting is within the Church. The last place there should be disrespect for each other is within God's family. Who are we to determine the value of another person and what they enjoy in life?

If someone spends all their time in the library, we call them a nerd or geek. Why? Because they are driven and are a

hard worker? If someone does not have a lot of friends we assume something is wrong with them or they must not be likeable. Instead we should get to know them and be a friend.

Respect for someone (no matter what they believe or think) does not mean we condone everything they believe or think, but it means we meet them where they are and love them just as Christ does. In case we ever forget, God loves an atheist just as he loves us, and Jesus died for the gay couple just as he died for us. A rapist, a thief, a murderer—each is a creation of God. Christ suffered and died for prostitutes, drug dealers, and con men. We may not agree with—we may absolutely detest—the actions of an individual, but we should remember who made them and who died for them and in that, love that person.

We, as a student body and as a body of Christians, must learn to respect each other. We must look past our own pride and realize that we are all one body in Christ. Love your neighbor as Christ taught. Respect people. Again, we may

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## POLITICS, ETC.

### 10 Things That Make Me Laugh

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(In no particular order of hilarity or political-ness.)

1. "I'm a vegan. Where's the beef?" Apparently, the "new thing" is to be vegan. For a while it was Toms and for another while it was those accursed Beanie Babies. Either way, Toms, Beanie Babies, and vegans are all funny and will soon become culturally obsolete.

2. Passive aggressive people. The main reason I deleted my Facebook account is because of posts like these: "This line is taking so long!" or "There is an annoying kid screaming during church. Agh! Shut her up!" But, let me be honest: if there were no passive aggressive people expressing themselves on social networking sites, I would have fewer people to make fun of in this column.

3. People who make their lives seem so busy. You know that person: "Man, I'd love to stay and talk, but I have a hundred tests to study for." When a person comes to you in the climax of busy-ness, please pat her on the back, buy her a five hour energy shot, and let her go on her merry little busy way.

4. Republicans. Sarah Palin. Chris Lee Michelle Bachmann. Enough said.

5. Democrats. Joe Biden. Nancy Pelosi. President Obama without a teleprompter. Come to think of it, are there any nationally prominent Democrats who can actually be taken seriously?

6. Glee. This light-hearted musical comedy never ceases to push the

envelope. Just witnessing the genius that is Sue Sylvester is enough. The way she throws tantrums is a train wreck worth laughing at.

7. George W. Bush. The joke is not on him as much as it is on the American people for electing him in 2000. Oh wait, we didn't elect him in 2000. Since his selection by the Supreme Court, this country has

not had one dull moment (and comedians have not been lacking in late night material).

8. People who yell at sporting events and have no idea what's going on. I am no Michael Jordan or Tiger Woods, but I have become

an expert at screaming at them on the television screen. Believe me, it's funny. 9. Snow in west Tennessee. There have been numerous times in the last two weeks when I have walked out of my dorm laughing. Who could have ever imagined this much snow in Henderson, Tennessee? It's like God is making fun of us on a cosmic scale.

10. My gym buddies. A few weeks ago, I began a rigorous workout regimen with a few friends. We get together three times a week, preparing our minds and bodies to win Makin' Music 2011.

The laughable part is the group: Michael Hill, Steven Simpson, Payton Smith, Caleb Capshaw, Jeff Collier, and Gary Carter. You couldn't put together a more unlikely, comedic, dramatic, out of shape group of brawny men. (Please don't gawk at us through the windows of Main Street Gym).



## It's Not Easy Being Green

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A band by the name of Noah and the Whale said, "What you share with the world is what it keeps of you." They were talking about love, but the same can also be applied to the things we throw away. Whether we realize it or not, everything we throw in the trash (or onto the street) causes repercussions, even items as small as disposable water bottles.

Marine biologist Wallace J. Nichols said, "Plastic pollution is the visible symbol of our global crisis of over-consumption." Americans use an average of 20 billion plastic bottles per year. The sad part is that nearly every plastic bottle ever made still exists today, because of its extremely slow rate of decomposition. According to riseaboveplastics.org, 70% of discarded plastic sinks to the ocean's bottom, where there is 110 pounds of litter per square kilometer. That's 600,00 tons of litter in the North Sea alone. We can try and blame it on whalers and inconsiderate teenagers on yachts, but the truth is that only 20% comes from ships and marine platforms. This means that the rest of the 80% comes from the plastic that we throw away in our garbage cans. This might not seem like a big problem, but it is. 100,000 marine animals die every year because of the abundance of plastic in the ocean, and the marine life that we consume have been consuming the plastic in the ocean. Here we see the repercussions of throwing away plastic bottles. Disposable bottles

are not only a threat to marine life, but to our very own lives as well.

The good news, however, is that we can put an end to this. Not entirely, mind you, but together we can make a big difference. All we have to do is stop drinking out of disposable water bottles. Don't roll your eyes and stop reading this

article—it's not as hard as you might think. All you have to do is buy a few stainless steel or other reusable bottles and fill them with tap water. It's that simple. By buying a reusable water bottle and not buying your favorite brand of water you're saving one plastic bottle from potentially ending up in the ocean. Imagine if you didn't drink out of a disposable water bottle for an entire year. You would save at least 365 plastic bottles from littering the bottom of the ocean, that's twenty pounds of plastic that wouldn't be on this earth, not to mention about \$365 dollars you would have saved.

If you're worried about drinking tap water, studies show that tap water is safer to drink than bottled water. Pbs.org gives good insight into what's really in your bottled water. If you're concerned that your county's water may not be safe to drink, Brita makes an excellent water filter for both your tap water and your water pitcher. Choosing not to drink out of disposable water bottles might be daunting

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## HANNAH in EUROPE

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Well, we've made it! The first Freed Hardeman University group to study abroad during the spring semester landed in Brussels while all of you were soundly sleeping on Monday night. After two plane trips, three train rides, and a nice 20-minute walk through town, we all arrived happy but exhausted at the FHU facility in Verviers.

After settling in and getting acquainted with our new surroundings, we walked to a local restaurant to have a

nice pizza lunch. But let me clarify now that "pizza" doesn't always mean crust, tomato sauce, cheese, and some kind of weird processed meat. Here we were treated to what I have dubbed "breakfast pizza," topped with ham, mushrooms, and hard-boiled eggs! And although it may sound crazy, I really enjoyed it. But if we thought that was something new and different, we were even more surprised when we were brought French fry pizza! It disappeared from the tray almost as fast



as a molten chocolate dessert from Chili's does when I'm sharing it with my sisters.

Although the thirty of us have only been with each other a short time, we've already begun to learn some interesting things about each other. For instance, Hunter Moss apparently has a built-in radar that detects English-speaking people in foreign countries. By the time we got off the first train, he had already made a friend that actually helped us find our next train.

We've also learned some interesting things about our surroundings

in a very short time. Even though we were all aware of the fact that we were going to a country that didn't speak our language, there's nothing quite like being in a place and realizing that you're the outsider. I've been here less than twenty-four hours, but I've already begun to miss the sound of English being spoken out on the streets. But, there is a bright side. Now I can brush up on my French!

One thing that has especially struck me about our new home and the surrounding country is how old everything feels. When we say something feels "old" in America, we usually mean it

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SPORTS with JUSTIN STUBBLEFIELD

The nightmare in Cleveland has finally come to an end. The Cleveland Cavaliers ended their 26 game losing streak by defeating the Los Angeles Clippers in overtime Friday.

The Cavaliers tied for the most losing record in sports history with the 1976 Tampa Bay Buccaneers, but thanks to the Cavaliers hard team effort they did not break that record.

The Cavaliers were a team built for a king; however, the king left Cleveland and the city became bitter. The fans were saying how much better off they would be without LeBron James. With an impressive season opener win against the Boston Celtics, it seemed as if the Cavaliers would be fine without James, but as the season moved on, so did the losses.

In Friday's game against the Los Angeles Clippers, the Cavaliers played as a team and what was almost loss 27 became win one in overtime. Antawn Jamison put up an impressive 35 points while pulling down nine rebounds. Mo Williams had 17 points and 14 assists, along with the game-tying shot to put the game in overtime. The Cavaliers shot 50 percent from the floor and 40 percent from beyond the arc.

The Cavaliers have ended their losing streak; however, they cannot stop there. Cleveland will have to win a lot more games to get the respect back that they once had in the NBA. With all the negative publicity that the team has been receiving, how long will it be till this is behind Cleveland?

Many teams throughout sports history have been victim to embarrassing scandals, negative press, and bad records. The Cavaliers are not the first team to face such a horrible season.

In 1972 the Philadelphia 76ers faced a similar situation, only winning nine games that season. The team took a beating that season that some thought would never be forgotten. If you ask an NBA enthusiast today about the 1972 76ers they will have no idea about the tragic season they had.

In 1976 the Tampa Bay Buccaneers became a new team in the NFL. There was much excitement in the area about the new team; however, the excitement would not last long.

The team did not win a single game that season, and they did not win a game until late in the next season. The losing record was the greatest in professional sports history; however, it was also forgotten over the years.

In 1992 the Ottawa Senators also had an embarrassing season. The hockey team went a record of 10 wins and 70 losses, with four ties. The team was overwhelmed with negative press and it became very hard for them to come back from such a devastating season.

Each year there is a new team that is having a bad year. The team has to work past all the bad press and all the other things that go with a bad season. The team must realize that they can recover from this and that they will not always be remembered for all the losses.

The one thing that teams need during a time of embarrassment is the loyalty of their true fans. They need the fans that are not embarrassed to wear team logo apparel after a loss. The team needs a city that stands by the team no matter how many losses the team has.

Cleveland is a town of many loyal fans; however, it is time for the team themselves to take charge and finish the season out on wins.

They cannot afford to lose any of the games remaining in the season. If the team is looking to get past the LeBron James argument, then they will have to show the rest of the NBA that they can win without him.

The next few weeks will reveal whether the game won against the Clippers was just a lucky win or if Cleveland is on its way back up and past the LeBron dilemma.



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## Intercollegiate golf team started

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Whether you are a student, faculty member, or a die-hard fan of the Lions, you will have a tremendous opportunity to experience something new this semester.

For the first time since 2004, Lion Golf will be back in action. Coach John Armstrong, who has been Freed-Hardeman University's Sports Information Director for the past three years, has the team's sights set high in their first year back.

Coach Armstrong played for the school in 1991 and 1992. He jumped at the opportunity to coach the golf team because he was eager to help restart this program.

"We are very excited to get out there and start training for this season. We have a very dedicated group of guys on this team who are probably out there training right now," said the coach. "We can't wait to get out there and see how we do in our first tournament."

The team's first tournament will be February 28-March 1.

As for now, the team is training at the Chickasaw Golf Club, a course designed Jack Nicklaus.

"It's really good for us to be training on this course. It's a very challenging course, and we are looking forward to it helping us as a lot of the courses we will be playing on will be less challenging."

Armstrong will have the privilege of coaching six students. Those students are Bryant Cashion, Carson Wiley, Lincoln Stemler, Jonathon West, Scott Milam, and Darren Bart. Bart says, "We are very excited to get this season started."

It has always been my dream to play golf for Freed and this is a big opportunity." Darren Bart is a multitasking sophomore from Adamsville, TN.

Bart also played soccer for the Adamsville Cardinals and tried out for Coach Jason Elliot and the FHU Lion Soccer team.

Speaking of big opportunities, not only will the team be playing on a course made by a PGA Tour Professional, they will also have the opportunity to get some coaching from a professional player, Jim Merry.

The players hope that his expertise will fine-tune their gameplay.

"It certainly helps our chances to have a pro player helping us out," says Coach Armstrong. This season looks very promising, and as the Lions look for that coveted national title, they are going to need as much support as possible from the Lion faithful.

The future looks bright for this young team and the players are certainly excited to show their fellow students what they can do.



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## No. 1 Union Bulldogs no match for Lady Lions

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Two time defending national champions. Number one in the NAIA for 44 consecutive coaches polls, spanning 4 seasons. Forty-four straight regular season wins without a loss. Sixty-one straight regular season conference wins without a loss. Touted to win the national championship for the third straight season, the Union Lady Bulldogs came to Henderson expecting another win to notch on their impressive record, but as sophomore guard Natalie Shumpert said, "The boys have already beaten an undefeated team, now it's OUR turn." Then in front of a capacity crowd witnessing the action on Smith-Kirk Court, what the nation deemed impossible, was accomplished. The Lady Lions of Freed-Hardeman University defeated the Union University Lady Bulldogs 58-56 after a lay-up from none other than the nation's leading scorer, Meribeth Boehler.

Boehler's lay-up came with 1.2 ticks remaining in regulation, breaking a tie along with the Bulldogs' long winning streak. That makes twice the Lady Lions have beaten the Lady Bulldogs in as many years. Shocking the nation, the Lady Lions claimed the TranSouth Conference tournament crown 75-62 last March in Jackson. Losing to Union earlier this season in Jackson, the Lady Lions intended to return to favor; and senior leadership made it happen.

Seniors Meribeth Boehler and Whitney Johnson blazed the trail with 18 and 13 points, respectively, and a combined total of 12 rebounds. The biggest rebound came from freshman Leslie Morgan, who pulled down a critical board after a missed free-throw from Boehler with 23 seconds remaining, who then kicked it out to Whitney Johnson at the top of the key who then drained a 3-pt FG to put the Lady Lions up by two points.

After a quick tie off a lay-up from UU's Kayla Hudson, Boehler spun off of Beatrice Awino Duol to bank in her own lay-up to give the Lady Lions the lead when it really counts: at the final buzzer. FHU received help on the scoreboard from

an unlikely source in the middle of the second half.

Sophomore Maria Bagwell, known for her commanding presence underneath the basket, averaging 7.3 rebounds/game was just under 10 points, putting up nine; one of which being her first career 3-pt FG. With the huge win, FHU improves to 20-5 (9-2) on the season and forcing something besides zeros on UU's record, dropping them to 23-1 (10-1).

With the win, FHU jumped three spots in the national polls, pulling to fifth place in the NAIA. With not much of a break, two days later: the Lady Lions travelled to Pulaski, TN to take on the Redhawks of Martin Methodist College.

The short break almost proved fatal, as the Redhawks forced the Lady Lions into their first overtime period of the waning season. A strong extra five minutes gave FHU the push they needed to come out on top 74-66 with Boehler and Shumpert lighting up the scoreboard, logging 24 points apiece.

With the victory over MMC, FHU will still have short rest, travelling with a 21-5 (10-2) record to Nashville on Thursday to meet up with the Trojans of Trevecca Nazarene, who stands at 11-12 (8-4).



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# final say

## MURABAK RESIGNS AMID PROTESTS

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The Egyptian Revolution of 2011 defies summarization. Following 18 days of intense citizen demonstrations that claimed over 300 lives, Egyptian President Hosni Murabak resigned his position as leader of the nation on Feb. 11, ending a 30-year autocratic rule in a triumph of democracy.

While the protests officially began on Jan. 25, 2011, the movement was foreshadowed by a large number of previous conditions. Activists cited multiple issues of concern, among them: 1.) an emergency law continuously kept in effect since 1981 which suspended constitutional rights, authorized censorship, and allowed the government to imprison individuals without reason; 2.) widespread police brutality, with over 500 cases of torture between 1993 and 2007; 3.) unpopular government decisions concerning foreign relations, including certain actions in the Gaza strip situation; 4.) high levels of poverty, unemployment, and widespread political corruption.

Key among the motivating factors was the Dec. 2010 parliamentary election, which was widely perceived to be utterly fraudulent. Certain candidates opposing the incumbent Murabak were banned, especially ones from the Muslim Brotherhood, the world's largest political Muslim association. Murabak cited the Muslim Brotherhood's potential rise to power as an excuse to enact a state of emergency in 2010, constituting a further attempt to cling to his political position.

Several specific incidents increased tension during the lead-up to the demonstrations, the first among them being a New Year's Eve church bombing in Alexandria that killed 23 Christians. Following the event, which was assessed to have been carried out by non-Egyptian perpetrators, Christians protested in the streets of Cairo and Alexandria and were soon joined by Muslims, together blaming the government for the negligence of international security. (Subsequent protests have consistently been marked by notable cooperation between members of the two religions.) Though the Muslim Brotherhood would continue its support of the protest, for most protestors, the revolt was never about that organization's motto, "Islam is the solution." Instead, focus remained primarily on national political and social issues, and religious motives were not prominent factors.

The Tunisian "Jasmine Revolution" of Dec. '10/Jan. '11 has been cited as yet another contributing factor in the development of the Egyptian situation, as it provided an inspirational example to the Arab world of a civilian-led deposition of a longtime autocrat. Egyptian protesters were seen carrying Tunisian flags as symbols of their spirit of revolution. On Jan. 17, a restaurant owner attempted self-immolation, setting himself on fire in front of the parliament building in protest of poor living conditions; this event paralleled similar actions taken by certain Tunisians over the course of their revolution. Several more attempts at self-immolation by Egyptians were soon to follow, building a growing public concern and awareness.

The murder of journalist Khaled Mohamed Saeed, who was beaten to death by Egyptian police, was also the cause of national concern, a factor enhanced by online activism. A Facebook group called "We are all Khaled Said" garnered over 80,000 members, spreading feelings of injustice on national and international

levels. (Egyptian citizen and Google exec Wael Ghonim owned up to having started the group once the major protests were underway.)

Internet activism also played a vital role in setting the final demonstrations underway, as anti-Murabak group spread information about the upcoming protests via Facebook, Twitter, and blogs. One particular Facebook group, "April 6 Youth Movement," had been organized in 2008 for other political purposes but mobilized its members once more to physically pass out papers telling of the upcoming plans for demonstrations.

The final stretch of protests began on Jan. 25 as thousands took to the streets across the country. Tahrir Square in Cairo became a major site of clashes with government loyalists and remained a major symbol of the rebellion throughout the following days.

The president responded on Jan. 28 by firing his cabinet, though refusing himself to step down; he went on to deploy the military in an attempt to impose a curfew on three major cities. The government also enacted an Internet and cell phone blackout, causing general outrage. Three days later, the armed forces officially stated that they understood the public's grievances and would not use force against them, effectively abandoning Murabak's orders. As rallies continued to grow, the 82-year old Murabak issued a statement on Feb. 1 promising reform but asserting his position as president at least until the upcoming September elections.

On Feb. 5, the ruling National Democratic Party members resigned from the government as demonstrations continued to call for Murabak's resignation. Finally on Feb. 11, the 18th day of protests, with the military no longer on his side, Murabak stepped down from power, retreating to his favorite vacation resort on the Red Sea. He left government representation in the hands of Omar Suleiman, newly promoted from Head of Intelligence to Vice President. Upon the announcement of Murabak's departure, crowds erupted into chants of "Egypt is free, Egypt is free!"

The Egyptian government is as of yet still in a state of relative disorder, with many changes to come in the near future. The Egyptian armed forces are currently serving in governmental roles in a temporary capacity. In an address on Feb. 11, President Obama said of the situation, "By stepping down, President Mubarak responded to the Egyptian people's hunger for change, but this is not the end of Egypt's transition. It's the beginning." This bold move for democracy in Egypt still has a lot of work ahead.



## UPDATE ON FHU STUDENTS' NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

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It's that time of year again, the time when all those commitments to New Year's Resolutions are starting to waver.

The origin of the New Year resolution dates back to 153 B.C. The Romans celebrated Janus (which later became January) by seeking forgiveness from their enemies and exchanging gifts before the beginning of each New Year.

Scholars suppose this eventually evolved into making resolutions for the future. Studies show that 40 to 45% of American adults make one or more resolutions each year.

Here are the statistics on how long they stick to these resolutions: 75% last past the first week, and 71% last past 2 weeks; 64% break down after one month, while an elite 46% hold out and make it to 6 months.

Interestingly, there are differences between men and women when it comes to success in New Year's resolutions. Research has shown that men are 22% more likely to achieve their goal when

they engage in goal-setting techniques or focus on the rewards associated with achieving their goals.

Women are 10 % more successful than otherwise when they make their goals public, seek out support from their friends, and have encouragement to stay strong when things became difficult.

Many people have varying opinions on the validity of making a New Year's resolution. Some think it is a great way to motivate yourself to achieve a goal. Others think it is silly to wait until the beginning of the year to make a change in your life.

This is what some Freed Hardeman University students had to say when asked about their own resolutions and how they were progressing.

Senior Josh Caraway: "I said I was going to Tweet less. I'm failing. Miserably." Junior Rachel Peterson: "I said I was going to run a 5K."

I'm making fairly decent progress." Junior Imelda Richardson: "Well mine

was to try and read the Bible in a year, since I hate reading! So far so good; I'm in the book of Numbers!" Senior Danae Elder: "I'm doing the one year daily Bible. I got a little behind, but it's a good way to read God's word everyday."

Junior Ashley Kirby: "I am attempting to work through the 'Couch to 5K' program. I dropped behind a week but should be catching right back up soon."

Really, my goal was to get healthy; so far so good." Junior Macey Baze: "My New Year's resolution is that I am going to run a half-marathon in April. I am still training for it. I am on week 3, and I am still going strong!"

Senior Caz Williams: "I made resolutions to start running again, get more organized, and make Courtnee Sheridan my girlfriend. I'm doing well on the running and girlfriend front, but I'm still not organized."

Senior Jared Gaines: "I made a resolution to see my family more,

and I have done pretty good so far." Freshman Clay McFerrin: "I was going to read the Bible in a year."

That lasted two weeks." Sophomore Alison Rose: "I wanted to keep in touch with the family better. I have been doing well with it!"

Sophomore Shelby Womack: "I was going to try to stop overusing words like 'amazing' and 'awesome' and 'magnificent' unless it really was. It didn't stick though." Sophomore Emily King: "I resolved to read through the bible in a year, so far so good."

Whether or not you believe in making a resolution just for the New Year, setting a goal for yourself and working to achieve it is very rewarding.

Many people make goals about restricting certain foods or adding more exercise into their lives.

Several people mentioned making scheduled Bible reading a priority this year.

It is never too late to set a goal or start over on your current resolution.

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#### SACS from FRONT...

A-team. The team is currently working on a second document, called a Focused Report, which is much shorter than the Compliance Certification Report because it only addresses the questions raised in the previous evaluation. The focused report is due no later than mid-March. After that, another team of peers, called the On-Site Reaffirmation Committee, will come to visit campus April 18-20, at which time they will talk personally about any questions they may still have. Students should expect to be asked questions by an on-site committee and will be receiving valuable information concerning types of questions to anticipate in upcoming chapel sessions. Both on- and off-site teams will consist of members who are, for the most part, associated with small, private, religiously affiliated universities. This means that they will be familiar with some of the difficulties faced by FHU that might be less understandable to large state schools, such as differences in funding, or how values and Christian principles make a huge impact on the hiring process. This summer the A-team will write a response to the on-site evaluation, which will be due in September. In December 2011, the SACSCOC will decide whether FHU should be reaffirmed. Dr. Becky Cargile states, "The A-team expresses its full confidence that the university will not only be reaffirmed but will be stronger for having participated in the self-evaluation process."

#### GREEN from OPINION...

to think about, but it's really quite easy once you make the decision to lay off the bottle. It's the small decisions in life that make the biggest impact on the world. So the next time you reach for that bottle of Dasani, remember: plastic is forever.

#### HIS View from OPINION...

may not agree with what someone does or thinks, but then again, God does not agree with our sin, yet look at how he treats us in all his mercy and grace.

#### HER View from OPINION...

the life of the person you love. Love is not a game or a fleeting emotion. Love should affect your life and change you for the better. True love will build you up, show you who you want to be, and most importantly, it with strengthen your life in Christ.