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SNU alumnus to travel to Kenya, oversee Morningstar internships

Jaclynn Gray, Staff Reporter

On Sept. 30, SNU alumnus Cody Lidster will begin his two-year residence in Kenya in order to build the foundation the Morningstar Institute there and oversee all aspects of it.

This program will create an opportunity for students to participate in internships in Kenya.

Lidster studied abroad in Uganda while at SNU, so he is aware of its positive effects.

“Studying abroad has its perks,” Lidster said. “You will earn nine credit hours as well as six credit hours for internship from the Morningstar Institute.”

The Morningstar Institute is an international development and poverty alleviation-training institute, housed in Southern Nazarene University’s School of Business, led by Dr. Tom Herskowitz.

There are many ways that the Morningstar Institute can influence one’s life.

Students will have the opportunity to gain international experience through Morningstar’s International Internship Program.

Their main goal is to train the poor in basic business principles. For example, they will have the interns teach someone how to do carpentry while providing them with all the needed supplies and a

workbench.

This will allow the poor to have a place right then and there to work and to make money.

Morningstar is not a program just for business students; they accept students from all majors at SNU. A broad spectrum of people is needed.

There are specific requirements though for acceptance. All Morningstar students are required to take International Economic Development, an upper division course offered by the School of Business.

This course examines the underlying economic, social and political causes of poverty throughout the world and various methods of economic development.

Southern Nazarene University founded The Morningstar Institute in 2005. It functions under Southern Nazarene University both administratively and financially, and upholds the ethics and values set by the University.

Morningstar’s primary purpose is to bring the knowledge of international development and poverty alleviation to students and to provide them with the opportunity to be empowered through receiving academic training in the classroom, analytical training through research, and practical training on the field during international in-

ternships.

“When you get the chance, take it, if it changes your life, let it. Life is either a daring adventure or

nothing at all,” Lidster said.

For more information about this program, contact Herskowitz in the business building or by e-mail.



SNU alumnus Cody Lidster, pictured here while studying in Uganda, will help establish the Morningstar Institute in Kenya. Photo from morningstarinstitute.org

NEWS BRIEFS



ATTACKS ON US EMBASSY, NATO HEADQUARTERS IN AFGHANISTAN KILL 16

On Tuesday, insurgents linked to the Pakistani Al-Qaeda ally the Haqqani network attacked the US embassy and NATO headquarters in Kabul from a nearby unfinished high rise. The attack killed 5 Afghan police officers and 11 civilians. Afghani security forces were able to secure the high-rise by early Wednesday morning.

[nytimes.com](#)

Kuni Takahashi for New York Times



REPUBLICAN BOB TURNER ELECTED TO CONGRESS IN SPECIAL ELECTION

Voters in New York's 9th Congressional district elected retired TV executive Bob Turner to fill the seat vacated by former U.S. Rep. Anthony Weiner. This is the first time since 1923 that a Republican will represent this heavily Democratic district.

[latimes.com](#)

Mary Altaffer / Associated Press



REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS DISAGREE OVER \$447B JOBS BILL

President Obama and Republican congressional leaders have yet to reach an agreement on a \$447 billion jobs bill meant to spur the economy. The funding issue is hotly disputed, with the president arguing for raising taxes on corporations and wealthy Americans while Republicans seek to cut spending.

[reuters.com](#)
Reuters

School of Music welcomes Dr. Lewis as new chair

Josh Roebuck, Staff Reporter

After the departure of Dr. Steve Betts at the end of the spring semester, the school of music has welcomed Dr. Melissa Lewis as the new chair. As the chairperson since Aug. 1 of this year, Lewis is still discovering what her new job duties entail.

"I'm learning how complex this job really is," Lewis said.

The position of music chair has had a few changes in recent years under Betts and Dr. Phil Moore, the most recent previous holders of that position. Lewis plans to continue to support faculty and students for service in the community.

As the semester builds, the mu-

sic students along with faculty will continue on as they have so many years before, but will do it under new leadership. This is new ground for Lewis, but she is resilient and

Lewis is taking the chairperson position on a temporary basis this year to see if the balance of work and personal life is a good one.

As a mother of a 15 month old and a dedicated wife, Lewis' family is a top priority for her.

The position became open after Betts' departure and after some discussion in the School of Music it was decided Lewis would be the best fit. Lewis admits this was not the job she was initially seeking but she indicated her willingness to serve in the role after her colleagues urged her to consider the position.

"My hope is that everyone in our building fulfills our motto [Character, Culture, Christ] everyday by investing our energy wisely ... and finding ways to serve others," Lewis said.

"I believe God cares about what we do, but also how we do it."

looking forward to the challenge.

For freshmen being introduced to the school of music, Lewis is the only chairperson they have known. They will be under her leadership for at least one year. Students are excited to see how Lewis will lead the department.



Dr. Melissa Lewis, the new Chair of the School of Music, speaks to a student during an Aesthetics class. Photo by Zachary Smith.

Kick for the Kure to raise money to combat human sex trafficking in OKC

Morgan Burnham, Staff Reporter

On Sept. 22 students will gather on the Bracken/Herrick lawn to participate in Kick for the Kure. Money raised from participants will go toward combating sex trafficking.

Kick for the Kure is a massive kickball tournament with a twist. Four games are played at one time; the four fields share a base. Because of this design, people are everywhere; one team's outfield is another team's infield. Kick for the Kure is tradition, a time for fellowship and meeting new people.

Vice President for Campus Ministries Zach Bond has been attending Kick for the Kure for the past two years and will be attending this year as well.

"In the past Kick for the Kure has been crazy, fun, and competitive," Bond said.

Students can make their own teams and compete on the lawn of Bracken/Herrick on Sept. 22 at 5:30 pm. It costs \$5 per person to sign up to play or it is free with a Crimson Card. Sign ups are from Sept. 9 through the 19. Kick for the Kure is free to attend.

The money that is raised at Kick for the Kure this year will go toward a charity called All Things New, which is combating human

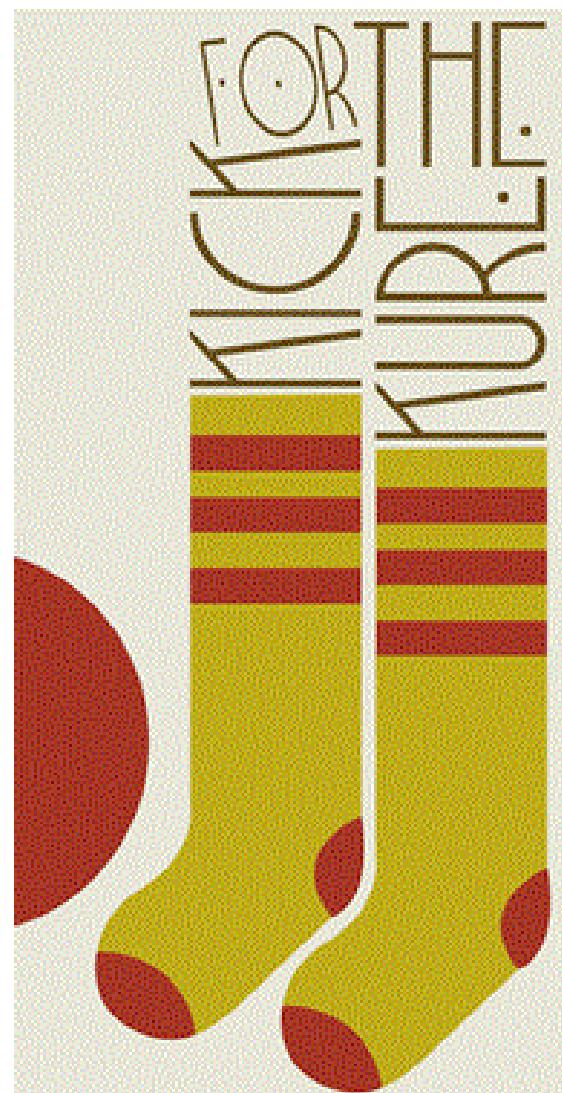
sex trafficking in Oklahoma City. According to its website, "All Things New Incorporated exists to be a safe haven for women and children who are victims of sex trafficking. We

"The campus needs to unify ... to help stop sex trafficking here in Oklahoma City."

are a faith-based ministry providing shelter, protection, restoration and rehabilitation for those we serve."

All Things New was selected for support by the partnership of SGA and Theme Housing. Theme Housing is a new campus program that allows students with similar passions to help inform the campus about a particular topic, in this case human sex trafficking. Theme houses organize events throughout the year to involve the campus.

"The campus needs to unify as a community to help stop sex trafficking here in Oklahoma City," Bond said. "Kick for the Kure is a great opportunity to have fun with your friends and be the feet of Jesus by reaching and supporting an organization in need."



Kick for the Kure poster. Image from snusga.com

Many events, opportunities for involvement available at A.M. Hills

Brenda Rivera, Staff Reporter

With many activities and events still upcoming, September has been and will continue to be a busy and exciting month for Hills residents who like to be involved.

Many resident advisors have already organized floor parties for their residents. For instance, the 3rd floor RA's have already held

their floor party, which was a night full of crafts and popsicles. Residents of the 3rd floor made name tags to attach to the washers and dryers. The tags are a creative way to show who's using the machines if laundry is left in them.

"It was a great time just being able to be creative and to have fun. I liked decorating with the feathers, flowers, and buttons!" freshman Jordan Gallet said.



The A.M. Hills residential complex is the site of numerous events and activities for students. Image from snu.edu

Hills residents have also been preparing for the suite door picture competition, which was judged on Sept. 15 by Hills residents. Students were asked to decorate their suite doors with pictures of each of their suite mates and any other decorations imaginable. The winning suite received a \$75 gift card.

"I know my suite will win the door contest, if we can just get everything together!" freshman Jonathan Mason said.

Another event that has been ongoing this month is the Hills T-shirt design contest. Everyone has been encouraged to submit an idea or design as soon as they can.

On Sept. 23, there will be a sleep over for all freshman females; this not only includes residents of the Hills, but Bracken residents as well. A time for the sleep over has not been set yet and the activities for the night are still a secret. However, Hills and Bracken RA's will be meeting soon to discuss the matter further and more details will become available in the near future.

OPINIONS

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Breaking SNU's lifestyle covenant

The illogical attitude of complaint

Editorial

All SNU students sign a written contract agreeing that we will not participate in immoral sexual behaviors (presumably as defined by the Nazarene church), use alcohol or drugs, or dress immodestly. Some of these standards are easier to enforce than others: probably no one will punish that girl who keeps wearing her shorts just a bit too short, but you can guarantee that if the administration hears about a student sleeping with her boyfriend (or girlfriend), there will be serious consequences.

With this small concession out of the way, the point is, SNU has some very strict rules. These rules were created in accordance with the Nazarene belief system and the morals therein. According to the Lifestyle Covenant, they exist to help SNU "be distinctly and intentionally Christian in its mission and practice."

We can debate all day long whether they are good rules, whether they are well-grounded, and whether they have any merit insofar as they encourage a Christian culture or help to preserve a sense of good morality on campus.

Whether SNU is a good school, a great school, or even a terrible school, it does hold opportunities for higher education – and that is something most people see as valuable. Regardless of your opinion of SNU and its various rules, if you're a student here, you signed on, of your own free will, to be a student (assuming no illegal bribery or blackmailing has gone on). In doing so, you signed the lifestyle covenant, committing your signature--and hopefully more--to verify the statement that you will refrain from prohibited activities.

If you do not want to follow the lifestyle covenant after signing it, that's an easy issue. There are clear reasons for signing it while maintain-

ing every intention of breaking it. Being a student at SNU provides you with an education, maybe even a job, maybe just experience or something to do. There's something in it for you, and you want that something, even if it comes at the cost of you cheapening the value of your signature. It's normal (though of questionable morality) to break our word from time to time.

The problem is, if you get caught breaking the lifestyle covenant, what you should do is face the fact that you agreed to it in the first place, and in doing so, committed yourself to accepting any punishment that would come from you breaking it. It is ridiculous to sign a contract, break that contract, and then try to deny

that the terms of that contract are fair. Whether or not they are fair is not the issue (maybe that should be the issue before you sign). But, having signed the lifestyle covenant and

then broken it, the only real issue is that you did not keep your word.

Plan of action? If you do not want to follow the lifestyle covenant, ideally, do not sign it. Do not attend SNU. There, we said it; SNU admissions can come after us. However, if you can accept breaking your word and signing your name to something you do not mean (as many of us can, and do, every time we click "I have read and agree" to the iTunes updated terms of use), then at least accept that being punished for breaking your word is acceptable and fair.

Plan of action number two? If you choose to break the lifestyle covenant, do not beguile your friends with complaints against the harsh

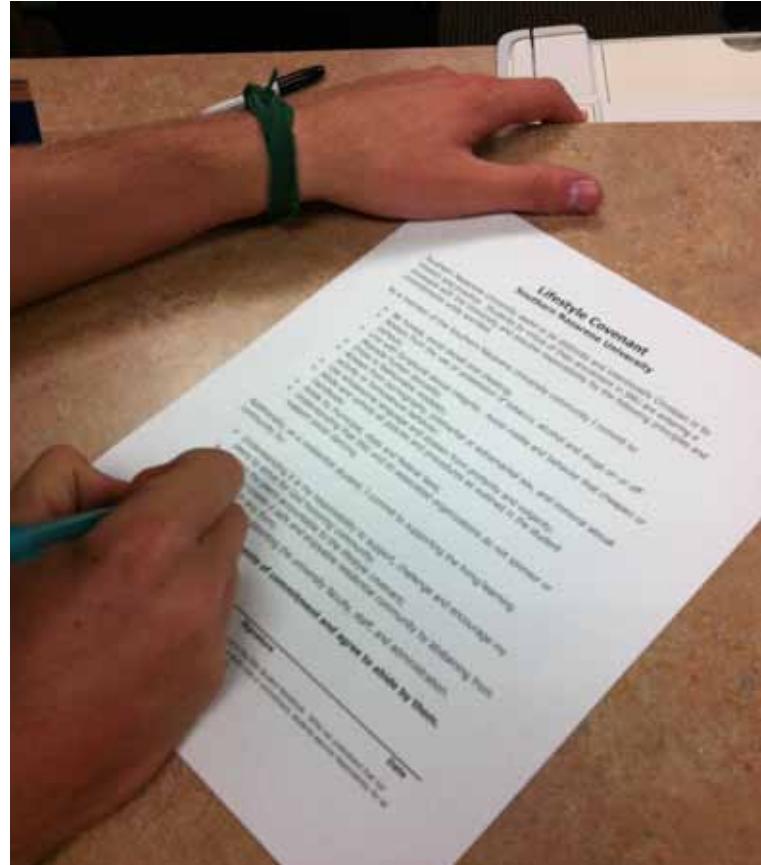


Photo courtesy of Hannah Marchant

and unfair rules SNU enforces. Accept the punishment you are given as a natural consequence of a breach of contract.

The answer is not that we should all be perfect – as much as the administration would love that, and as much as that would, I am sure, please all of us very much. The answer is to take responsibility. Be an adult. Signing your name to a document means something, and the meaning it has is not arbitrary. Consequences are natural, justified, and fair.

If you have a problem with SNU's rules, talk to the administration, rally, protest, or do not sign the lifestyle covenant – your arms are not tied. SNU is not the only school in the nation, nor is it necessarily the best. It is a private, Christian-founded university that seeks to uphold a culture that reflects the values and beliefs of followers of Christ. SNU has every right to make rules for the students who attend the school, every right to enforce those rules, and every right to punish those who break them. That point is incontestable.

If you do not want to follow the lifestyle covenant, ideally, do not sign it. Do not attend SNU.

Injustice is injustice

Tim Rice, Staff Reporter

South Sudan became a new nation, and the world rejoiced. Tunisia, Egypt and Libya have thrown off dictators and been congratulated.

Yet the Palestinian Territories have begun the process to become the world's newest country to be derided and denied by many of the nations that only days ago were waging war in all but name in support of the Libyan opposition.

Even though these countries are doing nothing of consequence in Syria (they see little short-term profit there), it was quite shocking to see members of these governments outright threaten Palestinians with deprivation if they even thought of riding the wave of self-determination sweeping the planet. Why, oh why, is our hypocrisy taking a new turn for the worse?

The state of Israel has survived a heavy load for a state less than 100 years old. It fought for its independence and has fought repeatedly to keep it. Nearly 50 years

ago it fought back hard enough to take the West Bank, the Golan Heights and the Gaza Strip. The people of these areas have never wanted to be a part of the nation that captured their land, and the state of Israel has never stopped treating them like a hostile group—a strategy not completely without sense.

Imagine you are a parent living under siege for as long as you remember. Now imagine a man approaches you with a simple offer: let my crew launch a rocket from your land and no one gets hurt. The problem is, that rocket is likely to bring the might of a modern army to bear on the last known place of the ones who launched it, your land.

They'll be long gone, but the artillery shell or "precision" bomb or strike team will come around and sow grief. That grief will sprout to start the cycle again. There has to



Photo courtesy of *The Examiner*

be a better way than this.

If Palestine were an independent country, Israel would have much less leeway to lay sieges and launch raids. It would also take away the main reason for groups in Palestine to attack Israel. There is a reason Israel does not like this.

The state of Israel has taken to seeing the Palestinian Territories as a place to unilaterally exploit resources like water and gain political favor with constituents that

want more settlements. Join that with a political culture in the United States where the state of Israel can do no wrong and Palestinian statehood looks very difficult.

But denying Palestinians' statehood is wrong. Palestine has a hard path ahead if it does gain statehood but it has the chance to be a real state for its people, a chance Israel has yet to give them.

Israel is an ally, yes, but every country should be our ally, including a Palestinian state.

Meditations on being human

Hannah Marchant, Opinions Editor

Society has certain phrases and idioms that are coined and used throughout culture and sometimes time—phrases that little kids pick up, like “I’m dead tired” or “He’s in the dog house,” before they even understand the concepts behind them. “I’m human” has become one of those phrases we spit out that society should analyze and revise.

“I’m human,” sometimes “I’m only human” is usually followed by, “I make mistakes.” The implications of that statement undermine our beliefs about God’s creation and the Gospel.

While the statement may be made to make a point about God’s grace and our inability to attain that grace without Him, the phrase has become much more of an excuse for mistakes we

make, instead of an affirmation of God’s love.

Look at the social justice causes or societies, for example: human rights, The Humane Society, human trafficking. All these imply that to be human is something that sets us apart from the rest of creation. To be human means that there are particular things a person needs to flourish or survive; that people are capable of kindness, compassion, and taking care of others; and that humans are not to be traded and sold into all different forms of slavery like an object or animal.

Disney’s “Beauty and the Beast,” a children’s story, shows a man whose acts are so vile and vain, so inhuman, that he is turned into a beast, a disgusting monster. In his beastly form he begins to take on animal-like and brutal characteristics. When he finds the ability to love and

shows selfless love to its full extent, he returns to his human form.

Go back to the beginning of the Bible, to the creation story. It cannot be denied that humans have the choice to sin, and those negative choices are inevitable throughout the course of a life. It must be observed, however, how God originally made us. There was no knowledge of good and evil, of experience outside of relationship with God. To be truly *human* as God wants, to be in complete relationship with him through actions and belief, is something to strive towards.

Jesus came to bring creation back into that relationship with Him, for humanity. Those that follow Jesus must recognize humanity’s roots, how far we fall short, but especially how God wants to restore us.

Palin: Is she running or not?

Brad Crofford, News Editor

With her television show Sarah Palin's Alaska on TLC, a documentary The Undefeated released this summer, two best-selling books and a show on Fox News, Sarah Palin has managed to stay in the public spotlight since the 2008 election.

Since the beginning of the campaign season, a question that both Republicans and Democrats have been asking is "Will she run for president in 2012?" Despite the fact that it is already mid-September and most Republican candidates have been actively campaigning for months, Palin has refused to announce whether she intends to run.

Instead of making an announcement, Palin has been making rounds with her One Nation Bus Tour. She has made appearances in numerous locations, but perhaps most importantly in New Hampshire and Iowa. (It is a standard strategy to focus lots of attention on these states early in campaigns in order to get an advantage in the early New Hampshire primary and Iowa caucus.)

At this point, it is not yet clear whether she has made a decision either way. Yet, regardless of her decision, it might be coming too late.

One possibility is that Palin has already made the decision that she will run, but is simply bidding her time in making her announcement. By not declaring as early as other candidates, she could avoid debates and instead speak to more supportive crowds. She could rely on her popularity with the Tea Party to mount a quick campaign and raise funds despite a late entry.

For a candidate who has frequently criticized the "gotcha" press and the "lamestream media," delaying an announcement might be a way of building suspense while avoiding potentially negative media engagements. If this is the case,



Palin made an appearance at the Ames Straw Poll. Photo courtesy of Google Images

while perhaps justified tactically for Palin, it is still detrimental for the public, who deserves a chance to evaluate all the Republican candidates side-by-side.

A second possibility is that Palin has simply not made a decision yet. If this is the case, then she has waited a long time to decide, possibly too long. Even Texas Governor Rick Perry, considered a late entry into the presidential race, announced in mid-August.

If she does declare, it will remain to be seen whether she will be able to create the campaign organization necessary to effectively compete with Romney and Perry in the short time remaining.

A third possibility is that Palin has already made the decision not to run, but is delaying this announcement as long as possible.

Joseph Lazarro, writing for the International Business Times, on September 6 argued this is the case. He suggests that Palin is delaying

an announcement in order to maintain media coverage and boost book sales, as well as to keep her status as the de facto leader of the Tea Party.

Peter Grier wrote for the Christian Science Monitor on August 20th regarding Palin's pseudo-campaign that "it smacks of exploitation if she's just trying to remain a celebrity and sell books."

If this is indeed Palin's primary reason for delay, it borders on dishonesty. Candidacy for the presidency should be about solutions, not sales.

Perhaps Palin plays by a different set of rules than other candidates. Perhaps she could raise the funds and create the organization necessary for an effective campaign at a speed that would surprise us. Perhaps this is all part of a carefully thought-out and executed plan. Perhaps. But, after all of these "perhaps," it is time that she clearly answers our clear question, "Are you running for president?"

STORMSPORTS

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Football team prepares to take on Friends University

Erica Hicks, Staff Reporter

It was a beautiful night in Bethany for college football. Students gathered for a pregame tailgate celebration before their team would take on Haskell Indian Nation.

The Crimson Storm football team added a second win to their record as they defeated Haskell Indian Nation, 63-0, Saturday night.

The Storm allowed only 65 yards as they posted over 500 yards for their second home game this season. Along with their success, they held the Indians only 122 passing yards as well as -57 rushing yards.

Michael Hicks led the night in tackles recording eight total, one of which a sack, that forced a loose ball close to our end zone, allowing Dalton Davis to score for his first touchdown.

"It's always good to have a defensive shut out; however, we need to continue to strive to get better," Hicks said.

The defense wasn't the only side delivering for the Storm Saturday night; our offense, with just 40 carries completed 231 yards as well as 277 passing yards.

Jarod Martin recorded 51 yards in only three catches. Damian Johnson, Derick Perkins, Timmie Fuller and Jonathan Boone all contributed towards the 63 points on the board. Brady Wardlaw went 15 for 19 for 229

yards and four touchdowns. Also at the quarterback position, later on in the game, Trey Cloud was 6 for 13 with 48 yards.

"All I want is to progress as a team and to truly get better each week and come out with another victory against Friends," receiver sophomore Timmie Fuller said.

Going into the second half, the Storm was leading the Indians, 56-0. The coaching staff of SNU made a decision to

sit a majority of the starting line and play others on the roster.

"It was great to see the other players in our depth chart have a chance to play, that was my highlight of the game," Hicks said.

"I was just doing whatever I had to do to help us win, I was excited to see us execute and for me to contribute to our success," running back sophomore Jonathan Boone said.

The Storm will take on Friends University Sept. 17, this weekend, at home. Friends is currently 1-0 as they look to take on the Crimson Storm.

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ON DECK

FOOTBALL
vs. Friends
Saturday, September 17
6 p.m.
@ Bethel (Kan)
Saturday, September 24
6 p.m.
@ SW Assemblies of God
Saturday, October 1
6 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL
vs. Central Oklahoma
Friday, September 16
5 p.m.
@ Saint Gregory's
Shawnee, Oklahoma
7 p.m.

MEN'S SOCCER
@ Oklahoma Christian
Saturday, October 1
8 p.m.

WOMEN'S SOCCER
@ SWOSU
Thursday, September 22
4 p.m.
vs. NW OK State
Thursday, September 29
5 p.m.

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

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Students find peace at Kingdom Come

Liz Sluder, Staff Reporter

For students who need some quality time to enrich their lives with God, Kingdom Come services are held Thursday nights at 10:00 p.m. in the Bud Robinson room (In A.M. Hills). This event involves worship, learning God's word, and getting to know one's peers around campus.

Whether it consists of a variety of instruments and vocals or just voices lifted high, students will glorify the Lord through worship in an incredible way. Kingdom Come is also a chance to connect with new people throughout the school year and build lasting relationships.

Together students will be praising God in worship, praying with one spirit, and beginning to form close friendships as brothers and sister in Christ. Mentors will be available for prayer and support or when advice is needed. This is a chance to create accountability partners and encouraging groups of peers for life while studying at Southern Nazarene University. Kingdom Come services are open



Students participate in Kingdom Come Sept. 15. Photo by Stephany Reyes.

to both male and female students to participate in fellowship.

Vice President of SGA Zach Bond stated that Kingdom Come isn't just another service, but an opportunity to experience God's stillness; to be silent and have prayer time with God alone. Every student struggles with heavy burdens and being busy with assignments and time can be crucial, but Kingdom Come is a chance to make time for God.

On the first Thursday of every month, there will be a student speaker. Zach Bond is the contact person for those interested in speaking at a service. Chapel credits will be given for certain

services; this is not yet settled, but students will be notified when it is figured out.

Kingdom Come started out with fifteen students waiting to see what God would do with this group. The goal of this event isn't necessarily a large number of people in attendance, but rather to create an environment to faithfully spend quality time with God and continuously grow with Him.

There will be flyers hanging around the campus soon about Kingdom Come.

Students with questions or comments about Kingdom Come can contact Zach Bond (zbond@mail.snu.edu).

Local Events

09/17: Graffiti Painting Demo (Creative arts lawn, OKC State Fair grounds) 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

09/17: OKC Farmer's Market (OSU-OKC) 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

09/18: LEGO building contest (OKC State Fair grounds) 3 p.m.

09/16-08/25 Bubble Madness (OKC State Fair grounds) All Day

SNU Events

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Volleyball vs.
UCO 5:00

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Ice Blocking
Football vs.
Friends
Cross Country
Meet

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Chapel: Dan
Cathy, Chick-Fil-A
CEO
Volleyball @ St.
Gregory's

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Women's Soccer
@ SWOSU
Kick for the Cure
Volleyball vs.
OBU
Kingdom Come

Jake

The Movie Guy

Jake O'Bannon, Echo columnist

When you think of the word Pixar, what comes to mind? Is it a super hero family? Talking cars? Friendly monsters? All of these are respectable answers, but I would venture to say that most of you were thinking of a different story: a story that is engraved into our childhoods. Yes, I believe the first thought that went through your mind was "Toy Story".

You may be skeptical of my decision to review "Toy Story", thinking you are too old for a movie like that. And to be honest, you might be right. I mean we were around 5 years old when it originally came out. But the magical thing about a Disney/Pixar movie is that no matter what age you are, no matter what your background, and no matter how you're feeling while watching, every person viewing the film will find some way to connect. The connection could be to the story itself, the music, or as it was for me, the characters.

If someone told you before watching this movie that you were undoubtedly going to get emotionally attached to toy dolls and action figures, would you think they were crazy? I have an inkling that most people would say yes. But the crazy thing about "Toy Story" is that emotional attachment is inevitable while watching the story

develop. And the ways the geniuses of Pixar make that happen is though the use of real life themes.

The main characters of the movie Woody (Tom Hanks) and Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen) may be toys, but by the end of the film they feel like real people because they have gone through the same experiences that we the viewers have gone through. The experiences include Buzz's assimilation into a new culture, Woody's sense of abandonment, and most significantly the importance of friendship through trials and tribulations.

When Woody and the other toys find out that Buzz is going to join the "toy community," everyone but Woody begins to find themselves in pandemonium based on the thought of being replaced. They fear that they will no longer be wanted by the one they love the most, their owner Andy. Woody does his best to settle everyone down and be as calm, cool, and collected as possible. But it doesn't take long for him to realize that he is quickly going from the favorite toy to playing second fiddle. Woody isn't the only one who experiences pain, though. Buzz goes through a similar situation when he finds out that he is not the space ranger he thinks he is, but rather just a factory



made action figure.

As a friend once told me, it sometimes takes a tragedy to bring people together. And that is exactly what happened to Woody and Buzz at the end of "Toy Story." Both of these toys found each other in their time of need and were able to pull each other through their situation, and in doing so captured the audience and made us all think of that one friend who pulled us through when we needed them most.

Who would have thought toys could bring out so much emotion? It is incredible what Pixar did with this pioneer film that opened up a whole new world of computer-animated movies. I recommend you go back, this time as a college student, and re-experience that magic that is "Toy Story". I give this film 4.5 out of 5 stars.

Join me here next week as I review the new Tom Hardy film Warrior. And for your supplemental viewing of the week, take another step back to your childhood and take a nice lady/gentleman to the State Fair for Disney on Ice's "Toy Story" 3 - On Ice!

Get involved @ SNU

Freshman! Start thinking about who you want to represent you for Student Government because it's almost time to vote! Elections are happening next Thursday. Go to my.snu.edu between noon and 7pm to vote. The run-offs will happen on Friday from 8am to 3pm. As always, the sports teams need a lot of student support this fall so keep checking the MySNU calendar for games and meets. Whenever you are able to, bring lots of friends to cheer loud...GO STORM!



FINE ARTS

Nathan McDowell
Manhattan, Kansas

Interests & Hobbies:
Kickin it with friends, movies, and toothpicks

Most Prized Possession:
My life

Three Words that Best Describe Me:
Chill, Funny, Sympathetic

Best Advice My Parents Gave Me:
Do your best and be what you want to be

What Motivates Me:
Wanting to do the best I can on the job at hand while being all that I can be

As A Child, I Dreamed of Being:
A rockstar

I Would Like to Have Witnessed:
Jimi Hendrix playing "The Star Spangled Banner" live at Woodstock 1969

Pet Peeve:
Bad table manners

Favorite Quote/Verse:
"Don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today."
-Jesus

A Non-musical Talent I Possess:
Cracking jokes in any situation

Biggest Fear:
Not having any fears

September is college month College students receive free admission to OKC museum

From okcmoa.com

The Oklahoma City Museum of Art invites students from Oklahoma higher education institutions to engage with the Museum during the month of September free-of-charge as part of OKCMOA College Month.

This unique opportunity offers college students unlimited, free access to one of Oklahoma's premiere cultural institutions and inspires connections with art and the public programs presented at the Museum.

College Month highlights the Museum's mission to enrich lives through the visual arts. It underscores our work to create a cultural legacy in art and education that current and future generations can experience at the Museum and carry with them throughout their lives.

College Night

Sept. 22, 2011

5-9 p.m.

A free night at the museum just for you! The night includes live music by Born on November featuring C-PLUS, shoe painting, salsa lessons, interactive trivia contest via social media and a chat



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with the curator about the current exhibitions.

If that is not enough fun for students, the museum will also be offering coffee, snacks, a photo-booth, and, as every college event should, free stuff.

Student Membership

The Oklahoma City Museum of Art understands that students are on a budget and offers a student level of membership that practically pays for itself in one visit at just \$20 a year. Student member-

ship benefits include: One year unlimited free general admission for one student, Printed membership card, Electronic invitations and notifications. This level is valid for full-time students with current student ID.

Museum Hours

Monday – Sunday: 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Thursday: 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. (May – October)

Admission

Members: Free

Seniors (62+): \$10

\$10 Military (with ID): \$5

Adults: \$12

College Students (with ID):

Children (ages 6-18): \$10

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