

CAMPUS NEWS

Dean West Appointed President of Huntingdon College

-by Sara Hurtt, staff writer-

On February 27, 2003, it was announced that Cam West, Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students, was appointed the new President of Huntingdon College in Montgomery, AL. West will be replacing Dr. Wanda D. Bigham who is retiring after being President of Huntingdon College since 1993. Of the 43 candidates, our very own Dean West received the job.

West has been a member of the Brevard College community for several years. West worked as chief enrollment officer for two years before becoming Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students in 1999, and Director of Church Relations in 2001.

"You always see him interacting with students," said one freshman, which went on to say, "He has been at just about every home basketball game this season. It's really great to see that kind of pride from an administrator."

Many students share these sentiments. Freshman Eric Johnson said, "He was a good man and had a strong love for Brevard College and will be missed."

There are students who did not have as close a relationship with West as others, but still wish him good luck. "I didn't know the guy like I wish I had known him, but I understand that

it was time for him to move on with a better position," stated Tyler Lyon.

Feelings are best summarized by Kelsey Stoker "Me is sad," she said with a sniffle to hold back her tears.

In the official press release announcing West's departure President Van Horn commented, "I appreciate what has been accomplished under Dean West's leadership and believe that our new Dean will benefit from the foundation which has been laid."

Whoever fills the position after West leaves has a large role to fill. West was a leader of this school who accomplished many great things, and will be sorely missed by many Brevard College students and faculty.

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your questions. Chances are, however, that you will receive useful advice.

Finally should you cram for an exam? You should do so only as a last resort, remembering that if you need to cram it is too late to learn everything! Instead, be selective. Cramming leaves little time to process ideas in depth so focus mainly on basic concepts, terminology, or list that can be memorized. And, because time is very short, study first those ideas which you strongly expect to be covered on the exam.

In addition, having a good night's sleep and proper food is an advantage in the recall of information.

SGA Officers 2003-04

-by Lark McMillan, staff writer-

Have you ever wondered who the people in charge of the Student Government Association are? Here are brief looks at the newly elected officers for the 2003-2004 school year:

Elliot McKenzie, President. Elliot is a junior majoring in Organizational Leadership. After graduating from Brevard, he wants to attend seminary, where he can receive the necessary education to follow his dream of becoming a pastor.

Elliot is a former member of the Cross Country and Track teams and currently serves as Assistant Cross Country Coach at Brevard High School. He is also a member of Campus Crusade and the Judicial Board. Elliot is a Peer Advisor in Taylor Hall. He is also gaining job experience by helping with the Brevard Community Church Youth Group.

Elliot is excited to serve as SGA president in the upcoming year. He says, "I believe the students, faculty, and staff of Brevard College are what make Brevard College so special, and something in which I want to be a part. There is a lot of good in Brevard College, but also things that need to be changed. As the SGA president, I promise to do my best in making changes for the better of the college, working along with students, faculty, and staff."



Elliott McKenzie, SGA President photo by Kristy Mayfield

Vinny Wong, Vice President. Vincent is a sophomore majoring in Integrated Studies with an emphasis in Pre-Law and Political Science, and possibly a minor in History. He hopes to attend Law School and one day aims to practice law or serve in a public office.

Vinny is a member of the Debate Society and will be an officer in that organization next year. He is also planning on being a Peer Advisor in Green Hall next year. Aside from doing that, he is working with a few other people to found to new organizations at Brevard—Young Demo-

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Historial Walking Tour of Brevard College

-by Katie Goetz, staff writer-

Eric Stribling, a senior and double major of History and Wilderness Leadership, gave a walking tour of the Brevard campus on Wednesday, April 2.

The tour, part of his senior project on the social history of Brevard College in the sixties, described the many changes the students and campus experienced through time, wars, and advancements. Stribling offered new and interesting information about Brevard College and its history, from the original infirmary being donated by the family of a nurse who died in WWII to a sit-in students held on the President's Lawn in protest.

Stribling gathered much of his information through researching old newspapers and yearbooks and is the first to write this type of history on Brevard College. "I learned a lot more about what people were actually thinking instead of just dates and events,"

says Stribling. He says the idea of researching Brevard College came to him as he and a friend were reading about old clubs Brevard College used to have from the 1940's through 1980's in the SGA office. As we continue to grow as a college and community, may we remember Brevard's history and all it has made possible today? Thanks Eric, for your contribution.

Walking Tour Fun Facts

The area around MG and the academic quad used to be a baseball field.

A building known as Spencer Hall used to stand where the parking lot in front of Taylor Hall is now.

The front wall was actually built by students who gathered the stones from the Davidson River in 1936.

During WWI, Brevard was transformed into an officer's school and

later held a flight school that trained soldiers for WWII.

A lily pond used to lie between Beam Hall and Jones Hall. As a tradition, students were thrown in on their birthdays. But a few decades ago, some students liked to pour kerosene in the pond, light it, and watch the blaze. Because of this, the pond was removed.

Because of a check donated by the alumni during the 1970's that read "30 ft trees," the president was forced to plant full grown trees in between MG and Taylor Hall creating what Stribling describes as "instant forest."

The writer of our school song died in WWII.

An alleged ghost haunts Ross Hall, the oldest building on campus. The second stage of Ross Hall was completed in 1922. Who is the ghost?

Some theories:

Francis Ross- the faculty member Ross Hall is named for

The Zachary Family-who originally built the building

People from the confederate hospital that used to reside on the hill

Native Americans who once used the hill for ceremonial purposes

What do you think?

For more information see the article on Ross Hall on the new Sesquicentennial Website.

