Page 2 The Clarion | December 5, 2008

News

College to remove landlines from dorm rooms next semester

by Joseph Chilton Editor-in-Chief

Brevard College students should all have one thing in common on their Christmas lists this Holiday season- a cell phone.

The College announced on Monday that landlines will be removed from the dorm rooms next January, making owning a cell phone a must for students in order to communicate with friends and family.

According to an e-mail sent to the student body from Cherie Tinsley, Assistant to the President, the decision was made after a campus-wide survey found that 82 percent of students do not use the landline phones in their rooms.

"Brevard College does recognize that a few students will be affected by this removal and will be providing a landline phone on each floor of each residence hall for students to use to make local and emergency outgoing calls," the e-mail said.

In hopes of accommodating students who do not have cellular service, Brevard College will invite wireless vendors to campus in early January to make the transition more convenient for students.

The survey conducted by the school found that 96 percent of students already own cell phones, leading some students to applaud the upgrade from antiquity.

"In my three years here I have yet to see anybody use their landline," said SGA president Travis Wireback.

As with any change, however, not all students are welcoming.

"I think it's kind of stupid,"



said junior Megan Street.

"Being able to call room-toroom for free [on the landline] saves me minutes on my cell phone."

Kids' Night Out a hit

by Radosav Babic Foreign Correspondent

The first time ever - Kids Night Out, organized as a fundraising opportunity for Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) turned out to be a great success. There were 32 kids and SAAC was able to raise close to \$300,

half of which will go to a Make-A-Wish Foundation, while other half will go to SAAC for leadership development.

Due to a great outcome SAAC board members may consider having this event each semester, hoping to have more participants each time.

P.H.A.T. sponsors Great American Smokeout



The Peer Health
Advocacy Team
placed mock graves
and chalk outlines
around campus
last week in order
to highlight the
detrimental health
effects of smokling
during their Great
American Smokeout.



Photos by S. James