

SAAC raises money for Make-a-Wish

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Contributors

The Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC) has been actively raising money to support both campus and community involvement; upholding their mission statement:

“To enable student-athletes to participate in developing leadership skills both inside and outside the field of competitions, to protect student-athlete well-being, and to provide a vehicle through which athletics department administrators discuss with student-athletes issues regarding the management, operation, and rules that govern the athletics department and its sports’ teams.”

The SAAC has raised \$1865 for the charity Make a Wish Foundation and events they plan to sponsor. The money has come from generous donors, homecoming t-shirts, and breast cancer awareness bracelet sales.

Other activities the SAAC has participated

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in included the MG Coffee Cart that allowed for student and faculty engagement, as well as “buddy” readings at the local elementary school that provides an opportunity for student-athletes to give back to the community.

“The participation from all members has allowed us to become a very successful organization on campus,” said SAAC President Drew Schauss.

The SAAC appreciates all the support from students, faculty, and staff.

For more information check out the SAAC’s web page at www.bctornados.com.

Homeless shelter to open in Brevard

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A new homeless shelter will serve Transylvania County in less than a year’s time. The Haven was created mid-January and is set to open in the next few months.

The Haven’s goal is to meet the immediate needs of the rising numbers of homeless individuals in Transylvania County, and, ideally, assisting the individuals they come into contact with in getting back on the road to independence.

This is a wonderful move for this area, but the project cannot go on without funding, and this is exactly the issue that the second-year IWIL (Institute for Women in Leadership) students are seeking to remedy. These young women are organizing an online auction as a part of their class, Fund Raising for a Nonprofit Organization,

The fundraiser will be run through MissionFish, which is the partner charity of eBay. “The auction itself will run from April 1 through 15,” says IWIL Steering Committee Member Leighia Eggett. “There will also be a Buy Now option on many of the items.”

In order for this to be effective, the women organizing this need donations of items to be auctioned for the Haven’s benefit. Artwork or similar items are always ideal, but creative donations will be gladly accepted as well, such as student groups volunteering their time or talents. The more items that are donated, the more money that can be raised, and the faster The Haven’s doors can be fully opened to those who need it most. Donations should be in by March 21.

If you have any donations, questions, or anything else to offer, feel free to contact the IWIL students through Taylor Spivey: spiveytr@brevard.edu, or any of the other second-year IWIL women, who live in North Village One.



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