

Changes across BC campus

Staff Editorial

The new or not-so-new student's guide to what's new at Brevard College

As best we can determine, Kings Creek still flows from west to east through the center of campus, but beyond that, there are some other distinct changes on campus that might keep even grizzled veterans scratching their heads (and beards) for days (or weeks) to come.

First, the changes in people. As we first heard over the summer via an Email from President Joyce (who is not new, incidentally—he's been here since January), John Hardt is no longer over the Office of Academic Affairs. In his place is history professor Scott Sheffield, serving as Interim Dean of Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs. He will also teach one history course this Fall, which unfortunately (for first-year students) is not his Monty Python-themed BCE 111 course.

In the Caf, there too will be some notable changes; Coke is now Pepsi, which means that Mountain Dew is now provided in unlimited quantities for all caffeine-addicted students (and maybe a professor or two). Some personnel will be changing as well, as Chartwell's takes over for Aramark to provide food service on campus. The new staff includes Kathy Holliday, Darlene Blackstalk, Terry Allen, as well as other familiar faces and some new ones. One person who regrettably will not be returning to us is Frank Jahelka, who passed away over the summer and will be greatly missed by all on campus.

In Campus Life, our new Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Life is Debbie D'Anna, and she has in place an almost entirely new staff that includes BC alum Michael Cohen as director of residential life, as well as Alessandra Tavoloni, Gabrielle Mellendorf and Jessica Burke.

Several recent graduates can now count themselves among BC's staff, including Kimberly Williams and Shane Apps in the Admissions Office.

Athletics, too, has a number of changes in personnel, one of the most notable of which is that Norm Witek has been coaxed back into coaching track and field.

In academics, the Theatre Studies program has a new coordinator, Brandon Smith, and Miller Asbill is taking over as Director of Bands and Coordinator of Music Education. Rob Campbell is now in the AEC as the new Director of the Office for Students with Special Needs.

Of course, with the influx of new faculty and staff come some notable changes to the campus itself. One of the biggest of these is in the Coltrane Underground with the new Habeneros, which will be open Monday-Friday 11a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sunday 6 p.m.-10 p.m. The Clarion editors can confirm that the new food tastes great.

Nearby, between Moore Science and Myers Dining Hall, the parking-lot-thatwas-not-a-parking-lot will soon be completely transformed into a new grassy student plaza. And speaking of grass, Brevard is one of two institutions of higher learning in North Carolina to commit to a new environmentally friendly way of resurfacing roadways with a grassy substance. (The other is NC State, by the way.)

While this does not represent all of the many changes around campus and in the community, the Clarion intends to cover more in the weeks to come. In the meantime, we encourage you to check it all out yourself, let us know what you think and what we missed. Be sure to check back later to learn more!



Scott Sheffield, Interim Dean of faculty and VP for Academic Affairs, reunites the BC community at Convocation.

Editor's welcome

By Patrick G. Veilleux Editor in Chief

I feel like right from the beginning of the final Fall semester, a Senior would feel a sense of conclusion, like they would have seen all that their school has had to give them; no more surprises. Well, I'm happy to be wrong about that.