

NASA predicts warm fall for 2010

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The air is getting colder, the leaves are getting more colorful and the semester is getting harder. As of last week fall officially began.

For some, the beginning of fall means the end of lazy evenings by the creek, basking in the last rays of warmth from the sun. For others, it means the beginning of crisp mornings, steaming coffee cups and scarves. Still others might be excited about the start of the new NFL season. Either way, it is here, bringing pumpkins, fall break, midterms, Thanksgiving and beautiful new colors with it.

Imagine sitting on an old wooden swing, your

hair and a light sweater flapping in the breeze. You are eating your favorite fall snack, and the sky is so unbelievably blue, you wonder what you ever liked about summer.

Or maybe you are "eating giant pumpkin cookies with family and crunching all the beautiful, colorful leaves on the ground with your bare feet," as junior Chelsea Freeman enjoys. Yes, those times are coming... or will fall 2010 be different?

According to NASA, this past spring has been the hottest ever recorded. "July was the second warmest on record, and so far 2010 remains on track to be the hottest year," says Charles J. Hanley. The consistently high temperatures have caused the Arctic ice to melt, possibly aiding the

recent worldwide floods, experts say. What does this mean for fall 2010?

"A lot more warm extremes and less cold extremes," says Gavin Schmidt of NASA. While experts are hesitant to directly link the extreme draughts, floods, fires and temperatures of the summer with global warming, the World Meteorological Organization says that the summer "events fit the international scientists' projections of 'extreme weather events due to global warming.'"

If something does not change soon, you may not need your scarves and light jackets in fall. The leaves might not be as crunchy or colorful. You can still eat pumpkin pie, but it might not be the same without the tinge of winter in the air.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BC

Friday Afternoons on the Quad. Come out to the Residential Quad for music and lawn games, today and every Friday (until it gets too cold!) from 2-4 p.m.

CAB Presents Underground Bingo. Today (10/1), 9 p.m. in the Underground. Bring your family and win great prizes!

BC Athletics: Football vs. Carson-Newman. Saturday (10/2), 2 p.m.

Student Involvement presents Banachek. Saturday (10/2), 9 p.m. in Dunham Auditorium. Who is Banachek? Check out his Web site: www.banachek.org.

BC Athletics: Men's Soccer vs. Belmont Abbey. Wednesday (10/6), 4 p.m.

CLUB AND GROUP MEETINGS

Business Club: Every Monday, 7:30 p.m., MG lobby.

Campus Activities Board (CAB): Every Monday, 7:30 p.m., Underground

Debate Society/Young Politicians of America: Every Tuesday, 9 p.m., MG 139. Everyone is welcome.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA): Every Tuesday, 9 p.m., Spiritual Life Center

Student Government Association (SGA): Every Wednesday, 8 p.m., Reserve Dining Room. Everyone is welcome.

Peer Health Advocate Team (PHAT): Every Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Institute Room of Myers Dining Hall

Pastimes History Club: Every Thursday, 6 p.m., MG lobby

Psych Club: Every Thursday, 7:30 p.m., MG 224

Clarion Staff: Every Friday, 11:30 a.m., MG 102. All students on campus are welcome to attend. The Clarion needs volunteer writers, photographers, artists, and business staff members.

Team-Mobilizing Opportunites for Volunteer Engagement (T-M.O.V.E.): Every Sunday, 7 p.m., AEC Conference Room.

BC Greens: Sunday, 8 p.m., location TBA

CAMPUS/OUTDOOR RECREATION EVENTS

Intramural Dodgeball. Rosters due today. Play will happen Tuesday-Thursday of next week.

Moore Cove Family Weekend Hike. Saturday (10/2), 10 a.m. -noon. To RSVP for this hike or for more information, send E-mail to Daniel Kreykes, kreykesdj@brevard.edu. Shuttle for this hike will leave the Bell Tower at 10 a.m.

Intramural Pick-Up Volleyball Games. 3 p.m. Sunday (10/3) on the sand court behind Beam Residence Hall. Bring your friends for laid back, friendly competition.

BREVARD COMMUNITY EVENTS

Jam Session. Every Tuesday, 7 p.m. at Celestial Mountain Music. For more information, visit www.celestialmtnmusic.com.

OTHER EVENTS

Coffee Cart. Your favorite BC tradition! Come to the lobby of McLarty-Goodson Academic building for free coffee sponsored by Campus Life and ARAMARK. Fridays, 8-10 a.m.

SGA Update: Open forum proposals

By Lucy Matthews
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The Student Government Association started the year off right with a bang. SGA held an Open Forum on September, 15, 2010 where there were three event proposals brought forth to be considered, as well as a few updates on senator projects.

Oslo Medley of Momma's Kitchen proposed a Potluck Jam which will be held in late October. This event will introduce a new tradition being started this year called Fall Fest. Fall Fest will be similar to Spring Fest, but will include a week of events with fall themes including a pumpkin carving contest and a school service project. Additionally, SGA President Lucy Matthews plans to put on a Fall Fest of sorts for the local Boys and Girls Club.

Tiffen Tapia, V.P. of the Spanish Club, proposed Latin dance lessons to be held on campus starting soon.

The last proposal brought to the open forum was by Wilson Clark, a non-club affiliated member of the student body, wanting to host the premiere of "Eye Trip," a documentary about skiing produced by Level One.

Sophomore Senator Amber Heck updated SGA on her efforts to begin a bike registration on campus and in the local community as well. Bike theft is a big issue in Brevard and Amber has been in constant almost communication with the police department, which supports this program.

The next Open Forum is September 29th at 8pm in the Reserve Dining Room. If you want to Step In and Stand Out the SGA is a great way to do it. Come to the Open Forums and let your voice be heard.