'Medea'

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cold, cunning woman, Medea, is one we see not only in the long lost Greek culture but in everyday life. The tension between scenes that Jason (Dent) and Medea (Ledford) are high points in the play which leaves you cringing but waiting for more.

Throughout the rehearsal process the actors and actresses brought in current events of mothers taking horrible measures to hurt their loved ones and shared with each other to further their progress, and it showed. When Medea loses herself to the madness of a grieving lover and mother, it puts a chill down your spin. She takes hold of the cold, cunning,

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madness that Medea is supposed to be in throughout the play. With the main supporting actresses, or the media correspondents being bias towards her helped reflect the difference in thought process between men and woman. Jason's attitude propels the hot headed personality of a hero turned media junky.

His moment of realization of Medea's actions is intense in the best way possible and made for a great show. Medea, along with the help of Gamel, Savage, and the cast help reveal an aspect of human existence that are not normally ventured into and leaves the audience able to see reflections from Medea in their own societies.

"Medea" continues tonight and tomorrow at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are available at Southern Comfort Records, etix.com, and 30 minutes before each show.



Logan Taylor plays the Messenger in the BC Theatre production of "Medea."

SGA: More than an election

By Burton Hodges Opinion Editor

On Tuesday, Apr. 1, the 2014-15 Executive Board was elected to office after a short voting period held in Myers Dining Hall around lunchtime. All 5 of the new members, including myself, ran unopposed and the plans for three days of voting didn't seem necessary.

The fact is, as excited as I am to begin my time in this new role of service and leadership, I think I speak for the rest of the new executive board in this: As happy as we all are to have easily won our positions, we hope that every position is contested next year.

I got my first parking ticket at Brevard College last week, after security nabbed me in a visitor spot underneath the bell tower. I went to the security office to pay the fine and ended up sitting in Security Director Stan Jacobson's office for almost an hour, listening to stories of his time in the FBI and the Marines, and swapping tales about Brevard College.

"This place has changed a lot in the 10 years that I've been here" Jacobson said, "The students are different, there is just a whole different feeling."

This is something that I have experienced as well in only a fraction of the time that Jacobson has been here. The Brevard College I first arrived at in 2011 is much different from the school we attend today. There is truly a "whole different feeling," in my opinion.

When I transferred to Brevard, I was excited about the promise of a smaller student government where it would be easier for me to make an impact, or at least have a voice. I knew that BC was a small school, but I didn't anticipate that its SGA would have fewer members than my immediate family. I can remember walking by SGA meetings my first few months here on my way to dinner. There would be four people in attendance.

I was involved in the SGA during my short time as a student at Alabama. As a freshman with average high school grades and very few connections to a school 9 hours away from home, I could tell that advancing through the ranks would be quite challenging. The situation at Brevard College when I arrived was even less encouraging.

My sophomore year saw a spike of maybe three or four students, but nothing noteworthy. I was a Senator and a Club Representative. I was also one of the rare students not on the Executive Board who regularly attended meetings. This is not an attempt to shed light on my involvement. I don't play sports and I'm not an artist, so I can devote time to this kind of stuff. My point is to help illustrate how unprecedented the growth in the SGA this year was.

We started adding new clubs and we expanded upon the existing ones. We created, researched, proposed, and financed new projects. We hosted formals, festivals, and community service initiatives. Most importantly, people began to attend our meetings, and they kept coming back. We had 15 active Senators; almost all of the clubs regularly attended our meetings this year. Attendance was consistently higher it had been in at least five years.

As counterintuitive as unopposed elections may appear, considering where we have come from, I don't think it should be too unbelievable that the executive board was uncontested at the voting booth this week. If anything, I think that the student body should consider us running uncontested as a challenge for the future.

My fellow executive board members and I plan to focus on establishing tradition in the SGA next year. We want to inspire irreversible growth, the kind of growth that would never again allow five people to run unopposed. We want to examine other schools, see what works and what doesn't, and learn how we can improve upon the new wave of involvement we've had this year. But we don't have to look outside of Brevard for the best answer.

In fact, it'll be pretty easy for us to develop into the type of student government that the executive board wants to see: a group of students who can speak on behalf of the entire student body with easy and flawless communication. We want to be an SGA that people compete to join, one that actively pursues to improve upon even the best of conditions. We want to be an accomplished SGA.

We just need people to show up, it's that simple. If people bring us the materials to work with, there is no doubt in mind that we can create something special. Furthermore, I can assure you that the new members of the executive board are chomping at the bit to prove to the student body and staff that it was a good reason we ran uncontested.

Let's put it this way: Five students just volunteered an entire school year's worth of time to essentially become something like a punching bag with an ATM, toolbox, and a student handbook.

It would be a disservice to us if you didn't bring your problems, concerns and questions to our doors. They will be open at all times next year.