



Tornado Alley

The new Coltrane

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Located in the heart of the Brevard College campus, Coltrane is the building where The Underground, Campus Life, and the bookstore are located. It opened at the beginning of September and now features the Tornado Alley Student Center on the main level.

The brand new Tornado Alley that replaced the Academic Enrichment Center (AEC) is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to midnight and 5 p.m. to midnight on Sundays. It will be closed on Saturdays.

For this reason, what was previously the AEC was moved to the library to become the Experiential Learning Commons or ELC.

The Tornado Alley is the big change for Coltrane as this space was completely remodeled over the summer. New offices have been created, many of them for clubs and SGA. Those rooms reserved for clubs are equipped with supplies for clubs to decorate and design posters or banners.

Then, there is a resource room in the Tornado Alley that has many board games and athletic equipments such as tennis paddles or outside games for students to check out.

In addition, a video game room has been set up in the Rutherford room. "The Tornado Alley is equipped with Xbox and Nintendo Wii that are available to check out, but have to remain in the building. Consequently a variety of games

such as Fifa '17 and many others are accessible for students to play with," said Lindsay Altizer, director of student engagement.

"In the next weeks the future upgrade for the Tornado Alley is going to be a projector that will be used to play sports games, or movies," Altizer added. Various meeting and campus life activities will be hosted in the Tornado Alley this year, such as SGA meetings, ping pong tournaments and CAB events.

Beside the Tornado Alley, Coltrane has The Underground where the food court is located. It now has different opening times compared to the Tornado Alley. It will be closed on Saturdays, but The Underground will be open Mondays through Fridays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for lunch. Likewise, in the evenings students will be able to get food from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.

For people who are not used to The Underground, there is the option of meal exchange. Instead of going to the cafeteria, people can scan their Brevard College I.D. and get a meal to go.

With the different meal plans, students also have money available to get food and drinks. Depending on the type of plan, students can be granted \$100 or \$200 each semester.

There are also games for students who want to clear their mind after classes, including a pool table, darts and air hockey.



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Miniature donkey on display at the Mountain State Fair.

Mountain State Fair

A sense of community and fun

By Jordon Morgan
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On a cool, quiet evening, the Mountain State Fair brought great (if incredibly unhealthy) food, rides, and plenty of craft and other amusements in another successful year of its long run.

The typical time people tend to enter the fair hover around Friday or Saturday at early mid-evening times. While certainly the most opportune time to experience the fair at its peak capacity, it can make for a severe pain to navigate and enjoy any of the attractions, unless you're willing to wait for hours on end in line.

But if one is looking for a more quiet experience (when next year rolls around at least) then a Wednesday around 6:30 p.m. or 7 p.m. is a perfect time. Just crowded enough so that it feels lively, but not so much that it's overwhelming or annoying to get through.

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This week at BC:

Wednesday: Ping Pong, 8 p.m. Tornado Alley

Thursday: FCA, 8:15 p.m. Stanback Hall
BINGO, 9 p.m. Tornado Alley

Sunday: Guest Artist: Tammy Yonce, 3 p.m. Porter Center
Fine Arts Club, 4 p.m. Dunham 111

Monday: Guest Artist: Stephanie Tingler, 12:30 p.m. Porter Center
CAB, 5 p.m. Myers Dining Hall
Diversity Pride Club, 7:30 p.m. Dunham 003