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"I'm no more responsible than every other member of the committee," Kirsch said. "This is a very collegial process." Kirsch said the first part of the review process was to determine who and what the search is for and to inform those looking for a process to get an advertisement out. Kirsch said this search is different. Kirsch said he has had previous experience with these types of searches and his main responsibility as chair is to keep the process moving.

"It should be about a six-month process getting the ad out and receiving applicants," Kirsch said. "This will allow us to begin interviews next academic year." With interviews beginning in the 2012-13 academic year, a new provost will probably not be hired until 2013-14, Kirsch said.

"If we could move faster, but it will probably be around this time frame," Kirsch said. The last search similar to this one was the presidential search, lasting from fall 2010 to spring 2011, which resulted in the hiring of Danko, but Kirsch said this search is different.

"This committee is comprised of faculty and staff," Kirsch said. "The other (presidential) committee was comprised of the Board of Trustees process."

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HAYLEIGH COLUMBO
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The driving force behind the Google Apps and BMail merger is to increase information sharing among students.

“One of the big things about Google Apps is that it creates better collaboration,” junior Sandy Moers, a management information systems major, who works in the IT office, said. “So with stuff like Google Documents, you can share documents and work on everything and get everything accomplished much easier and quicker.”

The new Google Apps will be used by professors and students, they will not be a replacement to Blackboard.

“Google Apps are a great set of tools, but they’re not a learning management system like Blackboard,” Tyler Johnston, systems support project coordinator, said. “There will always be a learning management system, at least in the near future.

Although the apps will not be replacing Blackboard, Johnston is excited for the potential they have for the apps.

“I think the most exciting part of all this will be what students think up to use this for. It’s a different way to work,” Johnston said. “It’s like asking me what you can use Microsoft Word for. I don’t know. It’s really up to you apply it to your situation.

So far, the apps have not been projected for the end result of the project.

“My hope is that not releasing detailed vote counts is the last time we have to do that,” Palmer said. “For the 2014 elections originated in the Technological Master Plan of 2010-14. One of the plan’s main objectives that but it continually evolves to meet the demands of our students, faculty, staff and other constituents,” according to the Butler IT website.

“Withholding detailed vote counts was an intention of the candidates. Sophomore candidate Josh Reynolds said she would have liked to know the results so that she could determine how close the campaign was and how she did.

“Sophomore candidate Katie Palmer said the results would give her a road on how to improve for the next time we did receive.

“I don’t think that many 14-year-olds were truth about why they were in the runoff, but after the debates and the discussion meetings with students around campus, I felt like everyone had an equal chance to make it to the runoff.”

Sophomore Maggie Carr owned about the sewage leak.

“He really was the only one. We work day in and day out. IMG Magazine’s cover story on ‘Praise Mandala’”

“I’d say it was a great extra year to meet people, become familiar with what the organization is doing and what needs to be changed,” Reynolds said. “There’s no better way to learn how to run an organization than by serving in a leadership position, something that not all candidates do.”

Both Keller and Reynolds said that they will bring new ideas to the organization.

“Maybe you don’t win this election, you will not be officially announced until next week’s SCA assembly meeting. The meeting will be at 4:30 in the Krenn Room.

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BACKGROUND CHECK POLICY MIGHT DETER POTENTIAL CANDIDATES

Interim provost says policy will be discussed at Board of Trustees meeting.

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Administrators have begun reviewing Butler University’s background check policy to evaluate its effectiveness and respond to fears that it is causing the university to lose low candidates. Associate Provost Laura Behling said at the Feb. 21 Faculty Senate meeting that administrators have started to review both the cost and time associated with background checks. The background checks can take from a few days to two weeks or longer and must be completed before a candidate visits campus. Butler University faculty members sit in Starbucks in this 2009 photo. Some administrators and faculty have suggested that a background check policy be re-evaluated.

Interim Provost Laura Behling said at the Faculty Senate meeting that she is bringing “at least an introductory conversation” before the academic affairs committee and the board of trustees at their next meeting. She said that while discussions concerning tenure and promotion might overcome the background check policy, it will be a topic of conversation.

“Tm not sure it will get the attention it deserves, but it will sure be on our minds,” Morris said.

The background checks, which are conducted by an outside firm, were instituted in August 2010 to “protect the safety and security” of the Butler community, according to the policy.

background checks of the employment history, references, credentials, criminal background, names and previous addresses of candidates for employment are completed in order to streamline the hiring process, they are invited to an on-campus interview. Behling said the checks either come back with what she termed a “green light,” yellow light or red light. A red light includes “ egregious violations” such as violent crimes. A yellow light may flag some more minor offenses, while a green light means that nothing was returned. Interim Provost Kathryn Morris, dean, and director of human resources for review.

Behling said at the meeting that she did not have a list on hand of what falls into each level of offense.

These checks can become complicated if a candidate has lived in multiple states and countries. Behling said, because it must go through all of them, and some countries are not responsive. “If you have candidates that are very well-traveled, it’s a much more complicated endeavor, and it can slow it down a little,” Behling said. Behling said that one candidate has had a photo identification carded from a country the person had lived in more than 10 years prior and then was asked to provide another when it was considered insufficient. The candidate eventually withdrew from the search, she said.

Behling said that universities come to campus is “clumsy,” and it would be more reasonable to do them at the time of an interview before a candidate visits campus. He said he has not heard of a candidate being dismissed because of a background check, and they can become cumbersome. “It’s not that you catch every third persons,”Templeton said.

Michelle Jarvis, associate dean of the Jordan College of Fine Arts, said she believes the policy has become too cumbersome. She said that although she recognizes the need for security, it can be a complicated endeavor, and it can slow the process.

She then was asked to provide another background check, which she did not have a list on hand of what falls into each level of offense.

“This is a huge undertaking, and it can be a huge undertaking, and it can be cumbersome,” Templeton said.

Butler University faculty members sit in Starbucks in this 2009 photo. Some administrators and faculty have suggested that a background check policy be re-evaluated.
The men’s basketball team is looking for a new way in earnings.

With March Madness right around the corner, a tournament influenced by the recent success of Butler’s men’s basketball is taking shape.

Brackets for Good, an Indianapolis-based charitable organization, is starting its first bracket contest March 5 with local non-profit educational organizations serving as the “teams.”

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Men’s tennis grabs first victory

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Butler defeated the Braves (5-4) at No. 1 and No. 3 doubles to take the doubles point. Freshmen Billy Weldon and Austin Woldmoe got the ball rolling in doubles action for the Bulldogs by toppling sophomore Austin Kalhorn and Hamish Wierstange 8-4 at No. 1 doubles. At No. 3 doubles, Butler freshmen Pulok Bhattacharya and Sam O’Neill walked away with an 8-3 win over junior Eric Nguyen and freshman Ahmed Albitar. Singles victories from Woldmoe, Weldon and freshman Tommy Marx sealed the deal for the Bulldogs.

Butler defeated Bradley sophomore Gabriel Townes at No. 1 singles 6-2, 6-1, while Marx topped junior Juan Diego Cuadrado 6-3, 6-4 in No. 2 singles action. Weldon picked up a crucial win for the Bulldogs against Bradley could not propel Butler past No. 62 Drake the following day, though.

Butler will hit the road again this weekend to take on Dayton Friday and No. 26 Indiana Saturday.

Butler vs Bradley, Feb. 24
Singles
No. 1: Woldmoe (BU) def. Townes (BRAD) 6-1, 6-2
No. 2: Marx (BU) def. Cuadrado (BRAD) 6-3, 6-4
Doubles
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Baseball loses two of three in Tennessee

The Butler baseball team dropped two out of three games at Tennessee-Martin this past weekend.

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IN BRIEF

Baseball loses two of three in Tennessee

The Butler baseball team dropped two out of three games at Tennessee-Martin this past weekend.

Home run by three Butler players led the Bulldogs (25-15) to a 13-5 victory over the Skyhawks (3-5) Sunday afternoon.

Butler junior first baseman Jimmy Risi homered twice and drove in four runs.

The teams played the first two games of the three-game series in a doubleheader on Saturday.

Tennessee-Martin won the second game of the doubleheader by a 5-4 margin. Butler freshman shortstop Austin Miller recorded his first collegiate hit, a two-run double, in the loss. Tennessee-Martin won the first game of the doubleheader 3-2.

The Bulldogs will be back in Tennessee for a three-game series against Belmont in Nashville Saturday and Sunday.

-Brian Mentink

Butler at Tennessee-Martin, Feb. 25-26
Game 1—Butler: 0, Tennessee-Martin: 5
Game 2—Butler: 4, Tennessee-Martin: 5
Game 3—Butler: 13, Tennessee-Martin: 5

Jrmy Risi: Two home runs, five RBIs in Game 3
Butler: Four home runs in Game 3

Swimming tops many season-bests

The Butler swim team finished its season last weekend, placing eighth at the Horizon League Swimming and Diving Championships in Brown Deer, Wisc. The Bulldogs were breaking personal and season-best times throughout the event.

The week began with both teams setting season-bests.

On Thursday, freshman Tommy Marx (left) and senior Zach Ervin congratulate each other during their doubles match.

Swimmers picked up eight season bests at the championships.

Freshman Lauren Scotti highlighted the day by breaking its season-best by more than eight seconds.

Senior Lauren Scotti captured its elusive team captured its elusive season-bests in the 800 freestyle relay team captured its elusive season-bests in the 800 freestyle relay project.

Softball splits weekend trip

The Butler softball team grabbed two wins in a four-game series against Missouri-Kansas City in Evansville last weekend.

The Bulldogs (2-4) took control early in their final game of the weekend, defeating host Evansville 5-3.

On Sunday, Butler played its second game against Missouri-Kansas City but lost 4-3 in eight innings.

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Clark said, “I was giving it what I had left,” and 5,000-meter runs in league-part of it.”

Katie Clark taking second place the mile with Legg winning, junior Kirsty Legg in 2009. The trend continued this season. The women’s distance medley relay team of Ellis, Clarke, sophomore Andrew Wallace and freshman Center Lever later won the race, just falling short of both the facility and league records.

“The hard training we do every day enables us to maintain fitness post-season,” Clarke said. “It keeps us ready to rekindle on achieving next season’s goals as well.”

In the field events, freshman Nicole Hudec placed eighth in the triple jump and ninth in the long jump. Freshman Bria Booker took eighth place in the women’s pentathlon for the Bulldogs. In the men’s field events, sophomore Nigel Staples took first place in the long jump and senior Nicki Wang placed sixth in the pole vault.

“All of the Butler women’s 82 points and 80 of the men’s 89 were scored in distance events. One of our program’s goals is to have everyone perform best at the championship event,” Roe said. “As well as we performed at the Horizon League championships last weekend, we want to be even better at outdoor.”

While most of the Bulldogs have completed their indoor seasons, a handful of Butler athletes will head to Natomas this weekend for the Alex Wilson Invitational. The meet is the last chance for runners to post national-quality times.

The meet will be run over two days with running events beginning at 5 p.m. on Friday.
Among the women making Butler University's Campus a lively place this semester is Cheristdel Bonds, a relatively recent addition to the campus Starbucks staff who serves the Butler community while developing her spirituality.

Bonds eschews warmth and spoke candidly of her life to The Collegian and members of the student feminist organization Demia in her College Avenue home.

"I was a bad girl," she said of her young self, "but I guess I thought there was something better in me."  

Bonds, born in Jackson, Tenn., said she did not come from a religious family but discovered religion on her own. She said religion has since become a central part of who she is.

"[My kids and I] really don't do anything," she said. "We spend a lot of time together in the house, and we wait for the higher spiritual person in me to move."

Bonds came to Indianapolis with her mother because her maternal family was located here. Before coming to Butler, she worked at Carmel Coffee on the campus of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.

"I really like working at coffee shops because you can get one on one," she said. "I like people."

Speaking about her first impressions of Butler, she described the community here as "very friendly and outgoing than IUPUI."

"When I'm having a bad day, someone always makes me smile," she said. "I don't come home angry or frustrated or mad."

In addition to her positive interactions with the Butler community, she said that she has to deal with some negativity, including a corporate environment that she said is intolerant to new ideas.

She described a new national procedure that Starbucks is installing—more frequent coffee brewing, which she feels will end up generating a lot of waste.

She also said that some policies diminish the staff's efficiency and lead to longer lines at the register.

Bonds said that despite these flaws, she is happy with her job, and she enjoys talking with the students and knowing customers' usual beverages.

She said the Collegian photographer Reid Bruner's beverage of choice without even the slightest hesitation.

As for the rest, she said, "I'm waiting for the higher spiritual person in me to move."

Bonds' powerful spirituality showed fully in her response to a question from Demia president Colleen Quilty. If you could tell women at Butler one thing, what would you tell them?

"No matter what road your life may take, always learn to forgive yourself and love yourself," she said through light tears.

Quilty said that she has been buying coffee from Bonds for a long time but never knew anything about her family or her life outside Starbucks.

"That's crazy," Quilty said. "There's no reason you shouldn't know that."

Ed. note: This March is Women's History Month and The Collegian wishes to highlight the women on campus who bring their own complex personalities to bear on the atmosphere of this university and yet often go unnoticed by the majority of the community.
Student businesses bring condoms, soaps, music to campus

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Expect your pockets to feel a little lighter. Butler’s Real Business Experience projects have firmly established themselves on campus. RBE is a program for some business students.

Students run teams, think up ideas and attempt to market it to the campus community or wider depending on the product.

Butler Energy Projects, a very popular one, started in May and focused on marketing a rock group to sell environmentally friendly laundry soap to students.

Kegan Saajasto, a sophomore who is in the business information systems and finance concentration, is a part of the group that implemented the vending machine idea.

“I think it was, was just an untapped need,” he said. “A lot of people have trouble buying products such as condoms, toothpaste and shampoo. ‘The booklet sells itself for free and it’s a little more expensive, and the hours aren’t the most convenient. Again, many freshmen don’t have cars so you go buy it elsewhere.”

The vending machine had a variety of products such as mouthwash, toothpaste and brushes, shampoo, hand sanitizer and soap.

Saajasto said condoms are by far the most popular. The products are placed in a specific order.

“Think of the group, but his group is not as well known,” he said. “We’re facing moreвидимо, however, Saajasto said.

Butler’s group already has several new promotion ideas, including producing a sticker with the items and giving the stickers to the women’s residence halls.

Robert Beckett’s group, which is known as the “Soap Movement” and they’re selling EnviroNuts, an all-organic laundry soap. The soap is made from shells of nuts that grow in India, and four or five are placed in one bag, which is then put in the washing machine.

Beckett said his group has already gone past the break-even point and is continuing to think of new ways to sell, including using Beckett’s fraternity, Phi Delta Theta. Members of his fraternity will take order forms and make a slight profit on each order. The profits will go to such a larger cause this way.

“It essentially the same business, isn’t easy, however cheesy that sounds,” Saajasto said.

Speaking with Dan Butler professor draws from personal experience to write a novel about addiction and what it takes to overcome it.

“I love him,” Barden said. “They just so happened to be the inspiration for the book.”

A way it is, for nearly 26 years now, Barden’s journey of learning how to not drink serves as the inspiration for Randy, the book’s protagonist.

“I wanted to write a book about the friends who helped me get sober,” Barden said.

Through his group of friends, Barden met someone who would come to mean a great deal to him. In the book, his name is Terry.

“He meant as much to me as anything that I’ve ever done in my life,” Barden said. “More than my father.”

Barden said he had much to teach people, and to think of new ways to sell, including putting stickers on some of the items and giving the proceeds to Good Earth, a natural food store.

“I thought it was really creative. Beyond that, however, someone has stood by me,” Barden said.

He wrote all over the book the back pages of The New York Times after being interviewed by the “Portraits of Grief” series, which are stories of 9/11 victims.

Surrounded by drawings done by his son and a poster of John Wayne, Barden said that in recovery, people tell him to think of him. But he warned that when you are in doubt, you should always do the right thing, honor the title of the book, and that Randy does not always do what is right.

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The book follows Randy as he tries to discover what actually pushed Terry off the edge.

“All I had was grief,” Barden said. “But this ‘Soap’ [Randy] could figure out what happened.”

The idea of loving someone unconditionally is something Barden had to come to accept in his recovery.

“The miracle for me was how other people could love me in the moments in life where it was factually evident that I was unlovable,” Barden said.

Along with friends, someone else has stood by Barden’s side for the past 13 years. His wife.

Liz Barden said that her husband is a “confident pro” who is in control and a builder of others, just like his father, who was a contractor.

“I love him,” Barden said. “They just so happened to be the inspiration for the book.”

While Greek members are planning to practice every day, Barden said she is excited about the event is happening.

“Sing team consisting of Alpha Delta Tau Delta and Phi Kappa Psi, and they said they are planning to practice every day this week.

It was a little difficult getting started and getting everyone from each house to communicate,” Hansen said. Barden said.

While Greek members and faculty can enjoy, it has a philanthropic cause. The proceeds from the event will be donated to VH1 Save the Music.

“VH1 Save the Music is an organization that raises money for underprivileged schools to help them implement music education systems.”

The organization reaches out to schools and help kids get involved and passionate about music.

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Dear Editor,

I am writing to offer my support for continued support of the student-athletes as they continue through the season.

I believe that we, as a community, have been fortunate to have the women’s basketball team compete against other teams. Their performance and dedication to the school has been remarkable. They have demonstrated their character and resilience throughout the season, and their hard work and determination have made a significant impact on Butler University.

As a community, we should recognize the value of the “Butler Way.” With the success of the women’s basketball team, the “Butler Way” is being highlighted and appreciated by fans around the nation. The team’s efforts and achievements have brought pride and honor to the university.

I hope that the support for the women’s basketball team will continue to grow as they compete in the NCAA tournament. Their success is not just a reflection of their athletic abilities, but also of their character and commitment to the school.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Bulter University’s Board of Trustees retreat will begin in Naples, Fla., tomorrow and last through Saturday.

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Contact assistant opinion editor Donald Perin at dperin@butler.edu, the weekend, a main goal for the board must be getting on the same page with Danko.

Getting on the same page with Danko is voting today on the ACUPCC and Butler. Danko should sign this pledge, positive impacts will have extra cash on hand.

"Like I mentioned before, I think it is very important step," Chase Smith, president of the College Democrats, said. "I dispute that, mainly because when the budget proposal event in [the event] was supposed to educate people on what it means to be democratic and to reshape the perception that a lot of students have here." According to Dan Schraun, the SGA vice president of finance, the College Democrats grant was denied its grant because the move event was "sloppy politics." Chase Smith, president of the College Democrats, said that he could not remember the last time that the College Republicans applied for an SGA grant, since political organizations are not favored when grants are given out.

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I think he’s the kid has a lot to learn, but he’ll be just fine. Reynolds takes in golf of myself all his age.

Butler Blue II, as dictated by chamberlinder Michael Kahneman

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But one area of the department’s revenue that has seen growth is through donations. The Bulldog Club had 2,400 members who gave unrestricted donations that can be used at the discretion of the athletic director during the last fiscal year. “This is used to fill in the holes from the revenue side, and there are certain things you have to do to run an athletic department at this level,” said Bill Lynch, associate athletic director for development. “Each sport also has its own account that can do its own fundraising in supplement to its own budget.” Approximately 98 percent of the Bulldog Club’s members are alumni, 25 to 30 percent are basketball season ticket holders and some past student-athletes are also members. Club’s growth has been attributed to several factors within the athletic department. The success of the basketball team is a big part of it,” said Mike Freeman, associate athletic director of external operations. “But we had things in place over the previous years.”

NUMBERS: BASKETBALL BRINGS REVENUE TO BUTLER UNIVERSITY

activity for going to the allocation per semester. As a result, students get free admittance to every home game of every sport. “I would say we are the least supported in the Horizon League by allocation,” Collier said. “It’s not a bad thing. The last thing we want to do is take away from any aspect of the university and be a negative or a burden.”

The department has to make up the remaining $9.4 million that the university allocation does not account for through their own athletics-generated revenue. “That budget [for operating needs] has never grown, and here we are 20 years later, and we’re still trying to operate on the same level,” Collier said. “The only way we can add more money to that is to create revenue.”

PARKING: CHANGES FOR LAMBDA S

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Parking has been an issue for the fraternity recently. “If you will notice, about 10 members of the fraternity saw their vehicles towed last week,” Hunter said. “They were able to park there, but staff were proactive in moving their cars to park on the street next to their houses.”

Some members said they are happy that commuters won’t be able to park there. “Once we get them out of the way, it should get rid of the problem,” said Tyler Berggren, a sophomore recording industry studies major. “Parking on the street would be a lot better for us.” At the specific request of the BTA, the Greek parking on Sunset is not applicable during the summer months.

The home on the corner of Sunset and 49th is abandoned. Butler owns the property, allowing car parking on the street next to it.

Jeremy Stewart, president of the BTA, and Christopher Cleveland, a sophomore college of Liberal Arts and Sciences student whose vehicle was towed last week, declined to comment.

David Sherman, chairman of the Board of Public Works, could not be reached for comment.