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SGA passed a new bookstore policy; students are required to rent textbooks

By Katie Schimmelpfennig Editor-in-Chief

Students booking flights for spring break are familiar with Southwest Airlines' "bags fly free" program to eliminate unexpected fees to their customers. Starting this fall, Trevecca's bookstore will implement a similar strategy for students.

Student Government voted Monday night for textbooks to be included in tuition.

Trevecca's bookstore was outsourced to Tree of Life, a Christian bookstore company based out of Marion, Ind. in June of last year. The new company brought cheaper textbooks that could be rented and charged to students' accounts, along with new brands and colors of clothing, including more purple.

But more changes are in store for Trevecca's bookstore.

The next step is "books fly free," a new option that was presented by Darren Campbell, Tree of Life's chief executive officer, to Trevecca's Student Government Association's general meeting on Feb. 6.

"Books fly free" will work a textbook fee into tuition. Books are rentals and will be delivered to students on-campus dorms and

"It would show up as a book fee on your account, it would qualify for financial aid...and you never would have to come to the bookstore. It would be automatic," Campbell said.

While Tree of Life executives were touting benefits of the program to student leaders, some students are not convinced.

A group of about 90 students have a Facebook page to oppose the idea that they say gives them less choice and costs them more money.

Tree of Life's proposal for a flat fee will eliminate the unknown cost of books to students because every student-no matter classification or major-will pay \$22.50 per credit hour, or \$337.50 per semester if students were taking 15 credit hours, Campbell said.

Textbooks will be delivered to student's rooms before classes start. Students will receive every book, as a rental, that professor's request for \$22.50 per credit hour. Students will then return their books to the bookstore at the end of the semester.

However, students also have the opportunity to buy their books at the end of the semester for a re-

"Any book that (a student) wanted to keep, he would just not return it at the end of the semester and then we would automatically bill him (the replacement cost)," Campbell said.

The replacement cost is about half of the cost of the book, Campbell said.

Current upperclassmen will have the option to opt out of the textbook fee.

Current sophomores, juniors and seniors can choose to buy their

books on their own or participate in "books fly free." But after those

students graduate the book fee will

be mandatory.

~ SGA passed policy Feb. 13

"The cost for each student is lower because it is a campus-wide program," Campbell said.

Greenville College in Greenville, Illinois was the first to implement a textbook fee.

Reed Lape, Greenville College's student body president, said in an email that there are students who like and dislike their new

"There are students who are in support of the new policy as well

as students who would prefer to opt out. Some students have claimed that they would never spend the amount of money charged by Tree of Life to purchase textbooks while others have witnessed great savings. However, no student is wanting for books now, and neither do students have to locate and/or purchase the books themselves,"

FAST FACTS

~ Books are rentals that cost students \$22.50 per credit hour

~ Students have option to buy back books to keep

~ Current sophmores, juniors and seniors can opt out

Book fee will be charged to students' account

Trevecca's SGA members had mixed feelings on the new

For some students, such as nursing majors, this flat rate fee would save them money; however,

for other students, such as physical education majors, the built-in fee may cost them more.

"From a Christian perspective, people are paying for less to help people that have to pay more. I don't think there's anything more beautiful than that," said Todd Osborne, senior class president.

Students' agreed that they liked knowing how much books would cost each semester.

Multiple Trevecca professors said they are in favor of the new policy because this way all

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Online summer classes offered at reduced rate

Online education new to Trevecca

By Katie Schimmelpfennig Editor-in-Chief

Trevecca students can take classes this summer from the comfort of their own home.

All 16 general education courses will be offered online this summer for the first time.

And the best part: they are cheaper than regular courses.

Trevecca's traditional, faceto-face, summer enrollment has declined in recent years, so Trevecca is trying to adjust by offering online courses that provide students the opportunity to take classes without being on campus, Carol Maxson,

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associate provost and dean of academic affairs, said.

will last six weeks during each summer session. Two credit hour courses, such as office and Internet technologies and financial stewardship, will last four weeks. Trevecca is offering three summer sessions beginning May 14. The first session is scheduled May 14 to June 24. The second session is June 4 through July 15. The last session is from July 2 to Aug. 19.

Students can only take one

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course each session, receiving nine credits at most, David Phillips, dean Three-hour online classes of the college of lifelong learning,

> "The best news is the pricing," Phillips said.

> There is a 46 percent discount for online courses this summer, making the actual cost \$287 per credit hour, Phillips said.

> Trevecca traditional students, Trevecca adult students, Salvation Army students, students from other Nazarene institutions and a few other general categories will receive the discount, Phillips said.

> Faculty planning to teach the courses were required to take an online course this year teaching them how to teach online.

> Students will also be enrolled in a one-week orientation before starting online classes.

> Trevecca is trying to become more flexible to meet the varied needs of students, Maxson said.

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FAST FACTS

Summer Session I May 14 to June 24

Summer Session II June 4 to July 15

Summer Session III July 2 to August 19

Cost: \$287 per credit hour

Policies: One class per session

Student's should talk to their advisors during spring pre-registration, March 12-23.

Two student leaders lose positions because of master keys

By Katie Schimmelpfennig Editor-in-Chief

Two members of Trevecca's student government's executive council were dismissed last week from their positions.

Daniel Smith, associated student body chaplain, and Jim Waters, associated student body director of social life, had copies of Trevecca's master key, meaning they could unlock any interior door of a building, including dorm rooms and apartments.

They are the sixth and seventh students to be dismissed from student government this year because of break-

Having a master key is considered possession of burglary tools, said Glen Linthicum, director of plant operations.

Exterior doors could not be opened with the keys Smith and Waters had, but nearly every other door on campus, including offices, could be unlocked.

Steve Harris, dean of student development, confirmed Smith and Waters will no longer be serving in their positions, but said he could not comment on the specifics of why.

Smith declined to be interviewed on the record, but Waters said he wanted to offer an explanation of his actions.

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Online education new to Trevecca

By Katie Schimmelpfennig Editor-in-Chief

News that Trevecca will offer all of its general education courses online this year has students and faculty debating the pros and cons.

Adminstrators announced last month that Trevecca will offer 30 general education courses online this summer. Students will still have the option to take some courses in a face-to-face setting on campus as well.

The online program launched last summer when 120 students took online classes.

The reviews were mixed as there was little time to prepare, said David Phillips, dean of the college of lifelong learning.

This year faculty have taken courses to prepare and students will get a one-week orientation.

"Online education is definit-

ly part of the future," said Carol Maxson, associate provost and dean of academic affairs.

Trevecca prides itself on knowing students' names, Lena Welch, dean of the school of arts and sciences, said, and she is confident online courses will still offer community to students.

"I think Trevecca will do well," Welch said.

Faculty expressed different views to Welch, she said. Some were "very excited," others "uncomfortable" or "apprehensive."

Doug Lepter, a professor of communication at Trevecca, will teach Principles of Intercultural Communication for the first summer session of online courses. He said he thinks his course should be a good experience

"It's all new to me, I haven't actually taught one yet...Depending on the material, especially intercultural communication, it could

Online Summer Schedule

GEN0000 - Introduction to Online Learning May 7-13

COM2020 - Principles of Intercultural Communication

ENG1080 - Critical Reading Writing and Thinking

MHR3070 - Psychology of Personal Adjustment

lend itself nicely," Lepter said.

Rick Bradley, a professor of chemistry at Trevecca, will teach Physical Science for the third summer session of online courses. He said, because his course is a lab course, it brings challenges.

"Well, the hardest part of it is that it's a lab course. So you have to figure out lab activities that they can do on their own," Bradley said.

But through group discussion, physical science will still be a quality class, he said.

"You have to work a little bit harder, but it will still be a very good class," Bradley said.

Classes will be shorter, but more intense

Students will be required to log on at least five days a week for six weeks, Phillips said.

Students said they like having the option to take classes online durring the summer, so they don't have to stay on campus.

Online

"Online education is definitly part of the future, not to substitute face-to-face learning," Maxson said. This year students will still have the opportunity to enroll in either online or traditional summer courses. Next year, administration will "step back and evaluate" the different learning styles, Maxson said.

"One of the things we've realized, that students take classes at community schools," Phillips said. "Most students would just as soon take from TNU for convenience and financial feasibility."

Classes will be designed to fit the six-week schedule, and students must log on to the class five times

"In spite of what people may think, (online classes) are a lot of work," Maxson said.

Trevecca starts new literary publication: Cumberland River Review

By Katie O'Connell

Staff Writer

English and creative writing students are getting a chance to work hands-on in a new literary magazine being published by Trevecca's English department.

The new publication, the Cumberland River Review, will replace Legacy. Legacy featured poems, stories and art by current Trevecca students and was published yearly during the spring semester.

The new publication is different than Legacy in that the English department is now accepting national and international submissions with some submissions coming in from as far away as the United Kingdom.

As part of the process of becoming a national publication, the journal is neither soliciting nor accepting the work of Trevecca students.

"It's something I have been wanting to do for several years now," said Graham Hillard, assistant professor of English and editor of the publication.

Cumberland River Review then began accepting submissions in mid-January of this year. Since then, about 50 submissions have been received.

Hillard anticipates an initial print run of 300 when the journal first comes out in October of this year.

"I think that's a pretty respectable number for a start-up journal," he said.

A major reason Hillard wanted to start the

publication was to give English and creative writing students the editorial experience of working as staff on a national journal. For students, working on the journal gives them a chance that few undergraduate students get, Hillard said. Usually, if a literary journal has students on staff, they're graduate students.

In addition to looking good on their resumes, staffing the journal also gives students the chance to see what goes into getting into a literary journal.

"I think it's a good framework, so when I'm submitting to publications, I kind of have an idea of the kind of people looking at my work and how they're going to accept it," said staff member Abbi Watkins.

Senior English major Todd Osborne was asked by Hillard to be the managing editor. This means that he will be the one who deals with the "ridiculous amount of paperwork" involved in working on a literary journal, Hillard said.

When submissions come in, Osborne picks them up, writes down the identifying information of the submission and the date and puts them in a tray to He met with university administration and be read. Each submission is read by three staff members worked on a proposal over the summer of 2011. The who give their opinion of the piece, then the submissions are read by Hillard:

During a monthly meeting, the entire staff votes on what pieces should be published. Roughly half of the 50 submitted works have been read, and about half of those had some potential and were voted upon at the first meeting.

> The grand total of accepted works so far: one. "It has to be the best of the best," Osborne said.

Trevecca adds 38 more security cameras

By Alex Hall

Trevecca security has improved campus safety in recent weeks by nearly tripling the number of cameras around campus.

Thirty-eight more security cameras have been added to the 16 cameras already placed at different locations around campus. These cameras ensure no one enters or leaves campus without being seen.

About seven cameras were first installed on Trevecca's campus a few years ago. A few cameras have been added every year, but the addition of the new 38 has been the biggest addition yet and the project cost Trevecca approximately \$58,000. Most of the cameras being installed are high quality Sony cameras wired to a network managed by ITS.

While the cameras may not actually stop crime on campus, officials hope they will deter crime.

"[The cameras] won't prevent crime. It's one of the factors in helping improve safety on campus in the matter of deterring," said Norm Robinson, Trevecca's director of security.

If any offenses do occur though, the cameras will

New camera installed outside of **Bush apartments** Photo by Jake Resor

make it easier for security to review the cameras and catch the individual responsible for the crime.

Security has the ability to log into the security system not only from Trevecca but also from home. The footage from the cameras can go back as far as 14 days.

The cameras are a proactive measure as Trevecca does not have a large amount of crime on campus, Rob-

"We've had pretty low incident rates every year," he said.

Officials plan to add more cameras in the future, Robinson said.

MUS1000 - Music Fundamentals 0 PEA1500 - Intro to Health and Wellness (2) 0

MHR2400 - Spreadsheet Applications

MHR3080 - Accounting for Managers

Summer Session I - May 14 to June 24

ECO2000 - Principles of Macroeconomics

COM1010 - Speech Communication

0 PSY2010 - General Psychology

MAT1055 - College Algebra

- 0 REL2000 - Introduction to Biblical Faith
- SCI1500 Life Science

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BIO2700 - Nutrition

Summer Session II - June 4 to July 15

- GEN0000 Introduction to Online Learning May 28 June 3
- COM2010 Interpersonal Communication
- EDU 3510 Teaching Reading Writing & Content ENG1020 - English Composition
- GGY2050 Fundamentals of World Geography
- HIS1400 World Civilization I
- HIS2010 U.S. History I ITI1500 - Office and Internet Technologies (2)
- MHR2520 Business Math
- MHR2800 Personal Finance 0
- MHR2900 Leadership in the 21st Century
- MUS1550 Music Appreciation 0
- PEA1500 Intro to Health and Wellness (2) 0
- REL3000 Christian Tradition

Summer Session III - July 2 to August 19

- GEN0000 Introduction to Online Learning June 25 July 1
- ATH3010 Introduction to Anthropology 0
- BUS2010 Financial Stewardship (2)
- EDU2600 Learning & Cognition
- ENG2000 World Literature 0
- HIS1450 World Civilization II 0
- INT2200 Destructive Leaders and Dysfunctional Culture 0
- 0 ITI1900 - Business Information Technology (2)
- MHR2710 Strategic Management 0
- MUS2440 World Music & Culture (2)
- PHL2010 Intro to Philosophy 0
- PSY2175 Human Growth & Development 0
- REL4000 Christian Life and Ministry 0
- SCI1600 Physical Science 0
- SOC2010 General Sociology

Keys

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"I feel ashamed, not for what I did, but for letting people down,"

Waters will not be heading up the remaining social life events this semester, including Friday Night Live, Trevecca's popular spoof of Saturday Night Live, scheduled for Feb. 24.

Although Waters said he would still help in any way he could.

"I'll continue to help, lead if need be, just can't do it officially," Waters said.

Three students had master keys, but only Smith and Waters were members of SGA, said Waters.

Smith and Waters, both seniors, received a key from an upper classman when they were sophomores, Waters

Waters received his key from

another student so he could get in his apartment early during Christmas

"I only used it to enter my office and apartment," Waters said.

Waters was caught with the key when Trevecca's locksmith recognized the key's teeth sitting on a table in a dorm lobby, he said.

"It was all over a period of five minutes," Waters said.

Waters then turned his friends in because he didn't think it was a big deal and he thought nothing would happen to them, he said.

"It feels like they fined me for a knife that I didn't use," Waters said. "I know I didn't do anything."

Waters said he was hurt by people questioning his character over having the key and while he doesn't think he did anything wrong, he wished his best to SGA

Current SGA members can nomi-

nate and elect replacement members, rather than holding elections for the sake of time, Riley Wampler, associated student body president, said.

SGA will nominate and elect students on Feb. 20.

The SGA had to replace five other members during the fall semester.

Steve Harris, dean of student development, is confident in the current election process.

"I don't think we need to change the election process," Harris said. "Students need to step up and realize their responsibility of leadership."

The election process for the 2012-2013 SGA will begin Feb. 27, Johnna Hill, associated student body vice president, said.

Leaders need to take their positions seriously, Wampler said.

"As a student leader it doesn't make you above the rules," Wampler said.

Should the campus be rekeyed?

By Katie Schimmelpfennig Editor-in-Chief

Trevecca officials have not yet decided if they will change the locks on campus doors in the aftermath of discovering students had master keys to the campus.

Four of Trevecca's master keys were turned in by students not authorized to have them.

Jim Waters, associated student body director of social life and one of the students who had a key, said he thinks all students who had a master key turned them in.

However, one of the students involved had a key before, which he turned in, but kept a copy for himself, Waters said.

Having a master key is prosecutable and is considered possession of burglary tools, said Glen Linthicum, director of plant operations.

Trevecca was rekeyed about five years ago. Typically, the campus locks are changed every five to seven years, Linthicum said.

Rekeying the campus costs around \$30,000 to \$40,000, he said.

"Wouldn't it be better to spend that money on a new computer lab?" he said.

Linthicum does not think Trevecca is in any danger, but that does not excuse what the students

"There's a few of them I feel like should be suspended from school," Linthicum said. "For folks in leadership, their integrity-completely in question."

Steve Harris, dean of student development could not comment because of confidentiality, he

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students will have their own textbook in their class.

"I love the idea of students having books for the first day of class," said Lena Welch, dean of the school of arts and sciences.

"Textbook Dilemma" is the Facebook group where students are voicing their concern about the new proposal.

Freshmen Amberlin Artz and Jenna Daughtry created the group on Feb. 7.

They created the page to convince students to talk to SGA representatives, who will untimely make the decision, Artz said.

While having books the first day of class and having them delivered to students' room is convenient, many students said it will cost them more money.

Students will no longer be able to share books, to save money, and some students said it would cost even more money in the long run if they choose to keep their books.

"I would rather buy my books online to keep or to re-sell if I don't think I'll need them in the future," Kerri Carden, sophomore, said. "The proposal robs students of making a choice in whether to buy to keep, buy to re-sell, borrow or possibly not even buy the book at all. It increases cost when it's not necessary."

SGA voted and administration will implement their decision, said Riley Wampler, student body

The majority of SGA members said in a few years students will love the decision.

"When this happens people will love it, Preston Hunt, senior class vice president.

Trevecca works for reaccreditation; students unaffected right now

By Katie O'Connell Staff Writer

The university is in the middle of a reaccreditation process that takes place every 10 years.

Trevecca has been accredited since 1969 by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), a voluntary body of colleges and universities in the southern U.S.

If Trevecca loses its accreditation, degrees will not be valuable and credits will usually not be able to transfer to other schools, said Lena Welch, dean of Trevecca's school of arts and sciences.

In preparation for the reaccreditation

and to ensure that Trevecca students' future degrees will not lose their values, the biggest focus right now is the QEP, or Quality Enhancement Plan, required by the accrediting body.

QEPs identify ways the university will improve student learning, and everything in the QEP must show that proposed changes will improve student learning, Welch said. Common QEPs include focuses on writing skills or intercultural education.

Trevecca has not officially decided upon a QEP at the present time but will probably make that decision within the next month.

Trevecca is one of the last SACS-accredited schools to complete a QEP, said university provost Stephen Pusey. The association started requiring them eight years ago, right after Trevecca was last reaccredited.

"It's almost like the entire institution is trying to do a Ph.D. dissertation," Pusey

At this point, the only change students might notice would be in their syllabi. Professors must now estimate how many hours homework and assignments will take. This requirement comes from the federal

Trevecca's reaccreditation work is mostly behind-the-scenes at this point. However, with the QEP due in the fall and accreditation reviewers evaluating the campus in March of 2013, next year's students will be more informed about the reaccreditation work and the OEP.

New Walmart store closer to Trevecca

By Rejane Milgliore Staff Writer

Trevecca students now have a shorter drive to Walmart.

A new store opened last month near 100 Oaks--about 4 miles from campus.

"Any time we run out of something, I go to the new Walmart and grab it. It is super convenient to go over there," said Rebekah Dunn, a senior at Trevecca.

According to store manager, Stephen Taylor, the new locaion on Powell Ave. attracts people from the Green Hills area, downtown, Vanderbilt health center, Berry Hill and the Lafayette and Murfreesboro Road area.

The estimated time from Trevecca to the new Walmart is under 10 minutes driving time, and students said that they enjoy having a closer Walmart to campus.

The new Walmart also offers



New Nashville Walmart closer to campus. Store number 5616, located at 2421 Powell Avenue Photo by Rejane Migliore

new job opportunities for students.

"I think we will have some partnerships with colleges in the near future," Taylor said. "We are flexible with our hours, we have flexible shifts so we can work with college schedules, and that is why a lot of college students come to us looking for positions."

Last year, Nicole Hubbs, Trevecca's coordinator for junior and senior programs, sent an email to all Trevecca undergraduates saying that a Walmart store was opening and that they were going to employ 200 to 300 people.

psychology major at Trevecca, is em- McLaney said. ployed at the new Walmart store as the manager of the photo center. She works five days a week and usually eight to nine hours a day.

"[The new store] is closer, more convenient, safer and cleaner. Several students have contacted me to try to see if they could get a job

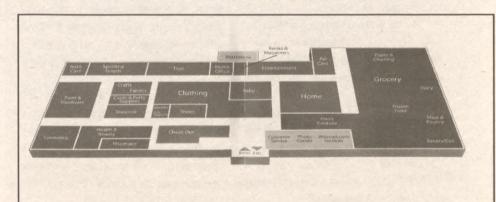
Other students said they also think the new store is safer than the store on Nolensville Pike.

The new store received more than 1,000 applications in one month and has hired 100 people.

This store is the only prototype in the Nashville area. It is open

Brittany McLaney, a former since they know that I work there," 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is half the size of most Walmart Supercenters with 92,000 square

> "It is a lot to take in because I have to learn where everything is at the store because it's not assembled like the other ones, but it is very nice," senior Melissa Woods



Map of the new Walmart, located at 2421 Powell Avenue, near 100 Oaks

Letter From the Editor



Thanks for picking up the latest issue of Trev-Echoes.

Last month, students picked up over 500 copies of TrevEchoes within the first 36 hours of distribution.

Thank you for that!

The TrevEchoes staff works really hard to produce a paper that I'm very proud of. I can't thank my editorial staff enough. Together as a team, we're able to break

news and generate a paper that gets people talking.

I love walking into the cafeteria to see a group of

students huddled around the latest issue.

I owe much of our success to you, our readers.

Thank you for reading TrevEchoes and talking with your friends.

Please continue the conversation. Write a letter to the editor. What do you think about the new Books Fly Free policy? Do you plan on taking an online summer course? Tell us what you think. Ask us questions. You might just see your letter in the next issue.

Sincerely,

Katie Schimmelpfennig

Visit www.micahmandate.com for social justice stories written by Trevecca journalism students



In Review: The Fault in Our Stars



Todd Osborne
Copy Editor

Books are good for the soul. They take us out of our own world and transport us to a place where anything is possible, where magic is real and nothing bad ever happens.

And while this is often true in books that we choose to read, this is hardly ever the case in John Green's novels, especially not in his by turns hilarious and heartbreaking new novel The Fault in Our Stars.

The Fault in Our Stars tells the story of Hazel Grace Lancaster and Augustus Waters, two kids with cancer who have to struggle each day to just stay alive. Their story is realistic and gritty, deftly straddling the line between tragedy and comedy that makes Green's works so brilliant.

In this novel, Green accomplishes something that is rarely seen in books about cancer patients: he creates fully realized characters who the reader invests in without overly sentimentalizing them. Hazel and Augustus are not endowed with wisdom because of their battles with cancer; neither are they saints whose sole desire is to encourage other cancer patients. They are both regular teenagers who also happen to have cancer.

In fighting against the norms of the usual cancer novel, Green is able to transcend that very mold and create something greater than a novel merely about two teenagers with cancer. Ultimately, Green has created a work that can touch anyone who has ever yearned to make an impact on the world and felt like the world couldn't care less. For Green, our life's worth is not dependent on how many people remember us; rather, our lives are defined by the choices we make. All you can really hope for at the end of your life is that you will be happy with the choices you have made.

So, The Fault in Our Stars may not be a carefree novel, but when anything, let alone a book, can challenge its audience to re-examine their lives, it deserves to be experienced. That's something that can't be said about every book that comes out, but somehow I think you'll like making the choice to read this one.

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Simple ways to prepare for post-graduation life

Editorial Staff

OK, so here's the deal. We believe God opens doors. Heck, he opens more than one door sometimes and then there's a problem.

But how can He open doors if soon-to-be graduates aren't applying for jobs?
Yes, pray! But also network, talk to Nicole Hubbs, coordinator for junior and senior programs at Trevecca, talk to professors, talk to anyone who will listen to you.

OK, senior staff, time to practice what we preach.

For some of us here at Trevecca, graduation is right around the corner.

After being handed your degree, you might find yourself asking, "Now what?"

Whather you're graduating this May December or post spring there are some

Whether you're graduating this May, December or next spring, there are some things you should be doing to prepare for the moments after you're handed your degree.

Trevecca faculty offers help during this stage of a student's life.

Hubbs is available to help students with their resumes and finding jobs after graduation.

One of the best ways to prepare for graduating and finding a job is to take advantage of the mock interviews Hubbs offers students.

Thinking about being interviewed for a job can be frightening, but if you practice over and over again, you'll feel less scared and more prepared.

These mock interviews are the best form of practice and help "get awkwardness out of the way," Hubbs said.

Another thing many students don't think about is that it's important to know people with connections in the field that they're trying to join. This is the extra step that will help students stand out more, Hubbs said.

Before doing anything else, however, Hubbs said the first thing students should do is join Trevecca's eRecruiting site, trevecca.experience.com.

This Web site was created this past summer and allows employers to post positions and students, as well as alumni, to post their resumes.

This is the easiest way to get your resume out there because everything is in a central location, Hubbs said.

Another good Web site for finding jobs is Nashvillejoblinks.com, Hubbs said. This Web site links to different sites offering jobs in the Nashville area.

Another option for gaining connections is to attend the Nashville Career Fair on March 12 at the Holiday Inn on Elm Hill Pike in Nashville. The fair is available to juniors, seniors, graduates and alumni from the participating colleges.

There is also a Facebook page, the "Junior/Senior Year Experience at Trevecca," that was created to help get the word out about opportunities for students who are preparing to graduate and find jobs.

Of course, talking to Hubbs and getting your resume put together is one of the most important things students can do to prepare for graduation.

"I'm here for [students]," Hubbs said. "That is my purpose."

Why I don't complain (for long) about Trevecca

by Jordan Michael Taylor

Contributor

Let's be honest, we've all complained about Trevecca. Whether it's been about a teacher, curfew, assignments or rules, we've all complained. I mean, teachers can be really boring—I've been there and am there right now. We've all experienced a class where we've dozed off as the teacher read the morning devotional. Most of us have been upset at curfew when we're hanging out with our friends outside of Trevecca who can stay out later than us. We've all complained about a school assignment that seemed too demanding for the general education class we signed up for. We've all complained about the rules at Trevecca. Guys and girls can't go into each other's dorms? I mean, come on, what do they think we're going to do? It's true: we've all complained.

I'm a transfer student from a very secular university nearby. I remember coming home each day with a sinking feeling in my stomach. Each day, with a slur of vulgar curse words, a new story would be passed around school of how so-and-so slept in a car with so-and-so last night, or how one of the guys snuck in with a girl at night. This was almost a daily occurrence. The most disturbing thing, however, was how the faculty encouraged such behavior. In one of the leading faculty member's office was a box of condoms students could, and were encouraged, to take as they visited him. In fact, my old university is almost finished building their first co-ed dorm. I also remember the first day back from spring break when my professor asked the class if we had found it difficult to talk to our parents because of newly-formed, differing opinions about society now that we had spent time in his class. When we all proceeded to shake our heads with a suspicious "no," he looked at us with disappointment and said, "Well, then we have severely failed you as a university."

Then I came to Trevecca, and in my first class, Dr. Blann pulled out his devotional. Immediately, I became uneasy. Were we allowed to speak so freely about God in school? I wondered to myself as his words softly permeated the room of students. I nervously looked around. No one seemed to be on edge or offended. This was normal. Then, as I walked around the Quad and talked with friends and met new people, there was no vulgar cursing and there were no risqué stories going around. My spirits were lifted, and I went home that day without that sinking feeling I was so used to that past school year. I told myself that day that I would never complain about Trevecca because of how the atmosphere was compared to my old school. That promise has slowly dwindled as Trevecca has become more of a routine for me and a lasting experience. I find myself complaining every now and then about teachers, rules, and other such things, but when I do, I remember my old school and how rebellious it was and how lucky I am that I go to a school that is on the right track morally. As soon as I remember my past, my complaints quickly disappear.

In Review: Making Mirrors by Gotye



Todd Osborne

Copy Editor

Fame is an interesting thing, especially in this day and age. Anyone can become "famous." Think of the last year. People as diverse as Antoine Dodson (the "hide your kids, hide your wife" guy) and Rebecca Black have dominated the pop culture landscape with little reason (or, some might argue in the case of Black, talent). In a landscape where anything can become popular, it can be hard to find music that is actually worthy of its popularity.

Into this scene strolls Wally De Becker (better known

by his stage name Gotye). The Belgian-Australian singersongwriter has been making music for over ten years but did not achieve international success until recently, when his song "Somebody That I Used to Know" became a worldwide sensation, hitting the top of music charts all over the world, reaching #27 on the U.S. Billboard Hot 100 chart, and spawning numerous YouTube covers.

This song, however, does not even scratch the surface of what Gotye is capable of. Over the course of his album Making Mirrors, the listener is brought through the highs and lows of life and relationships. The slow-burning "Somebody That I Used to Know" chronicles a relationship gone sour, while the infectiously upbeat "I Feel Better" speaks of the joy of new love.

Throughout the album, Gotye inverts listeners' expectations. His clear, tenor voice becomes a synthesized bass in the verses of "State of the Art," creating an eerie effect that is best experienced as a part of the album as a whole, and he seamlessly shifts from ballads to driving pop masterpieces.

Clearly inspired by 80s pop and proud of it, Gotye is a strange mixture of heartfelt soul and pre-packaged pop confection. It all combines together to create an album as wonderfully unique and constantly surprising as the culture that spawned it.

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Greathouse observatory: an inside look at outside exploration

By Amy Taylor

Assistant Editor

Lights on the side of each step dimly light the stairs.

Matthew Huddleston, Trevecca assistant professor of physics, carries a relatively small but powerful telescope up the stairs to the very top of the Greathouse Science Building where the observatory is located. Huddleston takes each step carefully to ensure the telescope makes it in one piece.

Once the staircase ends, Huddleston takes the final step onto the floor of the observatory and places the solar telescope in the center.

It is difficult to see anything in the dark dome until Huddleston pushes a button.

The top of the observatory begins shifting clockwise and a small hole in the dome begins to open, letting light inside.

Recently, the dome has been working better than before. Students used to have to push the dome to get it to move because the electronic movement wasn't working right, Huddleston says.

The observatory isn't "as nice as I'd like it to be," but it works, Huddleston says after the light fills the inside of the dome.

There are three telescopes that can now be seen.

Occasionally, one of the telescopes is used for night viewing, Huddleston says. Seeing the sky at night is difficult though, because the observatory is so close to downtown Nashville and all of its man-made light.

The third telescope is not in good working condition and should be tossed out, Huddleston says.

None of the telescopes are permanently placed in the observatory yet, but that doesn't affect their working power.

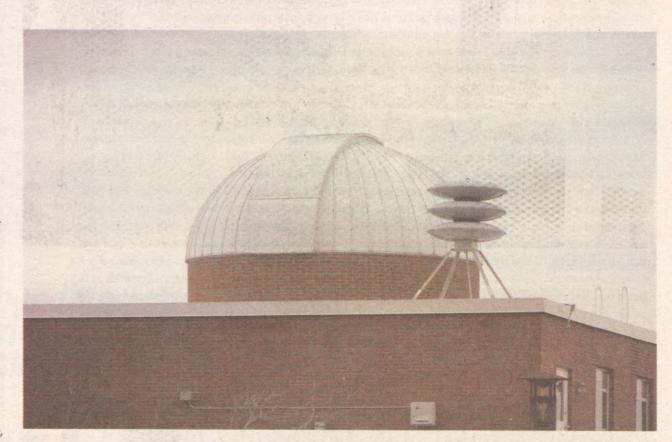
The solar telescope, the one that is used most often, is meant for daytime use, looking at the sun. It was purchased by the physics department one and a half years ago under a NASA grant.

The telescope itself "doesn't look like much," Huddleston says, but it's still powerful. Sun flares can be seen through the telescope.

"You can see a lot of detail on the surface of the sun with this," Huddleston says.

As of now, Huddleston is unable to take pictures with the telescope, but he's working on changing that so that the physics department can get nice pictures of the sun.

"It's kind of like a poor man's space program," Huddleston explains.









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Two pictures above: The mission control center on the bottom floor of Greathouse.

That's not all the observatory is used for though.

It's also used for tracking the balloon flights the science department launches.

Huddleston clips a large tracking antenna to the hole in the dome to demonstrate how it's used when a balloon is launched.

Students from Huddleston's physics, issues in science and earth and space science classes help in the observatory and man the balloon flights. They track the balloon's location via the antenna, which automatically uploads the balloon flight's information online.

The first balloon flight occurred in the fall of 2009 under Trevecca's Near Space Research program, which began the same year.

"It's kind of like a poor man's space program," Huddleston explains.

Huddleston and his students launch a weather balloon with a command module attached that includes a GPS system. The balloon then heads 20 miles into the stratosphere. A wide-angle lens is also attached to the device, taking pictures above the earth about every five seconds.

Huddleston and some of his students chase the weather balloon down, sometimes as far as Chattanooga.

The balloon launches take place a couple of times each semester.

The place where all the behind-the-scenes work is completed is in a room on the bottom floor of Greathouse.

Most people don't realize the door to the room is there. The room is a secret because most people on campus don't know about it, Huddleston jokes as he unlocks the door.

A cluttered room is revealed.

There is almost no room to walk around. A whiteboard to the right of the entryway shows information about the next balloon flight, which will take place this spring.

The circuit boards students built, the parachutes and the pods for the balloon flights are all kept in this room.

As Huddleston looks through materials scattered on a long desk, he explains that the science department is working to develop a valve helium system, which would allow for longer, more controlled balloon flights.

If the system fails, though, the balloon could end up over the Atlantic Ocean, so they're trying to perfect it, Huddleston says.

Huddleston is also looking to add more items to the Greathouse roof, such as engineering projects. Huddleston is hoping to have wind mills and solar panels for student use one day.

The science department is taking everything one step at a time, though. Always learning from the past, but looking toward the future.



The view of campus as seen from the observatory.

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Lady Trojans play through the pain

By Tyler Comer

Staff Writer

Another injury leaves the Lady Trojans (8–14) with only seven healthy players. Sophomore point guard Rachel Bollinger suffered a broken wrist, adding another name to the already filled injury report.

The team now has only seven healthy players, not including Chelsey Taylor who is playing with a torn ACL, to play the remaining six games left on their schedule.

"This team is special, they just have so much heart," said head coach Gary Van Atta.

Despite all of their injury woes, the Lady Trojans have been playing well as of late, winning against Blue Mountain by 36 and losing the prior two games by a combined total of nine points. One loss came in overtime and the next in double overtime.

Freshman guard Hailey Felker played a combined 95 minutes in the overtime and double overtime games due to the lack of

healthy players.

"Despite the injuries, our girls have stayed hungry. Over the last couple of games, we've had a lot of players set personal bests in scoring, rebounding and assists," said Van Atta.

The personal bests include junior forward Anissa Ragland with 20 points against Blue Mountain, sophomore guard Anna Mitchell with 23 points against Blue Mountain and junior Rachel Raby who recorded her eighth double-double of the season.

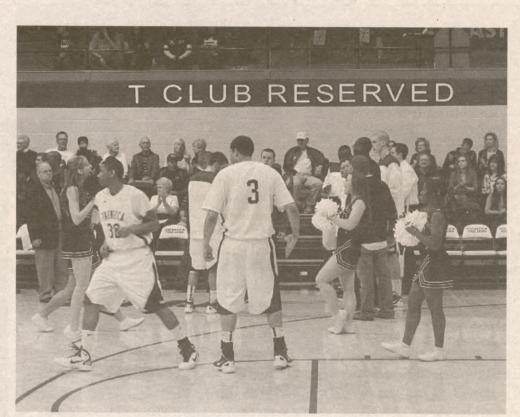
"Our goal for the rest of the season is not to worry about the NCCAA tournament and to focus on the next game," said Van Atta.

The Lady Trojans would have to win each of their last six games this season to qualify for the NCCAA tournament.

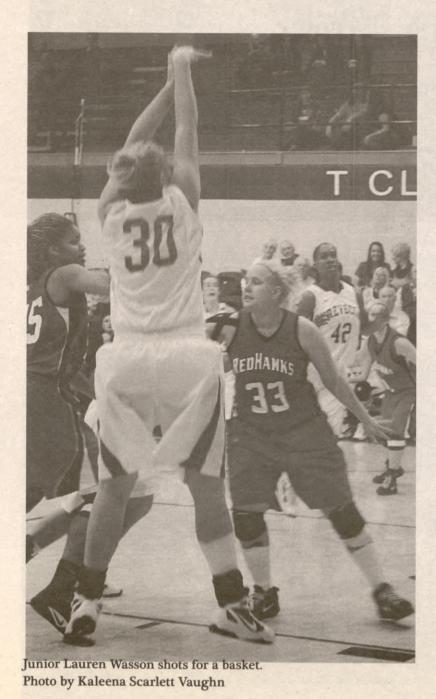
The Trojans are 2-4 against the teams that remain on their schedule. However, Van Atta did say that even with a record under .500, the Ladies could still go to the tournament if they go on a late season run.



Trojans shoot for a foul shot. Photo by Kaleena Scarlett Vaughn



Trevecca Cheerleaders and Trojans celebrate the Trojans win. Photo by Kaleena Scarlett Vaughn



Trevecca Cheerleaders cheer on the Trojans. Photo by Kaleena Scarlett Vaughn

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New policy implemented to avoid robberies during basketball games

By Tyler Comer

Staff Writer

The lower level of the gym will now be locked during all home basketball games.
The change was made by Athletic Director

Mark Elliott and Trevecca's security staff.

"The change had to be made. We have had cases of vandalisms and robberies," said Elliott.

Elliott said the gym was a gateway to many things such as the workout room, racquetball courts and even a couple of classrooms. There are many ways to enter the building and get to the gym locker rooms or the gym to watch games without paying admission.

"We estimated that we were losing about \$200 a night in admissions," said Elliott.

The loss of \$200 a night, matched with the vandalism and robberies that were taking place, made the choice clear for the time being, he said.

Trevecca security does have an idea of who the perpetrator is and, if caught, the policy change may be reversed.

New sports to come to Trevecca

By Tyler Comer

Staff Writer

New sports teams could be added to the list of Trevecca athletics in the future.

Before the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year, an athletic task force was formed at the request of Trevecca's president Dan Boone.

The committee was charged with exploring potential improvements and changes that can be made to TNU's athletic program.

"Several sports were discussed, including football, tennis, track and swimming," said athletic director Mark Elliott.

Elliott said that even though the new sports options have been discussed, nothing is likely to happen in the near future.

Because of Trevecca's current transition into NCAA Division II, administration has too much on their plate to try to add a sport right now.

Track would be the most logical to add in the near future because the school already has a cross country team, and no additional facilities would be needed to compete, Elliot said.

Tennis would then be the second choice.

Trevecca administration is in the process of building two new courts on campus. In order for Trevecca to field a team, they would have to have six total courts. Elliott said that if this is the direction they want to take, there is additional construction space where the courts are currently being built.

Swimming was also discussed, but a swim team may not come about for quite some time for a couple reasons.

Trevecca has a pool, but it is condemned and will most likely have a weightroom for athletes built over it in the near future.

Also, the pool is 25 yards, and the standard for hosting competitions is 25 meters.

Lastly, and certainly not least, football was discussed.

Elliott said that no football team is in Trevecca's immediate plan, but it is something that has been looked into.

"We've looked at models, we've spent time and money on the project, and it's something that a few of the teams in our new conference will have," said Elliott.



Junior Lauren Wasson shots for a basket. Photo by Kaleena Scarlett Vaughn



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February Trojan Home Games

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Men's Basketball

Feb. 23 @ 8 p.m. vs. Union University

Baseball

Feb. 18 @ 12 p.m. vs. Taylor University
Feb. 21 @ 2 p.m. vs. Tenn. Weslyan
Feb. 24 @ 2 p.m. vs. Indiana Weslyan
Feb. 25 @ 12 p.m. vs. Indiana Weslyan

Softball

Feb. 20 @ 3 p.m. vs. Tenn. Weslyan Feb. 28 @ 4 p.m. vs. Freed-Hardeman

For more information on the Trojan's away games and results, visit TNU Trojans online at www.tnutrojans.com

Trevecca students makeover local church building



Daniel Jetton, Benson Hall resident director, and C.J. Bradley, Benson Hall assistant resident director, fix a broken sink at Trinity Church of the Nazarene. Photo by Katie Schimmelpfennig

By Katie Schimmelpfennig

Editor-in-Chief

Early on a recent Saturday morning, around 50 of Trevecca's students helped to renovate a local

Extreme Church Makeover was planned by the missions club under the guidance of Amanda Pound, the club's president.

The idea was formed back in September.

Multiple groups of students, including missions club members and Georgia Hall and Benson Hall residents, participated in the senior project.

About four miles from Trevecca sits Trinity Church of the Nazarene. The church serves its community, led by senior pastor Mike Proctor, a Trevecca

Proctor graduated this past May and serves his congregation in what was once a large church events," said Daniel Jetton, Benson resident direcwith few usable rooms.

"They need a good community place to come," Proctor said.

By teaming up with Trevecca, his church was renovated by painting, fixing holes in walls, cleaning mold and organizing six different rooms.

Lunch was served at 11 a.m., but students have been easily achieved. wanted to finish their tasks before indulging in pizza.

Georgia Hall resident hall association members were there to support Pound, and Benson Hall

staff came to help because the mission club reached out to include them as well.

"This was one of the most well-organized

Working all day starting at 8 a.m., students transformed rooms, such as the nursery where "no mom would want to leave a baby" before, Pound

Without student help, none of this could

"I was just amazed by how many people came out to support it," said Rebekah Dunn, associated student body director of student services.

Sex therapist visits TNU; opens honest conversations

By Brennen Finchum

Staff Writer

It's not enough for young Christians to be just told "don't" about sex. They must also learn the "how" and "why," according to a sex therapist who visited campus last

"God cares about how we conduct ourselves as sexual beings, even as single adults," Michael Todd Wilson told Trevecca students.

Wilson, a Christian counselor and sex therapist from Atlanta and co-author of the book Soul Virgins: Redefining Single Sexuality, spent a day on campus last week discussing issues such as sexuality, masturbation and same-sex attraction with Trevecca students.

In addition to speaking in chapel, about 140 students went to sessions designed for men and women to have a chance to discuss sex with Wilson.

About 100 girls participated in a Fireside Chat and about 40 guys went to the Men's Confessions. These sessions and chapel were co-sponsored by the counseling center and the Chaplain's Office.

"It was purely informational, not only was he able to answer questions people had but he gave us explanation," said Averi Pennington, a sophomore.

All questions were answered with an emphasis that sex is for intimacy in marriage.

"Sex was never intended to be experienced outside of a real relationship," said Wilson.

But for sexual beings not yet in a marriage relationship, waiting can be difficult, he said.

"I think we as the Christian church have done a terrible job with regard to explaining waiting for sex until marriage," said Wilson.

According to xxx.church.com, an anti-pornography ministry, 43 percent of all internet users watch porn. One out of every three of those users are women. "Sex" and "porn" are among the top 5 search terms for kids under 18. The average age at which a child sees porn is 11-years-old.

When asked what sexual issues Trevecca students struggle with the most, Daniel Smith, former student body chaplain, said pornography and masturbation.

"Ultimately sexuality is about relationship," said

Many times, men and women use sexuality to deal with non-sexual issues. Some of these are loneliness, stress, anger, and sleepiness. These are relational problems rather than sexual, he said.

"If you're doing sexual things to deal with non-sexual problems, then find non-erotic solutions," said Wilson.







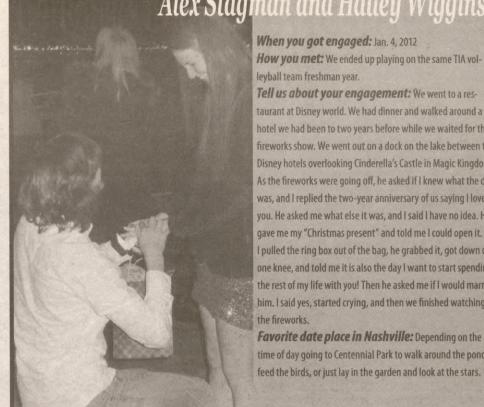
When you got engaged: Jan. 2, 2012

How you met: We met in our Freshmen LEAP class. We both noticed the other's smile right away, but didn't talk at first. Then at a project site, Maranda swung on a vine, and fell flat on her back in front of me. She definitely fell for me!

Drew Lewis and Maranda Moor

Tell us about your engagement: I was headed to visit Maranda and her family over Christmas break, so I asked her Dad if he could meet with me before I was expected to be at the house. We met for dinner, and I asked him if he would give us his blessing. Then we recorded a portion of our talk and completed a special video I had made for the proposal. We exchanged gifts, and I surprised her with the video and then got down on one knee. Her family was there, and it was the best night of our lives. .

Favorite date place in Nashville: Game night with friends and chocolate cake from Stoney



Alex Stagman and Halley Wiggins When you got engaged: Jan. 4, 2012

> leyball team freshman year. Tell us about your engagement: We went to a restaurant at Disney world. We had dinner and walked around a hotel we had been to two years before while we waited for the fireworks show. We went out on a dock on the lake between the Disney hotels overlooking Cinderella's Castle in Magic Kingdom. As the fireworks were going off, he asked if I knew what the day was, and I replied the two-year anniversary of us saying I love you. He asked me what else it was, and I said I have no idea. He gave me my "Christmas present" and told me I could open it. As I pulled the ring box out of the bag, he grabbed it, got down on one knee, and told me it is also the day I want to start spending the rest of my life with you! Then he asked me if I would marry him. I said yes, started crying, and then we finished watching

Favorite date place in Nashville: Depending on the time of day going to Centennial Park to walk around the pond, feed the birds, or just lay in the garden and look at the stars.

Daniel Smith and Lauren Boyer

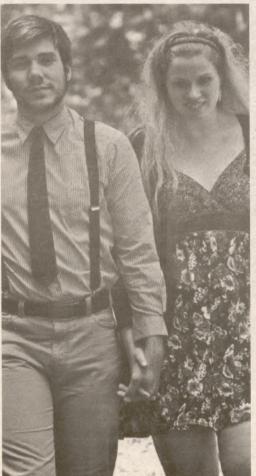
When you got engaged: Jan. 6, 2012

How you met: We met officially on TN District Impact Team in high school, but reconnected during speed dating for Cupid's Big Fat Love Extravaganza in 2010.

Tell us about your engagement: On the night he proposed, we were planning on going to dinner before my brother's art show in downtown Franklin. When Daniel got there to pick me up he said he would take me to dinner on one condition; he had something to show me. He drove us down to the river, and we got out to walk the rest of the way. Even though I thought this was strange, I didn't think he was proposing at all. The thought crossed my mind, but I honestly didn't think it was going to happen so soon. I just thought he was doing something romantic, but then I saw a light in the distance. As we approached the light, I saw that the entire path had been lit. Daniel had been collecting glass root beer bottles for months, and he had cut off the bottom of them and put them over votive candles. When I saw all the other candles, Daniel started playing our song on his iPhone while we walked the rest of the path. We came up to a clearing that had a circle of candles and bottles around it. He got down on one knee and asked me to be his wife. After he proposed, he showed me the hammock he had hung in the woods for us and the tree house he had started building! We went up into the tree house which overlooked all the candles and the river. It was a beautiful, perfect proposal!

Favorite date place in Nashville: Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Peter's Sushi, or the dollar





Hamil Rich and Emy Smith

When you got engaged: Jan. 28, 2012

How you met: We were both on our way to our dorms for curfew when we first met. Hamil was in the hub hanging with some pretty girls (he was in demand at this time when everyone thought he was a Jonas brother), and I was just passing through after a late night orchestra rehearsal. As I walked by and waved, I was startled; he roared and screeched at me like a raptor! So of course I screeched back. In that moment we knew we were perfect for each other....

Tell us about your engagement: It was our one-year anniversary, and Hamil decided to plan the entire day. First, we went to the Nashville Zoo and had dinner at P.F. Chang's. When we got in the car after dinner, Hamil blindfolded me. I was so nervous; I wasn't sure if he was going to murder me or propose, so it really built up the anticipation. On the car ride to the murder/proposal sight he turned on our favorite song, 'Pretty Eyes" by Neon Rain. With my eyes shut, Hamil led me out of the car, through some grass, up a ladder, through a tunnel....I was confused! When I took off the blindfold we were on top of the playground at Dragon Park where we had our first kiss exactly a year before. There were hundreds of candles lit, and he was on one knee with a guitar. He sang a song he wrote for me, and then asked me to marry him. We cried like babies (he cried more, but he will deny it). It was so perfect!

Favorite date place in Nashville: Green Hills Regal Cinema. We go way too often. We always get our pictures taken in the photo booth and play the

Clark Modesitt and Taylor Bealieu

When you got engaged: December 20, 2011

How you met: We met freshman year in high school. It took me a while, but I finally got up the courage to ask her out senior year and we've been together ever since.

Tell us about your engagement: We went out for our three-year anniversary on December 20th. We had planned on going out to dinner and also going around town to look at the lights with our last stop being at Opryland Hotel. As we made our way to the outside portion of the hotel's lights, I stopped and popped the question.

Favorite date place in Nashville: Probably our two favorites are Pei Wei and McDougal's.



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