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# RINGS BY SPRING

### By Jonathan Franzen Crescent Staff

In the face of declining marriage rates and a glut of unmarried women, George Fox University announced Friday that polygamy would now be officially endorsed by administration. Reportedly, each member of a polygamous marriage will enjoy the same benefits bestowed by the university upon those in committed, monogamous unions.

"This is a momentous step forward," said a member of the board of trustees. "This has been a long time coming. No man at George Fox University should have to graduate unwed. And wed. And then maybe wed again.'

Notably, only polygamous relationships are acceptable under the university's new code of student conduct: polyandry, or a relationship

between a single woman and multiple men, remains disallowed.

"Marriageable men are endangered," said another member of the board. "And it's a truth universally acknowledged that any graduating male student in possession of an empty ring finger must be in want of some wives."

"Besides" another administrator included "one woman and multiple men? That's just an abomination ?

One student group on campus, the Sons of Solomon, have been campaigning for this change, and are glad to see the legislation come through.

"Solomon had three hundred wives," said Alexander Corpus III, the group's spokesman. "And seven hundred concubines. He was a total bro. Imagine the kingly parties."

"Look," said an anonymous member of the

Sons of Solomon, "I'm a business major. I'm gonna bring home tons of bacon. And if I only have one wife, she'll eat all of the bacon. And then she'll gain weight, and so what's even the point?"

"Women have feelings?" responded a member of the board of trustees when asked how women might feel about the rule.

Some other students, and many professors, expressed concern.

"Wait, this is total [redacted] joke, right?" said senior Izzy Anderson.

An addendum to the rule stipulated that wives would be provided for athletes.

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## **ROBIN BAKER DISCOVERED TO** HAVE BEEN TWO CHILDREN IN A COAT THIS WHOLE TIME



## **NEW FEES** ANNOUNCED

By Kosette Isakson Crescent Staff

Y eorge Fox University (GFU) will put some new student fees in place beginning in the 2016-17 school year. These will mostly include charges for the use of various GFU resources.

The money collected by the new fees will go toward covering the increasing cost of keeping the campus running. Students will be charged for all of the following: Using the electrical outlets in the classrooms, library, and Bruin Den

- Checking out library books
- Posting or publishing any photos taken on the GFU campus
- Using library computers
- Swearing or using any expletives while on GFU property
- Throwing recyclables into the trash
- Using campus restrooms
- Checking grades on myGFU

Cutting across the quad (not using sidewalks)

The student body fee charged at the beginning of the year will also increase to cover some new costs, including Robin Baker's personal coffee fund, louder chimes for the clock tower, and a new athletic facility for football players only.

The administration assures students the money from these news fees and charges will go toward giving everyone a quality college experience.

By John Weinert Crescent Staff

The George Fox University community was shocked this week at the revelation that current president Robin Baker is actually two children in an oversized trench coat

"In retrospect, I should have been able to tell," said Brad Lau, vice president of Student Life. "That moustache is obviously fake."

This marks the first time a GFU president has been found to be a child, as well as the first time one has been multiple people. The discovery has sparked some controversy.

According to Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer Ted Allen, "There's normally a minimum age requirement of 18 to be president. But, I guess [the two children that compose Baker]'s ages add up to that, so it's fine. Plus, we're actually very happy with his, their, leadership,

According to Baker himself, this is all just a misunderstanding. "We were just trying to get into an R-rated movie," said Baker's legs. "And then things just sort of got out of control '

This comes on the heels of last month's discovery that provost Linda Samek is actually her twin trying to get out of taking a test.

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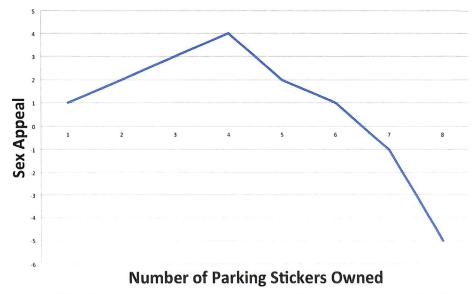
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# **CLOCK TOWER** BRINGS CULT TO CAMPUS

By Denny Muia Crescent Staff

The great thing about scientists is that they're always right. Not like those philosophy or English majors, who have no idea what





### By Denny Muia **Crescent Staff**

The clock tower has long been a symbol for the university. Forget, for the moment, that pretty much every university to ever exist has had a clock tower. Ours is special.

But a select group of students has taken the clock tower symbolism one step further. Once a month, on the night of the full moon, they put on their robes, their wizard hats, and their "Robin Baker's Mustache" pendants. These students then encircle the clock tower, and spend 50 minutes in contemplative worship.

"I guess the goat sacrifice bothered me at first,"

said one anonymous initiate, "but after a while, you just sort of get used to it." While the worship of the clock tower is explicitly forbidden in the lifestyle contract, these students have decided the risk is well worth it.

"Where else can we hear Christmas songs in April?" commented one senior member. And indeed, what would George Fox University do without hourly renditions of "The Sugarplum Fairy," or "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"?

Some conspiracy theorists have suggested that the cult is also responsible for the deterioration of the trees on campus.

"It is heresy that anything, tree or otherwise, be compared in height to the almighty tower," said one hooded cult member. "The trees are an affront to the majestic centrality of the great Time-Giver, and so shall be cut down.'

Additionally, the cult has been protesting the recent GFU logo change. "I understand their concerns," said one anonymous college administrator, "but a logo featuring the cross of our lord and savior Jesus Christ is really old fashioned. As an institution we want to shape our identity around a Division-III football team."

No word yet on whether or not chapel credit will be given for attending the monthly meetings.

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## **STUDY LINKS PARKING** STICKERS & SEX APPEAL



An interdisciplinary study conducted by the psychology and biology departments has concluded that there is a strong correlation between the number of parking stickers on a student's car and the student's physical attractiveness.

"It makes total sense when you think about it," said biology major Cody Heally. "Having more parking stickers on your car proves that you're older and more mature: hence, more attractive."

The study was inspired by the staggering number of students who proudly display last year's permits on their windshields. According to the survey, "It gives students a measure of confidence. Proving that you're not a freshman is incredibly important to a college student's psychological wellbeing."

An anonymous female student, who identified herself as a "three-to-four sticker girl," explained, "I don't know what it is, but when I see a vehicle with more than two parking stickers, I became physically aroused. I immediately have more respect for the person who drives that car."

The survey also indicated that parking-stickerinduced attractiveness drops off sharply after four stickers. In fact, those with five or more stickers score consistently lower marks on the "objective sexiness scale" created by the survey.

"It's great that we got to do this study," said Biology Professor Jeffrey Duerr. "It's important that the university continue to do research. We need more pictures of students in lab coats for our marketing material."

PHOTO JOHN BURGESS



# **GFU INTRODUCES** FOOTBALL MAJOR

## CERTAIN SPORTS WILL NOW HAVE ACADEMIC **RECOGNITION AS OFFICIAL MAJORS**

### By Kelsey Hershberger Crescent Staff

ew and exciting changes are taking place for the 2016-17 term at George Fox University. After orchestrating the return of the football program in 2014, fielding the first team in 46 years, GFU has announced it will be adding football to the list of majors and minors offered.

While decisions are still being finalized on the exact required classes and credit hours, Coach Chris

KL.

Casey is hopeful that the major will be ready by the 2017 spring term.

"This whole project has come to together deceptively quickly, much like many of our players," Casey said.

The football major will be drawing on the talents of several professors from existing departments within GFU. Dr. Nicholas Willis, professor of mathematics, will be teaching a class on the math needed in the game. Willis said that "FB110 or 'Game of Two Halves' will be a lecturebased class where students will learn the proofs

needed to give 110% in every game." New talent will also be involved in the program.

Newly hired Dr. Thelonius Tweed will be teaching the history portion of the program. Students will learn and use the phenomenon of a team which is better than their record indicates to their advantage, calling into question that history is only written by the winners

PHOTO: JOHN BURGESS



## Number of Balls Lost $\bigcirc$ = 50 Golf Balls



70% of Golfers say they are more confident in their diving skills

10% hired on dive rescue teams





## MEN'S BASKETBALL DESTROYS AT MINI HOOPERS TOURNAMENT

By Megan Westby Crescent Staff

arch opened with the Bruins' very own men's basketball team going 5-1 at the V U9 Basketball Blast Tourney.

"We came in with a strong advantage," said Brad Cummings. "We had three, four feet on evervone!"

It's the first league victory for the men this season.

Head Coach Ruth Tater Gingerburn was pleased with her players' performance, "We wanted to go somewhere we'd be successful. Traditionally the Bruin men have done very well at these peewee tournaments" she said

Starting point guard Chad Brummings was elected MVP for his stand-up athletics. Brummings earned the most points in the tournament, dunking 15 balls in the first ten minutes during the third matchup.

"We love those six foot nets. It's great to feel like a woman," Brummings gloated, referring to GFU's women's team, which for the second consecutive season reached the national tournament







GRAPHIC: MICK HANGLAND-SKILL

"I'm definitely putting the Bruins into my bracket," said computer science major John Vanille. "I was thinking about the Gladstone Blue Fire Lions, but man, they play like kids!"

Support the Bruins next against the Friendsview Silver Foxes on April 31.

PHOTO: GFU ATHLETICS





## NO SEX IS SAFE SEX



### By Adrienne Speer Crescent Staff

C cientists surmise that men think about sex every five seconds. Women, according to most male pastors, don't think about sex at all. But no matter whom you listen to, most of us can agree that our flagrantly promiscuous culture embraces sexuality much too freely

A person can hardly go grocery shopping anymore without getting turned on, bombarded by offensive magazine covers of women wearing bathing suits or seductive pencil skirts, accompanied by suggestive text like, "Turn him on in 5 seconds!" "Lingerie we Love!" or "Are you wearing the correct bra size?"

For years, Christians have combated sexual immorality from the bottom up, teaching children and teens and young adults to save sex for marriage. While this tactic usually works 100% of the time and

results in healthy married relationships, I recently met a couple who made me realize even sex within marriage is too much of a concession to the Evil One

## *"ONCE YOU'RE* DEFILED, YOU CAN'T **EVER GET YOUR BEAUTIFUL GIFT** BACK"

Meet Jimmy and Belle Macon, GFU seniors who have been married for two years and have not yet slept together. "Literally, I sleep in the

bathroom," Belle said, "Jimmy is a light sleeper so he gets the bed and I get the bathtub."

The Macons practice PMP, or Post-Marriage Purity. "We both grew up wearing purity rings and reading all the purity books . . . when we got married, it seemed silly to just give up the holy and pure lifestyle we had become used to," Belle said.

The Bible teaches us that sexuality mars one's character and gets women pregnant, the one exception being the Virgin Mary, who clearly sets the gold standard for women everywhere.

In a world drenched in immorality, couples like the Macons shine out like beacons of light in the dark night.

"We just want to encourage young people to remain pure for as long as possible," Jimmy said. "Once you're defiled, you can't ever get your beautiful gift back. We plan on waiting until my thirtieth birthday."



### By Rory Phillips Crescent Staff

ecent release "God's Not Dead 2" follows the tradition of great cinematic sequels ("Rocky II," "The Hangover Part II," "Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones") by outdoing its predecessor. The second feature in Harold Cronk's evangelist opus trumps the comparatively stoic grace and rationality that "God's Not Dead" conveyed in 2014. The film comes into a fuller circle, recognizing the good in Christianity and the evil in atheism.

With such high expectations set by the first film, screenwriters Chuck Konzelman and Cary Solomon successfully achieve the daunting task of heightening

the stakes. This time, the film sets out to attain higher goals - maybe even higher than proving that God is not dead. They're out to do the impossible: prove that Jesus Christ existed, a task thankfully not yet achieved by History Channel aficionados.

## **OFF-BRAND EDUCATION?**

### By Heather Harney Crescent Staff

C ince my camera broke, I am stuck writing out my new "Ultimate Professor Dupe" list. For those of you under a rock in the canyon, a "dupe" is a duplicate or a product that is just close enough to be legitimate. My dupe videos on YouTube have garnered at least 50 likes and 75 views since I started in 2012. As an authoritative voice on all that is trendy and worth your time, these dupes are totally boss (people still say that, right?).

I have been looking hard for a dupe for Professor Doak (a Doak-dupe, if you will) and I finally found one: Professor Clair. Both dress in pressed neutral pants, classic shirts, academic vests, loafers and hair. Their facial structures pin them down as distant cousins at least nine times removed, and their voices are fairly tenor-like.

However, Doak does have something Clair will never have—a plethora of bowties. I really tried to find someone who reaches the Doak level of academic-preppy-bowtie-icon, but Clair was the closest I could find. With regard to their teaching style, I would say that Doak has more full coverage

and discussion while Clair is comfortable with th awkward silence that comes with scholarly thought.

home.

after graduation.

The film stars our favorite teenage witch Melissa Joan Hart as a high school teacher who fatefully answers a student's question (gasp!) about the work of Jesus. In response, the majority of heathen-ish students text their parents to report this disturbing behavior. Though Hart's character does the right thing, the local board of education swiftly removes her from her position, causing a rage amongst the community. It is up to Hart and her lawyer boyfriend (Jesse Metcalfe) to provide evidence of the historical

Jesus. The nonreligious opposing team, meanwhile, is represented by actor Ray Wise, who (rather fittingly) played Satan in the television series "Reaper."

Finally, Cronk has composed a film which brings the minority that is Christianity into the spotlight. Now, more than ever, the film will doubtlessly chronicle the intensive struggle the white American middle class suffers from a day-to-day basis.

They both work in Pennington House-in their classes you will read ancient books, sip Keurig-made coffee, and sit around a table talking about things; there are no papers to be written, no tests to be taken. They are both Honors professors, so I can safely say their classes are only for a select few.

For those of you looking for a professor who is no-nonsense, Professor Kathy Weiss will make you extremely giddy, but do not attempt to make her smile or laugh because she takes points off your attendance. However, ask Weiss to do a Haka (a Maori warrior battle dance), and she will-without penalizing you. She is a fierce travel companion if you need to get

Weiss is infamous for cutting in front of a hundred people and making sure you get on the plane, no matter what. My favorite dupe for Weiss is Professor Kathy Heininge. Heininge is cut from that same no-nonsense cloth, and yet she still lets her freaky Irish flag fly on Leap Day. Her classes are full of fun journals, talks about drama, and tales of pub life that we students will not have (or tell) until well

Heininge takes students to her family home in Ireland where she allows students to sleep in the barn, near the sheep. Both professors will push you to be better, and that might stress you out. But I guarantee if you take their classes, your chance of getting engaged before your graduation increase by .002%.

My final dupe is between Professor Lewis and Professor Tolkien. While I have been in both of their classes, they never seem to show up. They do, however, make us read their current projects. Lewis makes you read fiction, nonfiction, and theology, while Tolkien continues his anthropological (or Hobbitological) study of a group of Hobbits from Sherwood. I often wonder if both professors are a figment of my imagination, but Professor Gary Tandy and Professor Roger Newell (who often sub for Lewis and Tolkien, respectively) promise me that they are real and teaching at GFU.

Many of my fellow students have told me about President Robin Baker regularly having lunch with Lewis in the Bruin Den but I only ever see a (rather impressive) mustache sitting by itself.



## TANDY'S SABATICAL PLANS

By Evangelina Montelonao Crescent Staff

any of you may be wondering what sabbatical really looks like for George Tox University (GFU) professors. One can sabbatical really looks like for George Fox only picture the glamorous life of traveling to and relaxing on foreign lands, but who knows what a sabbatical truly entails?

To get the true scoop on a sabbatical we talked to Gary Tandy, chair of the Department of English and Theatre, who's on this mysterious leave. It was an interesting tête-a-tête as we danced around the issue of what really goes on during a sabbatical.

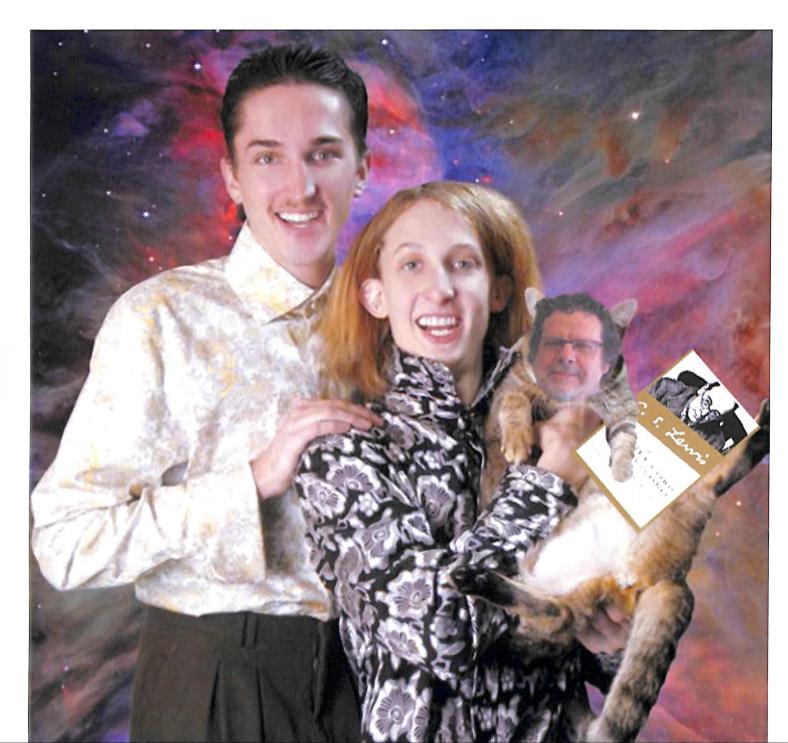
Can professors actually tear away from their passion of giving C's (which, as well we know, still get degrees), or does Tandy stay at home and bingewatch the newest season of "The Walking Dead"?

As it turns out a professor's ideal sabbatical is not at all what we anticipated. Escaping to a different country and rifling through centuries-old manuscripts only happens in the movies. Tandy has a much more relaxed schedule in mind.

A normal itinerary by day, but late at nightwhen Tandy can't seem to stay in bed much longeran idea will strike him. An idea that most students couldn't imagine our dearly quaint professor might be considering.

The idea, Tandy anticipates, will strike him as brilliant. Tandy has been living the GFA life for years now, and he's ready to break the norm.

"A wild tattoo sounds just right," Tandy said. "I'm thinking Be Known, but keep it classy."





# Too Hot to Handle SEX ADVICE COLUMN

By Adrienne Speer **Crescent Staff** 



ur resident sexpert Ariella answers the questions you aren't supposed to be

### Dear Ariella,

When my boyfriend first held hands with me, it felt incredible. But now that we've been dating for a week, I think I'm ready to go to the next level physically. How do I heat things up from here? -Melissa

Dear Melissa,





It's common among couples to find that, after the lovey-dovey honeymoon stage, the physical spark fizzles out. To keep your relationship spicy and exciting, I encourage you to experiment.

For example, next time your man reaches for your hand, try sliding your fingers down his wrist before your hands meet. Next, take your thumb and gently rub the valleys between his knuckles. This will give you both the chills—I can speak from experience!

Here's another flirtatious move to try: when he wants to hold hands with you, pull your hand out of reach and pretend to be looking for something in your purse. When he persists, let him hold only the tips of your fingers. He'll be confused and intrigued. -Ariella

Dear Ariella, How does sex work? -Curious

Dear Curious, I'm not married vet so your guess is as good as mine. I've tried googling it but I got scared. Good luck! -Ariella



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