2-1-2018

The BG News February 01, 2018

Bowling Green State University

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarworks.bgsu.edu/bg-news

Recommended Citation
State University, Bowling Green, "The BG News February 01, 2018" (2018). BG News (Student Newspaper). 9023.
https://scholarworks.bgsu.edu/bg-news/9023

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the University Publications at ScholarWorks@BGSU. It has been accepted for inclusion in BG News (Student Newspaper) by an authorized administrator of ScholarWorks@BGSU.
Why you should consider studying abroad
PAGE 3

Rent a car on campus with CarShare
PAGE 5

Men’s basketball defeats Ohio
PAGE 8
Second Chances: cast-off football players find success at mid-major programs

By Hannah Finnerty
Editor-in-Chief

Less than 30 seconds to go. Third down. A pass into the deep right corner of the end zone falls seemingly effortlessly into the hands of star wide receiver Roger Lewis with 9 seconds left.

Touchdown.

The Falcons win 45-42, bringing the team its first victory over a Power Five conference team in almost 10 years.

Lewis’ catch, though spectacular in nature, was not out of the ordinary for him. His sure, soft hands that seem to have a magnetic attraction to the ball caught 73 in that 2014 season for more than 1,000 yards receiving. He’s continued his football career with the N.F.L.’s New York Giants.

No, football always came easy to Roger Lewis. But it was other things in life that sometimes didn’t, and if not for a second chance at mid-major Bowling Green State University, his football career might have been a dream beyond his grasp. Lewis got a second chance—redemption—and statistics show that his story is not unique in the ever-increasing competition to land game-winning talent in the recruiting wars waged by Division I college football.

The Case of Roger Lewis
In high school, Lewis was a football stand out. A native of Pickerington, Ohio, Lewis had his choice of schools but committed to The Ohio State University on Aug. 9, 2011. However, his plans of playing as a Buckeye in the Horseshoe were far from secure.

His efforts on the field chalked up big wins for his high school, and he led them to the state championship game in 2011. But Lewis also found himself the subject of two rape charges in 2012.

First-degree felonies, the charges were punishable by up to 11 years in prison on each count. On one count he was acquitted, but the other case ended in a hung jury. Instead of a retrial, Lewis was sentenced to 3 years probation when he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor for falsification in exchange for dismissal of a rape charge.

“I wasn’t a troubled kid at all before that,” Lewis said. “It was a situation where someone accused me of doing something I didn’t do.”

In light of the court cases, Lewis abandoned his dreams of Ohio State. After a year at an athletic preparatory school in North Carolina, Lewis moved back to his home state to play for Bowling Green State University, a Division I school in the Mid-American Conference.

But Lewis said Bowling Green wasn’t his only offer in 2013, even in the wake of the rape trials. Lewis remained a hot commodity despite the charges; he received offers from several other mid-major schools and even a few large Power Five schools, according to recruitment data from 247 Sports. But he chose Bowling Green.

“BGSU wasn’t taking a risk. Football is football. It was just a second chance.”

— Roger Lewis—
Former BGSU football player

“BGSU wasn’t taking a risk. Football is football. It was just a second chance.”

— Roger Lewis—
Former BGSU football player

State University on Aug. 9, 2011. However, his plans of playing as a Buckeye in the Horseshoe were far from secure.

His efforts on the field chalked up big wins for his high school, and he led them to the state championship game in 2011. But Lewis also found himself the subject of two rape charges in 2012.

First-degree felonies, the charges were punishable by up to 11 years in prison on each count. On one count he was acquitted, but the other case ended in a hung jury. Instead of a retrial, Lewis was sentenced to 3 years probation when he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor for falsification in exchange for dismissal of a rape charge.

“I wasn’t a troubled kid at all before that,” Lewis said. “It was a situation where someone accused me of doing something I didn’t do.”

In light of the court cases, Lewis abandoned his dreams of Ohio State. After a year at an athletic preparatory school in North Carolina, Lewis moved back to his home state to play for Bowling Green State University, a Division I school in the Mid-American Conference.

But Lewis said Bowling Green wasn’t his only offer in 2013, even in the wake of the rape trials. Lewis remained a hot commodity despite the charges; he received offers from several other mid-major schools and even a few large Power Five schools, according to recruitment data from 247 Sports. But he chose Bowling Green.

“BGSU wasn’t taking a risk,” Lewis said. “Football is football. It was just a second chance.”

Former BGSU football coaches Dave Clawson and Dino Babers did ask Lewis about his criminal record. Lewis said, “They brought up the trials,” Lewis said. “They did consider it, but they knew I was focused on football.”

“BGSU wasn’t taking a risk. Football is football. It was just a second chance.”

— Roger Lewis—
Former BGSU football player

Second Chances continued on page 10
5 reasons to study abroad

By Meredith Siegel
Columnist

The BGSU Education Abroad Fair is coming up Thurs., Feb. 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union. I studied abroad this past summer in Alcalá de Henares, Spain. It was an incredible experience for me, so here are 5 reasons you should study abroad, if you can.

1. Access to new culture
No matter where you go, even if it’s an English-speaking country, there are going to be things that are different from America when you study abroad. It’s great to gain the perspectives of a different culture, because it gives you the ability to see your own culture in a different way. This is also what makes studying abroad fun, because you get to do new things!

2. Tons of new, delicious foods
One of my favorite experiences in Spain was trying all the new foods, even the stuff I didn’t like -- although, I loved most of it. Everyday I got to try something I don’t have easy access to in America, like paella, a rice and meat dish cooked with saffron, which is usually really expensive here. Also, the jamón, a bacon-like slice of ham, is world-famous and you can’t get it anywhere else. Foods that we don’t eat here are found all over the world, and when you study abroad, you get to try them.

3. Meet new people from all over the world
Like Americans, other people from around the world like to travel. While you are abroad, not only will you meet and talk to people from that country, but chances are you’ll meet and talk to people from other countries as well. This is a way to make lifelong friends who can learn and grow from, or you just have one conversation with someone that’ll help you remember the trip.

4. Learn new skills
One thing a lot of people mention when asked what they learned from studying abroad was independence. When you study abroad with the school, there is structure to it, but you can also travel on your own and make your own choices. Also, because things are so different than America, you’ll have to be flexible with any differences from your own life. Being in a foreign country necessitates some independence and flexibility. Those skills will transfer home.

5. More likely to get hired for a job
Employers look to see who has studied abroad, because you learn new perspectives and skills from it. According to CNN, students who study abroad are more likely to get hired right out of college. Some time abroad can give you an edge over someone else who is up for the job.
Finding your Falcon match

By Stepha Poulin
Forum Editor

Dating, or even love in general, is idealized to the extreme in media, especially whenever Valentine’s Day rolls around.

Dating has turned into a very depersonalized experience. We find ourselves using dating apps and meeting people digitally first, rather than interacting with people organically. More often than not, there’s a line of digital communication before we interact with anyone in real life.

You might feel like it’s expected of you to find a date on Valentine’s Day. We live in a culture where it’s considered absurd to be single. If you haven’t been with someone for a while, many people will think there’s something wrong with you. If your friends and family are pestering you to find a date, BG Falcon Media has an interesting opportunity for you.

Most people don’t have the picture-perfect love lives portrayed on television shows like “The Bachelor.” However, there is a show that will portray the awkward nature of dating in real life: “The Falcon Flame Game.”

This show is a modernized version of the old ABC dating show, “The Dating Game.” It will feature University students from various backgrounds getting matched up with new love interests.

There is a certain level of anonymity for participants on the show. The people searching for love will be hidden from contestants, but they can each choose a person to go with them on an all-expenses paid date.

The show will be live streamed through BG Falcon Media social media and shown on a select local TV channel.

So, why is this better than a show like “The Bachelor?”

The Bachelor is the same story every season. Some well-off, average person “falls in love” with someone fitting the same description – and the kicker is all the contestants look the same. There’s manufactured drama, hidden trust issues and tons of mainstream TV scripting.

“The Falcon Flame Game” won’t have any of that, though. This is a student production put on for students, and anyone can apply. Additionally, applicants have the opportunity to get a free date.

This production is perfect for someone searching for something serious or just a free meal. Plus, while dating apps may be convenient at first, creating a good Tinder profile requires a lot of effort. There’s also sorting through matches and dealing with responses to handle.

“The easiest way to meet people turns out to be a really labor-intensive and uncertain way of getting relationships. While the possibilities seem exciting at first, the effort, attention, patience and resilience it requires can leave people frustrated and exhausted,” an article in The Atlantic said.

So, skip the dating apps and let BG Falcon Media find a match for you this Valentine’s Day!

Why writing is my passion

By Stepha Poulin
Forum Editor

Why do I write? To me, that question is equal to if one were to ask, “Why do I breathe?” Writing is something that has always been innate to me; it is something I have always been drawn to, even as a small child. A lot of people think of writing as a chore, though.

Sometimes, I will look back at my old writings from first, second or even third grade. At times, I think those writings are almost better than my current work. There may be grammatical mistakes, or I may use words incorrectly in them; however, those writings almost seem to be a consideration of my subconscious. They give my current self a look into why I have always written or, maybe, what kind of person I am meant to be.

Even as a child, I would say I write so I could say what I really wanted to say to the world. It is easy to find myself at a loss for words when speaking face-to-face with someone. It is even easier to say the “wrong” thing at what I presume to be the “right” time. When I sit down to write, though, I have time to consider my words and think deeply about the message I am going to portray to readers. Even if I am writing something silly, a news article or any other form of creative writing, I find myself trying to deliver a message in some way.

When I write, I view it as a means to leave a mark on this world. Even if I do not live to see the impact of what I write, it is comforting to know that I am leaving behind something for people of the future to see. I never have, and I never will, intend to be a hallmark of this world’s history. Yet, it is comforting to know that, in a way, I have left my mark on this world.

If you hate writing, don’t consider this a call-to-action for you to start. Just think of how writing has shaped this world. Humanity has had so much of civilization formed around writing, from forms of art to religious doctrines.

Print might be dying, but I don’t think writing will ever go away completely. Even if artificial intelligence could replace writers, people will always want to write. Whether it’s for fun or acting as a form of therapy, writing will always be a part of the human experience.
Carless?
rent-a-car

By Macey Mullins
Reporter

The University has partnered with Enterprise CarShare to provide vehicle access to students who do not have a car on campus.

For an hourly rate, students can rent a car located on campus and available at all hours. In comparison to other car rental companies, the process to join CarShare is simple.

“You book a car, you get in and you go,” Angel Alexander, a management trainee from Enterprise CarShare, said.

To be a part of this program, you must be a University student and meet three other requirements.

“After completing the application, students are able to rent a car online and pick it up from a designated space in front of the Bowen-Thompson Student Union with an Enterprise-issued ID card that unlocks the car.”

Requirements and regulations are expressed in the short terms of the use agreement attached to the application. To be eligible to apply, renters must be 18 years old and provide a valid University email address, a valid driver’s license and a valid credit card in their name. International licenses are accepted.

After completing the application, students are able to rent a car online and pick it up from a designated space in front of the Bowen-Thompson Student Union with an Enterprise-issued ID card that unlocks the car.

Prices start at $8 an hour and are capped at $65 for a daily rate. This rate covers several services from CarShare. Renters will receive a fuel card, insurance that includes physical damage and liability protection and 24/7 member services as well as roadside assistance.

Students interested in signing up with Enterprise CarShare can do so online at EnterpriseCarShare.com/bgsu.

What the health center can do for you

By April Leygraaf
Reporter

The Falcon Health Center is a primary care facility that services the students and staff at the University, as well as members of the community. Falcon Health Center partners with Wood County Hospital to provide an array of services that aid the health of the community.

Some of the main services offered by Falcon Health Center include immunizations, laboratory services, pharmacy, women’s and men’s health services and psychological services.

According to their website, “Falcon Health Center is committed to providing excellent health services and patient care to better serve the BGSU community body.”

Women’s health is serviced through physical exams, gynecological testing, birth control and emergency contraception, pregnancy testing, assistance with eating disorders and STI and HIV testing. The center offers both prescription-required and non-prescription-required birth control. Some examples of non-prescription birth control include male and female condoms. Physicians at the health center can also perform routine examinations such as pap smears and breast exams.

For men’s health, the center offers testicular cancer screening and STI testing. Some of the sexually transmitted infections they can screen for include Syphilis, Gonorrhea, Chlamydia and Herpes.

If a student is missing a recommended vaccine, they can go to the health center to obtain that vaccine, even without doctor’s orders. Immunizations are also offered for students who may be traveling out of the country. Students can obtain any allergy injections they may need at the health center. The flu shot is also currently available for those who have not received it.

Health center continued on page 12
Church Directory

We invite you to worship with us and look forward to meeting you soon!

St. Aloysius Catholic Church

We’re on the corner of Summit & Clough St.
(419) 352-4195

St. Mark’s Lutheran Church

DNA
DISCOVER | NURTURE | ACT
315 South College, BG
419-353-9305
www.stmarksbg.org

First United Methodist Church

Welcomes You
Sunday Worship

9:00 am Non-Traditional
10:00 am Small Group gatherings
11:00 am Traditional Service with Choir
JOIN USMO! | @UMSOATBG
A student based group serving the community
Across Wooster Street from the Stroh Center
1526 East Wooster St., Bowling Green
419-353-0682

St. John’s Episcopal Church

Sunday Worship
10:00 am Traditional Service with Holy Communion

F.O.C.U.S. on campus, the student group, Friends of Campus Undergraduate Students, meets for open-minded discussion of religions, ethics, and society. Friend us at FOCUS at BGSU to find the meeting times.

All are Welcome”
www.stjohnsbg.org
1505 E. Wooster St.
corner of Wooster & Mercer, Across from Harshman Quad

St. Thomas the More

WEEKEND TIMES
Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 10:00AM
11:00AM
5:00PM
9:00PM

425 Thurston Avenue, Bowling Green, OH 43402
419.352.7555 | www.sttoms.com | @sttoms_bgsu | #BGSUSTToms

H2O Church

Church for the Campus & Community at BGSU
H2OCHURCH.COM

SUNDAYS
10:00AM DOWNTOWN BG
11:30AM ON CAMPUS
UNION BALLOON

FOCUS meets at Starbucks in the Union at 7:00pm. FOCUS engages in open minded religious discussion about topics of student interest.

“Friends of Campus Undergraduate Students, meets for open-minded discussion of religions, ethics, and society. Friend us at FOCUS at BGSU to find the meeting times.”
Brookside Church was formed in 2001 and was moved to campus in the fall of 2002. Kevin Crawford, Brookside’s Lead Teaching Pastor, has been with the church since November of its first year.

“We are not a ‘college church’ per se,” Crawford explains. “Brookside is a community church that rents on campus, but we do have a ton of students who regularly attend.”

Services are held at 10 AM in Olscamp 101 each Sunday, and in addition to offering its traditional Sunday morning service, Brookside also partners with the college ministry known as Cru that meets on Thursdays at 9 PM in Olscamp.

“Cru is all college students, while Sunday service is everyone,” Crawford adds.

For any students that are hesitant to join a new church, Crawford offers words of encouragement: “I understand that the term ‘church’ can bring up many emotions,” he says. “We are committed to helping people through whatever part of their spiritual journey they find themselves in, and we hope that we can make them comfortable.”

Brookside also offers smaller places to connect outside of a Sunday morning, known as “Community Groups”, that meet throughout the week. A Community Group is a group of people from the congregation that get together to grow in their faith and bless others in the awesome ways that Jesus did.

“Our motto is that we want to grow bigger as we grow smaller,” Crawford says. “It is hard to get to know 300 people, so we have smaller groups that get together in close friendship. These groups develop a family-like togetherness that lends itself to looking at the Bible, learning more about one another, and sharing the love of Jesus with people who don’t know Him.”

Attending a Brookside Community Group or a Cru Lifegroup is something that Crawford recommends students look into.

“College is a time where we ask a lot of big questions about life,” he says. “Doing it alone is daunting and scary.” Crawford says he hopes that if students choose to attend Brookside that they feel at home.

“No matter where they are on their spiritual journey we hope Brookside can provide a place where they feel like they belong,” Crawford said.

The Brookside Church Office is located at 126 N Main Street, and they can be contacted at 419-354-2211. For more information about Brookside Church or to view past sermons, go to www.brooksidechurch.net.

Brookside Church
A Popular On-Campus Option.

SUNDAY SERVICE | 10 A.M. 101 OLS Camp

Come as you are
SUNDAY mornings
10am @ Olscamp Hall

Helping people find their way back to God.
Men’s basketball takes down Ohio

By Jamison Terbrack
Sports Reporter

The Falcon men’s basketball team righted the ship Wednesday against the Ohio Bobcats with a convincing 66-50 win. The Falcons now sit at 4-5 in MAC play.

The Falcons ended the first half up 41-19 and were commanding the game, but they took their foot off the Bobcats’ throat in the second half.

“We didn’t come out with the same defensive intensity (as in the second half),” Coach Michael Huger said. “You preach it over and over and over again, and you come out with that lack of intensity and let a team right back in. We have been doing that all year. It is fortunate for us that they did miss those shots, but we didn’t come back with the same intensity. As a team, you get up 21 points at half time, and now you are supposed to come back in the second half and try to get it to 30 and not relax and not do things that we do not normally do.”

Huger outlined some of his second-half criticisms after the game.

“We should have gotten the ball inside more, and we have still got to execute and make layups,” he said. “We missed layups. Transition defense: we let them get going, and that was the difference in why they came back.”

Junior forward Demajeo Wiggins got back in form in this one, as he dropped 18 points to go along with 11 rebounds.

“I was very pleased with the way we played in the first half. We defended extremely well, played very hard. We rebounded well as a group. We were able to take away the three-point shooting of a very good three-point shooting team: second in the MAC in three-point shooting. I think they were 0-5 going into the half, so I was very pleased with the defensive effort and were able to get in transition and get some easy buckets in transition. Demajeo had a great first half for us.”

Another player who really stepped up his game was Antwon Lillard who had 13 points, eight rebounds, four steals and two assists.

“We wanted to do a great job of running them off the three-point line, which we did in the first half, and trying to limit those guys in transitions. Those were the two things that we had to try to limit. It’s hard to stop a team from doing that and trying to limit those actions from those guys.”

Next, the Falcons play at home Saturday against the Kent State Golden Flashes.
Falcons prepare to face Huskies

By Zane Miller
Sports Editor

The Falcon hockey team will have its final home series of the regular season against the Michigan Tech Huskies Friday and Saturday nights, and the team looks to finish the regular season strong.

The team has played against Michigan Tech earlier this year, winning 2-1 and losing 3-2 in a shootout Nov. 3 and 4, respectively, before facing them again Jan. 2 in the Great Lakes Invitational, which the Falcons took 4-1.

“I’m a huge fan of Michigan Tech’s team,” Falcons head coach Chris Bergeron said. “We’ve played them three times this year, and they are what I remember them to be in years past.”

Michigan Tech will come into this weekend after having been swept by the Ferris State Bulldogs last weekend, but the Falcons believe that this will add more motivation to the series for Michigan Tech.

“I think they’re going to be hungry because of what happened at Ferris last weekend,” Bergeron said. “I know they’re fighting for home ice, and I’m looking for them to bring a mindset here of a rivalry weekend. We’ve developed what I believe is a pretty good rivalry with Michigan Tech with the playoffs, regular season and the GLI championship, and I’m expecting a hard, fast weekend.”

“We haven’t earned home ice in the playoffs so we don’t know if this will be the last series or not.”

Though this series is the final one at home for the regular season, the team is not putting any special emphasis on the series, but they believe it could still be a factor.

“I don’t think it’s more important, but in their mind, it may be,” Bergeron said. “We haven’t earned home ice in the playoffs, so we don’t know if this will be the last series or not. I think our guys like playing at home so much. When you think back to the weekend against Alaska Anchorage and the crowd and the atmosphere, they love playing at home, and they know, for the ’17-’18 season, those numbers are dwindling in terms of the opportunities to play at home.”

After this weekend, the team will have a short break in the schedule before traveling to face the Alaska Anchorage Seawolves Feb. 15 and 16.

“It’s something that we want to empty the tank, because we have time to refill and get ready for our trip to Anchorage,” Bergeron said. “But, I don’t think that they think about it in those terms. I think they try as hard as they can all the time. It doesn’t always work out in our favor, but I do think at this age, the kids are trying really hard, especially in the home games, and I don’t think they’ll be thinking about the week off until after the game.”

Upcoming Games

Friday February 2nd, 7:30PM
VS Michigan Tech

Saturday February 3rd, 7:00PM
VS Michigan Tech

Thursday February 15th, 11:00PM
AT Alaska Anchorage

Friday February 16th, 11:00PM
AT Alaska Anchorage

Friday February 23rd, 7:00PM
AT Alabama Huntsville

Saturday February 24th, 4:00PM
AT Alabama Huntsville
Second Chances continued from page 2

Lewis’ case is not uncommon.

Group of Five schools (five conferences in the NCAA Division I that generally do not contain the football programs that are perennially nationally ranked) have made a habit of recruiting players suspended or dismissed from Power Five teams (five conferences that house dominant football teams and receive annual automatic bids to bowl games) for one reason or another.

This trend goes far beyond Bowling Green, Ohio, and has spread in the last 20 years.

And when Group of Five schools are at a recruiting disadvantage when it comes to high-talent players, why shouldn’t Group of Five coaches take the opportunity to bring talent to their teams?

Recruitment Disadvantage
Group of Five schools are at a considerable disadvantage when signing day rolls around; four- and five-star recruits, the elites of high school football, are more likely to commit to Power Five schools that can offer endless financial support, promises of national championships, big scholarships and a football-campus culture unlike any other. Even then, only a small fraction of Power Five schools reel in the big scholarships and a football-campus culture unlike any other. Even then, only a small fraction of Power Five schools reel in the big recruits, creating disparities even among “the haves” of the college football world.

Between 2014 and 2017, 129 five-star high school recruits emerged, according to 247 Sports composite rankings. Just 31 universities snatched up 129 players.

A few facts stand out from the data:
- Of those 31 schools, only one was not a Power Five school: University of Houston.
- 15 schools had only one five-star recruit.
- 16 schools recruited 88 percent (or 114) of the five-star athletes.
- Alabama destroyed the competition, picking up 21 five-star recruits over the last four years.
- Georgia and Florida State tied for a distant second, with only 11 five-stars each.

From this data, it appears an elite group of Power Five Schools have a near-monopoly on the best recruits, putting Group of Five schools and even second-tier Power Five schools at a clear disadvantage when it comes to attracting the best young talent.

Given these recruitment statistics, a Power Five school with a wealth of five- and four-star players could drop a troubling player with little impact to their season performance, knowing the following year another top-tier recruit will be added to the program.

Group of Five schools don’t have that luxury. Often, they’ll take the talent they can get.

When a skilled player from a Power Five school suddenly becomes available, but maybe with some academic, behavioral or legal baggage, an opportunity emerges for less-elite schools to pick up talent they could not secure through traditional recruitment.

A Second Chance
The decision to offer a “second chance” player is not taken lightly, coaches say.

When recruiting a player with a questionable past, on or off the field, coaches take their time.

“As the head coach, at the end of the day you’re responsible for the actions of each and every one of these individuals.”

— Mike Jinks —
BSU football head coach

S.GSU coaching staff talk to the recruit’s former coaches and trainers, but research goes beyond football. Current Bowling Green football head coach Mike Jinks said he and his staff turn over stones off the football field as well. They approach parents and former teammates to learn more about the recruit’s character and attitude. School counselors and teachers are consulted to discuss the recruit’s classroom behavior and academic prospects.

“As the head coach, at the end of the day, you’re responsible for the actions of each and every one of these individuals,” Jinks said. “So there’s a lot, a lot, a lot to deciding whether or not to give someone a second chance.”

Sometimes admitting the player is beyond the athletic department’s power. Athletic prospects approach the university application process the same as the rest of the student body, and those decisions are made in a university’s admissions office.

Adrea Spoon, director of admissions at BGSU, said in an email that the athletic department has no control over whether the university admits an athlete or not. Spoon declined to be interviewed in person.

Cases in which a recruit has a criminal history are evaluated the same way as a general applicant. If an applicant, potential athlete or not, has been convicted of a felony, the student must provide police reports and court documents to the admissions office.

“This information is reviewed by a committee made up of various campus departments/personnel who have a vested interest in balancing both an applicant’s right to an education as well as maintaining a safe living/learning/working environment for all members of the BGSU community,” Spoon said.

And even then, not every former-Power Five player gets an offer, no matter how talented.

“There are guys that we’ve researched and got more information on through last recruiting season that we didn’t bring in,” Jinks said. “I know how we want to build (the team) here, and I know the way we’re gonna build it here, and I know what is acceptable and what is not.”

Coaches do their research. Sometimes teams end up with a recruit like Lewis who took the second chance and literally ran with it. As an underclassman, he led the Falcons to two successful seasons without any other issues, legal or otherwise.

But sometimes, coaches see players throw away their second chance. Jinks emphasized that third chances don’t exist.
What on-campus political groups stand for

By Kaitlyn Fillhart
Social Media Editor

Politics has never been black and white. It is rare that people agree with all of the ideals within their parties. Political groups on-campus are like this as well. While they all do not share the same views on issues, one thing they all agree on is that it is important to be an informed citizen.

College Democrats

Main values and beliefs: Advocating for welfare, healthcare for all Americans and values of the Democratic Party.

Why is it important that your group is represented on campus?: “It’s a good counter to the University, because it seems to us that it’s a very conservative campus,” College Democrats chapter president Cooper Clarke said. “The group is a good counter balance to the majority of Republicans on campus.”

Presenters and outreach in the organization: “We work with local politicians, like the candidates that ran for City Council in Bowling Green, and helped with the Clinton campaign,” Clarke said.

Meeting time: Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Locations vary.

College Republicans

Main values and beliefs: Open markets, closed borders and the idea the American Dream is obtainable.

Why is it important that your group is represented on campus?: “It is good to have a voice from every angle of the political spectrum,” College Republicans chapter president, Garrett Reynolds said.

Presenters that come to the group meetings: “Local candidates come in to talk about their campaign and professors talk about a variety of topics and explain their reasoning on the issues,” Reynolds said.

Meeting Time: Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Business Administration 1001

Turning Point

Main values and beliefs: As a conservative-libertarian and nonpartisan group, limited government, individual liberties and capitalism, rather than socialism.

Why is it important that your group is represented on campus?: “Conservative and libertarian views are not necessarily encouraged in the classroom,” Turning Point chapter president Sophia Miller said. “College campuses have taken more of a left-wing turn in order to achieve a balance in ideas.”

Presenters and outreach within the organization: “We encourage community service and charity as part of advocating for smaller government,” Miller said. “We’re also trying to get Kimberly Corban to come in March. She’s a rape survivor and rape victim advocate.”

Meeting Time: Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Business Administration 1009

Young Americans for Liberty

Main values and beliefs: “We don’t campaign for politicians,” YAL chapter president John Demuth said. “The organization is issue-based, and the focus is on education and activism. Our perspective is based around maintaining freedom and constitutional values.”

Why is it important that your group is represented on campus?: “College campuses are moving away from classical liberal values like giving the maximum amount of individual rights as long as you’re not infringing on the rights of another person,” Demuth said. “We’re here to ensure that people know their constitutional rights if and when the University tries to restrict them.”

Outreach for the group: Handing out copies of the Constitution for student awareness on freedom of speech and assembly and having a “speech ball” where students can write whatever they want on a beach ball to demonstrate freedom of speech.

Meeting Time: Monday at 3:00 p.m. in Eppler South 116

All of the organizations stress even if someone is not completely aligned with the values of the group, all are welcome. Different viewpoints create learning opportunities and add to debates and discussions.
In terms of laboratory testing and radiology, Falcon Health Center can assist with court-ordered drug tests. It can administer X-ray scans if needed.

The health center also contains a full-service pharmacy which includes a drive through window. Students and faculty can bring any prescriptions they need refilled to the center, and the pharmacists will assist them in getting the necessary medications. There are a variety of over-the-counter medications available; however, these are not covered by insurance.

In addition to serving physical health needs, Falcon Health Center offers psychological services that include psychological evaluations and counseling.

Many students have received medical care and assistance from the Falcon Health Center over the years. “They were very informative, which was very helpful, and I felt like I could take care of myself better after going there,” freshman Reagan Shull said.

Students can learn about the Falcon Health Center and easily request appointments or fill subscriptions by making a MyFalconHealth account. An account can be created after the first appointment at the health center. After the first appointment, a token will be provided that allows temporary access to the portal while the student completes registration. Students may also obtain this token without an appointment by stopping by the health center and asking for one. MyFalconHealth account is also where billing information can be found. Parents have access to the bill, but students have the option to not disclose the reason for the appointment.

Falcon Health Center is located on the corner of South College and East Wooster Street. It is open from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The pharmacy is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.