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Soul to Seoul: Meddies get in tune with Korea



Courtesy of Jeffrey Friedlander

The Meddiebempsters, one of Bowdoin's all-male a cappella groups, toured in Seoul, South Korea, over winter break. Above, the Meddies bow after performing at the Buddhist Seoknam Monestary. See story, page 9.

Bowdoin junior dies while abroad

by Bobby Guerette
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A Bowdoin student died of unknown causes while studying in Ireland, the College announced Thursday. Taryn King '07 was studying abroad through a Butler University program at the National University of Ireland in Galway.

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley said that a Butler official told him that King mentioned to a roommate before bed that she was feeling ill. She reportedly woke up at approximately 11 a.m. local time Thursday and asked a roommate to call for emergency assistance. She died on the way to the hospital.

Bradley said that according to the program official, an emergency room doctor was unable to initially identify the cause of death. Additional details were not available.

Bradley said that counselors and deans are available to provide support at any time by calling Security.

In an all-campus email sent Thursday evening, President Barry Mills said King was "a very well-known and greatly admired member of our community."

While at Bowdoin, King majored in psychology and minored in education. In November, she received First-Team All-American honors from the National Field Hockey Coaches Association for her role on the record-setting Bowdoin Field Hockey Team. In his statement, Mills called King "one of the most talented field hockey players in Bowdoin history." She was also a member of the lacrosse team.

King had been participating in the Butler University Institute for Study Abroad program since early January.

King grew up in Georgetown, Massachusetts. She was the oldest of five children.

Bradley said that the College is in the process of planning a memorial service. A retrospective of King's life will appear in next week's Orient.

Students work to aid devastated Gulf Coast

Bowdoin accepts visiting professor, aids students in Gulf Coast projects

by Anne Riley
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When Sarah Landrum '09 returned to her hometown of New Orleans over winter break for the first time since Hurricane Katrina, she was shocked to see parts of her city still in complete devastation.

"Houses were toppled over in the street, and there were roofs with nothing under them at all. There

were piles of debris everywhere and no signs of cleaning up or rebuilding," Landrum said of the areas around where the levees broke.

"People kept telling me that I was looking at the city much improved from before, but that was hard to believe," she said.

Senior Harry Jones also saw the city with his own eyes over break for the first time since Katrina hit. The first floor of Jones's home in New Orleans had been flooded to the ceiling in the weeks following the hurri-

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College creates outlet for faculty camaraderie

by Mary Helen Miller
ORIENT STAFF

Students are not the only members of the Bowdoin community who get together for a beer on the weekends. Every Friday afternoon, faculty members are invited to gather in the Shannon Room of Hubbard Hall to have refreshments and socialize.

Last semester, in response to faculty requests, President Barry Mills took the initiative to create an outlet for faculty members to socialize.

Unlike many colleges, Bowdoin does not have faculty clubs or dining halls. Although long ago the College held a happy hour at a local bar, this tradition was discontinued and until last semester, many faculty members felt the opportunities for interaction with one another were insufficient.

Assistant Professor of Psychology Sam Putnam thinks that one of the best things about Bowdoin is the advantages that come with its small

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Bowdoin names Cristle Judd new dean of academic affairs

by Theresa Weaver
ORIENT STAFF

Cristle Collins Judd will join the Bowdoin faculty as dean of academic affairs on July 1, replacing Craig McEwen, who has held the position for the past seven years. Judd will be visiting the campus a number of times this spring to work with McEwen before taking up the deanship.

Judd will be coming to Bowdoin from the University of Pennsylvania, where she has served as a professor of music since 1993.

"I will certainly draw on my experiences at Penn as I come to Bowdoin," Judd said in an interview with the Orient.

"Although the two places are very different institutions, I have learned much at Penn about supporting undergraduate research, about issues facing the liberal arts, about a variety of teaching and learning environments, about connecting with alumni, about recruit-

ing and supporting faculty, and so forth," she said.

Judd earned her undergraduate degree in music performance at Rice University, where she studied the oboe. She also earned a master's degree in musicology at Rice. She went on to earn a second master's degree and her doctorate in music theory at King's College, University of London.

"In many ways, coming to Bowdoin is coming back to my undergrad roots at a small college," Judd said, referring to her undergraduate career at Rice.

According to Judd, Bowdoin's reputation was an important factor in her decision to seek a position at the College. She was also impressed by a short visit to Bowdoin, when she met a handful of Bowdoin faculty and students. Judd said she was especially impressed by President Barry Mills.

"[Mills] has an irrepressible energy and love for Bowdoin that is contagious," she said.



Courtesy of Candace di Carlo

Cristle Collins Judd will begin as dean of academic affairs on July 1.

Prior to working at the University of Pennsylvania, she also served at Princeton University, California State University-Fresno, the

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Brunswick to go wireless in pilot

by Nat Herz
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In a partnership with a local internet service provider, the College is planning an extensive wireless network that will provide access to both students and town residents throughout the Brunswick downtown area, Fort Andross, and even parts of Topsham. The network is a pilot project scheduled to last six months.

With a local company, Great Works Internet (GWI), providing the bandwidth, the College will only need to coordinate the construction of the network, which will use mesh

technology, a new type of wireless internet access.

The idea for the pilot came out of a desire to provide wireless access for Bowdoin students and faculty working at Fort Andross, according to Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis.

"For me, it was functionality. Students working at Fort Andross should have the same level of connection that they have here, and if I could provide that I would," Davis said.

"It grew into something bigger, but it's actually fairly small considering we have 195 [access points] at

Bowdoin. Adding five or six more of these is not going to kill us. It's actually not even that big of a project," Davis said.

According to John Keimel, a network engineer at Bowdoin, mesh technology "uses multiple access points to create redundant links," resulting in a more stable and resilient network. Using small antennas that can focus very precisely, Bowdoin's network will transmit a signal from Coles Tower to Fort Andross that will then be directed toward the downtown area. Another

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