

RBC Camel

Volume 3, Issue 4

The Rosedale Bible College Newspaper

November 23, 2005

Club Rico is a "Grande" Hit

By Tim Miller

For one night this year, Rosedale students forgot about the usual, tedious, lackluster Saturday nights. That was the night Club Rico was definitely the big spot on the map of the diminutive Bible College.

The grand opening of Club Rico happened on November 12. The electrifying evening kicked off with people mingling and laughing with others while DJ TJ showed off his 'fro and took song requests (the majority of which were for Relient K). After some more mingling there was a humongous game of musical chairs that left every participant feeling a bit sore. The craftiness and sly strategy of Kara Heatwole helped her to edge past Christina Kurzer in the final round.

Club Rico included an immense array of appetizers that would not leave anyone going away hungry. The selection ranged from do-it-yourself caramel apples to mozzarella sticks. Club Rico also had a myriad of tables set up for numerous competitions, including Spoons, Checkers, Rook, and many others, with prizes for winners of each. Students also enjoyed just relaxing their feet in the corner lounge, talking with friends and tapping their feet to the music.

During the second half, the Euchre tournament got



DJ TJ takes requests.

under way. Due to lack time, the tourney was shortened to six-point games. In the championship game, "schROCK" led by the ever-perilous Kalona sisters, Sheila and Michelle Schrock, dominated in the championship game winning 10-6 against the "Redneckz" consisting of Kara Heatwole and Jen Huber.

By the end of the night, food was eaten, games were played, music was sung, and fellowship was made. Most agreed that Club Rico ended up being a big hit. StuCo's goal for this night was just to get students to know each other better and to relax after a busy week. They believe this goal was accomplished and it remains one of the many goals they plan to achieve throughout the entire year.

The Point of Experience

By Preston Yoder

What is our relationship with God like? Should we expect great experiences with God? I would say yes. Not simply because I'd like to think that, but because we serve a great God! Experiencing a powerful time with God is a good thing. Peter once caught a glimpse of the glory and goodness of God. He witnessed the transfiguration of Christ, and he thought it was awesome. (Who wouldn't?!) He saw Christ's face shine like the sun, and his clothes become white as light! He saw Moses and Elijah appear and talk with Jesus! He beheld two legends of the past and the glorified Christ standing in front of Him. You talk about an experience!

How did Peter react to this experience? He wanted to stay there a while to soak it in. Yet, God had had other plans, listen to the way the story unfolds. "Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters-one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."

Cont. pg. 3

In this issue:

Student Survey	2
Guest Article	2
Camel Cogitations	3
The Classifieds	3
Student Profile	4
Letter to the Editor	4

Student Survey

If you could smash one inanimate object or idea what would it be?

Hannah: "People who think they're cool."

Jenna: "A glass fishbowl with a fish in it."

David V: "Work."

Jen: "My car."

David (Kentucky): "Mosquitoes."

James: "A baby doll."

Amber: "The flies in the classroom building."

Kara: "The smell of onions on your hands."

Bethany N: "The pervertedness of the world."

Reuben: "Heavy metal cd's."

Rena: "People who bother me with *Camel* survey questions."

Jordan: "Marxism."

Felicia: "The frailty of human emotions."

"The Very Best"

by

Janell Miller

Expressions of Joy

by Elizabeth Diller and Amber Yoder

Guffaw, giggle, chortle, chuckle, cackle: Laughter can be expressed in many different ways. Joy sometimes precipitates laughter but it permeates much deeper than an outward expression. Joy comes from the Holy Spirit as the inner strength from trusting Christ to help us overcome our human concerns and worries. Joy does not depend on our outward circumstances. When our hearts are aching inside of us, Nehemiah 8:10 says, "The joy of the Lord is our strength." God knows who we are and loves every aspect of who he has made us to be. Once we come to the realization that Christ loves us for who we are, we are able to outwardly express our gratitude to God through joy. So when you hear singing coming from the shower, down the hall, or on the sidewalk, or hear laughter echoing in the gym, through the cafeteria, or from the corners of the library, be reminded that the outward expression of joy is declaring the thanks we owe Christ.

Experience cont'd

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" (Matthew 17:4-5)

While Peter was ready to camp out on that mountain, God was ready to make a point. Imagine if we were Peter, I bet we would have said something similar. Who wouldn't want to stay in the incredible presence of God? Who wouldn't want to feel Him near? Yet, what does God say through this bright cloud that interrupts Peter's thoughtful speech? He says, "This is my Son... Listen to him!" It seems that Peter's mountain top experience did not happen just to make Peter feel close to God. Its purpose was far more than that. It was to instruct Peter and the others, to emphasize their responsibility to listen to Christ.

We have "mountain top" experiences with God. Sometimes we feel that He is very close. We sense His presence in a special way. Could it be that we like Peter, long to linger in these experiences? Could it be that God is simply using these experiences to speak to us? God has not changed, nor has His message to His followers. "This is my Son... Listen to him!" I imagine Peter went down from that mountain with a new resolve in his heart to follow the teachings of Christ! What value is our experiences with God today, if they do not lead us to similar resolve? May we recognize that all of life is not filled with mountain top experiences, but that we are called to walk through valleys as well. Through the good and bad experiences of life, may we walk with a renewed commitment to follow the commands of Christ, the Son of the Living God!

Camel Cogitations

Winter is finally beginning to arrive at Rosedale. The cold air comes in and the next morning there is frost on the ground. Soon the temperature will drop a little more and soon we'll start having snow. Either that or, knowing the capricious Rosedale weather, it could very well go back up to 75°.

The onset of winter will bring the first snowfall. The first few soft flakes will begin to fall and collect on the ground. Rosedale will be transformed into a snowy winter landscape. But this will not last long. Soon the snow will be trampled and covered with little snowmen. Every now and then a small snowball fight might break out (but not inside the buildings, please).

You'll also notice that winter is arriving on your way to chapel. You step outside the dorm into the crisp morning air and begin to walk down the sidewalk. That's when—WHOOSH!—a gust of wind rushes down across the field and freezes its way through all three sweatshirts you are wearing. Students from Florida seem especially susceptible.

Yep, winter is coming, whether you like it or not. While you get out your gloves and your winter coats, remember to appreciate all of God's seasons. And spring is only four months away.

~From Your Editor

CLASSIFIEDS

Single Man seeks wife



Single Jewish man seeks ten-camel wife. Must enjoy watching chariot races, also should be able to cook and clean well. Ability to weave considered bonus. Bride price is negotiable. Have woman's father visit plaster house near city-gate. Bride price will be paid on marriage.

Thanksgiving Break A Poem

*How long will it take,
On Thanksgiving break,
To stuff myself full,
With Grandma's baked rolls,
And Mom's great stuffing,
That adds extra fluffing?*

STUDENT PROFILE

Name: Bethany Erin Nisly
Age: Nineteen
Hometown Cuenca, Ecuador
Favorite RBC meal: Salad Bar



RBCC: What's the most extreme color you'd ever dyed your hair?

Bethany: A really bright red, or maybe blue, but that would clash with stuff.

RBCC: What's your favorite article of clothing?

Bethany: Shoes. I just love shoes; if I could buy lots of clothes I would buy shoes and shoes and shoes.

RBCC: What's the coolest place you've ever lived?

Bethany: Cuenca. I love the small city feel. Think quaint. The streets are cobble and everyone walks everywhere. It's almost European in style. It's in the mountains and very beautiful.

RBCC: If you woke up one morning and suddenly knew how to play a musical instrument, what would you want it to be?

Bethany: Cello.

RBCC: Do you have a word of advice for all of us?

Bethany: Seek God first. Let Him dictate what you do.

Letter to the Editor

As an observer of the Inaguration of Mr. Zeigler, I feel it is only fair for me to share with those students who may have missed the service (due to other more important activities, I am sure), the heart of what happened in the event. The theme of the inaguration was "Higher Ground," and was referred to frequently throughout the service. The structure of the service was formal and reverent, very fitting for the occasion. The ensemble music, guest speaker, and symbolic presentations made by key figures of RBC were highlights of the event. After a prayer of dedication President Dan delivered an eloquent and charismatic acceptance speech. He said that Rosedale Bible College is a place designed to encourage people on to higher spiritual ground. President Dan is a leader who will do everything in his power to maintain that vision. Thank you Mr. President.

~An Innaguration Attendee

Fall Photos

by Preston Yoder

