



**March 6, 2023**

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**President's Perspective**

I love our modern conveniences, global travel, streaming on demand and instant communication. It is sure a whole lot better than the old days with travel at the speed of a horse, communication as fast as the mail carrier and chores that took most of the day.

However, if we are not careful, these modern amenities can make us impatient and unwilling to put in the work that will pay off later. One of the lessons of college is that it takes a lot of practice to become a great athlete, extensive writing to become a great writer and diligence to become a successful student. Even in a world of immediate gratification, successful outcomes usually result from a long journey of challenges.

Whether your Tusculum academic journey ends this May or in three more years, be patient, be persistent and be resilient to the end.

Go Pioneers!

Dr. Scott Hummel  
President

### **Word of the Week**

“Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains.” – James 5:7 NRS

### **Photo of the Week**



Students made their presence known during Wednesday's basketball games in Pioneer Arena. Photo from the Office of Athletic Communications

## **Spring break reminders**

No classes will be held this week. The university's offices will be open Monday, March 6-Wednesday, March 8, but will be closed Thursday, March 9, and Friday, March 10.

The Pioneer Exchange and the Ballad Health Tusculum University Clinic will be closed this week. The Thomas J. Garland Library will be open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday, March 6-Wednesday, March 8, and will then be closed until 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12, when normal hours will resume.

The cafeteria and Chick-fil-A are closed this week. The cafeteria will reopen for dinner Sunday, March 12, and Chick-fil-A will return with its regular hours Monday, March 13. In addition, First Presbyterian Church, First Baptist Church, Arrowhead Church and Towering Oaks Baptist Church in Greeneville will provide lunch at noon Tuesday and Thursday of spring break in the Scott M. Niswonger Commons living room.

Chapel will not be held today but will return next Monday at 3:30 p.m. Doug Jones, vice president of athletics and university initiatives, will share his personal story of faith. Also, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program will not be active this week but return next week to assist Tusculum family members and the community.

Please check the schedule in this edition of The Pioneer Press to learn what activities are still taking place.

## **Bonner Leaders spending spring break in Kentucky**

Members of the Bonner Leader Program at Tusculum are participating in an alternative spring break of service.

Dr. Shelby Ward, director of the Center for Civic Advancement and an assistant professor of interdisciplinary studies, said the Bonners will engage in service work in Kentucky. The group traveled to that state Sunday and will work at five locations during their time there.

We commend our students for accepting the opportunity to continue serving and making others' lives better. They are performing excellent work and illuminating our mission principle of civic engagement.



Bonner Leaders and staff with the Center for Civic Advancement pause for a photo as they enter Kentucky. They are, left to right, Amanda Lunceford, Amanda Delbridge, Rory Church, Maggie Vickers, Ben Gall (crouched), Justice Upp (standing), Isabelle Delbridge and Estefania Juarez. Photo from Dr. Shelby Ward

### **More good news for the anti-cancer drug research project**

Tusculum's cutting-edge anti-cancer drug research project received another boost last week with word that the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations awarded another grant.

The organization renewed its earlier grant for an additional \$81,690. The funds will provide stipends for the next two summers for undergraduate students who participate in the research project as well for Dr. Dennis Ashford, associate professor of chemistry, who oversees the initiative.

The grant will also provide funds for students involved in the research project to present at regional and national scientific conferences. Other expenses covered will include a chemical search engine and equipment needs.

Undergraduate chemistry and biology students have worked for more than four years on a new drug to fight cancer. The research team is looking at potential medications that can be activated by light to kill cancerous cells. Tusculum's research is focused on creating a drug that will kill the cancer but provide much less severe side effects from treatment by distributing medicine solely to the cancerous portion of the body.



We congratulate Dr. Ashford and the students on this grant renewal and wish them further success in their research!



Dr. Dennis Ashford, left, and student Faith Robinette work in the chemistry lab in the Meen Center. Photo by the Office of Communications and Marketing

### **Community Band holding concert Tuesday on campus**

Relax and enjoy a fun evening Tuesday, March 7, with the Tusculum University Community Band! The group will perform a pops concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Marilyn duBrisk Theatre.

Dr. David Gonzalez, Tusculum's director of bands, will conduct the band as it performs the following songs:

- "Looney Tunes Overture"
- "The Symphonic Gershwin"
- "Symphonic Highlights from 'Frozen'"
- "Movie Chartbusters"
- "The Magic of Andrew Lloyd Webber"

The concert is free, and all Tusculum family members are welcome. You can learn more in this [news release](#).



The Tusculum University Community Band performs its Christmas concert. Photo by the Office of Communications and Marketing

### **Academic Symposium submission deadline for students is March 13**

The deadline for students to submit work for the annual Academic Symposium is Monday, March 13. The symposium will be held Friday, April 21 from 9 a.m.-noon.

Students from all academic disciplines are encouraged to submit original academic work, including research, creative and artistic expression and professional experience (internships and practicums). Academic work may be presented as a poster, paper, presentation or exhibition.

The submission link is <https://ws.tusculum.edu/survey/index.php/613735?lang=en>. For additional details about the symposium, please visit <https://site.tusculum.edu/academic-symposium/>.





Student Eirik Dahlgren presents his research during the 2022 Academic Symposium. Photo by the Office of Communication and Marketing

### **Registration deadline for the Israel trip is March 15!**

Time is of the essence to register for the trip to Israel led by Dr. Hummel. If you are interested, you need to register by Wednesday, March 15. The trip runs from June 22-July 2. You can learn more and register [here](#).

Those who go can earn three credit hours if they want to satisfy general education or religion course requirements. The cost for the Israel tour is \$5,399 for those who stay in a double-occupancy room and

\$5,299 for those who utilize a triple-occupancy room. The price includes round trip airfare from Charlotte, N.C., hotel, breakfast and dinner, motorcoaches, guided sightseeing and entrance fees. Students who take the trip will receive a scholarship of at least \$1,000.

In addition, students and staff can participate from July 2-20 in excavation work at Tel-Lachish, home of the ruins of the ancient Canaanite and Judean cities of Lachish. Students can earn three credit hours from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, which can transfer to Tusculum. The costs for the excavation are \$1,650 for room and board and \$480 for the three hours of credit. Those who go only for the excavation will have to pay for airfare on top of that.

If you have questions about the Israel tour or the excavation, please email Dr. Hummel at [president@tusculum.edu](mailto:president@tusculum.edu).





This is the Garden of Gethsemane. Photo from Bobbie Clarkston

### **Deadline for RA applications is March 17**

The deadline to apply to be an RA is 11:59 p.m. Friday, March 17. You can use the QR code in the graphic below to reach the application page on the Tusculum website.

Light the way and be an RA!

*Light* THE WAY. *Be* AN RA!

**APPLY TO BE AN RA TODAY**

APPLY HERE



DEADLINE: MARCH 17  
AT 11:59 P.M.

**Preview Day for potential new traditional students happening in 12 days**

Preview Day for those who want to explore being a traditional student at Tusculum will be held Saturday, March 18, from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Meen Center.

Potential students can register and receive additional information at <https://site.tusculum.edu/register-for-open-house/>. You can learn more in this [news release](#).

We encourage you to let family, friends and other connections know about this wonderful event. Please alert Laura Battel, executive director of traditional admission, if you can assist with the event.



# PREVIEW DAY

Experience all Tusculum  
has to offer!

- ▶ TOUR CAMPUS
- ▶ LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR MAJORS AND MINORS
- ▶ DISCOVER HOW AFFORDABLE TUSCULUM IS
- ▶ MEET PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS
- ▶ VISIT WITH CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS



Saturday, March 18,  
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Meen Center

**LUNCH PROVIDED!**

<https://site.tusculum.edu/register-for-open-house/>



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## After the Cap and Gown graduate degree program coming April 4



Tusculum will hold After the Cap and Gown, an event to provide details about the university's master's degree programs, Tuesday, April 4, from 6:30-8 p.m. via Zoom.

We encourage all students who are preparing to graduate with a bachelor's degree or are at an earlier stage in their studies to join us for this highly informative evening. It is also an excellent opportunity for employees who are considering that next step in their academic and professional development. After the Cap and Gown is also available to community members, so if you know people who are interested in a master's degree, please alert them.

The event, led by Dr. Miriam Stroder, dean of the College of Education, showcases all of Tusculum's graduate degree programs currently offered. Presentations at this event will also include the new Master of Arts in e-learning leadership, which will begin in the fall.

You will hear an overview of the programs from faculty members and firsthand accounts from current students or alumni. Members of the financial aid and admission teams will also be present to discuss the affordability of our degrees and the application process.

To register and receive the Zoom link, please visit <https://site.tusculum.edu/after-the-cap-and-gown-event/>. You can learn more about Tusculum's graduate programs at <https://site.tusculum.edu/apply-visit/apply/graduate/>.




# After the Cap and Gown

Alumni and faculty speakers from the Colleges of Business and Education

**Learn about Tusculum University's graduate programs!**  
Take the next step in your career development!

April 4, 2023, from 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.  
TO REGISTER: <https://site.tusculum.edu/after-the-cap-and-gown-event/>





## **Another opportunity available to discuss graduate school programs**

Students have another opportunity to learn about graduate school programs at Tusculum from the Office of Admission.

Jacob Cutshall, director of adult and online studies recruitment, will hold information sessions about the university's graduate programs at noon and 2 p.m. Monday, March 27, in the Meen Center lecture hall. This is a student-focused event, and he will review the different graduate school programs available at Tusculum and the admission process. These sessions are designed to help students prepare for the After the Cap and Gown graduate school event, which will be held Tuesday, April 4.

If you have questions, you can email Cutshall at [jcutshall@tusculum.edu](mailto:jcutshall@tusculum.edu).

## **Archaeologist originally from Peru giving presentation March 22**

All Tusculum family members are invited to a presentation from a native Peruvian archaeologist Wednesday, March 22, at 2 p.m. in the Meen Center lecture hall.

Dr. Bebel Ibarra, who now lives in Greeneville, will discuss his recent work on pre-Columbian Andean societies. The title of his presentation is "Bioarchaeology and the Cult of the Dead in the Peruvian Andes."

Dr. Ibarra specializes in Andean archaeology and holds a doctorate in anthropology from Tulane University in New Orleans. Dr. Bebel teaches anthropology at Walters State Community College.

His research is focused on bioarchaeology and the study of ancestor veneration and the cult of the dead within the region. He has led the annual Huari–Ancash Bioarchaeological research project in Peru since 2004.



The skulls correspond to one with cranial modification. Photo from Dr. Joel Van Amberg

### **Revised work schedule during the summer**

To provide some flexibility during the summer, employees will be able to complete their 40-hour work week differently.

Beginning the week of May 22 and concluding the week of July 24, offices on campus will be closed on Fridays. Employees can work with their supervisors to determine how they will complete their 40 hours each week during that period.

For example, supervisors can approve a schedule in which their direct reports can work 10 hours a day Monday-Thursday and then not work on Fridays. Employees are also eligible, with approval from their supervisor, to work eight-hour days in the office Monday-Thursday and then complete their eight hours remotely on Fridays. Employees who would experience difficulty working a 40-hour week in a revised manner can request their supervisor to approve the use of PTO for unworked hours.

We are pleased to provide this revised summer schedule for this year to reduce employee travel expenses while helping the university conserve energy resources.

### **New holiday added to the calendar**

The Board of Trustees has approved Juneteenth as a new official holiday for eligible employees.

The date for Juneteenth this year is Monday, June 19. This is a rolling holiday, where the date and day of the week will vary in future years.

We encourage you to use the holiday to reflect on its importance and observe it in a fitting manner.

### **Cast members selected for the “5 X 10 Plays”**

We are pleased to share the names of the plays and the cast members who were selected after last week’s auditions for the “5 X 10 Plays,” which will be held in April.

#### **The Letter**

- Shopkeeper – Lavender Colmer
- Alexa – Peyton Bergquist
- Hermes – Zach Gass
- Thor – Todd Wallin

#### **End of Summer**

- Man – Wesley News
- Girl – Melyna Doty

#### **The Oktavist**

- Kirill – Daniel Matheney
- Dimitri – Dodger Kirkland

#### **Modern Witches**

- Willow – Melody Tunnel
- Lyra – Taylor Bowman
- Peggy – Gracie Moore

#### **Swept Under the Rug**

- Carrie – Paige Mengel
- Melinda – Laura Dupler

Theatre-at-Tusculum and the English and Languages Department collaborate to bring us the “5 X 10 Plays.” This year’s shows will be held April 21, April 22, April 28 and April 29 at 7 p.m. and April 23 and April 30 at 2 p.m. in Behan Arena Theatre on the lower level of Annie Hogan Byrd Fine Arts Center. This will be the 10th anniversary of the “5 X 10 Plays.”

All faculty, staff and students are eligible for one free ticket. Additional tickets are available at the prices listed in the graphic below.

# Theatre-at-Tusculum Presents THE 5X10 PLAYS

in association with the English & Languages Department

April 21, 22, 28, & 29 at 7 PM  
April 23 & 30 at 2 PM in the Behan Theatre

## THE OKTAVIST

BY VINCE GATTON

DIRECTED BY ERIN HENSLEY SCHULTZ

## THE END OF SUMMER

BY HANK KIMMEL

DIRECTED BY STEVE SCHULTZ

## SWEPT UNDER THE RUG

BY JOSIE HORTON

DIRECTED BY GRACIE WEEMS

## MODERN WITCHES

BY MEAGAN STARK

DIRECTED BY FRANK MENGEL

## THE LETTER

BY AMY ZIPPERER

DIRECTED BY ANDY ROSS

\$15 for 12-59

\$12 for 60+

\$5 for 12 and younger



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# 10TH ANNIVERSARY

## Three free webinars for faculty and staff about first-generation students

Tusculum faculty and staff members can further demonstrate their support for first-generation students and receive valuable information at three upcoming webinars.

Student Support Services and ARCHES are providing three free webinars during the spring semester, and all faculty and staff members are invited to participate. The webinars, available through Zoom, are pre-recorded presentations from various higher education experts. They will be held Tuesday, March 14, from 3-4 p.m.; Friday, April 14, from 10-11 a.m.; and Monday, May, 15, from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tusculum University is a First-gen Forward institution with the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. As part of our participation in this cohort, Tusculum participates in three on-



demand webinars related to supporting first-generation college students. We look forward to having you join us for these sessions.

You can learn the names, Zoom links and details of the presentations [here](#). If you have additional questions, please email Rachael Barnett, SSS director, at [rbarnett@tusculum.edu](mailto:rbarnett@tusculum.edu).

## **New concentration and resources for the computer science program**

At their meetings in February, the Board of Trustees and the Faculty Assembly approved a new concentration for the computer science program in information technology. Leaders in the computer science program are excited about this concentration, which will provide an additional career option for students.

In establishing this new concentration, Dr. Faisal Al-khateeb, chair of the Math and Computer Science Department, pursued resources that would enhance program faculty's ability to effectively convey the concepts as well as collaborate with other instructors. As a result of his efforts, Tusculum is now a Computing Technology Industry Association authorized partner.

CompTIA serves the industry by providing forums for collaboration, mentorship and best practices. It also provides skills validation through our globally recognized training and certification products and insights from our world-class industry research.

Through this partnership, Tusculum will have access to essential information and tools to assist with IT curriculum. Our computer science faculty members can also join the CompTIA Instructor Network, which will enable them to work with fellow instructors around the world and receive complimentary training and other helpful tools that will further strengthen Tusculum's new IT concentration.

We are excited to launch the IT program in the fall and congratulate the computer science team for finding this beneficial resource!

## **The African American Read-In was a great success**

We appreciate the many students, faculty and staff who attended the African American Read-In Tuesday, Feb. 28. The student turnout was particularly impressive.

During the event, participants watched the spoken words of leaders such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Sojourner Truth; heard the voices of Billie Holiday and Kendrick Lamar; and listened to the written words of Langston Hughes, Maya Angelou, Claudia Rankine, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Natasha Trethewey and former President Barack Obama.

The English and Languages Department and the Center for Civic Advancement sponsored the African-American Read-In. In addition to the photo below, you can view [this gallery](#) from the Office of Communications and Marketing.



Staff member Steve Anderson, left, and student Andrae Robinson read “Life” by Paul Laurence Dunbar during the African American Read-In. Photo by the Office of Communications and Marketing

### **Excellent recital last week from Dr. Gonzalez**

Dr. David Gonzalez, director of bands, performed an outstanding recital on the CC tuba and F tuba Thursday, March 2. He was accompanied by the talented Robert Hicks, an adjunct professor, on the piano.

The event featured six songs and an encore! Besides the photo below, you can view [this gallery](#) from the Office of Communications and Marketing to experience the flavor of this recital.



Dr. David Gonzalez performs his recital. Photo by the Office of Communications and Marketing

**Students can earn \$2,000 working at the Upward Bound summer academy!**

The Upward Bound and Upward Bound Math and Science programs continue to accept applications for residential advisors and residential directors to serve from May 22-July 9 in the annual summer academy at Tusculum.

Tusculum students who are selected will earn \$2,000 and receive summer housing and meals. The job would entail one week of training; five weeks as a residential advisor, mentor and classroom aid; and one week of supervising students on a trip to New York.

More details are in the graphic below.



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MATH & SCIENCE

# Summer job opportunity

RA & RD  
positions  
available

Tusculum University Upward Bound is an intensive college preparatory program funded by the U.S. Department of Education, designed to encourage college entry and completion for area high school students that are income eligible based on the federal guidelines and/or will be the first in their families to obtain a four-year college degree.

Residential Advisors and Directors will be required to live in the dorms at Tusculum University while supervising and mentoring high school students.

\$2,000 pay  
+ summer  
housing +  
meals

This summer employment opportunity will include 1 week of training, 5 weeks working as a residential advisor, mentor, and classroom aid, and 1 week supervising students on a trip to New York.

**May 22-July 9**

<https://web.tusculum.edu/trio/ub/summer/residential-staff-guide/summer-staff-interest-application/>

scan QR code  
for more details and application



Stacey McGill at [smcgill@tusculum.edu](mailto:smcgill@tusculum.edu) if you have any questions

Facilities Management remains busy with the key audit

The Facilities Management Department completed key audits with more offices and departments last week and still needs to visit others.

Remaining departments and offices will receive notification when facilities management will visit. Employees who have keys they were not assigned will need to complete paperwork to properly document possession.

Efficient care of assigned keys and spaces is beneficial and important to the institution.

## **Students can control their course load with summer classes!**

Students can ease their course load during the fall and spring semesters or potentially graduate early by taking summer term courses. Take advantage of a less congested period and clear some of the courses you need to complete from your task list.

Registration for summer classes is underway. The three summer terms are:

- Full – May 15-Aug. 11
- Early – May 15-June 23
- Late – June 26-Aug. 11

Students cannot register if they have not met with their advisor or have a business hold.

## **Registration for fall semester starts March 27**

Students can start registering for fall classes the week of March 27.

In keeping with the traditional flow, the first day for registration will be:

- Monday, March 27 – graduate students, veterans, adult and online studies students and honors students
- Tuesday, March 28 – seniors
- Wednesday, March 29 – juniors
- Thursday, March 30 – sophomores
- Friday, March 31 – first-year students

It is important for students to remember:

- They must meet with their advisor before they can choose their courses.
- They will not be able to register for courses if they have a business office hold on their student account.
- They will not be able to participate in the housing lottery if they do not register for courses to be held in the fall.

## **Financial donations from faculty and staff strengthen the university**

Faculty and staff members can continue to make a difference by completing the [faculty and staff contribution form](#).

Nine offices, departments and groups have reached 100 percent giving! They are:

- Executive Cabinet
- Human Resources Department
- Office of Admission

- Office of Financial Aid
- Office of Communications and Marketing
- President's Office
- Office of Institutional Advancement
- Office of Institutional Effectiveness
- Thomas J. Garland Library

Employees can also find the contribution form on the faculty and staff portal of the Pioneer Portal. The Office of Institutional Advancement can answer employee questions at 423-636-7303.

## COVID-19 procedures

You can read all of our coronavirus protocols [here](#).

Should you develop coronavirus symptoms, be diagnosed or be identified as a contact, you must immediately inform the appropriate group at Tusculum.

- Students need to email the Office of Student Affairs at [studentaffairs@tusculum.edu](mailto:studentaffairs@tusculum.edu) or call the COVID-19 hotline at 423-636-0500. They should also alert their professors.
- Employees must contact the Human Resources Department at [humanresources@tusculum.edu](mailto:humanresources@tusculum.edu) or 423-636-7345 (extension 5345 on campus) as well as their supervisor.

## Reminders

- Shuttles to Walmart in Greeneville for students are available every other Wednesday at 8 p.m. Upcoming dates are March 15, March 29, April 12 and April 26. Shuttles leave from the Scott M. Niswonger Commons parking lot.
- Appointments are available for free income tax return preparation by Tusculum students and community volunteers. Available slots are from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2343 Knob Creek Road, Johnson City; 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Meen Center; and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays at the Washington County Library, 200 E. Sabine Drive, Jonesborough. You can schedule your appointment at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/tuvita2023>.
- The Ballad Health Tusculum University Clinic is located in Room 008 of the Meen Center. The hours of operation are Mondays and Wednesdays, 8-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 1-3:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Patients can self-pay or use their health insurance. Students can apply for payment aid, if necessary.
- Students can schedule a counseling appointment with Tommy Delbridge, a licensed clinical social worker, or Stephanie Edwards, a licensed professional counselor. They can request an appointment by visiting <https://my.tusculum.edu/forms/request-an-appointment/> or emailing [counseling@tusculum.edu](mailto:counseling@tusculum.edu). Delbridge and Edwards meet with students in person in Rooms 230 and 233 of the Thomas J. Garland Library and conduct virtual sessions.
- The Pioneer Exchange is a combination of the food pantry and clothing closet. Students can obtain groceries, residence hall supplies, textbooks, school supplies, hygiene products and clothes at no cost. The Px is located in Room 403 of the Scott M. Niswonger Commons and is open Mondays-Fridays from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

## Events and activities

### All Tusculum family members



Tuesday, March 7 p.m., Old Gym; **REFIT exercise class**

Tuesday, March 7, 7:30 p.m., Marilyn duBrisk Theatre; **Tusculum University Community Band**

Thursday, March 9, 7 p.m., Old Gym; **REFIT exercise class**

### **Spiritual**

Tuesday, March 7, 7 p.m. Meen Center lecture hall; **Arrowhead Church C+YA (College & Young Adults)**

Tuesday, March 7, 7 p.m., First Christian Church; **PILLAR Young Adult Ministry**

Sunday March 12, 2 p.m., Meen Center lecture hall; **service by Thrive Church**

### **Athletics**



Murphy Flood, left, a senior outfielder, delivered a walk-off hit in both games of Tusculum's doubleheader sweep of Coker University Saturday in Pioneer Park. You can watch both hits and an interview of Flood [here](#). Flood went 5-for-7 with five RBI in the doubleheader, and both of his game-winning hits came with the Pioneers down to their final out. Photo from the Office of Athletic Communications

Monday, March 6, and Tuesday, March 7, all day, Memphis; **women's golf team at the CBU Buccaneer Classic**

Monday, March 6, and Tuesday, March 7, all day, Greenwood, South Carolina; **men's golf team at the Bearcat Classic**

Tuesday, March 7, 3 p.m., Pioneer Park; **baseball team vs. Cedarville University**

Tuesday, March 7, 6 p.m., Lander University; **men's lacrosse team vs. Lander University**

Wednesday, March 8, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Red Edmonds Field; **softball team vs. Lincoln Memorial University**

Wednesday, March 8, 2 p.m., Carson-Newman University; **baseball team vs. Carson-Newman University**

Thursday, March 9, 10 a.m., Flagler College; **women's tennis team vs. Flagler College**

Thursday, March 9, 2 p.m., Flagler College; **men's tennis team vs. Flagler College**

Friday, March 10, 3:25 p.m. and 4:25 p.m., Virginia Beach, Virginia; **men's indoor track and field team at the NCAA Division II national championship**

Friday, March 10, 6 p.m., Pioneer Park; **baseball team vs. Limestone University**

Friday, March 10, 7 p.m., Pioneer Arena; **men's volleyball team vs. North Greenville University**

Saturday, March 11, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Mars Hill University; **softball team vs. Mars Hill University**

Saturday, March 11, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., Pioneer Park; **baseball team vs. Limestone University**

Saturday, March 11, 2 p.m., Pioneer Arena; **men's volleyball team vs. Emmanuel College**

Saturday, March 11, 4:10 p.m. and 5 p.m., Virginia Beach, Virginia; **men's indoor track and field team at the NCAA Division II national championship**

Sunday, March 12, all day, Sevierville; **women's golf team at the Bobby Nichols Intercollegiate**

Sunday, March 12, 12:30 p.m., Nichols Tennis Center; **men's and women's tennis teams vs. Newberry College**

Sunday, March 12, 1 p.m., Coker University; **women's lacrosse team vs. Coker University**

Sunday, March 12, 3 p.m., Coker University; **men's lacrosse team vs. Coker University**



The celebration was on in Pioneer Arena Wednesday when men's basketball team defeated Wingate University in the South Atlantic Conference championship quarterfinal game. Photo from the Office of Athletic Communication

Please visit the [athletics website](#) for potential changes with games.

### **Faculty and staff birthdays**

Tuesday, March 7 – Todd Ireland

Wednesday, March 8 – Peter Barnes

Wednesday, March 8 – Sydney Clendening

Thursday, March 9 – Benjamin Kaiserman

Friday, March 10 – Jacob Cutshall

Sunday, March 12 – Judy Elliott

Sunday, March 12 – Laura King

Sunday, March 12 – Steve Schultz

We thank you for reading The Pioneer Press! To suggest content for a future edition or submit feature photos, please email Jim Wozniak, director of communications and marketing, at [jwozniak@tusculum.edu](mailto:jwozniak@tusculum.edu).



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