



NOVEMBER 5, 2009

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- 5 • Grand Pianos Live
- 6 • Sacred Music Oratorio
- 7 • University Choir Women's Glee
• *Man Who Had No Story to Tell*
- 10 • Last day students can drop Second Block classes without a "W."
• Devotional, L. Whitney Clayton
• Chamber Woodwinds
• Organ Festival
- 11 • Piano Ensemble

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information Security Update

Password-enabled screen savers will soon be implemented across campus, which will activate after 15 minutes of inactivity. Please also log off or password-lock your computer when leaving your area and shutdown when going home for the day.

New Department Chairs

Effective Jan. 1, 2010, Bob Christensen will serve as the new chair for the Department of Exercise & Sports Science. In addition, Brian Schaat will begin serving as the chair for the Department of Health Science.

Employees, alumni and students help to build BYU-Idaho one dollar at a time

In his 2005 inaugural address, President Kim B. Clark introduced three imperatives to help develop and prepare disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ who will lead by example.

"The first [imperative] is that we must raise substantially the quality of every aspect of the experience our students have," President Clark said. "The second great imperative is to make a BYU-Idaho education available to many more of the young people of the Church.... Imperative number three: we must lower the relative cost of education."

Since President Clark's address, BYU-Idaho employees and students have worked consistently to make each imperative a reality. And one organization has a particularly unique role in building the university. LDS Philanthropies spends each day raising funds that support the university's educational and spiritual endeavors.

"Our goal isn't to raise money," said Dave Richards, director of LDS Philanthropies at BYU-Idaho. "We are trying to fulfill President Clark's imperatives. Money just helps us do that."

LDS Philanthropies sets monetary goals for each of the three imperatives and then combines them for the overall goal. Funds raised go toward a variety of initiatives, including the Learning Model, Foundations courses and the Internship Hub Cities project. Money is also set aside for experiential learning, classroom modification, academic societies, mentored learning, outdoor beautification, scholarships, university-wide events, and the development of new innovations and programs.

More information about LDS Philanthropies is available at www.ldsphilanthropies.org/byu-idaho or at the LDS Philanthropies Office, which can be reached at 208-496-3510.

"Countless students have personal stories about philanthropic money helping them afford an education at BYU-Idaho," said Alton Hansen, director of annual giving. "Many times, their education wouldn't be possible without it."

New phone system coming to BYU-Idaho

BYU-Idaho is taking technology to new heights. With improvements extending from campus-wide wireless Internet access to new online degrees, the Internet is opening new avenues for students and employees alike.

Among these improvements is a new telephone system for the university. BYU-Idaho recently announced the decision to transition its telephone system to Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), a system run exclusively through broadband Internet technology.

The university has been using the same telephone structure for 30 years. “The current phone system is end-of-life, and has been for over a year. There’s not a solution for that system,” said Mary Ivie, office assistant in the Department of Information Technology.

The choice to switch to VoIP allows BYU-Idaho to conserve financial resources, as the system will be placed on the newly completed campus network. This transition will require the installment of new telephones. Features

of the new phones include the ability to listen to voicemail through e-mail, a selection of approved ringtones and screen savers, conference calling, one-touch transfer calls, and a log directory for all incoming and outgoing calls.

Along with the phones, fresh numbers will also be assigned. Rapid growth of the university, especially during its transition to BYU-Idaho, has resulted in the random assignment of numbers. In order to allow entire departments to be under the same prefix, nearly all lines will be allocated new numbers.

Departments will also be allotted additional numbers for potential growth.

Each department will roll over separately beginning January 2010. The telephones will be implemented over time in order to allow people to adjust to the new numbers and system. Departments and offices will be contacted at least six weeks prior to their migration. The tentative projection date to complete the transition is July 2011.

The Department of Information Technology began piloting the new VoIP system last January. Travis Poulsen, a network engineer in the department, commented, “We are doing our best to minimize potential problems. There will be extensive training to make the transition as smooth as possible.”

Soon, a Web site will be available to users with training videos, a complete manual and technical support.



MIGRATION SCHEDULE

Each campus department/office will receive extensive training prior to new phones being installed. Following is a tentative migration schedule:

Date	Event
6 weeks before	Meeting with dean/director and office assistants for system overview; list of new numbers given
2 weeks before	Posters placed around campus to increase awareness
1 week before	30 min. department meeting for overview
5 days before	E-mail feature #1: making calls, hold and answering calls
4 days before	E-mail feature #2: transferring, forwarding and conference calls
3 days before	E-mail feature #3: using phone directories
2 days before	E-mail feature #4: Outlook voicemail
1 day before	60 min. meeting for office assistant training; E-mail feature #5: call coverage
Migration	New numbers replace old numbers; new phones and welcome packets available; on-site assistance
1 day after	Brown Bag Q&A
5 days after	Office assistants create number-change messages
1 week after	Old phones removed

President's Q&A Recap: Oct. 6, 2009

Q: WILL YOU SHARE SOME THINGS YOU HAVE LEARNED IN YOUR SERVICE WITH THE BOARD AND OTHER CHURCH LEADERS?

A: One thing that stands out in my mind is our need to let prophets be prophets. If we provide them necessary information and then allow that prophetic mantle to prevail, we will get the outcomes we really need. I have also learned that the Savior leads this school. Even in difficult circumstances, I know that we will always be directed, and I have never been disappointed. Even in situations that seem so perplexing, I have learned to just relax and let the Spirit give direction.

James Smyth

I am impressed with their awareness regarding what's taking place at this university. They are concerned about people and are aware of Church members around the world. I am grateful for experiences and opportunities I have had to be taught by them. They are truly the Lord's servants, and we are blessed to have them lead us.

Fenton Broadhead

I have learned from interacting with the members of the Board that love is a great motivator and is very powerful. The brethren are very, very kind. They are willing to teach and correct and guide, but only if you are prepared to receive it. This means that if you want to learn from them, you have to know how to welcome correction.

President Clark

Q: WHAT IS BYU-IDAHO DOING TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE IN REGARDS TO PARKING?

A: We have worked closely with the city to coordinate our parking efforts in order to do two things: promote walking, and increase safety on city streets and around the perimeter of campus.

One way to accomplish this is to reduce the amount of traffic. The city has established a "university zone" and has issued permits to control the number of vehicles parking on streets bordering the university. They have also eliminated parking on a portion of Second East. The number of permits given out is determined by the city.

On campus, we have added a number of parking spaces over the last few years. We are very conscious of the need to comply with city ordinances and to provide adequate parking for those who need to drive. As you may have seen in our "Drive or Walk" advertising campaign, a vast majority of students live within two blocks of campus. So for most students, driving is not necessary during the day. Some people do need to park on campus because they live farther away, and we provide adequate parking for those individuals. But overall, our intent is to create a pedestrian-friendly campus.

President Clark

Q: WHAT WOULD BE YOUR SUGGESTION FOR A STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY?

A: If you are trying to build a learning community in a classroom where everybody learns how to work together, it's important that people come. In the class Phil Allred and I teach together, we allow students one absence. If a student has more than that, his or her grade suffers. The grade penalties are pretty steep and signal to the students that we are serious.

Of course, we are flexible in certain situations. We had a student recently whose wife gave birth to a premature baby, and both mother and baby were seriously ill. The young man talked to us and said he wanted to finish the course but was not going to be able to attend class for a while. We talked with him about what he could do to make up the work and participate. He made up the work, came back to class, and participated; and we did not penalize him.

President Clark

This semester we are being more lenient regarding attendance policies when students are sick. Because of the active flu season, we have told students to stay home if they have flu symptoms.

Phil Packer

NEXT WEEK'S DEVOTIONAL

L. WHITNEY CLAYTON



L. Whitney Clayton was sustained as a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on March 31, 2001. He currently serves as a member of the Presidency of the Seventy and has supervisory responsibility for the North America West and North America Northwest Areas. He had previously served as an Area Seventy for the North America West Area for six years. Elder Clayton served as a counselor in the South America South Area Presidency from 2002-2003 and as president during 2003-2006. He formerly served as an assistant executive director for the Family and Church History Department and member of the Church Public Affairs Committee.

His professional career was in law where he was a business litigation attorney with Call, Clayton & Jensen, a California law firm. He earned a bachelor's degree in finance at the University of Utah and a law degree at the University of the Pacific.

He has served the Church as a regional representative, mission president's counselor, stake high counselor, bishop, stake mission president, gospel doctrine teacher and as a full-time missionary in Peru.

Elder Clayton was born in Salt Lake City in 1950. He married Kathy Ann Kipp on Aug. 9, 1973 in the Salt Lake Temple. They are parents of seven children and grandparents of eight grandchildren.



Employee Profile

Matthew Geddes
Department of Art
Faculty

Matthew Geddes has been teaching sculpting at BYU-Idaho since 1983. In his words, "I get to wallow in the mud and get paid for it."

Before accepting a position at what was then Ricks College, he and his wife were both professors at BYU-Hawaii. Although they loved the tropics, they were far away from family. When a position opened in the Department of Art at Ricks, Geddes applied and was accepted.

Besides wallowing, Geddes enjoys traveling, playing golf, fly fishing and strumming his left-handed guitar. "When I was a little kid, I had an accident that severed all the tendons in my left hand, which made it difficult to play the guitar, as all the chords are played with that hand," said Geddes. When in college, he had a neighbor with a left-handed guitar, and soon learned to play, as the chords are played with the right hand, and the left hand is only used to pick and strum. Unfortunately, high-quality left-handed guitars are difficult to come by. A few years ago, Geddes and his wife stumbled into a guitar shop in London with an entire roomful of left-handed guitars. His wife secretly noted the name and model of one and surprised Geddes for their anniversary.

When asked about fly fishing, Geddes mentioned that he ties his own flies. "Flies are tied to lure fisherman, not fish. Fish aren't interested in aesthetics. You have to think like a fish, not like an artist." His favorite spots include Henry's Fork and Teton River.

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Looking for Interesting Faces

The Department of Art is looking for interesting faces to model for art classes. They are particularly interested in ages other than university students. Will pay \$8 per hour and classes are 3 hours each. Please contact Martha Scott in the Art Office for more information at Ext. 2864 or e-mail scottm@byui.edu.

President's Q&A

Come to the next Q&A with President Clark and vice presidents this Thursday, Nov. 5, at 7 a.m. in the MC Special Events Room on the third floor. Questions may be submitted in advance to webbk@byui.edu.

James Smyth Retirement Reception

A reception will be held to celebrate the retirement of James R. Smyth, University Resources vice president, on Friday, Nov. 13, from 2-4 p.m. in the MC Special Events Room on the third floor.

Junk E-mail

Some university e-mail is landing in student junk mail boxes. While Microsoft works on a solution, students may disable junk mail filtering from the options menu at www.byui.edu/OutlookLive/DisableJunkMail.htm.

Sacred Music Premiere

BYU-Idaho choirs and orchestra will perform "God's Everlasting Love" this Friday in the Hart Auditorium. Visit www.byui.edu/centerstage for more information.

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Dallin Hansen, Music
- 6 Eric Conrad, Univ. Operations
Don Hammar, English
Laressa Park, Admissions
Paul Roberts, Sociology & Social Work
- 7 Richard Dye, Automotive Tech.
Shawn Fisher, Dance
Jeremy Lamoreaux, Hist./Geo./Poly Sci.
Bob Worrell, English
- 8 Matt Babcock, English
Randy Beard, IT
Greg Cameron, Math
Michael Gentry, Tutoring Center
Patrick Huish, Architecture & Const.
Phillip Johnson, Custodial
Ron Weekes, Communication
- 9 Cheryl Calderwood, Admissions
Ron Lagerstrom, Math
Linda Miller, Home & Family
David Wescott, Rec. Mgmt.
- 10 Tammie Bagley, Univ. Operations
Emily Hansen, Curriculum Dev.
Adam Ririe, Housing
Jenny Steiner, Exercise & Sports Sci.
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Ben Johnson, Grounds
William Schiers, HVAC



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