

## FEATURES

# Upcoming Events for Students

## By the Intro to Media Writing Class

Unsure of any fun events happening within the next part of the semester? No worries! Here is a list of upcoming events we think you might be interested in!

### Open Mic Night @ Arusha's

Arusha Coffee Company is restarting their Open Mic Nights every other Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., beginning Sept. 27. Signups begin prior to the show Wednesday at 7 p.m. There is no charge to register. Open Mic Night lasts until 10 p.m. The coffee shop is at 126 N. East St. in Belton.

### Best Buddies Game Night

Best Buddies, a student organization centered on helping those with intellectual and developmental disabilities create life-long friendships, is hosting a game night 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 28 at Hardy Hall. The event is open to the public as well as catering towards their organizations' groups, which contains at least one community member with special needs.

### Poverty Simulation

The University will host a poverty simulation from 7 a.m. to

5 p.m. Sept. 29 in the Lord Conference Hall of the Parker Academic Center.

The event is run by the Interprofessional Education Committee and their overall goal is to enhance learning and support student development in their respective professions.

### Temple Bible Church Food Drive

The Temple Bible Church is partnering with the Temple Independent School District to host a Thanksgiving food drive. Temple Bible Church will start collecting food items between Oct. 1 and Nov. 13.

Items needed include non-perishable food such as boxed mashed potatoes, boxed stuffing, gravy packets, cornbread mix, canned corn, canned beans, and other items. Donations can be dropped off at Temple Bible Church, 3205 Oakview Drive in Temple, under the banners in the lobbies. A full list of food items being collected can be found online at [templebiblechurch.org/events/tbc-food-drive-2/](http://templebiblechurch.org/events/tbc-food-drive-2/).

All donated food will be distributed to 50 local families in need in Temple ISD and Temple Bible Church congregation.

### All Majors Job Fair

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor is hosting an All Majors Job Fair from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 3rd. The event will be held at 3020 McLane Great Hall located in Bawcom Student Union. The event is open to all university students and has free admission.

The event will have various recruiters looking for recruits of all majors for a variety of positions. Some of the recruiters will include the Austin Police Department and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

### Fall Break: What to do in the area if you stay on campus

UMHB's Fall Break will take place between Oct. 5 and Oct. 8. There will be no classes, giving students the opportunity to go home. However, for those sticking around, there are a plethora of events and activities being held during that long weekend.

Schoepf's Bar-B-Que located on E Central Avenue in Belton will be hosting the 5th Annual "Rockin' for Youth" concert Oct. 7 at 5 p.m. It will include live music and a barbecue with an entrance fee of \$20.

Another activity is going to the Cameron Park Zoo in Waco. With an entrance fee

of \$14 per person, you can see a variety of animals while learning more about each species.

Belton also has a number of outdoor activities including Belton Lake, Chalk Ridge Falls Park, and Harris Community Park where you can get outside and discover more of Belton through nature.

### Walk to End Alzheimer's

The Walk to End Alzheimer's is open to the Belton community and takes place Oct. 7 at 700 Veteran's Way Dr. This event is a major fundraiser and is to help support those with Alzheimer's and their caregivers.

There is no fee to walk, but participants are encouraged to register as a team and raise funds to help the research for this disease.

### Multicultural Festival

Kicking off Missions Emphasis Week, sponsored by Global Outreach, a Multicultural Festival will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 9 on King Street. The event is free.

Students will have the opportunity to enjoy food, music, crafts and more that capture the heart of different cultures from around

the world. There will be opportunities for students to visit with missionaries and learn more about the work they are doing. Information on other MEW events will be available at the festival.

### ONE Service

UMHB will be hosting an on-campus church service called ONE at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 11, in Walton Chapel.

ONE is an intentional effort to demonstrate Christian unity in diversity. It is organized by a group of local college ministers, and is a dynamic worship gathering that is a forum to act out togetherness in the Gospel.

This service is held twice a semester. The musical worship and the teaching message for this iteration will be brought by two different churches in the Belton/Temple area.

### One Voice Concert

The One Voice Concert takes place from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 24, at the Sue & Frank Mayborn Performing Arts Center. The admission is free and open to the public.

The One Voice performers are students involved with the premiere vocal ensemble of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. There will be many varieties of genres put

together throughout this performance. This event will be a Fine Arts Experience credit for students at the university.

### Miss MHB Pageant

Continuing the decades-old tradition, the annual Miss MHB Pageant will be held at 7 p.m. on Nov. 4 in Walton Chapel. Tickets are \$7 and can either be pre-purchased or bought before the show.

Many organizations on campus nominate a female student to represent both the organization and her own campaign. They compete in several categories, with the winner becoming the reigning Miss Mary Hardin-Baylor for a year.

### Belton Market Days

Belton Market Days see the streets of downtown Belton crowded with music, food, and vendors. The event will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 17 on the streets of Downtown Belton.

This event is a great opportunity to see and support many small businesses. The event is run by the Downtown Belton Business Association, a non-profit that promotes economic growth in the Downtown Belton area.

## ROTC Cadet Completes Nurse Summer Training

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Over the 2023 summer, Cadet Alexia Brown, a senior Nursing major and MS-5 (super senior) in ROTC participated in the voluntary 28-day Nursing Summer Training program at Carl R. Darnall Hospital at Fort Cavazos, Texas.

The program consisted of 156 clinical hours, where Brown participated in clinical rotations in the NICU (neonatal intensive care unit), ICU, Medical Surgery floor, and behavioral health unit. Since starting her nursing career at UMHB, Brown has expressed interest in working in the emergency department.

During her clinical rotations at Baylor Scott and White Memorial Hospital, in Temple, Brown stated, "I fell in love with it there, and then when I got the opportunity to do it again this summer, it solidified my decision of wanting to go," Brown stated. She decided to join the program to gain confidence in herself and her skills. Brown has only worked in civilian hospitals and this was her first time working in a military hospital. "I got to see what my life is, see what my life is going to look like for the next how many years I want to be in the army," said Brown.

When asked about what inspired Brown to do both ROTC and Nursing, Brown stated

she was inspired by her parents. Both Brown's parents served in the army and she did Junior ROTC in high school. "I just knew in my soul, that's what was going to happen," Brown stated. However, Brown did not consider nursing until her junior year of high school, where she participated in a CNA (certified nursing assistant) program.

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requires mental and physical agility, which Brown said "tested my limits" at times. Brown participated in the ranger challenge, a two to three-day, intense, physical competition. Every semester cadets also do field training exercises, where the cadets go into the woods for two to three days at a time. "All of this on top of also trying to excel in my academics, was the biggest challenge I faced so far in my life." Brown stated. "I got to see what my life is, see what my life is going to look like for the next how many years I want to be in the army," said Brown. When asked about what inspired Brown to do both ROTC and Nursing, Brown stated



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MS3, senior, nursing major Alexia Brown poses in front of American flag.

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