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Mock Trial Team proceeds to open round championships

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Over the weekend of Feb. 1-3, the Wheaton College Mock Trial A team took second place overall at the American Mock Trial Association (AMTA) tournament in Minneapolis.

Wheaton College Mock Trial members also won individual awards at the tournament. Junior Trenton Van Oss, the team captain, won an All-Region Attorney Award, and junior Jason Chapman received an All-Region Witness award.

The tournament consisted of 22 teams in total, with most schools having two teams present.

Schools at the tournament included University of Wisconsin-Superior, St. Norbert College, Macalester College, Carleton College, St. Benedict and St. John's University.

Wheaton College's two teams put on a strong performance at this nationally ranked competition with the B team placing 12th with a record of 3-4-1 and the A team placing second with a record of 7-1.

"After taking second place at this past tournament, the team is excited and ready to compete at the next level of competition," Van Oss said. Although the B team is done for the season, the A team's second place achievement has earned them a bid to the next level of competition. They will participate in the Opening Round Championships in Waukegan, Ill., to be held March 8-10.

Sophomore Abby Canfield and freshman Dylan Andres, B team's captains, along with B team witness sophomore Margaret Winchell, have been promoted to the A team in preparation for the Open Round Championships.

The A team roster for the championships also includes Van Oss, Chapman, junior McNair Nichols, freshman Jasmine Stein, junior John Patrick, freshman Kelly Farley and junior Lauren Carini.

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Brian Howell publishes book on missions

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The sociology and anthropology department at Wheaton College hosted a discussion of anthropology professor Brian Howell's book "Short-Term Mission: An Ethnography of Christian Travel Narrative and Experience" on Wednesday, Feb. 13, in Buswell Memorial Library.

The book, released in September 2012, explores the evolution of short-term mission trips and