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BCA celebrates Black History Month

By Pam Haynes Editor in chief

The celebration of Black History Month began at the university on Feb. 7 in what Black Cultural Awareness president Henry Garrard referred to as "a regular sit-down and chat session" on HIV and AIDS, the top causes of death in African Americans between the ages of 25 and 44.

In Lecture Room B of Smith Library, eight African-American students attended the BCA event. Tania Strickland, a health educator from the Triad Health Project, visited campus to discuss this sexually transmitted virus which is prevalent in Guilford County. "Guilford County is in the top ten list of places in North Carolina that have the highest amount of diagnosed HIV cases," explained Strickland. She also explained that there are more cases of HIV found in African American women than in African American men or Caucasian females.

"HIV has a new face," she said as she scanned the females in the audience. "And it's our face, ladies."

"I'm going to use real terms here," said Strickland as she passed around several contraceptive methods for students to see,



Left to right: Chenae Bullock, a sophomore and member of Black Cultural Awareness, chats with Tania Strickland, a health educator from Triad Health Project after Strickland spoke at a BCA event on Feb. 7 in Smith Library. Photo by Pam Haynes

can ask me anything," she continued. She also held a condom demonstration to ensure condom properly.

By the end of the session, any tension and embarrassment had worn off as students openly asked questions to Strickland, who responded with open and truthful answers. Garrard was so pleased with the event that he hopes to plan an HIV testing day in March and invite Strickland back to speak at this event as well.

According to Mrs. Lanita Williams, BCA faculty adviser and director of circulation services in Smith Library, the only drawback of the event was the small number of participants. "I believe it would have been very beneficial for other students to have heard," she said. "There is still so much misconception about HIV and AIDS, and I think it is important to inform our students.'

Black History Month events continued on Feb. 11 for Williams when she attended the 48th Anniversary of the Woolworth Sit-ins on South Wrenn Street. This location, site of the Radisson Hotel now, is where the Woolworth Dime Store stood in 1960. It was there

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including male and female condoms. "You that students in the room knew how to use a Kiosk workers battle boredom with talent

By Jesse Cherry Staff Writer

If you don't have time for that healthy bowl of oats in the morning, it is always nice to know there is a packet of Oreo cookies waiting for you at the kiosk, an exclusive HPU service created by Dr. Qubein to share the importance of giving. Without that sugary delight, insulin levels could become low, and it may be hard to stay awake during class. Yes, it's great that these treats are there, but what about the people handing them out? What keeps them awake during the workday?

Kevin Corron and Jason Messer are the two guys you see every day on your stroll to class. For them, the day starts at 6 a.m. when Jason drives to Kevin's house in High Point to pick him up for work. By 6:30 a.m., they need to be at the school, ready to grab enough cartons of water or hot chocolate on cold days, for the hundreds of students walking to class.

Kevin works at the kiosk located on the international promenade. The metropolis of the kiosk world, it sits where the majority of students pass by. "I don't mind it (the job), I just love talking to people, and they are usually friendly or they are silent. Well... there was one time a girl threw a cookie at me," Kevin said and laughed.

For every 10 minutes the sidewalk is full of students, there are 50 minutes when almost no one passes by. "I usually try and kill time by drawing or writing, either that, or I watch the squirrels," Kevin



Kevin Corron, a kiosk employee, displays his sketch book. He draws in the book to pass the time while students are in class. Photo by Pam Haynes

Even though they're not allowed to listen to music during the workday, Kevin gets to partake of the classical sounds of the promenade, and luckily, he enjoys it.

"Classical music," Kevin said with a smile, "I love that stuff."

Even when the class time rush has ended, Kevin is usually greeted by stragglers that pass by, but Jason, his friend working up by Norcross Hall, lives a work day of isolation in comparison.

Unlike the promenade, the kiosk by Norcross Hall only sees a handful of students. Instead of the works of Beethoven, its only music is the sound of construction. "I used to work at the other kiosk, but since Kevin enjoys it better, I let him have it," Jason said.

Just like Kevin, Jason spends his time watching the squirrels or drawing, and he draws a lot. In his large notebook, over 100 pages are filled with sketches of whatever is on his mind. "I hope to go into graphic design. I've enjoyed it ever since I was a kid drawing dinosaurs," Jason said. When asked if he gets bored despite his drawings, he replied with a giant sigh and an "Oh yes."

Both Kevin and Jason spend five hours a day, most of which take place in isolation, just so we can have a drink and a granola bar. It isn't always entertaining, but they seem to get by, and for the most part they enjoy it. "We used to be like the post office, but now we get holidays off, so we feel a lot better about it," Jason said and laughed.

Their job may not require a diehard motto involving rain, sleet and snow, but they do spend a lot of time outside by themselves. Next time you find yourself in need of a quick snack, they wouldn't mind if you throw in a "hi" in exchange for a banana, because after a while, watching the squirrels gets old.

On the Run: What's New

HPU installs emergency text messaging alert system

A text messaging service has been installed by the Information Technology Department in order to issue special alerts to students in a timely manner.

The system was installed in light of events such as the Virginia Tech shootings. The university is taking these precautions as an effort to keep students on the HPU campus safe. Class cancellations due to inclement weather will also be sent through the service.

Students must enroll their cell phone numbers in order to receive messages from the university. A video explaining the sign-up process can be found by logging into the Blackboard community at http://community.highpoint.edu.

Text messages from the university are free of charge. If any student is charged by his or her phone company for a message, the university will provide reimbursement.

Steve Forbes to speak in **Hayworth Fine Arts Center**

Steve Forbes, president and CEO of Forbes Inc. and editor in chief of Forbes Magazine, will speak to students, faculty, and staff on March 12 at 7 p.m. in the Pauline Theatre of the Hayworth Fine Arts Center.

Forbes Magazine has a circulation of over 900,000 readers. Since Forbes assumed his position in 1990, a variety of new publications has been launched pertaining to the business industry. The company's website, www.Forbes.com, also attracts over 7,000,000 guests each month.

National Honor Society Chapter granted to HPU

The chapter of Theta Alpha Kappa, the National Honor Society for Religious Studies and Theology, has been granted to the university. Established in 1976, the chapter provides national recognition and opportunities to receive awards and scholarships for religion majors.

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Celebration of Black History Month may go unnoticed by many students

Staff Editorial

Lecture Room B of Smith Library may not be the size of an auditorium, but there were plenty of seats left in the room during the Black Cultural Awareness-sponsored guest lecture that addressed HIV and AIDS in the African-American community as part of Black History Month.

Only eight students attended the event. But it wasn't a boring, rigid lecture on why you shouldn't have sex. It was more like a straight-forward conversation between friends on the topics of sex, protection, and HIV and AIDS, except the person that students were talking to was Tania Strickland, an official health educator for the Triad Health Project.

Strickland used no big terms. She wasn't embarrassed, and she told students what they needed to know. This is why it was such a shame to only have eight students in attendance when Strickland touched on topics that an entire university of students, who are usually too embarrassed to ask specific questions about sex, desperately needed to hear.

Before this event, Henry Garrard, BCA president, already knew that many students at the university either didn't know that it was Black History Month or were not actively celebrating it. "Last week, a BCA member went out and asked random individuals



Left to right: Mary Andrews Blakeney, Arleen Wilkes and Rufus K. Newlin, all participants in the Woolworth Sit-in, stand below the new marker on Wrenn Street that honors those who were brave enough to take a stand that day in 1961. Photo by Pam Haynes

if they even knew it was
Black History Month," said
Garrard. "Some either didn't
realize that it was or thought
that Black History Month was
actually in March."

Another event that students missed out on was the Woolworth Sit-ins Memorial held on Feb. 11 in front of the Radisson Hotel. Gathered there were members from the community and original participants from the Woolworth Sit-ins in 1958. . At the time, these participants were high school students who were brave enough to sit in silent protest at an allwhite lunch counter in the Woolworth Dime Store. The only member of the HPU community in attendance was Mrs. Lanita Williams, faculty adviser for BCA and director of circulation services in Smith Library.

But luckily, the celebration isn't over yet. BCA has two more events planned for Feb. 24 and 28 which Garrard hopes more people will attend. "I don't believe that HPU is doing enough to celebrate Black History Month," Garrard said. "We are now working with Hillary Cole, director of student activities, to put up posters around campus and help promote Black History Month and the BCA program."

Straight Talk From Dr. Nido Qubein

Six steps to effective decision making

Dear HPU students:

As you drive to and from campus to enjoy the variety of entertainment and shopping that the local community offers, you have undoubtedly noticed that your University is expanding beyond what might be considered the "traditional" boundaries of campus. Yes, we have been blessed with the opportunity to build The Village at North College near the intersection of North College and Lexington Avenues, which will be completed this summer. As spring and summer progress, you'll see and hear more about that project and others that move your University onward and upward.

As I drove past that construction site this morning, it occurred to me that the decision to build The Village – like all other projects we have undertaken as part of the transformation of High Point University – was not a haphazard one. We followed a time-honored system of arriving at decisions that will move us steadily toward our overall goals.

This systematic method of arriving at decisions is based on a six-step process developed by The Xerox Corporation as part of its quality-improvement process. This process – when applied to any major decision in one's life – has the potential to clarify and focus. It looks like this, and I offer it to you in the hope that you will apply it to the decisions you make in your life today and in the days and years ahead:

Step 1: Identify the Issue. You either accomplished what you set out to

accomplish or you fell short. List all the issues you need to address to move to your next goal, then narrow it down to the issue that must be addressed before you can take the next step. Make that your next issue.

Step 2: Analyze the Issue. Look at the issue from all angles. Why is it necessary to make a decision on this issue? What will happen if you don't? What do you want to happen as a result of the decision? What stands in the way of making this happen? List the obstacles that must be overcome as a result of the decision. Rank obstacles in the order in which they must be overcome.

Step 3: Generate Alternatives. Take obstacles one at a time and list possible ways to remove them. Rely on your experience, the experience of others



and your imagination.

Step 4: Select a Specific
Alternative. Take the short list and decide
which criteria you will use to select the best
decision. Will it be the one that requires
the least amount of time? Money? Effort?
Analyze the alternatives in light of your
criteria and choose the one that most
closely matches them. Describe the actions
you must take to implement the decision
and the results you expect to accomplish as
a result.

Step 5: Implement the Decision.
Execute the actions you described in step

Step 6: Evaluate the Results.

After executing the decision, examine results in light of your expectations. Did the decision accomplish what you wanted it to accomplish? If so, mark it accomplished and move on to the next issue. If not, repeat the process, starting with Step 1.

Obviously, decisions made based on this system are not made haphazardly. If you follow these procedures, you will continually learn from your mistakes and build on your successes. At High Point University, we try to show you that the path to your vision will be well marked and well illuminated if you open your mind to the wisdom around you.

WE LOVE YOU and THANK GOD FOR YOU.

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Political correctness: the gift that keeps on giving

John Winn Opinion Editor

Someone once said, if you can't say anything nice about someone, don't say it at all. Those are nice words to live by, but they make for terrible public policy, at least so far as political correctness goes. Since the civil rights era of the 1960s there have been efforts by activists, politicians and other do-gooders to curtail speech or actions many consider harmful, such as hate speech, catcalls and homophobic slurs. Yet in their haste to clean up the proverbial gutter, these individuals have created an atmosphere that in purporting to favor free speech, actually curtails it, at least the kinds that they don't like.

That isn't to say that these academics and intellectuals are bad or that their cause has no meaning. However, in their zeal, many of these well-intended members of society have resorted to tactics of intimidation and suppression that not only ruin reputations and create friction, but also make it impossible for America to have the kind of dialogue that will help it move forward and create a society that

truly benefits us all.

For example, just recently the president of the National Council of La Raza, Janet Murguia, publicly called for CNN to fire Lou Dobbs for saying that Congress needs to do more to tighten the porous border with Mexico. In a speech that Murguia gave on C-SPAN several months ago, she said that "Hate groups and extremists no longer occupy the fringe in American politics." Murguia also implied that the FCC should get involved in the issue, perhaps by putting pressure behind the scenes to have Dobbs blackballed from the public airwaves. The fact is, even if the government wanted to suppress hate speech, which it can't, according to a landmark 1978 Supreme Court ruling, it would be a logistic and political nightmare for law enforcement. Such remarks are disturbing, not only because they omit the First Amendment from the conversation, but also because they endorse a liberal version of fascism that is little more than a thinly-veiled dictatorship. One might expect such comments to come from rightwing commentators like Rush Limbaugh or Bill O'Reilly, but the fact that they came from a respected liberal is disheartening. Although it is a fact that political correctness has affected the way Americans discuss sensitive issues like race, almost to a fault, some would say, it affects us in more concrete ways as well. After the Duke lacrosse incident two years ago, a torrent of civil rights activists, feminists and liberal intellectuals descended on the Duke University campus to condemn the three falsely accused players and the school for being part a what one woman said was a "social disaster" that encouraged racism and misogyny in the community. The shock and anger that many expressed in the wake of the sexual assault allegations made it possible for Mike Nifong to exploit long-standing racial and social divisions between the city of Durham and Duke. These divisions nearly made it impossible for Reade Seligmann, Colin Finnerty and Dave Evans to get a fair trail. Fortunately for the accused, Nifong wasn't as smooth

an operator as he thought, but if he had

been successful, the whole tenor of the

case would be entirely different. Instead

of being about a miscarriage of justice, it

would have been about how the evil white man is out to put everybody down.

Ironically, the more militant the rhetoric, the less potential there will be for meaningful dialogues on race, sex and class to begin on college campuses and in newsrooms across the country. The next time that activists like Mrs. Murguia and intellectuals like the faculty at Duke decide to accuse the media and individuals they don't like of serving as the agents of intolerance, they need to take a long look in the mirror. And it's not just those folks, either. It is anyone, college student, professor and everyday citizen who participates in the kinds of cultural wars and meaningless partisan battles that made political correctness such a touchy and divisive issue to begin with. Until we can find a way to rise above our petty differences and work together for the common good, there is no chance that America will truly be the land of the free and the home of the brave.

It is a struggle we all have to endure, but one that will ultimately make us happier and more free.

Know the news and have a stake in the future

By Justina Reinold
Staff Writer

Over the years I have learned how important it is to be conscious of what is going on in the world and the positive outcomes that knowledge can bring.

When I was growing up in Burlington, Mass., my father stressed the importance of reading. Reading was never a hobby of mine because I felt there were much more exciting things I could have been doing with my time. Like many of us, I was not interested in much outside of my neighborhood and my high school.

There were times before school where my father had me sit at the kitchen table and read newspaper articles he thought to be beneficial. The subjects

ranged from international news to business and sports, and I found myself actually enjoying it because I was able to carry on a conversation with people other than just my peers.

The transition from high school to college was the freedom I had been waiting for. No curfew, no chores. But moving far from home forced me to take care of myself and make my own decisions. At the start of college, I found myself confined to the High Point University campus and distracted from the real world. I could tell you where the party was on the weekend and when the next basketball game was, but that was the extent of my knowledge.

Recently I received my daily phone call from my father. He asked if I had heard about the assassination of former Prime Minister of Pakistan, Benazir Bhutto, and if I had read anything about how much chaos it was causing. Who is Benazir Bhutto and what happened to her? I asked myself. I was clueless, so I hung up the phone and looked up the answers myself. Later that week, the assassination of Bhutto was a part of discussion in my International Relations class. By contributing to the conversation, I felt in-tune and proud of it.

Up until my father's question about Bhutto, I had left behind everything he had taught me. I knew from that day forward that I needed to at least flip through a newspaper or turn on the news each morning. I had become oblivious to the crucial events that were changing the world around me and suddenly understood why my father had always emphasized the

importance of reading. Reading creates knowledge and that knowledge truly is power.

I have come across many people my age who don't have the knowledge or even the interest in knowing what is going on around the world. If we can find it in ourselves to put aside some time to form opinions and social change, I believe in the end it will contribute to the well-being of our nation.

We are at war, we are in debt, and we are losing allies. President George W. Bush's two terms are coming to an end, and finally it is our time to have a say. This is the world we live in; this is our United States of America and we need the knowledge to protect it and help the nation grow.

Mrs Fuller: an HPU employee gone but not forgotten

By Katie Nelson Staff Writer

We here at High Point University are blessed to have a wonderful faculty and staff working to make our lives more enjoyable. This is especially true for our cafeteria staff. They come to work every day to prepare our meals, some in the kitchen, and others right in front of us, making the food by hand. One of the people who cooked food for each person individually was Stancie Fuller. She was the lady who would make each student a

personalized omelet. Sadly, Mrs. Fuller died from the effects of a stroke early on the morning of Jan. 29. She was 57. Her funeral was held in Wallace, S.C., where many of her family members live. Her viewing was in High Point.

I attended her viewing on Feb. 1 with a couple of my friends. Mrs. Fuller looked beautiful and at rest, in her white dress, gloves and pink jewelry. Even though we attended at a time most people would be at work, High Point University campus enhancement members were there, paying their respects to Mrs. Fuller.

There were several bouquets of flowers sent from the University, Dr. Qubein and ARAMARK, the company which provides our food. High Point University was a substantial part of Mrs. Fuller's life. Not only did she work here for over 18 years, but her daughter Barbara and granddaughter Ashle, are also on staff here.

Mrs. Fuller was described as being "a great friend and co-worker" by many staff members. She was a cheery individual who would always enjoy conversation with a student. However, she was someone who was not afraid to express her opinion. "She was sweet, but she would tell you like it was," said one of the women in the café. Mrs. Fuller was a southern lady who believed courtesy and respect were admirable traits.

"She would always make me smile at 7 a.m. on a Monday, which is hard to do," said freshman Amanda Harmon. Mrs. Fuller was the type of person you felt you could safely share your secrets with and was full of great advice. She will be missed by the many people whose lives she touched.

Why a Democrat should vote for McCain

By Lauren Croughan Staff Writer

Nobody's perfect. That's probably the one idea on which humanity can agree. Presidential candidates Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton and John McCain are not exempt from this principle. However, in my estimation, McCain is the most acceptable of the contenders. Here's why Democrats should vote for this Republican.

1. We need a moderate in the White house; Clinton and Obama are clearly not moderates. Clinton is a very divisive personality with some poor policy ideas, including Universal Health Care. Obama does not have enough experience and wants too much government intrusion. Personal liberty is the first value on my list, and McCain uses common sense when it comes to policy ideas while committing himself to this value.

2. Conservative Republicans don't like him. This is a virtue in my book. He is against a constitutional ban on gay marriage; he is for amnesty for immigrants and campaign finance reform, and he votes against tax cuts. His abortion views are moderate, too, only being against partial birth abortion.

According to his former rival Mitt Romney, McCain did not reach across the aisle, so much as walk across it. What's wrong with bi-partisanship?

3. He may be a hawk on the war, but his principles on foreign policy are needed. America usually does what it wants, but McCain is wise enough as a military veteran and former POW to do what is right. If he starts something that most Americans don't want, a Democratic Congress will be there to say no...I hope. For instance, bombing Iran, which the Bush Administration has entertained, is a horrifying idea. I don't understand why

we can't get Russia to smooth things over if President Bush and Russian Premier Vladimir Putin are so friendly that Bush claims he has seen Putin's soul.

Despite my anti-everything attitude, prudence must guide us at this election term. This race will be incredibly important in deciding the track that America must take. Let's be smart here and choose someone who won't screw one side of the aisle over. If worse comes to worse, we can bet on a sure thing.

Student Help Wanted!!

Student Managing Editor For a Scholarly Journal

High Point University's English Department will become the home of a scholarly journal, Studies in American Humor, the official publication of the American Humor Studies Association, in the fall of 2008.

The journal is seeking a rising junior who can assume the responsibilities of a primary editorial assistant for a two-year appointment. If a well-qualified junior is not found, a well-qualified rising senior will be considered.

The candidate should be able to help the editor prepare manuscripts for publication, proofread copy, and see the manuscripts through the production and printing process. Additional responsibilities include fact-checking and conducting research assignments. Strong skills in composition and communication are essential along with working knowledge of an Apple Macintosh word processor and Creative Suite Design Premium Software.

The student should be in a position to make a two-year commitment to the job, which will require 8 hours a week during the regular school year @ \$10 per hour. The experience will be a valuable addition to a job resume.

Submit a letter of application outlining your experience and a resume to: Dr. Ed Piacentino, Editor, Studies in American Humor, Department of English, High Point University, 833 Montlieu Ave., High Point, NC 27262. Or send your letter as an e-mail attachment to epiacent@highpoint.edu. The deadline is March 31, 2008.

Apology:

It has come to my attention that an article that appeared in the Campus Chronicle's January '08 issue referred to a YouTube.com video where I made a critical comment about a High Point student's behavior at a varsity athletic event. While I stand by my claim that this video was indicative of gross disrespectful conduct, I did not intend to draw attention to my comment through the Campus Chronicle. I apologize for the mistake.

-Mike Nuckles, Sports Editor

Jessica Memory, Freshman

Candice Gregory, Senior

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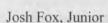
Word on the Street

With High Point University's physical and academic expansion, another increase is in the making. Tuition will rise next semester from approximately \$28,000 to \$31,000, depending on which rooming option you choose, for all full-time day students who live on campus. Current day students were asked what they thought about this increase and why. Compiled by Pam Haynes



Kristina Hardy, Sophomore

"I definitely understand the need for a tuition increase with the expansion and all of the new freshmen, but I would like to keep paying the same amount as when I came as I freshman. That's the amount I planned on paying."



"When you look at the cost of other private schools in the area, it's just a dollar amount. In the end, I think that education is invaluable."



"I believe that the tuition should go up because of the growth. I was worried about housing costs all being the same, but I'm glad you can still choose whether you want to live in a single room or have a roommate.

"I agree that tuition should go up. It goes up every year anyway. You kind of expect that from a private institution."

"My reaction is this - 'Thank God that I'm graduating

this semester.' I wouldn't be able to afford the amount



Damon Smith, Junior

Shootings at NIU cause terror in Illinois native

Sports Editor

It was 4:30 on a Thursday afternoon, and I had just spoken on the phone with my mother, who had been wishing me a Happy Valentine's Day. I went to the common room to watch TV with my roommate, when Mom called me back. This call was not nearly as light and carefree.

"Did you hear the news?" she said. I told her I had no idea. What she told me next nearly knocked me off my feet: "There has been a shooting at NIU."

Was this a sick joke? No, it was Valentine's Day, not April Fool's. There was nothing funny about a gunman, clad in black, walking into a crowded lecture hall and killing five students at my hometown university.

Terror and panic struck me. My first instinct was to alert my girlfriend, Allison, who was in class at Bradley University at the time. She needed to know that her mother - an IT professional at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb - was safe. After a half-hour that seemed like days, Allison called me back to let me know that she had been able to get in

touch with her mother, and that she was on the opposite side of campus when the shootings took place.

Then panic number two set in: I had dozens and dozens of friends, some of whom I had known since we were toddlers, who went to Northern. On top of that, since my sister is a 2007 alumna of

NIU, nearly all of her closest friends could very well have been involved in the massacre. I stopped writing the Campus Chronicle article I had been working on, and planted myself anxiously between my laptop and the TV, switching off

between Facebook and news sites, hoping for any chance of making sure my friends were OK and clicking between the five news channels, none of which had any unique coverage.

As the day went on, the casualty count slowly went up from two injuries and one death to 17 injuries and six fatalities. Each time more news came over the wire, my heart sank a little to realize Johnston said. that this most recent death might be one of my best and oldest friends.

University officials hesitated at releasing names until they could reach family members of the victims, and meanwhile I was left hanging, dreading that a friend's name would be announced

on TV. When NIU finally released the victims' names, it turned out that I had never heard of any of them. Many others were not so lucky.

Jillie Johnston, a freshman from Naperville, Ill., has a number of friends at NIU. She also had an angst-filled Thursday afternoon, not knowing if they were alive and well.

"It hit me really hard because it is right in my own back

yard. Not knowing exactly what happened and who were injured or were killed was a feeling that I would never again like to experience. I looked to go to school there and spent a week of the past two summers there for a soccer camp. It just shows how you never know what is going to happen and don't for a minute think that something like that will never happen to you,"

The five NIU students killed by University of Illinois graduate student Stephen Kazmierczak came from throughout Illinois and left behind countless family members and friends. An event that gave me a worry-filled February afternoon left a gaping void in many others' lives, because nobody can ever replace Dan Parmenter, Ryanne Mace, Gayle Dubowski, Julianna Gehant, or Catalina Garcia.

Much like High Point's recent loss of freshman Kylie Pinheiro, NIU students are now in the grieving process over their lost friend. These students had their lives ripped from them in the midst of youth, and it seems unfair that young, healthy people should die so suddenly, without a chance to say goodbye or tell their families that they were loved.

This tragedy has caused my state great pain and heartache and has made me better appreciate the value and fragility of human life. If this horrible thing can have a positive outcome, it will be that people will appreciate life and let the special people in their lives know that they love them.

Pat Rock entertains students' ears as they entertain their stomachs

By Camara McLaughlin Staff Writer

"'Cause maybe you're gonna be the one that saves me. And after all, you're my wonderwall." These lyrics from Oasis' hit song "Wonderwall" drift over the salad bar, past the french fries and slices of pizza and out the cafeteria doors where you are waiting in line to have your card swiped.

When you hear the song, you know exactly which band, of the several who play during lunch in the cafeteria, it is. It's the two guys who play acoustic guitar and perform these popular songs that you love to sing along to. No matter the food selection, you know it is going to be a good day in the café.

The guys who provide the excellent music and ensure the good day are Patrick Rock, Evan Olson and Tim Lambert. Rock is always a part of the duo in the cafeteria. Olson and Lambert divide the duties.

Rock has

been playing here for about three years, or ever since Dr. Qubein became president of the university. He, Olson and Lambert enjoy coming to High Point because they get to play whatever they feel like. "It's just fun," Rock says. Most students would agree that the band's fun equals fun for the listener as well.

While most students do not know the performers' names, they have clearly shown they enjoy their music. When Rock and company are on stage, sighs of "Oh, I love this song" can be heard throughout the room. Students sing along, sway back and forth to the music and occasionally even applaud after a song. Anyone who eats lunch in the cafeteria knows it takes an exceptionally good song to work the applause out of the diners.

Well-known hits from the '90s, classics from the Beatles, Johnny Cash or Tom Petty, covers of some of today's charttoppers and Rock's original music all are a part of their eclectic repertoire. This wide range of songs combined with acoustic guitar and soothing voices makes a winning

Tara Dyer, a sophomore from Fountain Hills, Ariz., remembers them playing in the cafeteria when she visited the campus. "They're the reason I came," she says, only half-jokingly.

These performers all hail from different bands. Evan Olson is a member of the band Lube. You can recognize him as the one who sings when they cover Rihanna's "Umbrella." When Tim Lambert, the lead singer of the Greensborobased band Ultraviolet, comes with Rock, they cover Johnny Cash songs. Rock is currently playing with Ultraviolet, though he is ceasing that to finish work on his album which will be released this month.

Rock likes seeing everything

taking place on campus. Of High Point, he says, "I think it is awesome. They do a lot for the student body here. I used to play at a lot of other colleges. They all seemed to be cutting back on stuff for the students, while HPU is giving more to the students."

The students' reactions while Rock and his band mates are playing don't really bother them. "Sometimes it

can be a little awkward (playing on stage while everyone is eating). We don't mind being background music," he says. The awkwardness is worth it for Rock when students come up to him during the band's break or after lunch and say, "Thank you guys so much for coming" or "You guys are our favorites."

Gigs and touring have kept Rock and his various bands busy. He plays a lot in the Triad as well as South Carolina, Georgia and Virginia.

His popularity continues to grow as Patrick Rock approaches the release of his second album titled "When All Else Fails." It can be found on iTunes under "Patrick Rock." The first CD, "Recovering from Silence" is on iTunes under "The Patrick Rock Band." This semester, "When All Else Fails" will be available to buy from the band during lunch.

Rock will begin touring to promote the new CD in February. But don't worry. He will still be coming with his acoustic guitar and a band mate to play your favorite songs while you dine.

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Crow speaks to America through new album

By Pam Haynes Editor in chief

After seeing the music video for Sheryl Crow's latest single, "Love is Free," I knew that purchasing her new album, Detours, would be more like participating in a movement rather

than wasting money on generic pop music that I could illegally download from the internet.

The video for the single was filmed in New Orleans because the song itself was inspired by efforts to rebuild the Mardi Gras city. The chorus of the song captures the exhaustion of Hurricane Katrina victims who are still

rebuilding as Crow sings, "It ain't no big deal if you lose your faith. They kinda like to keep you in your place..." A sign floating down a river that says, "Make levees, not war," is also flashed during the first moments of the video.

The rest of the album is so politically charged that it's impossible to name all of the messages Crow sends. "God Bless this Mess" has a soft sound but a hard critique on the issues of war and Sept. 11. "Diamond Ring" acknowledges that diamond rings mean absolutely nothing in real relationships, and more

> often than not, serve as an expensive distraction from the important aspects of commitment.

And my favorite song on the album, "Gasoline," is an upbeat song written in future tense about extreme protests and riots against the oil companies. Ironically enough, I love yelling out the chorus line which says, "Gasoline will be free!" each time I head to the pumps.

Crow gets an A+ for making a record that every American needs to hear. I can promise that "Detours" will lead listeners down a path that is worth taking over and over again.

'Why We Love' falls short of scholarly standards

THE NATURE AND CHEMISTRY

OF ROMANTIC LOVE

By John Winn Opinion Editor

What is love? It is a question as old as the ancient Greeks and yet as relevant as any modern dilemma. The Greeks, masters of all that was both sensuous and erotic had at least ten different words for love, ranging from eros, the sexual, high-energy form associated with lust to something called pragma, a love based on common cause and sense, yet lack any of the intimacy associated with the other nine loves. A Google search of the word 'love' turns up nearly one million hits, including Ukrainian mail-order bride websites as well as a 'love calculator' that approximates compatibility between prospective lovers. Despite all we know about romantic--and sexual attraction--no one has figured out why we love, that is until anthropologist Helen Fisher's 2004 tome "Why We Love" (Henry Holt and Company, New York, \$24.95). However, while the book establishes an evolutionary and cultural underpinning for romance, it glosses over several important details,

leaving some yearning and aching for more

Utilizing a battery of anecdotes

and scientific findings, Fisher attempts to convey the richness and diversity of romantic love. Her thesis is that feelings of love, as well as lust and attachment, are embedded in our brains as a result of eons of evolution and natural selection. The most telling evidence of this are the pre-historic comparisons of skulls and bones from East Africa, which demonstrate that the intellectual, psychological and emotional connections necessary for romantic attachment evolved in

human beings a little over 3.5 million years ago. Long before Cro-Magnons and Neanderthals came on the scene, and longer still before Louis Leakey's famous 'Lucy' discovery in the 1950s and '60s. Indeed, evidence of these findings is borne out today, for example in the fact that men

are 4 times more likely to associate sex with emotional closeness than women (because they want to breed offspring who will inherit their DNA), and the fact that women are likely to remember more details of their rendezvous than men.

Yet in her haste to convey this information, Fisher glosses over many important issues that arise, such as whether homosexuality is an evolutionary trait, and if so, do gays and lesbians experience love differently than heterosexual couples? She believes this to be the case, though the only

evidence she introduces to support her claim is a questionnaire she presented showing that gays and lesbians experience 'sweaty palm syndrome' -- a trait associated

with romantic love--more than straights do. Fisher argues this is because of religious and cultural prohibitions against homosexuality across all cultures, even though some cultures are more accepting of gays and lesbians than others. Even when she comes across evidence of homosexuality in nature, such as with bonobo chimps and certain reptiles like the whiptail lizard, she glosses over it, as if it doesn't exist. For a woman who claims that romantic love is universal, her lack of bona fide research on this particular subject has the potential of undermining her credibility despite the overall accuracy of her statements.

Even so, "Why We Love" is still an interesting and thought-provoking read, but it has its issues. Couples young and old will find this to be an entertaining and informative book. But for serious scholars of anthropology and human sexuality, "Why We Love" misses the mark. Overall, "Why We Love" does a good job of categorizing and explaining the different types of romantic love, even though it comes up short at times.

'Fools Gold' leaves viewers feeling 'lighthearted'

By Jessalin Graham Staff Writer

Kate Hudson and Matthew McConaughey, lead characters in "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days", are paired up again in director Andy Tennant's "Fool's Gold", which earns all 5 stars.

This motion picture does a wonderful job making its viewers feel as

if they are on an island vacation themselves, immediately setting the mood with cheery island music, brightly colored scenes, sand and sun, and a clear blue ocean. The vibrant images, the sound of the waves, and the gentle movement of swaying palm trees cause the audience to dive right into the film.

As quickly as viewers are introduced to

the scenes, they meet the characters as well. The audience learns right away that McConaughey's character, Ben Finnegan, should be called "trouble". Instead, he goes by Finn, which describes him just as well. As the film opens, the audience views Finn and his Ukrainian sidekick Alfonz, played by Ewen Bremner, in full scuba gear, searching for artifacts on the ocean floor. The two manage to find a plate remnant from the mysterious lost treasure of an ancient ship called The Aurelia. Meanwhile, their boat catches on fire and commences to explode and sink right behind them; they surface without realizing this important fact. The two even look left and right for it before Alfonz looks below and makes the connection that the boat sank.

Finn manages to retrieve from

the wreckage a picture of himself and his beloved Tess, Hudson's character. Soon after, Bigg Bunny, played by Kevin Hart, the powerful gangster who owns the entire island, is not pleased with Finn's careless loss of the boat and since he cannot pay Bigg Bunny the money he owes him, Bunny's men chain him to an anchor and throw him overboard after he instructs them to tell Tess he loves her and puts up a

> rather good attempt at fighting off his captors. However, while he is trying to rescue himself from the middle of the ocean, all the while professing his love for Tess, she is filing for divorce from Finn. After many obstacles, he makes it to the judge's office, only to discover that time has run out and the divorce is final.

Back on dry land, Tess is not ready to admit that she still loves Finn, so she tries to move on with her life and get far away from

him. Much to her dismay, she does not get away fast enough; Finn charms his way onto the ship on which she is working as a stewardess, owned by a rich man named Nigel, played by Donald Sutherland. With Tess's help, Finn presents Nigel with the romantic story of the mysterious treasure, and they convince him to assist with the hunt. From there the group embarks on a humorous adventure packed with mystery and danger, and along the way a variety of characters discover both treasure and renewed love. The audience cannot help but fall in love with the goofy characters, who are often too oblivious and ignorant of their surroundings for their own good, but intelligent in their own special ways. "Fool's Gold" rubs off on its viewers and leaves them feeling lighthearted and pleased with their movie-going experience.

BET fan remembers his youth = By Larry Daniels Staff Writer

I was fortunate to grow up with an older brother, who had an eight and a half year lead on me, and was responsible for raising me while my parents were at work. In our house, there was only one TV, and my brother owned it when my parents were gone, and he was hooked on it for the rest of the day.

When he became a teenager, I sort of became a teenager. So there were no Looney Tunes, no Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and no Power Rangers for me. Instead, it was A Different World, Family Matters and Rap City. Not the Rap City in the Basement with Q45, the new host. I'm talking about Rap City with Joe Clair, Chris Thomas and Leslie Sugar, aka Big Lez. I would have cried, but there was no one for me to cry to because my parents weren't home.

I couldn't even get my way when my parents came home from work. They kept the TV on the same station because BET Top 20 Countdown with Donnie Simpson was on. The TV would stay on BET for my parents to watch the news and what was going on in the black community up until Midnight Love. By then, it was time for me to go to bed, but I would stay up to try and watch TV. But back in those days there were no 24 hour TV networks. Every network on showed a rainbow followed by the infamous Beeping sound. TV literally went off for you.

So through the week, I didn't have any time to watch TV, so I looked forward to Saturday morning cartoons. I was lucky that my brother slept all day because I would have never gotten any private TV time. But when it was noon, my brother rolled out of bed, punched me in the face and took the remote and turned to BET for Teen Summit. My parents were home,

which gave me a chance to protest. My mother and father would come out of their room and tell my brother to let me watch TV for a little while and he would get his turn later. But when my parents left, Teen Summit would be back on the TV.

Over time I would stop crying and watch my brother's programs. Because of A Different World, I was introduced to the college environment and taught about HIV. Because of Teen Summit and Family Matters, I learned how to deal with peer pressure and bullies at school. And because of Rap City, I had discovered what was going on in urban communities like mine across the United States. I started to enjoy the shows, and then it happened.

In 1999, Bob Johnson the sold the rights to BET to Viacom, and the bottom fell out for Black Entertainment Television. It seemed like Black Entertainment was not the same. Once Viacom controlled BET, its first mission was to fire Tavis Smiley from the news he was too candid about the issues facing the black community. Suddenly, BET became a lame imitator of MTV's glitz and sleaze. It heightened the negative images the old black television shows tried to get

Today you are not comfortable watching TV with kids. The programs are populated with nearly naked women and "role models" covered in jewelry and glorifying guns, drugs and misogyny. Back in the day, TV educated us about our past, our present, and how we should conduct ourselves in the future.

Today, I am usually on YouTube looking at all those shows my brother made me watch. These programs make me wish I was young again. The shows were great and informative for the black community. If I could do it all over again, I wouldn't cry to my parents, but I would embrace every program my brother forced on me. But that time is past; and we can never get it back.

Prepare for blood and car crashes

By Jesse Cherry Staff Writer

"No More Heroes" - Wii

Most games on the Wii don't allow you to kill anything, let alone see the fountains of blood pouring from their corpses. "No



More Heroes" is one of the most adult and bloody games you will find on Nintendo's console. You play as the Star Wars-loving, animé-watching Travis Touchdown as he tries to kill his way to the top and become the number-one assassin in the United States.

The boss battles are challenging and engrossing, and anyone who enjoys nerd-oriented pop culture will love the story. The problem is, those two aspects only add up to about five hours of the tenhour experience. The rest of the time is spent in the vacant GTA style city, Santa Destory, or partaking in crappy minigames. Picking up trash or mowing lawns is not fun. They are called chores for a

The Wii controls are well implemented, but after you slice through your 1,000th generic bad guy, the fun starts to dwindle.

If story and style are more important to you than gameplay, you may enjoy "No More Heroes"; for the rest, it will only prove to be boring and annoying.

"Burnout Paradise" - Xbox 360, PS3

"Burnout Paradise" is an openworld, adrenaline-inducing, car-crashing, bliss of a racing game that will thrill

anyone who picks up a control.

From the start of the game, the entire city of Paradise is at your disposal. To start an event, just drive up to one of 120 stoplights. You can compete in races, stunt competitions, time trials and more. One of the most exciting events requires you to crash as many other racers as you can before they take you out.

The freedom the game gives you from the get-go seems overwhelming at first, but the more you play, the bigger the smile on your face will get. Online play is fantastic and the game should last well over 40 hours.

Even if you don't like racing games, "Burnout Paradise" is so fun and easy to play that everyone will enjoy it.

"Advance Wars: Days of Reunion" - DS

"Advance Wars: Days of Reunion" is a turn-based strategy game that takes place after a meteor destroys most of the world. Even with the near extinction of mankind, war continues. Unlike the previous two games in the series, DOR has a mature story and a setting that fits the theme.

While not an entirely new experience, subtle tweaks to the A.I. and units add a fresh enough feel to keep the game from becoming stale. Instead of beating you with unfair odds, it uses intelligence to humble even the most brilliant of minds. The strength of the computer will require players to think several turns ahead before making a move.

The title has a lengthy, single player campaign and online play, which allows you to compete against anyone around the world.

"Advance Wars: Days of Reunion" may turn off some with its level of difficulty, but the challenge makes every victory rewarding.

The Spill Canvas has 'passion'; Sparks has no redeeming value

By Lauren Croughan Staff Writer

Rock The Spill Canvas—No Really, I'm Fine

Finally something useful came out of South Dakota. This band blows my mind in ways wind itself never could. The soulful lyrics are relatable



and emotional without beating us to death. Vocals are accompanied with passion, which is the distinguishing factor between this lead singer and other male singers. This album is worth having in hard copy. However, there is one song, "Battles," which would parody emo music, if kids wouldn't take it seriously.

Final Grade- A+ [Despite one song]

Hip-Hop J. Holiday-Back of my Lac'

Old school soul, meet the new school. Highly original, Holiday draws on his R and B roots and still delivers sensual melodies. His lyrics are direct, but



still he has a special way to spill his guts to the listeners. While not as wildly popular, he sounds remarkably like Usher. Vocals aside, he puts on a good album.

Final Grade-B+

Metal

Bullet for my Valentine- Scream, Aim, Fire

Who knew the Welsh were so angry? Despite the loudness of the genre, they create a synchronized musical experience. They use the usual demonic



vocals and guitar solos, but do so with a new kind of finesse that isn't found much. Their lyrics are predictable, but there is an occasional surprise. Other adjectives for the album include: ambivalent, ambiguous and flip-flopping.

Final Grade-B

Jordin Sparks-Jordin Sparks

Satan, American Idol needs its soul back. Jive Records has a very pop-oriented artist bill, but its new addition needs attention. This album is fully processed,



packaged and delivered. If you bought this album before I had the room to review it, I would write and request my money back. I could not find one redeeming factor in it.

Final Grade—F (The first one given since

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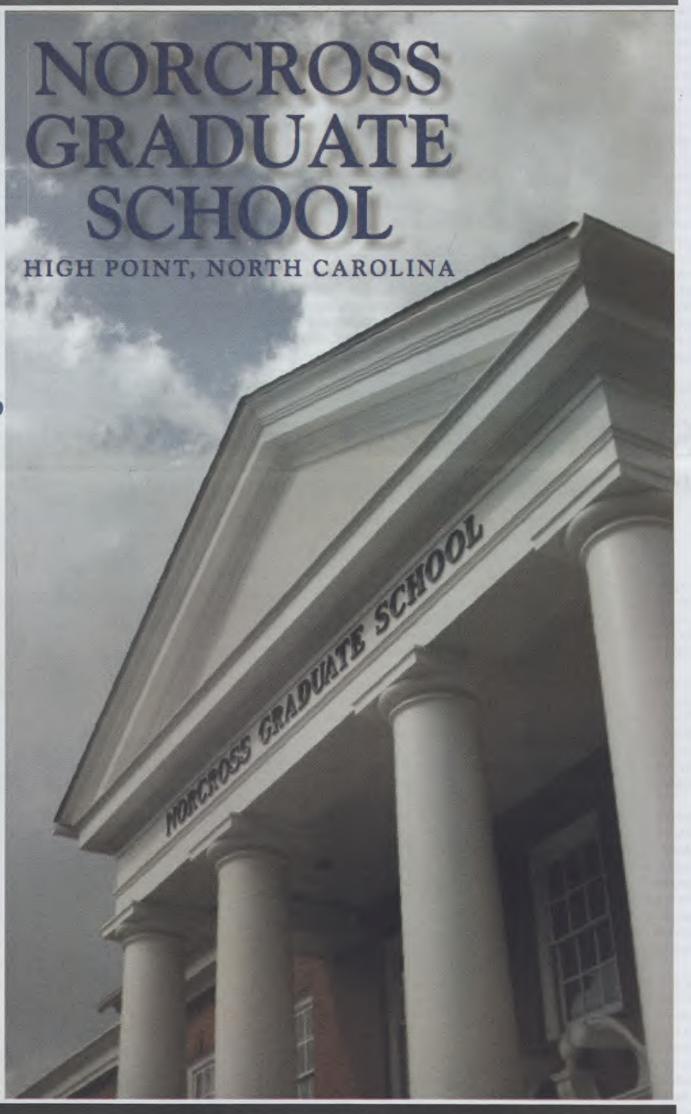
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Former U.S. ambassador says America must reduce dependence on foreign oil

By John Winn Opinion Editor

Car bombings. Sniper's nests. Mid-range nuclear weapons. Stateless terror groups. These are the threats that plague American troops, diplomats and Fortune 500 companies in the Middle East.

Where do these elements come

"The problem, Dunsford

said, is that the United

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extremism."

from, and how have terrorism and nuclear proliferation emerged to become some of the most terrifying realities of life in the Fertile Crescent? According to David Dunsford, adjunct professor of American University's Graduate School of

Political Management, the roots of Islamic terrorism are complex, ranging from the presence of U.S. military bases in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to America's support of Israel against the Arabs and Palestinians during the Six-Day War in 1967. Yet despite these issues, the problem of the Middle East is solvable; all it requires, according to Mr. Dunsford is leadership and initiative.

In a 50-minute lecture delivered Feb. 13 in the Phillips School of Business building, Dunsford, a former ambassador to Oman and Egypt, said that in order for the U.S. to regain its ground in the War on Terror, the U.S. must be prepared to "reduce its dependence on foreign oil and end the Arab-Israeli conflict," among other things.

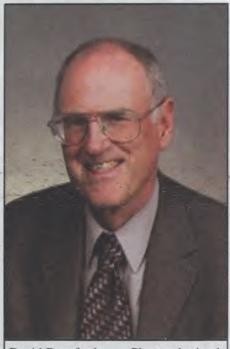
The problem, Dunsford said, is that the United States has pursued what

> he called a "rawhide approach" to the war against Islamic extremism. The policy is aimed at labeling, separating and isolating disparate Muslim, Christian and Jewish groups as either friend or foe, not unlike the policy that the U.S. pursued during the Cold War.

The inspiration for the lecture stemmed from the theme song that 1950s singer Frankie Laine recorded for the show of the same name starring Clint Eastwood.

Throughout the talk, Mr. Dunsford fielded questions from students and faculty. A bulk of the questions centered on Israel-Palestine, a sensitive subject during the current Presidential election.

While Dunsford did not say anything pro or con about Israel or the United State's role in funding and



David Dunsford

Photo submitted

supplying arms to the Jewish state, he did mention several times that politicians in Washington and Jerusalem should not be afraid to "butt heads together" for the sake of peace.

Dunsford's visit to the university is part of the ongoing President's seminar on the war on terrorism underwritten by the Department of History. The hosts were Dr. Larry Simpson and Dr. Mark Setzler.

Parking problems continue to frustrate students

By Holly Iverson Staff Writer

Kerry Quinn, a junior, was coming back to campus after a practicum at a local elementary school and found herself in the same situation students face every day: There wasn't a place for her to park. To make the situation even more desperate, she was running late for her next class. So, Kerry did what she'd seen many other students do; she parked in an unmarked

"I've seen other cars parked where I did, and I never saw any of them get tickets, so I assumed I would be fine," Kerry said. When she returned to her car after class to look for a different parking spot, she had a ticket.

Most students have experienced a similar situation where they've parked illegally because they were running late for class or maybe because they just didn't care. Upon returning to their car, they were angered at the sight of a ticket under their windshield wiper.

Ask any student on campus about parking, and his or her reply will probably be some variation of "There's never a place for me to park on campus." But the truth is it's not that there isn't any parking on campus; it's that there isn't always convenient parking on campus.

Other students have fewer complaints about the campus parking situation. "It bothers me when people park in unmarked spaces because it makes it hard to get around the parking lot that's already too small," said Sam Darnell, a junior.

The parking lot by Wilson Hall is especially difficult to get through when students park near the dumpster and on the curb. The parking lot near the complex is equally difficult to get through at times, as both parking lots already have narrow pathways without cars parked alongside

"It's really frustrating. You try to get around the parking lot and almost hit another car because you either can't see the car coming because of the cars that are parked in unmarked spots or because you have to squeeze your car through," said Abby Ratcliff, a junior living in Wilson

All day students, with the exception of freshmen males, are allowed to park in any marked spot, unless the spot is marked "Reserved" or "Visitor." Freshmen males are only allowed to park in spots behind Hayworth Hall of Science, the Chapel, Norton Hall, in the lot by Norcross and in the lower Millis Center lot. This allows the females living on campus to park closer to their residence halls to ensure their safety.

Other students are more concerned about the addition of more parking lots, rather than just changing where students can park. "The school needs more designated spots closer to the dorms and may need to limit the freshmen's ability to bring cars to campus," said Mike Roux, a sophomore.

Whether there will be a significant number of parking lots added to campus is unknown, but there is some hope available to frustrated parking-spot seekers. Tasha Rorie, an assistant in the campus security office, said, "Whenever they put up new See Parking, pg. 9

Smith serves as Campus Concierge

Leslie Smith works in this unique position where she provides students with top notch service

By Jessalin Graham Staff Writer

Making special deliveries, responding to student emails and providing students with tickets to the latest High Point University cultural event is a typical day for Leslie Smith, High Point University's Campus Concierge.

The concierge service was established in the new Slane Student Center in the fall and has taken off well. The concierge desk offers a wealth of information to students, ranging from where the best dry cleaning service is located to providing a wake-up call upon request.

"The idea for the concierge position came from President Qubein. High Point University is focused on the students and with that frame of mind he wanted to create a position that would be an exclusive service dedicated to the students. He wants High Point University to be the best it can be without looking to other schools for ideas, and hence he created this unique position," says Smith.

Before Smith became the campus concierge, she attended High Point University and held previous jobs on campus. She began her professional career at High Point working as an admissions counselor. Smith went on to get a job in the office of community relations' scheduling department and was also in charge of campus events, which led her to become the University's first campus concierge. She says that her favorite aspect of her new job is "the interaction with everybody." Smith is able to meet students and help them out in many ways. Also, every day is a new challenge for her. Although most mornings start out slow, the day picks up quickly as students begin to come by. Students have caught on fast to

the concierge program and they view it as a one-stop shop for a majority of their daily needs. No complaints have been reported about the implementation of the concierge

program, and Smith says that both students and parents are excited and appreciative of the campus concierge and have not been hesitant in asking questions.

There are few difficulties that go along with the job. "Sometimes when new requests come up that are out of the ordinary, it takes a minute or two to figure out the best solution. Now that the position has been in place for a semester, I feel that I am able to handle requests without difficulty," Smith reports.

She recalled one instance where a student's parents requested a birthday delivery of their son's favorite foods - ice cream and ribs. With a few calls placed here and there, the concierge delivered the creative combination to his dorm

A new program that is in the process of being added is a ride board through which students leaving for break or traveling home for the weekend can be paired with other students going to the same location. The concierge is also working

on a website that will be a "one stop shop" that students can access without even visiting the desk in Slane.



Leslie Smith, the Campus Concierge of HPU, offers special services to students everyday by providing them with wakeup calls, handling their dry cleaning, and offering tickets to special events on campus. Photo submitted by Leslie Smith

New recycling program grows successfully

By Samantha Hester
A&E Editor

Go green! The new recycling program kicked off at the beginning of spring semester, and it's growing.

North Carolinians throw away 679 pounds of trash per second and only recycle 68 pounds of material per second. HPU is making efforts to reduce landfill waste, decrease air and water pollution and protect our natural resources.

During the last year, administrators were approached by faculty, students and visitors who wanted to know why there wasn't a recycling program. So, last fall, administrators took a step forward and started up a long-awaited program.

"We had tried to start a program, before but it never quite gelled," said Vice President Gart Evans, who guides the project.
When the program began, the ongoing committee handed out mugs made of recyclable materials to help raise awareness.

Recycling bins have been placed all across campus - in dorms, offices, apartments, classrooms and academic buildings. There are the short, blue bins and tall bins called "Slim Jims," which are primarily located by vending machines because they're made with a slot, making it easier to drop recyclables inside.

The way that the program works is students take their recycling bins to



What's in America's Trash Diagram

Graph by EPA.gov

their dorm/apartment laundry rooms, and Budd Services picks up recycling in all buildings twice a week. The best part about the recycling process is you don't have to separate items, but you can put them all in the same bin. Some items that can be recycled are: aluminum drink cans, water bottles, soft drink bottles, milk jugs, detergent bottles, magazines, newspapers, cereal boxes, junk mail, pizza boxes and cardboard. Items unacceptable are: aluminum scraps, drinking glasses, light bulbs, wax drink cups/cartons, cat food cans

and aluminum foil.

Participants are also putting out bins at big events like games and family weekend.

"I think we're seeing a lot of materials being recycled. It's been well received," Evans said.

So, gather up your acceptable items and head on down to the recycling bin. Also, if you're interested, the recycling program committee meets every Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the conference room in Student Life.

Ten ways to preserve the planet

By Samantha Hester
A&E Editor

Save that bottle and conserve that water! Here are some tips on how to help save the planet.

- 1. If you live on campus, don't drive your car to class. This will help you save money on gas; you will be putting out less air pollution and you will get exercise by walking to class. And, no, commuter students, you're not off the hook. If you have two classes on the opposite ends of campus, don't drive from one to the other. The same rules apply to everyone we need to put out as little car exhaust as possible.
- 2. Shower speedily and don't waste water. A long, hot shower may be enjoyable to you, but not to the planet or your utility bill.
- 3. Cut off the water when you're brushing your teeth. We all do it leave the water running when we aren't even using it while we scrub away at our pearly whites. You can save up to three gallons of water a day by doing this.
- 4. Unplug your computer at night. Simply turning it off doesn't do the trick. You should turn off your computer at night, and unplug it because it saves power.
- 5. When at a drive-thru and it's looking like you may be there a while, turn your car engine off. You save more gas by turning off your engine and turning it back on than by letting it run for more than 30 seconds.
- **6.** Use recycled paper for printing and notebooks. This helps save trees and serves the same purpose as un-recycled paper.
- 7. Make use of our new recycling program. When you're finished with those bottled waters you pick up at the gazebo every morning, throw them in the recycling bin, not the trash can.
- 8. Organize trips to run errands with friends. This means fewer cars are being used, which means less gas is being used, more oil is being preserved and fewer toxins are filling up our air.
- Turn out the light when you aren't using it. Use a lamp or light a candle. This saves energy.
- 10. Save those beer bottles! When throwing the weekend party, have a bin set up for glass beer bottles. Recycled glass reduces air pollution by 20 percent.

Parking, continued from pg. 8 buildings, they do allow spaces around the building for parking."

So, with the construction of the School of Communication expected to be completed sometime within the 2008-2009 school year, more parking spaces are on their way.

Students who aren't able to park near their residence halls at any time of day or night are reminded they can call campus safety and an officer will take them back to their dorms so they don't have to walk back alone.

Black History Month, continued from pg. 1

that 26 high school students sat at the segregated lunch counter in silent protest to demand equality in their community. Mary Andrews Blakeney, one of the original participants on that day, said at the event, "I can remember being allowed to purchase their hot dogs, but not being allowed to eat them at the counter where the white people ate."

Those in attendance gathered around the new Woolworth Sit-in Memorial marker which was covered until the end of the service. After a singing of "We Shall Overcome," the black tarp was pulled from the marker by Blakeney and revealed for the first time. The marker reads, "On this site, February 11, 1960, a Woolworth Sit-in demonstration, the first in the U.S. by high school students (26), was held. Led by Reverends B.E. Cox and Fred Shuttlesworth, an 8-year battle against racial and social injustices ensued." Blakeney explained that it took eight more years of protests similar to this one before African Americans were recognized as equal to white people in the community.

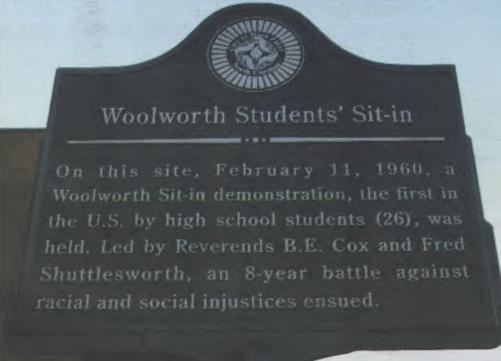
"It was a wonderful feeling to take part in the celebration of such an important event," said Williams. "[The Woolworth Sit-ins] are such an unknown Black History fact, and I applaud Mrs. Blakeney in her efforts to make us aware of their part in the Civil Rights Movement."

BCA will continue to honor Black History Month by hosting a movie night where "Bamboozled," a film displaying the negative consequences that stem from racial stereotypes, will be shown on Feb. 24 in Lecture Room B of Smith Library. A special celebration will also be held on Feb. 28 at 8:30 p.m. in the Slane Student Center where Blakeney will serve as the guest speaker and the Genesis Gospel Choir will perform.



Above: Original participants of the Woolworth Sit-in, Arleen Wilkes, Mary Andrews Blakeney, and Rufus K. Newlin, sing "We Shall Overcome" before the unveiling of the marker. Below: The memorial marker of the Woolworth Student Sit-in is located on Wrenn Street in front of the Radisson Hotel.

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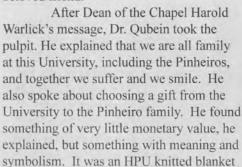
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Second memorial service held for Pinheiro; parents in attendance

By Jesse Kiser Staff Writer

Located below the bronze organ pipes was a large bouquet of pink carnations. Pink was Kylie's favorite

color, and the flowers were a symbol of her presence here with us. On Wednesday, Feb. 13 during the regular service in Hayworth Chapel, Kylie Pinheiro's life was honored. Her parents were in attendance, as were HPU president Nido Qubein and guest tenor, Richard Heard, Assistant Professor of Music at Wake Forest University. Many students turned out to pay their respects for a beloved friend.



that is given only to donors and very important friends of the University.

Dr. Qubein explained that Kylie enjoyed herself at this place and so the blanket represents the warmth and love that HPU extends to the Pinheiro family.

"We need to shower and engulf the family with the love of the university; when a tragedy like this happens we all [here at HPU] feel it," said Dr. Qubein. He called the service a time of healing and a sign of moving on from the tragedy, but never forgetting Kylie. He said, "It took faith and courage for the family to be here tonight."

"Faith is not a faith until you share it. I really meant that when I said it. It changes things

when you can put faces with names. When you have friends, even strangers that come out to tell us they care like they did tonight, it doubles our joys and cuts in half our burdens," said Dr. Warlick after the service. Warlick explained the importance of human interaction at a time like this, "I think it's really important for the Pinheiro family to be here to see all of Kylie's friends," he said.

Lauren McGraw, Kylie's RA and

close friend, considered Kylie as one of her girls. She played an important supportive role on her hall after Kylie passed. McGraw said, "I think the service was beautiful; it really gave us a time to be with the parents and to show them how much Kylie meant to all of us." McGraw agreed with Dr. Qubein that the service was a time of healing as well as a time of celebration for Kylie's life. McGraw also discussed how much Kylie loved her home here at HPU.

"I think it was important for the parents to come here and to be in a place that their daughter loved. Kylie was so happy here and it is important for her parents to see how much we care and miss her," said McGraw.

For some the service was upsetting, "For me it wasn't a time of healing. It just brought back memories and pain for me. I didn't think I was going to cry but I cried harder than I did at the first memorial," said hall mate Katie Criniti.

Jenna Roby, another one of Kylie's hall mates and a close friend, agreed that this was a time of moving on. "I think that



Pink carnations sit at the front of the Chapel in memory of Kylie Pinheiro. Photo by Jesse Kiser

the service brought even more attention to something that the girls and guys on our hall face every day. Though it was incredible the number of people who came out to show her family love and support, I think we would all agree we hope we do not have to do it again," said Roby.

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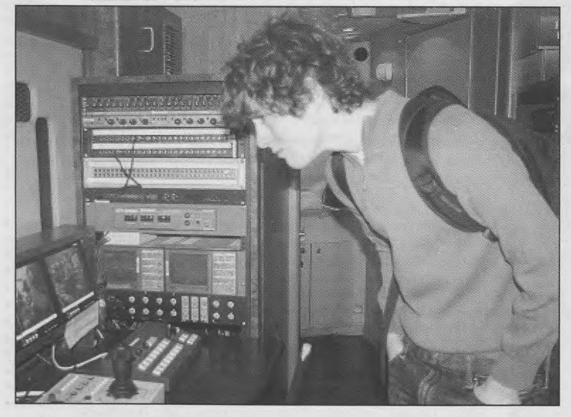


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C-SPAN bus visits campus







Top left: Nick Mazzoni, freshman, explores the TV production equipment that the C-SPAN bus carries. Bottom left: The C-SPAN bus parks in front of the Slane Student Center. Above: Steve Debony, who has been with C-SPAN's marketing department for over twenty-seven years, talks with students about the history of the bus. The bus usually travels around the country covering the current Presidential election.

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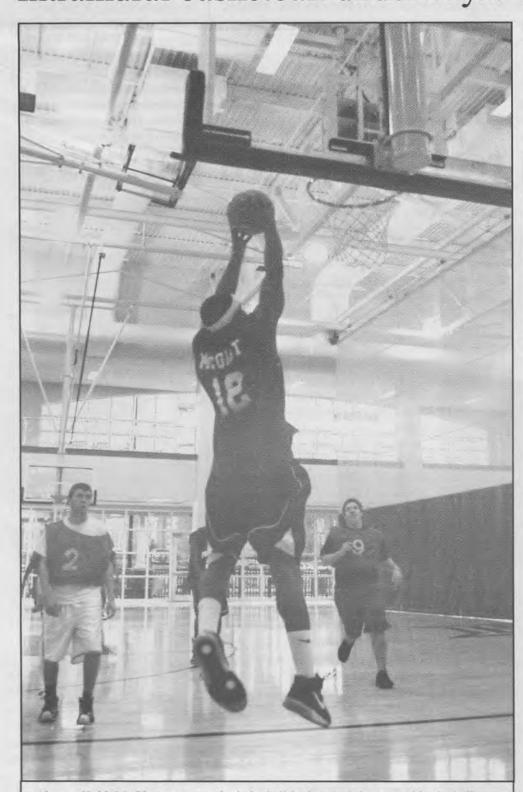
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UP TO SPEED WITH IM SPORTS Intramural basketball underway...



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By Scarlett Hester Staff Writer

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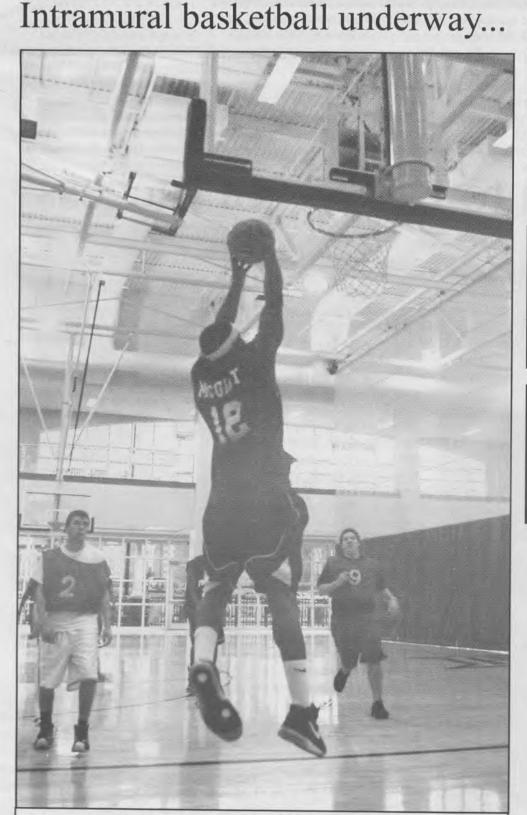
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Baseball opens season tonight to host Penn State

By Chris Smith Staff Writer

There is plenty of optimism in the air around Coy O. Williard Stadium as spring approaches. The baseball team returns all nine position players, a top starting pitcher and the majority of the bullpen from last season.

The key to the Panthers having

a very special season will be solid play in the field and the batter's box, according to head coach Sal Bando Jr. "This should be the best offensive and defensive team we have had in the last seven years," Bando observes. "The secret to the Colorado Rockies' success last year was that they had gap hitters that exploited the huge outfield and pitchers that kept the ball on the ground. If you look at our team and our park, that is exactly what we have to do."

The position players this season are an experienced bunch led by seniors Randy Schwartz, Bill Manion and Chris Norwood. Manion understands the importance of being a senior leader. He says, "As a senior captain I feel like I need to lead

by example. If younger players see the things that I do, they might think that's how they should. I feel like I have a huge role in being a leader. I have to pump up the team when they are down and always

stay positive."

The seniors will be joined by juniors Alfie Wheeler, Jeff Cowan, Billy Alvino and Matt Gantner, all of whom have seen playing time since they were freshmen. Sophomores Robby Kuzdale and Pablo Rosario also bring starting experience to the line-up, especially Kuzdale who spent most of his freshman year batting lead-off.

line-up this year should be very recognizable to people in the stands."

There were some defections after last season, and the one people should recognize the most is starter Eammon Portice. He was drafted by the Boston Red Sox last summer and will be spending this season in their minor league system. Last season's closer Tom Boleska was selected in the draft by the Pittsburgh Pirates and

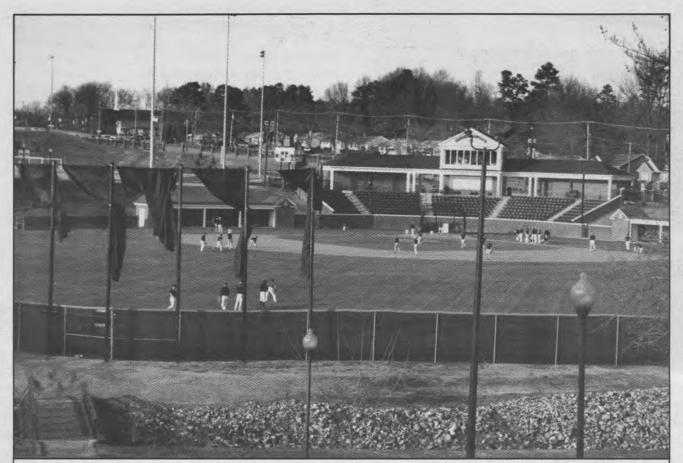
drafted hurlers. He says, "Eammon and Tom are no doubt big losses, and they were talented. But more than that, we lost a lot of innings and a lot of strike-outs. If you look a little closer, we lost 59 percent of our innings pitched and 67 percent of our strikeouts from the previous year. So we are going to be a very different kind of pitching staff this year. While we have a few guys that can put hitters away, for

the most part we are going to have to pitch to contact down in the zone and let our defense do its thing. The positive is we also lost 67 percent of our free passes, walks and hit by pitches. So if we throw strikes, we will succeed."

The man that gives Bando a reason to be confident this year will be Bubba O'Donnell. This senior has pitched in every role as a Panther; he has started midweek games as well as on the weekend. He has also come out of the pen in long relief and closed games in his tenure with the Panthers. Bando understands what kind of asset he has in Bubba: "He has an unbelievably durable arm, so you may see him starting and closing." Joining O'Donnell in the starting rotation this season will be Ryan Basham, Matt Schlanger, Michael Caldwell and Zach Scott.

The first full season in the new-look Coy O. Williard Stadium should be an exciting one and will begin Feb.

22 against the Penn State Nittany Lions of the Big Ten. The Panthers have been picked to finish fifth in the Big South Preseason poll but believe they have what it takes to take home the Big South crown.



The HPU baseball team runs a practice about one week before opening day. The stadium officially opened during the 2007 season, but this will be the first full schedule since its official opening.

Photo by Mike Nuckles.

Senior Randy Schwartz feels that experience will be important this season, saying, "This year the team isn't as young as it had been in years previous and that is a huge strength. Our starting

was mentioned as one of the Pirates' best late-round draft choices in this year's Baseball America Prospect Handbook.

Bando is confident that the team will be able to handle the absence of the

Maier leads freshmen to Big South success

By Stephanie Prasnal Staff Writer

With the Big South Tournament just a few weeks away, the High Point women's basketball team is focusing and taking every minute of the game seriously.

The team currently has an even record of 12-12, but their on-court perfor-

mance – driven by a number of key freshman contributors – has been much better than their record.

"This year is the best basketball we've played," Coach Tooey Loy said. "We are right where we need to be and we're getting better and better every day."

The team recently defeated Radford, 63-54, on Feb. 23. During this game, the women took the lead in the beginning of the game; however, Radford threatened High Point and closed the gap before halftime. Freshman Mackenzie Maier was the lead scorer, with 21 points. Frances Fields, also a freshman on the team, made seven assists during the game as well.

In a Feb. 16 matchup against Winthrop, the team fought hard against the team that ended their 2006-07 season. LaTeisha Dean, another fresh-

man on the team, scored 11 points, and senior Amber Manuel grabbed nine rebounds.

During the entire game, High Point and Winthrop battled for the lead, and tied multiple times. Winthrop finally pulled through in the last couple minutes of the game and dominated HPU.

Besides focusing on these games, the Big South Tournament is approaching, and the team's main goal of this season is to be Big South champions.

"We have as good as a chance as we ever had," Coach Loy said. "We have the freshest team we've ever had."

Towards the middle of this season, High Point played Liberty on Jan. 29, and lost 76-57. Though they lost, the team and the coach learned from the game,

and it actually helped them. Loy said the team is focused on each game, not just going into the Tournament.

"We are taking one game at a time," Coach Loy said. "We're trying to get better individually and as a team. Our focus is to get better every day."

High Point players have won five of the last seven BSC Freshman of the Week honors, and three of the last four have come from Maier. This year's team is a fresh, new team with freshmen garnering a lot of serious attention. The team is excited, and looking to put up a great fight in the tournament.

"We're playing well and we're better this year," Coach Loy said. "We're looking forward to the upcoming games."





Mackenzie Maier, freshman forward, takes a jumper in pre-game warmups at a Millis Center home game. Maier has won three of the last four Big South Freshman of the Week honors, while HPU has gotten six of the last eight overall. Photo by Mike Nuckles.

Reid becomes all-time rebound leader, team slips to 6-6

By Bryan A. Rothamel Staff Writer

The men's basketball team is battling for a home playoff game in the conference tournament because of two key losses in South Carolina.

High Point started the second half of Big South play beating Liberty and losing to Winthrop. The second week of play brought league-leading University of North Carolina-Asheville to the Millis Center, leading to a Panther victory. Two wins in South Carolina would have almost guaranteed a home playoff game.

However, on Feb. 18, HPU lost at Coastal Carolina 56-55. The Panthers were up thanks to a lay-in from point

guard Mike Jefferson with 24 seconds left. On the following possession, CCU missed a shot but got a tip-in to fall in the waning seconds.

On Feb. 16 the Panthers played at Charleston Southern. The Buccaneers had one win in Big South play entering the game, and the triumph was over the second worst team, Radford. Another dramatic last minute left High Point on the painful side of 81-77.

The Panthers have had bright spots this year, especially from seniors Arizona Reid and Jefferson. Reid is among the nation's best in points per game and rebounds per game. He is on pace to have 2,000 points and 1,000 rebounds in his career. He has become the Big South's

career rebounding leader.

This year Reid has become the first player in BSC history to gain 1,900 points and 900 rebounds in a career. He is also High Point's all-time

leader in steals, games played, games started and minutes played.

Jefferson is averaging over seven assists a game, putting him among the nation's best. Alltime at High Point he is first in assists, second in threepointers made, third

> in games started and third in minutes played. This year Jefferson has set a record for assists in a season.

> The underclassmen have been productive with Cruz Daniels becoming the program's all-time leader in blocks. He is also five blocks away from setting a single ' season record.

> Gene Harris is two three-pointers away from setting the single season record for three-pointers made. He is also third all-time in three-pointers made for his career.

Head coach Bart Lundy is close to reaching a milestone. He is one victory away from 200 career wins. If he gets the 200th win with at least four games left, he will have

averaged 20 wins a year for his career and will possess a .650 winning percentage.

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The Panthers have a tough schedule left with two games away from the Millis Cen-

ter and one at home. On Feb. 23 the Panthers play at Towson for the ESPNU

> O'Reilly's Bracketbusters.

The weekend is set up by ESPNU to televise mid-major teams that could be participating in the NCAA tournament in mid-March.

To finish conference play, High Point will host Radford Feb. 27 for the last regular season home game. On March 1 HPU finishes the season at Virginia Military Institute. The Panthers beat both teams the first time around.

Because the BSC has had so much parity, the playoff situation is difficult to predict. HPU is currently tied with three teams at 6-6 in conference play. The Panthers can finish anywhere from second to tied for last. The second through fourth teams host a first round playoff game with the final games played at the highest remaining seeds' courts.

Finishing in the top is key for the Panthers because they are 11-1 at home in comparison to 2-10 away.



Sophomore guard Eugene Harris, third all-time in Panther history in career three-pointers, dribbles around a defender in the Jan. 12 game against Winthrop. Photo by Jesse Kiser.

acrosse begins second season with home losses vs. Elon, UNC

By Mike Nuckles Sports Editor

Far from being a recreational or intramural activity, lacrosse has taken on the flavor of authenticity at High Point University, and both men's and women's club lacrosse have had their home openers at HPU's lacrosse pitch.

Coaches Tara Shollenberger and Roger Davis, of the women's and men's teams respectively, are back from their debut 2007 seasons with the lacrosse team. Each team has an impressive home schedule lined up for the 2008 spring season.

Davis' men, playing in the Southeastern Lacrosse League, led off the season on Feb. 16 at home against Elon with a loss. Their next game is Saturday, Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. at UNC Charlotte.

The women, of the Carolina Women's Lacrosse League, played host to North Carolina on Feb. 17. For the second of three straight home matches against ACC opponents, the team will take on Wake Forest at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 24. The team took the Tar Heels into halftime trailing just 6-4, but couldn't hold on, eventually falling 11-4.

Since the inaugural 2007 season, the teams have seen their share of successes. The women have 26 players on their roster, while the men have just 20 - 16 of which are freshmen or sophomores.

The men are led by team captains Hans Hodvil and Jake Villwock. Davis points to them to lead his team this season.

"Conditioning has been stepped up starting with the new semester to prepare for our eleven game spring schedule. Since we have a number of players that have been fighting illness and injury, all of our players are key players," Davis said.

According to Shollenberger, her team has put in considerable effort in the offseason to get to the level they are at.

"My athletes put in a great deal of time in the offseason. In the fall, we prepared by going to two tournaments to get more game experience as well as continuing to practice two days a week;

however, I also held my girls accountable to working out on their own time, which included many running workouts as well as lifting. Our field lights weren't available right at the start of the spring season so we used that practice time to do group

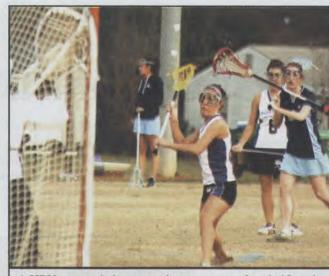
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ing 30 seconds to 1 minute off of their mile times," Shollenberger said.

The teams put together impressive home schedules, including home tilts against Elon, Appalachian State and Kennesaw State for the men; and Wake Forest,

UNC Wilmington, UNC Chapel Hill, and North Carolina State for the women's team.

Both teams play their home matches on the upper field, north of Vert Track & Soccer Stadium.



A HPU women's lacrosse player scores a first-half goal against UNC. The team went on to lose 11-4, after going into halftime down by two. Photo by Jesse Kiser.

Raising the Bar: Fans breaking rules, disgracing university

By Bryan A. Rothamel

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Reid becomes all-time rebound leader, team slips to 6-6

By Bryan A. Rothamel Staff Writer

The men's basketball team is battling for a home playoff game in the conference tournament because of two key losses in South Carolina.

High Point started the second half of Big South play beating Liberty and losing to Winthrop. The second week of play brought league-leading University of North Carolina-Asheville to the Millis Center, leading to a Panther victory. Two wins in South Carolina would have almost guaranteed a home playoff game.

However, on Feb. 18, HPU lost at Coastal Carolina 56-55. The Panthers were up thanks to a lay-in from point

guard Mike Jefferson with 24 seconds left. On the following possession, CCU missed a shot but got a tip-in to fall in the waning seconds.

On Feb. 16 the Panthers played at Charleston Southern. The Buccaneers had one win in Big South play entering the game, and the triumph was over the second worst team, Radford. Another dramatic last minute left High Point on the painful side of 81-77.

The Panthers have had bright spots this year, especially from seniors Arizona Reid and Jefferson. Reid is among the nation's best in points per game and rebounds per game. He is on pace to have 2,000 points and 1,000 rebounds in his career. He has become the Big South's

career rebounding leader.

This year Reid has become the first player in BSC history to gain 1,900 points and 900 rebounds in a career. He is also High Point's all-time

leader in steals, games played, games started and minutes played.

Jefferson
is averaging over
seven assists a
game, putting
him among the
nation's best. Alltime at High Point
he is first in assists,
second in threepointers made, third

in games started and third in minutes played. This year Jefferson has set a record for assists in a season.

The underclassmen have been productive with Cruz Daniels becoming the program's all-time leader in blocks. He is also five blocks away from setting a single season record.

Gene Harris is two three-pointers away from setting the single season record for three-pointers made. He is also third all-time in three-pointers made for his career.

Head coach Bart Lundy is close to reaching a milestone. He is one victory away from 200 career wins. If he gets the 200th win with at least four games left, he will have averaged 20 wins a year for his career and will possess a .650 winning percentage.

High Point 55

Coastal Carolina 56

High Point 77

UNC Asheville 71

The Panthers have a tough schedule left with two games away from the Millis Center and one at home. On

Feb. 23 the Panthers play at Towson for the ESPNU O'Reilly's

> The weekend is set up by ESPNU to televise mid-major teams that could be participating in the NCAA tour-

nament in mid-

Bracketbusters.

March.

To finish conference play, High Point will host Radford Feb. 27 for the last regular season home game. On March 1 HPU finishes the season at Virginia Military Institute. The Panthers beat both teams the first time around.

Because the BSC has had so much parity, the playoff situation is difficult to predict. HPU is currently tied with three teams at 6-6 in conference play. The Panthers can finish anywhere from second to tied for last. The second through fourth teams host a first round playoff game with the final games played at the highest remaining seeds' courts.

Finishing in the top is key for the Panthers because they are 11-1 at home in comparison to 2-10 away.



Sophomore guard Eugene Harris, third all-time in Panther history in career three-pointers, dribbles around a defender in the Jan. 12 game against Winthrop. Photo by Jesse Kiser.

Lacrosse begins second season with home losses vs. Elon, UNC

By Mike Nuckles Sports Editor

Far from being a recreational or intramural activity, lacrosse has taken on the flavor of authenticity at High Point University, and both men's and women's club lacrosse have had their home openers

at HPU's lacrosse pitch.

Coaches Tara Shollenberger and Roger Davis, of the women's and men's teams respectively, are back from their debut 2007 seasons with the lacrosse team. Each team has an impressive home schedule lined up for the 2008 spring season.

Davis' men, playing in the Southeastern Lacrosse League, led off the season on Feb. 16 at home against Elon with a loss. Their next game is Saturday, Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. at UNC Charlotte.

The women, of the Carolina Women's Lacrosse League, played host to North Carolina on Feb. 17. For the second of three straight home matches against ACC opponents, the team will take on Wake Forest at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 24. The team took the Tar Heels into halftime trailing just 6-4, but couldn't hold on, eventually falling 11-4.

Since the inaugural 2007 season, the teams have seen their share of successes. The women have 26 players on their roster, while the men have just 20 - 16 of which are freshmen or sophomores.

The men are led by team captains Hans Hodvil and Jake Villwock. Davis points to them to lead his team this season.

"Conditioning has been stepped up starting with the new semester to prepare for our eleven game spring schedule. Since we have a number of players that have been fighting illness and injury, all of our players are key players," Davis said.

According to Shollenberger, her team has put in considerable effort in the offseason to get to the level they are at.

"My athletes put in a great deal of time in the offseason. In the fall, we prepared by going to two tournaments to get more game experience as well as continuing to practice two days a week; however, I also held my girls accountable to working out on their own time, which included many running workouts as well as lifting. Our field lights weren't available right at the start of the spring season so we used that practice time to do group

workouts as well, which included swimming, Pilates and running. I am very proud of my girls; most have been able to show improvement in athletic conditioning, even by shaving 30 seconds to 1 minute off of their mile times," Shollenberger said.

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The teams put together impressive home schedules, including home tilts against Elon, Appalachian State and Kennesaw State for the men; and Wake Forest,

UNC
Wilmington, UNC
Chapel
Hill, and
North Carolina State
for the
women's
team.

Both teams play their home matches on the upper field, north of Vert Track & Soccer Stadium.



A HPU women's lacrosse player scores a first-half goal against UNC. The team went on to lose 11-4, after going into halftime down by two. Photo by Jesse Kiser.

Raising the Bar: Fans breaking rules, disgracing university

By Bryan A. Rothamel Staff Writer

Students, I have to take back a few comments. I have spent two previous columns scolding you for lack of participation at sporting events. Your current participation at games is despicable and needs to be reprimanded.

Let's start at one of the worst things to be said at the Millis Center this year. Shouting bull see to an official is wrong. I do not care if the outery was caused by a blatant miscall. I do not care if everyone in the gym knows it was a wrong call. Never should a HPU fan utter that phrase or any phrase that sounds similar. Just because you say "bull spit," we all know what you mean. You know better.

Also, along those lines is the

cheef, "Hey, ref, get off your knees, you are blowing the game." That is wrong! That is breaking the Big South Conference rule governing fan participation.

Along those lines is another fan favorite. "Nuts and bolts, we got screwed." That is another cheer in direct violation of the Big South's rules.

Each sporting event starts off with, "High Point University and the Big South Conference have assigned a high priority to ensure its athletic events are conducted in a safe and enjoyable atmosphere. Comments of a vulgar sexual of abusive nature will result in immediate ejection from the facility."

Comments about the referee on his or her knees are sexual and vulgar. Saying we got serewed is also sexual. These cheers could result in you being ejected from the game

Never should we have to be reprimanded by a police officer, university official or the Big South. We know proper behavior. We go to the "high point" of the Big South. Act like it.

Making fun of an opponent's weight and appearance is wrong. If I went-to your Tuesday Thursday class and made fun of your desire to wear pajamas to class, you would be offended. Do you not think the same is true about a Liberty player?

Even though the Big South felt we did not do anything wrong in the aftermath of the Winthrop game, we should not even be in a position to be questioned. Grow up a little. Just because other bigger schools act improperly does not make it right. I applaud your efforts to be in tune with the game so much that you are vocal. I applaud your attendance that has sold out the Millis Center many times this year. You have made Millis one of the most difficult places to play in the Big South.

You can cheer and not be obnoxious. One group of fans to follow who have done well is the Pi Kappa Alpha men. They do not join in on the bull see cheer. I saw them actually stop it last year. They are raising standards.

To those that find it appropriate to indulge in sleazy antics at games please wear another school's sweatshirt so I'm not associated with you. I'm just trying to raise the bar.

Background photo by Mike Nuckle