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Batter up!

Baseball season has arrived at High Point University. Twelve freshmen and four new transfers are on this year's roster, bringing fresh perspectives to the team that had signature wins over Duke and North Carolina in 2009, as well as two wins over Coastal Carolina, which was ranked in the top 25 at the time.

HPU was pegged to finish fifth in the Big South this season. Read why secondyear head coach Craig Cozart thinks the team will improve on last season's finish on page 11



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Find focus in liberal arts

By Amanda Mayes Staff Writer

A degree from a liberal arts institution ideally reflects an individual with in-depth knowledge of one discipline and strong foundational knowledge in various other topics. This was my guiding light during my college search. Is my beacon still shining bright, or did I misjudge the quality of its luminescence?

Contemplate liberal arts education in practice, specifically at High Point University. A cap on the number of hours students can take ensures we are not burdened with too many classes. Some course choices are somewhat limited and archaic, and I wonder why. General education requirements give students a smattering of classes in various disciplines. In theory, this allows students to gain foundational knowledge in disciplines disparate from their major(s). This creates a well-rounded individual; a noble goal, to be sure. But is it possible or even probable in the established system of requirements to graduate students with liberal arts knowledge?

There was a time when we could do it all: math, science, English, foreign languages, history, fine arts. Now? One focus. One interest. What is narrow upper-level knowledge going to accomplish? Higher education, particularly liberal arts education, is meant to broaden minds and allow the Renaissance person to flourish. I dreamed of a chance to enhance skills learned in high school in similar fields in college. I thought there would be the opportunity to explore and gain efficiency in multiple disciplines.

This prepares us to handle the curveballs thrown from a global and interdependent world requiring flexibility and a wide knowledge base. Time for a reality check. My brain is consumed with political science, history, and theatre. Not that I mind; I love these disciplines. But I feel my skills in other areas shrinking. I am burning out too early on in my academic career from limiting my mind's capabilities.

There is considerable flexibility in choosing a course to fulfill each category. But despite this flexibility and range of courses offered, there are significant oversights. Students must take a Western civilization course. But where is the Eastern one? How can we expect to enter our interconnected world without basic knowledge of the history of some of our greatest competitors and allies? It is not impossible, but it is incredibly difficult to graduate with multiple majors or degrees. I have a wide range of interests and passions, reflected in my double major in Political Science and History, and a minor in Theatre. I have been lucky enough to have departments willing to work with each other about my tight course scheduling. Even though I have had considerable support, it has been difficult to balance and enjoy these three disciplines. Other students with wide-ranging passions are not so fortunate. Staggering numbers of hours for some majors, general education requirements, inflexible course scheduling, and departmental attitudes towards a student with competing academic interests force students to pick the practical path, eliminating dreams and stagnating minds.

Letters to the editor

In response to the editorial, "Why does it take an earthquake to move us?" I fully agree with the opinion about why there should be more concern for the Haitian people, but I would have added some facts about the earthquake itself, and an example of a group that can pose as a role model for High Point University students.

Some facts to use: 200,000 people dead, and countless others injured, homeless, without food, water and other basic amenities.

The website I found this information was on Humanity First USA – Serving Mankind, and this was one of the first groups that came to Haiti's aid, and they have been there since January 16 to help face the ongoing challenges Haiti is facing.

The page also states, "Estimates suggest that over 3 million people are in need of immediate shelter and non-food assistance, with growing concerns for people still not treated for trauma wounds."

I think if this was added as an example of the struggles the people are facing, it would hit readers on a much deeper level.

As for the group, Humanity First, this could be a group that can be demonstrated as the as the role model that High Point University could look up to in its relief efforts.

Basically, I'd add a tear-jerking example to why there needs to be more help involved with Haiti. - Abby Wood

I am disappointed with this week's edition and its lack of substance. The "Sixth Street" piece was very shallow and did not accurately reflect students' strong opinions against the change. There was only one student's view and the (expected) Student Life response. It felt very bland. I would love to have seen a variety of student opinions, discussion about how the decision was made, and what our evergrowing population means for housing (will we curb admission due to limited space, or to protect single occupancies?).

Further, over a quarter of the paper was sports. This seems a little uneven, given the amount of other topics to cover. How many organizations are on campus? Why not do a weekly profile of each? Better yet, why not expand the news pages beyond HPU? Our student body is so poorly educated about current events- why not run a "What you missed.." to cover the highlights?

But to balance things out, I would like to offer many praises. The sports pages—while overrepresented—were extremely well-done. The articles were varied, extensive, well-written, and included commentary/analysis. I also found favor with many stories, such as those on: theology club, new music, and showing compassion. I look forward to Katie's writings and thoroughly enjoyed the article on Wesleyan Arms. It was nice to see a concern for the residents' relocation and smooth transition.

So, on many things, bravo. On others, I would like to see a little more thought. - Ellen Shelton

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While I do agree with a lot of the points that were made, I do have issues with the writers' reference to students' charity efforts. I'm specifically refering to the sentence "If charging ten dollars to your phone bill is enough to help you sleep at night, then good for you for at least taking the time to do that." I think this is an unfair accusation against students' willingness to help.

On cover: Junior catcher Kyle Mahoney stands at third base during High Point's home opener against UNC Charlotte. Mahoney hit a home run to win the game in the eighth inning for the Panthers. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins. Narrowing our focus and mental capacity to one or two areas has had and will continue to have repercussions on society. Disciplines are interconnected, not solitary. People cannot hope to solve the growing problems and crises in the world without basic knowledge of the fields connected to their major.

I challenge HPU to examine its new four-credit plans for Fall 2010. Reduce superfluous, outdated courses, expand the hour cap for students and honors students, and revamp general education requirements to meet the demands of a modern, global world. Mental stagnation and prohibiting exploration will not graduate students ready to live in reality and create positive change.

Personally, I am concerned with the welfare of others in the world; however, as a college student, I realize that large financial contributions are not feasible for the majority of us. The editorial discourages the smaller efforts of students, when in reality, small contributions is all most students can manage.

The National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS) from the National Center for Education Statistics found that in 2007-08, 66 percent of undergraduate students relied on finanical aid to help pay for college. The study also noted that of these students who received aid, 44 percent still have some need remaining.

This is why I feel that any contributions that students manage to make, no matter how small, should not be disregarded. Small donations can add up and still contribute to the efforts as a whole.

We should be encouraging students to do what they can, instead of reprimanding them for their limitations.

- Tierney Gallagher

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Punish the deed and not the breed

OPINION

By Samantha Tuthill **Opinion** Editor

A few months ago, I wrote an article about the benefits of adopting pets versus buying them from pet stores and back yard breeders, and the things that people need to keep in mind when they get an animal. Adopting my puppy, Luna, has also brought another set of issues to my attention: breed stereotypes and restrictions.

Luna is a six month old American Staffordshire terrier (AmStaffs), more commonly known as a pit bull. I conducted research on breeds to help me pick out what kind of dog I wanted to rescue. Even though most adoptable pets aren't certified in their breed or are mixes, I wanted a dog that was dominant in a breed that was known to be energetic, cautious of strangers but friendly with people it knew, one that would learn quickly and that likes to please people. My research pointed me to the AmStaff. As soon as I saw Luna, a nine pound, two month old ball of energy, I knew she was exactly what I wanted.

As soon as I started telling people what kind of dog I got, I started getting all kinds of useless information about the dangers of pit bulls from people with no actual proof or research. Yes, Am-Staffs are used a lot in dog fighting. This is because they are strong and energetic, which means they can fight for longer periods of time than other breeds. They

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are also fast learners and are loval to their owners. That makes it easier for dog fighters to abuse dogs to make them angry enough to fight with a diminished risk that they will attack the owner.

There are also more cases of people being bitten by AmStaffs than by any other breed, a fact

that can be contributed more to human behavior than the breed itself. People who want violent "guard" dogs typically go for pit bulls, rottweilers, dobermanns, dogs that have the image of being fierce. Any dog will be dangerous if trained to be; they are animals, after all. More people train "bully breeds" to be, well, bullies, which is why there are more incidences with them.

People also tend to make bigger deals

out of pit bull attacks than any other breed. If a lab is playing too rough with a child and bites, it's more likely that it will be attributed to an accident because labs are supposed to be nice dogs. But if an AmStaff is playing and bites, it's because it is a killing machine. The fact of the

matter is, no child should ever be left to just play unsupervised with any animal. No matter how hard a person trains a dog to behave, it's still an animal and can unpredictable.

There was a case recently where a pit bull had to be put down for attacking a



five year old who went up to it in its yard. The situation is so tragic, and that child deserves nothing but sympathy. Of course there was something wrong with the animal for biting the child, but why was a five year old able to just wander into a neighbor's yard unattended in the first place? If the child was being properly supervised, then the situation would have never

happened. No one knows if that dog was trying to play, felt attacked, or just went after it unprovoked. If a dog isn't socialized to children and then one just comes up and starts being too rough with it, it is very likely that the dog will be rough back.

When my little Luna was teething and chewed on everything and everyone, most people's response would be, "Well, that's what you get for getting a pit bull." No, that's what I get for getting a dog without adult teeth. It's what any dog does. How a dog behaves is the sole responsibility of the owner. "Bully breeds" are often banned from public parks, apartment and housing complexes, their owners forced to give them up or find new homes. Yet if they are raised properly, they can be just as pleasant and friendly as any breed.

If you are going to get a stereotyped breed, make sure you work hard to train it early because you will always have something to prove to someone. Luna is an adorable dog that loves to follow us around and adores people. I even took her to sorority bid day where she was surrounded by hundreds of screaming, clapping girls. Instead of being scared, she excitedly wagged her tail and tried to play with every person who passed her. Yet when I move this May, my fiance and I will face trouble trying to find a home because people will deem her dangerous because of how other people mistreat her breed.

Always be aware with any animal that it is just that, an animal, and that means no matter how well trained or seemingly sweet, it can still be unpredictable. But when it comes to dog breeds, the way they were raised has a much bigger impact than what it's called.

laiti editorial generates passionate responses



Mike Nuckles

that the contributions students made were worthless. We were primarily concerned with the sudden influx of support where it hadn't existed before. Haiti was always in need of our support, but didn't receive it until the earthquake.

Students' \$10 contributions are not meaningless, and the thought behind them was noble. Perhaps, though, since students are on restricted budgets, other

Chronicle for being university propaexamples of people who have found, in Haiti. We don't feel that we implied "better" ways of helping the earthquake ganda, while at the same time numerous

relief effort would have fit in with the tone and purpose of the editorial. Our goal for the editorial was to express our confusion and distaste of the apathy the student population typically expresses and how shocked we were with the huge support given when the earthquake took place. It was like going from zero to 100 miles per hour, when we should have been going 60 the whole time.

Chronicle, and ways of helping would be more benefi-Another subject that was breached we continue to cial. Volunteering for service organizawas the objectivity of Chronicle rehave the goal of being an open forum for tions in some capacity seems like it porting. While the elements that were students to discuss matters important to would be more important. suggested would have their places in the the university. Another student wanted the Chronicle Chronicle in some cases, the fact that A subject that has received much to pay more attention to details and they were not present in this article does interest from readers was the topic of the include more emotion in staff editorials. not make it a bad one. The letter seems Feb. 5 staff editorial, "Why does it take to suggest that the story was pro-admin-We agree that editorials should have an earthquake to move us?" sufficient background to support claims, istration, while in fact we felt putting this One student suggested that the editoand we also agree that the delivery was subject on the cover was something that rial belittled efforts that can be made by not as heartfelt as it perhaps was meant the administration would likely object to. students in times of crisis, such as the to be. However, we don't feel that putting In the past, students have attacked the immediate aftermath of the earthquake

HPU administrators have approached editors and expressed that they felt we were antagonistic and rebellious. We can never fully satisfy both parties, but students are our target group.

As far as distribution of pages goes, more pages are given to sections that have had more content submitted. Staff writers are volunteers, and they can submit whatever stories they wish. It typically happens that more sports stories are submitted than any other kind. The news section typically receives the least submissions.

The Chronicle is generally against publishing national stories, unless they have significant bearing on our campus. National newspapers and other media outlets cover national news 24-7 online, on TV, in print, even via iPhone apps. We can't compete with that realistically. HPU news, though, rarely gets covered in the mainstream press, so that is the niche we want to cover.

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NEWS



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By Katie Nelson Foreign Correspondent

Last time I had left you, I was on my way to a laser maze. It was pretty amazing and extremely trippy.

However, today I want to talk about some of the big differences here. Don't get me wrong; I love it here. Nevertheless, there are some things that the USA has that Australia just doesn't.

The first thing is 24-hour, one stop shopping. In Australia, malls close at 5 p.m. every night and earlier on the weekends. They have no Wal-Mart, and Target does not sell all of the same things that Targets in the U.S. do. For

Studying abroad: missing American men and malls

example, my friend Karen needed to buy contact lens solution. The only place she could find it was at a pharmacy, or chemist, as they call it here.

To some people this is horrible; to others, it is wonderful. Australia's economy is stable, so they are not losing any money by not being open all the time. It's almost going back in time 30 years, to a time when life was simpler. The only disadvantage is when you have to run out at 2 a.m. for the poster board for your project you waited until the last minute to do. Then you are in trouble.

You just never think about the convenience of 24-hour shopping until you don't have it. A group of us went to get dinner at the mall and were utterly shocked to find that is was closed before dark. It's nice that stores aren't open on the weekends very long because it promotes family and community. You just learn to get your shopping done during the week.

Another huge difference is time. Australia seems to be stuck in this void in which time has no meaning. If you are

meeting someone for lunch at noon, don't bother getting there until at least 12:30. Classes start late and buses run on their own time. This is the norm. You don't even think about it as being late. I love it; you

don't feel any pressure about doing anything. You do things on your own time. It's a very "Hakuna

Matata" mindset. However, it makes school seem like sporadic bursts of work during your vacation.

Bond University as seen

Photo by Katie Nelson.

from the beach.

The biggest difference here I would have to say is the men. I live in perhaps one of the cushiest areas of Australia, but let me just tell you, I miss my American men.

The men here are European in dress. Guys walk around in very short shorts, displaying their slender thighs for the entire world to see. They also like to wear V-neck shirts, showing off their newly waxed chests.

They all look like models with styled hair and nice shoes. Most of the men here take more time to get ready in the morning than I do. Just imagine Pauly D's video on how to gel your hair with an Australian accent.

It makes me wish for the stereotypical men of America who are built like football players and feel fulfilled when they fix household appliances with ease. I miss

pickup trucks and, scary enough as this sounds, pimped out cars.

I'm hoping when I get to the Outback there will be some more manly men.

Tuition to rise \$2000 for next school year

By Lauren Reese & Kait Heckenberger Staff Writers

Tuition and room and board costs at HPU are being raised from \$33,400 to \$35,400 next year.

HPU started using a comprehensive fee four years ago following behind

only a few other colleges in the U.S. that also use a comprehensive fee, some of them being Amherst College, Middlebury College, and Colby College. A student's extra

\$2,000 strictly goes to 25 new faculty members, three new majors, and

faculty salaries, according to vice president for academic affairs Dennis Carroll. The new faculty come at a high price due to their higher education from prominent colleges.

Each student's tuition fee is exempt from the cost of any new buildings, such as the Greek Village and the

education building that are still under deliberation. "We've [HPU endowment] issued some bonds and some debt," said vice president for financial affairs William Duncan, regarding new and future buildings costs.

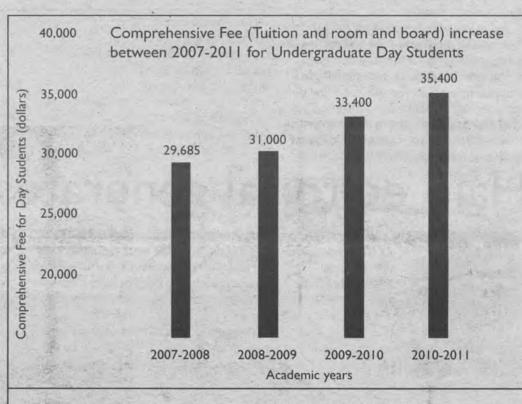
The increase still puts HPU at a lower price than its comparable competition of Elon, Wake Forest and Furman University. In fact, according to

Duncan, HPU is \$15,000 less 2010-2011 Comprehensive fee

\$35,400

than Wake Forest. An influx of new students brings an increase in tuition to compensate

for HPU's room and board. HPU is expecting 500 more students on campus for the fall semester than presently reside on campus. Currently, 2,717 students are enrolled in the traditional day program, the majority of whom live on campus.



Information compiled from the 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010 Undergraduate Bulletins. Note: the 2007-2007 Undergraduate Bulletin did not list a comprehensive fee; the shown amount was calculated by adding the general fee, tuition, and room and board.

Graphic by Allison Hogshead.

Stat

By Laura Johnson Staff Writer

Name: Hodan Ibrahim Job: Grille Cashier Hometown: I'm originally from Somalia, but I grew up in Kenya before coming to the United States. How long have you worked at HPU? Since Nov. 13, 2007 Favorite thing to do when not working? I love to read novels. Interests/Hobbies: Soccer. I used to play soccer in elementary and high school. Now I just play soccer with my little brothers.



Hodan Ibrahim

Hodan Ibrahim stops for a picture at the Grille. Photo by Laura Johnson.

What's the most enjoyable part of working at HPU? I love the students. I enjoy talking to them and getting to know them. It is really enjovable.

What was your first job? After graduating high school in 2006, I worked for the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) as a health motivator in local schools. It made me interested in health professions.

Do you plan on going into a health profession? I am currently a nursing student at GTCC. Favorite type of music/singer: Jennifer Lopez If you had one word to describe yourself, what would you choose? Easygoing

NEWS

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We are looking for energetic, qualified candidates for editor positions for the 2010-2011 school year. Page editor positions require about five hours of work during issue deadline weeks (every 2-3 weeks). Other positions require varying amounts of time depending on level of involvement. All editors receive compensation through the work-study program.

If you are interested in joining this fun, eclectic group, please email a letter of interest and/or resume to our adviser, Dr. Bobby Hayes, at bhayes@highpoint. edu by March 19.

Clockwise from top left: 2009-2010 assistant editor Allison Hogshead tries on an eccentric hat while at the 2009 ACP Convention in Austin, Tex. Chronicle editors had the opportunity to attend the convention on an SGA-funded trip.

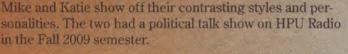
Katie Nelson shakes hands with a kangaroo at an animal sanctuary while doing study abroad in Australia. Katie currently serves as the Chronicle's foreign correspondent.

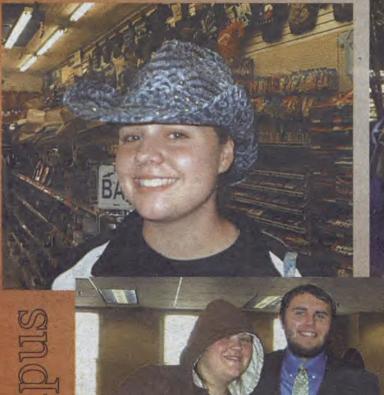
Editor-in-chief Mike Nuckles takes in the environment at Fire & Sticks in Greensboro. Mike will be attending law school at Indiana University in the fall.

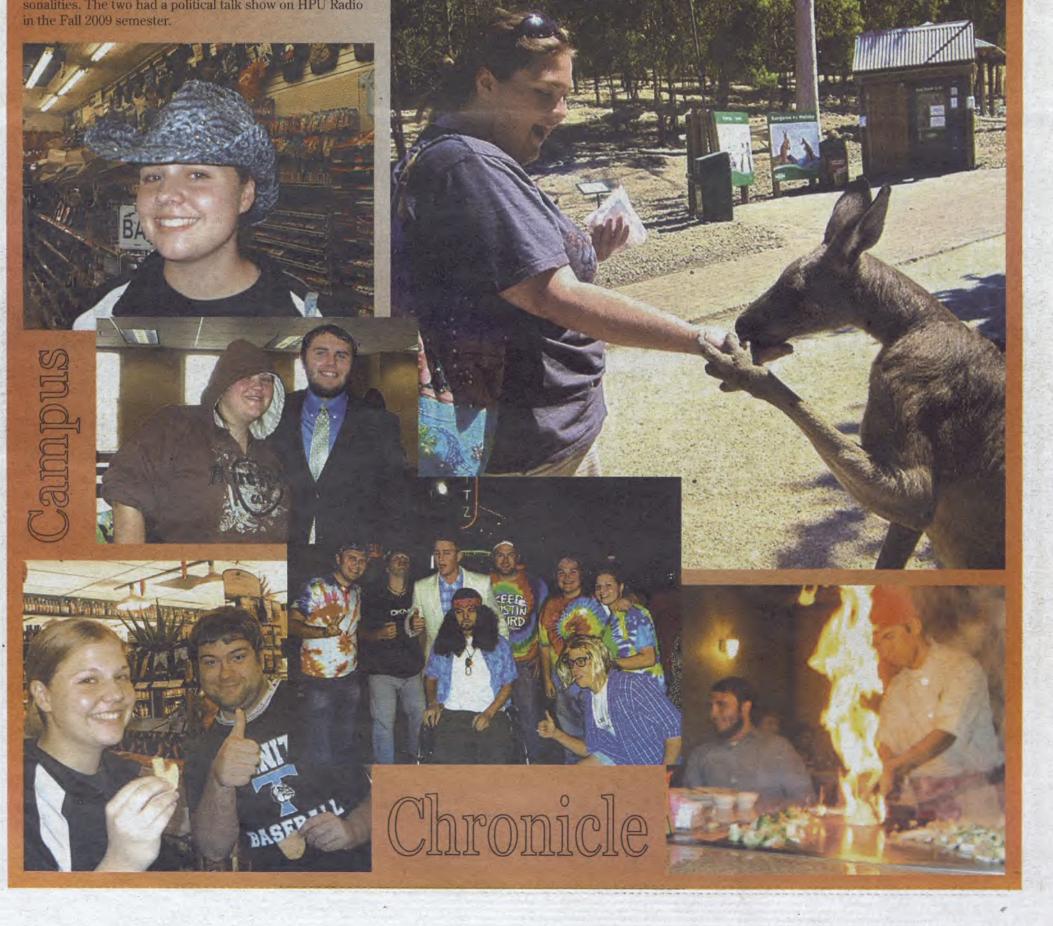
A group of editors enjoy Halloween on Sixth Street in Austin, Tex.

Allison and organizations editor Matt Wells experience world-famous hot sauce in Austin. Matt also serves as the station manager of HPU Radio.

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New adult-animated show, Archer, brings offensive behavior and sexual content to Thursday nights on FX

By **RJ Read** Staff Writer

A man walks up out of the shadows of an alley. He briskly retrieves a cigarette and lighter from his jacket pocket, revealing his holstered firearm. Danger seems to be looming around every corner. He lights the cigarette at a crowded street corner in front of a woman who says, "Do you mind?! I'm pregnant." The stranger's suave response: "Well yea kinda, but call me up after ... actually, never mind.'

Meet Sterling Archer, world class spy, ladies man, and downright jerk. Archer is the guy you love to hate and hate to love. His brazen disregard for social etiquette, selfish attitude, and spoiled lifestyle make him one of the most offensive, yet lovable characters seen in television.

The show is centered on Archer and his colleagues, all of whom work for ISIS, a top secret espionage agency headed by none other than Archer's mother. Archer is essentially hated by all his coworkers due to his offensive behavior,

spoiled lifestyle, and complete objectification of women in general (probably because he has a strange lovehate relationship with his mother who did not show enough affection during

his childhood). Regardless, the

antics that the characters are involved with are a mix of James Bond-esque spy movies and the comedic interaction of "The Office."

The new show is the brainchild of Adam Reed, creator of the Adult Swim

And the Oscar goes to...

By Trent Schneider Staff Writer

It's that time of the year again. No not Christmas, though that would be nice. It's time for the Oscars. That's right the 82nd Annual Academy Awards is coming up on Sunday, March 7. Once again those stars we like to watch in movies are going to gather in one spot to see who was voted best in a series of different categories.

Some of the biggest of these categories are Best Motion Picture of the Year, Best Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role, and Best Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role.

For Best Motion Picture of the Year, we have "Avatar," "The Blind Side," "District 9," "An Education," "The Hurt Locker," "Inglorious Basterds," "Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' by Sapphire," "A Serious Man," "Up," and "Up in the Air."

I'm going to have to have to cast my vote for "Avatar." I know at this point that voting for "Avatar" might sound cliché, but there is a reason it did so well in theaters. The plot line might not be what critics consider to be "spectacular," but it makes up for this fact in visuals, editing and acting. They truly make you believe you are right there with them in the world of floating islands and strange creatures.

ney for "Up in the Air," Colin Firth for "A Single Man," Morgan Freeman for "Invictus," and Jeremy Renner for "The Hurt Locker." In this category, my vote would be for Jeremy Renner for "The Hurt Locker." He played the emotionally damaged, military bomb diffuser very well. He is able to truly portray a man who creates both hatred and love by those around him.

In the category of Best Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role, we have Sandra Bullock for "The Blind Side," Helen Mirren for "The Last Station," Carey Mulligan for "An Education," Gabourey Sidebe for "Precious," and Meryl Streep for "Julie & Julia." For this category I think it will be a tight race between Sandra Bullock and Meryl Streep.

Both did excellent jobs playing their roles in their films, so deciding between the two will be difficult. Meryl Streep was able to pull off her character, Julia, with an amazingly well done accent and a flawless replication of the original Julia Child's demeanor. Sandra Bullock made people truly believe she was a wealthy Southern woman who had the compassion to help a young man with a hard life.

With all of the different categories for the Oscars, I couldn't possibly cover each one, but with all of the movies that came out in 2009, it will be a great year

show "Frisky Dingo." The visual style of the show looks like an old comic book that has come to life. Its animated style adds to the hilarity while giving the

Archer can be seen Thursday nights at 10 p.m. on FX

nuance of old school action. Hardly a minute goes by without a reference to something sexual, chauvinistic, or otherwise offensive. While these antics would not be tolerated in the real world, "Archer" is a

vessel in which you can acknowledge the selfishness and offensive nature of the society you are a part of, and simply laugh about it.

Archer's adventures take him everywhere from elegant dinner parties with

international officials to an attempted break-in at his own place of work to erase his extensive company expense account, which was spent mostly on high priced call girls and champagne. Whatever trouble Archer seems to get himself into, he is either drunk, hungover, or otherwise causing a problem with his reckless behavior. For whatever reason, Archer's irresponsible behavior leads to him winning out in the end and being showered with praise, once again proving the old adage that nice guys finish last.

"Archer" is basically a crass, offensive, rude show about a mischievous and selfish spy that is utterly hilarious. While it may cross boundaries on social norms, it is all in a very witty style that can certainly be appreciated. If you are looking for 22 minutes of non-stop laughter, then tune into FX at 10 p.m. on Thursday nights. You will not be disappointed... just don't watch with Mom.

From punk-rock to rap; bridging the musical gap

By Jen Paolino A&E Editor

I love a challenge. When someone asks something of me, it's a rarity when I'll refuse. I was challenged to write about a genre of music that I know very little about. I was asked to immerse myself in something that is absolutely foreign to me, something that does not flow through me naturally. I was asked to write about hip-hop.

I approached this project with trepidation, with a fear that I would not be able to find a way to tie in my passion for music with a genre that goes right over my head. Surprisingly, I found an underground world of rap music that can be directly linked to the cutting edge punk-rock scene. Whoever said that music doesn't bleed over into other genres was clearly lying. The skinny jean-wearing, mohawk-rocking punk kids who you would more often than not find hanging outside of a CBGBs seem to indulge in a little hip-hop every now and again.

Artist: Atmosphere Song: Yesterday

Why You Should Listen: It may not have the fast-paced, snare-based sound that you probably expect when it comes to punk-rock, but if I can enjoy it, you probably can too. The beat stays consistent and the jazz-esque piano that lingers

Artist: Common feat. Mary J. Blige Song: Come Close

Why You Should Listen: Once again, it may seem a little laid back, atypical of most punk-rock, but it has an essence about it that makes it easily transferable from one genre to another. The lyrics are relatable, the beat is memorable and if you're lucky enough to catch the music video, you might find yourself wanting to replace Common and his picture cards with John Cusack and a boombox.

Artist: Pete Rock and C.L. Smooth Song: They Reminisce Over You Why You Should Listen: The beat picks up a little bit on this track, and the snare is definitely more prominent. But it's the horns that kick us back to like, the 1920's. There's always that one thing about a song that gets you hooked, and without a doubt, that's it.

Artist: Flipsyde Song: Train

Why You Should Listen: The beat of this song might be forgettable, but it's the lyrics that are truly amazing. Check out the second verse and you'll understand what I'm talking about.

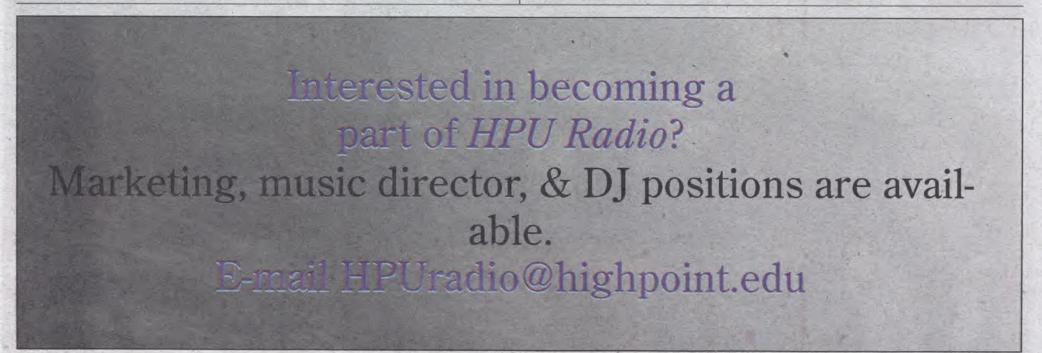
Artist: Souls of Mischief

Song: '93 Til Infinity Why You Should Listen: It feels like "old school" rap, with a fast-paced beat and clever lyrics. It may not be hardcore punk, but it's definitely not hardcore rap either. It falls somewhere in between so listeners get the best of both worlds.

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The Nominees for Best Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role are Jeff Bridges for "Crazy Heart," George Clooto watch and see how your favorite movies of the year will do.

throughout the song is catchy in a way that I never thought hip-hop could be.



High Point University acapella groups to release a new CD

By Samantha Tuthill **Opinion** Editor

High Point University's two a capella groups will both be putting out CD's this spring. This is the first recording for the all female singing group, the Petal Points, who will begin recording this month. The group, which is completely student run, is still relatively new on campus, having only been recognized by SGA for a couple of years. The work that went into setting up for the recording started four semesters ago, and the group is excited to see it coming together.

"Now that we are more established and better than we ever have been before, this is the time to do it," said group president Ashlie Workman.

The group holds auditions every fall for any full time, female student who wants to join. They hope to be able to start competing in singing competitions next year, and to continue their mission to provide entertainment to the univer"Now that we are more established and better than we have ever been before, this is the time to do it." -Ashlie Workman, Petal Points president

my life this year, and it is such a wonderful experience to be able to sing and perform with a great group of girls," said junior Becca Donald. Donald is new to the group this year and is thrilled to be part of the first group recording.

For the all male singing group, the Toccatones, this upcoming CD is the

CD. A lot of the members who recorded on it aren't here anymore, and a lot of the current singers haven't been recorded yet, so I feel like this new one is definitely needed," said Toccatones singer Cody Russell.

"We have worked hard to get to where we are today and have had a lot of help and support from our student body, university and the surrounding community. I believe recording a CD exemplifies the group's growth in talent and its maturity in the outlook for what the present and the future hold," said group president Clint Cooper.

The Petal Points hope to have their CD ready this April. Some of the songs that will be on it are "The Rose," "I Can See Clearly Now," and a combination of "Sweet Dreams" and "Poker Face." The Toccatones CD will include the songs "Viva la Vida," "Apologize," and "Have a Little Faith in Me." It will be available by April 23, the date of their spring concert. The Petal Points' spring concert is April 28

The two groups did their first joint concert this past December, collecting toys and money for Fox 8's Gifts for Kids. They will be performing in the Festival of Music, and singing the National Anthem and halftime shows for basketball games.

Top six places to kick back and relax this spring break

By Jen Paolino A&E Editor

Spring break is just around the corner, and if you haven't started planning your trip yet, well, you're probably a little too late. Okay, I'm kidding, but you are beginning to run out of time. If you're worried that you might pick the lamest place for you and your friends, quit freaking out. Here are the top six places to hit up this spring break.

Cancun: With great beaches and an even greater night life, it might not come as a shock to you that Cancun is still the number one spring break destination. Hit the sand with your friends and a tropical drink on this little slice of Mexican heaven.

Acapulco: Mexico snags yet another spot on our top six list. The beauty of this city is that you can get the best of both beach worlds. Spend a quiet day with your friends on secluded beaches like Playa Pie de la Cuesta, or be seen by everyone at jam-packed hot spots like La Condesa. Either way, you're sure to have an amazing time and come back with a killer tan.

Panama City, Florida: If you aren't really into leaving the country, don't worry, you can rage with all your friends in the States. It's not all about partying

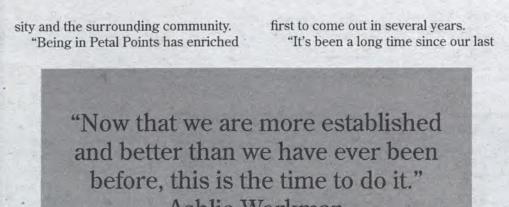
here, though. Take a second to enjoy 27 miles of pristine beach along Florida's west coast.

Bahamas: Not only does this Caribbean oasis have crystal clear water and sand so white it looks like snow, but it has fabulous resorts like The Atlantis that absolutely have to make your list of places to stay. It may be a little pricey, but the glass-enclosed water slide is sure to make it worth your while.

Miami/South Beach, Florida: As if this city didn't already have a reputation for being the place to party. The club scene in South Beach is out of this world, but if you're looking to keep your wallets full, head over to Miami Beach. where the scene is just as hot for half the price.

Puerta Vallarta: Where else can vou have all the luxuries of a beach town mixed with the perks of the mountains? Um... Puerta Vallarta, duh. This Mexican city is known for its versatility, and it's not too pricey either. It's all-inclusive hotel deals are great for college students who don't want the hassle of having to leave their resort. But, if adventure is what you're craving, don't hesitate to parasail or mountain bike, two awesome activities that you normally wouldn't find in the same place. Does it get any better than that?

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Kappa Sigma makes six fraternities for HPU

By Alex Ruano Staff Writer

With IFC recruitment week occurring in late January on campus, it would appear that everyone who was rushing a fraternity had already done so. However, this is not the case.

A new fraternity, Kappa Sigma, held its recruitment week in the first week of February.

Brandon Rivera, a current junior and Kappa Sigma president, was the one who showed an interest in starting a colony at HPU.

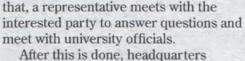
"I didn't really find a fit for myself, but I still wanted to be part of Greek life. I wanted to start something new and fresh in Greek life," Rivera said.

Rivera stated that Kappa Sigma is trying to promote change within Greek life and the university. "We are a group of great guys trying to break the stereotypes and be an exceptional group of gentlemen based on good values and morals.'

Interest was initially started in December 2008; a few students, including Rivera, stated their case as to why Kappa Sigma should come to be on the campus. However, Greek Life wanted them to wait until the spring semester to see how the interest in starting a colony was going.

"Greek Life wasn't quite ready for us; they weren't ready for expansion." said Rivera. "We contacted headquarters and reformed our group in the spring of 2009."

They later held an interest session in the fall of 2009; staff from the headquarters came down to check on progress.



typically stays in contact with the indi-

vidual or group and will continue to help them build interest in the new colony, which is what all fraternities start out as.

Finally, the headquarters of the fraternity . sends staff to facilitate a "colony kick-off weekend" on the prospective campus; the purpose of the weekend is to facilitate activities that involve goal setting, brotherhood building, and training.

Once word got around on campus about a new fraternity being colonized, students jumped at the opportu-

nity to be a founding member of the new fraternity.

Other Kappa Sigma members believe this is the right direction for HPU. "I believe that Kappa Sigma represents what our school is all about: change. Just like HPU, we are constantly striving for excellence," said sophomore Danny Rose.

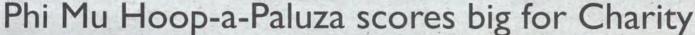
"As far as what Kappa Sigma is trying to do for the campus, we are trying to enhance the Greek System here at HPU and I feel we have started this." said Chris Terzigni, a sophomore at HPU.



Last Meeting: Longest in recent history, Over 10 bills and 2 hours worth of buisness. SGA president Andrew Realon announced he will not seek re-election.

Bills Passed: Volunteer Center to go to Guatemala; Interior and **Home Furnishings** club to go to a conference in Charleston, Sports Majors club to go to a conference, and Petal Points to record an audio CD. Several bills were also tabled.

What's Next?:



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they wish to bring to campus. Following

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Gay-Straight Alliance looks to "unite" High Point University

By Matt Wells **Organizations** Editor

There is a new group at HPU that has one message, unity. They strive to give students a sense of belonging and promote an environment for safety. Does this sound like a group you want to be a part of? Then the Gay-Straight Alliance is the club for you.

A group of students got together last semester and started an interest group. Thanks to the wonder of Facebook, the

interest group is 40 members strong, with an average attendance of 20 students every week, with the main purpose for the meetings now being to become a chartered organization under the student government association.

With a group like the Gay-Straight Alliance, there is one hovering question; "How has your group been accepted so far by HPU?" The answer might surprise you.

"We want to become chartered for the acceptance from the administration

and we want a budget to attend rallies like the equality march," says Jacqueline Anderson, president of GSA.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the GSA or want to go to a meeting to see what they are about for yourself, go to one of their meetings every Tuesday from 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. or contact Anderson, vice president Andrew Burke, secretary Anna Huckelba, or treasurer Sarah Hoffman for more information.

Upcoming elections of EC members

Get Involved: -E-mail SGA at sga@highpoint. edu -Meet bi-weekly Thursdays at 7 p.m.

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Men's basketball coming down to the wire

By Jordan Cover Staff Writer

Sometimes all it takes is one game, one defining moment, to permanently alter the course of a team's season. For High Point, that big moment may have come when the Panthers pulled off a 69-65 upset of Big South leader Coastal Carolina.

"It was a huge win," head coach Scott Cherry said after the game. "This was a big game where we needed everyone to perform, and they did." High Point, despite coming out as a heavy underdog, immediately took control of the game thanks to a stout defensive performance, holding the Big South's second highest scoring team to only 65 points.

'We definitely stepped up on defense," Cherry added. "Cruz Daniels and Corey Law made some key plays; Eugene Harris played really well. The entire team showed a lot of confidence and really fed off the energy from the crowd.'

The win, which was followed by another home win against Charleston Southern, also came at a critical point in the season, as the team abruptly put an end to its cold streak, during which it had lost six of its previous eight games. Consistency has been an issue for the young Panthers, but they have shown the ability to compete with any team on any given night, defeating all but one of. the conference's top teams.

Cherry is pleased by the progress that has been made over the course of the season. "We have really

grown a lot this year. We're still such a young team, and the improvements we've made after having such a terrible

"This

they'll only

continue to

get better.



Junior guard Tehran Cox cuts to his right to drive to the Photo by Jeremy Hopkins. basket.

We've played well in the conference so far and hopefully we can get a home game [in the conference tournament]," said Cherry.

In order to get a home game, the Panthers, with an 8-8 record in the Big South and a 13-14 overall record, will have to finish in the top four in the Big South standings. The Big South Conference tournament is not held at a neutral location; instead, the team with the better seeding will host that specific game. Home court advantage is critical for High Point, which is 10-1 at home and 3-13 on the road. Having a home game to start off the tournament would be critical for both an advantage in the opening round and continuing to build momentum if the Panthers were to face one of the conference's most formidable opponents later on.

The team has set itself up well for the future. The team only loses two seniors, Harris and Daniels, to graduation this year. However, they had major impacts on the team, starting every game in 2009-2010, scoring a combined 21.1 points per game and pulling down 8.6 rebounds per game this season.

"I really like the direction we're going in. We have a lot of great young players, a strong recruiting class coming in, and we're already playing well. I'm really excited to see what this team can do.'

For now, however, the focus is on finishing the season strong and putting the team in the best position possible for the conference tournament

Women's lacrosse to become the new NCAA sport on campus

By Megan Plasket Staff Writer

Women's lacrosse, a sport of high athleticism and fast paced semi-contact action, is new to this campus but it is growing rapidly. The sport, which was introduced to the school in 2006 as a club team, drew considerable interest on campus.

With the interest and the growth of our athletic department the sport will become a competitive Division 1 team

this year.

Lacrosse is a growing sport in the southeast region of the country and HPU will be joining several other schools, including Duke, Davidson, and UNC Chapel Hill, at the Division 1 level. To start, the team will remain an independent program while looking into ways to be recognized in association with the conference.

The new team, announced in September 2008, worked at a fast pace to be a reality in the fall of 2010. The

coaching staff announced over the summer includes head coach Lyndsey Boswell and assistant coach Whitney Michele.

Boswell and Michele have compiled a 26-member recruiting class in just one year. An initial announcement was made in December, while an additional 10 players were added to the roster in January.

The players are from all over the eastern seaboard including groups of girls who have played together before.

The team recently reached out to the community by "adopting" a boy named Mason and his family through The Friends of Jaclyn Murphy Foundation in Winston-Salem. According to its website, the foundation teams up with collegiate sports teams and "improves the quality of life for children with pediatric brain tumors and their families.'

Recently, women's lacrosse has announced a fundraising effort to build new locker room facilities for the team to start using next year.

Men's soccer plays against new Philadelphia-based MLS team

By Allison Hogshead Assistant Editor

Philadelphia Union-the new MLS team-played a training camp match against the HPU men's soccer team Feb. 10. They also played ACC teams UNC and Wake Forest while training in

Greensboro.

Key players for HPU included sophomore goalie Michael Chesler, freshman Todd Ray and sophomore Will Stewart on defense, freshman Shawn Sloan at midfield, and sophomore Karo Okiamah on offense.

Though the Panthers lost 4-0 with

two goals scored per half, the game still benefited both teams.

"We're excited that we got the opportunity for a challenge against an MLS opponent," head coach Dustin Fonder said. "The experience will definitely make us better as we train during this spring in preparation for

collegiate opponents."

The first game for Philadelphia Union will be March 25 against the Seattle Sounders. The Panthers start their spring training schedule with a home stadium double-header on Saturday, Feb. 27. At 4 p.m. the team will play Pfeiffer and another game against UNC at 7 p.m.

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High Point's Shawn Sloan and Philadelphia's Fred on Feb. 10. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins.

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Women's basketball has eyes on championship

By Kelsey Hinchliffe Staff Writer

The women's basketball team is still in contention for the Big South Conference Championship as they defeated UNC Asheville this past weekend, 78-49, making their conference record 8-5.

The Lady Panthers started the game with 6-0 lead and within the first five minutes forced three turnovers against UNC Asheville. At the half, the Lady Panthers had a 42-21 lead.

Freshman Erin Reynolds led the Lady Panthers with 15 points, closely followed by Jurica Hargraves and Mackenzie Maier, who scored 11 and 10 points respectively. Hargraves's points have put her over the 1,000 mark for total points scored in her collegiate career.

In their win over Radford University, 88-74, the Panthers also had five players scoring in double digits.

"Against Radford we played the type of basketball we want to play. We pressured on defense and pushed the ball in transition on offense. In the half court we shared the ball and took good shots. We need to continue this type of basketball into the conference tournament," head coach Tooey Loy said.

HPU will host the Big South Conference Tournament this year from March 12-14.

The conference championship has

been the ultimate goal for this team since the beginning. Maier is already looking ahead to that tournament. "Our strategy is very simple. In order for us to win any game we need to play together for 40 minutes, whether it is a regular season game or the Big South Championship. We are at our best



Senior guard Whitney Tarver leads the women's basketball team in the ritual pregame cheer. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins.

when we push the ball and really run on teams, so we aim to do that every game," Maier said.

Coach Loy also commented on the team's ultimate goal of becoming Big South Champions. "We are trying to get back to the type of basketball we were playing in late December and January. The team is really working hard in practice and staying together as a group to achieve our goal of making the NCAA tournament."

Along with their two recent wins over UNC Ashville and Radford, the Panthers have also had one of their own named Big South Player of the Week. Reynolds was named Player of the Week for the week of Feb. 8.

Loy commented on Reynolds's recognition. "Erin has had a great freshman year. She is going to be a great player for us over the next three years. When her game becomes more consistent and she learns to run the team she will be one of the best players in the conference."

The women's basketball team has also been promoting community service. In their Women's Basketball Coaches Association Pink Zone game, the Panthers helped to raise money for breast cancer research. "I think everyone knows someone

who has been affected by breast cancer. We are very honored to help such a great effort in helping find a cure," said Loy.

The Panthers play their next game at Winthrop on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 4 p.m.

Panther Profile

Amy Dodd (Forward) Women's Basketball

Hometown: Apex, N.C.

Year in school: Junior

Major and career plans: Sports Management; possibly law school to become a sports agent



Favorite Quote: "When life kicks you, let it kick you forward" -Kay Yow

Favorite Celebrity: Angelina Jolie <u>"I would like to be her someday.</u>"

Other campus activities you are involved in: None, but team is involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters

Most memorable Basketball moment at High Point: "When we beat Florida last December and I won the MVP of the tournament"

Interests/Hobbies: Watching movies, playing soccer, mini-golfing, bowling, and any activity where one can compete

Amy Dodd is a junior forward. Photo by Steven Haller. **One thing you could never live without:** Code Red Mountain Dew and soda in general

Greatest motivation during game: "My teammates and my dad, who texts me about my games."

Best advice you have ever received: "Follow your heart and do whatever makes you happy." -Dodd's parents to her

Music you listen to before a game: "In the locker room, we listen to Gospel music before a game."



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Track and field still finishing up indoor season

By Jarrett Rice Staff Writer

As the Panthers' indoor track team begins gearing up for the Big South Conference Championship, it has bigger goals in mind. Head coach Mike Esposito was not discouraged by the team's performance in the Virginia Tech challenge last weekend in Blacksburg, Va.

"We fell short...but I'm confident that the team will be ready for the Big South

Challenge," Esposito said. "I know we're doing the right things; we just need to bounce back at the championship meet."

In the Tech Challenge on Feb. 20, the Panthers' top performers were Josh Morgan, who placed ninth in the 800meter (1:53.19), and Jevin Monds, who took ninth in the mile (4:13.18).

At the Husky Classic in Seattle, Washington, Jesse Cherry broke his own school record (originally 14:14.18) for the 5,000-meter race, running a

14:02.86. This race ranks him 17th in the NCAA and provisionally qualifies him for the NCAA Indoor Championships. Also running the 5,000 meters was graduate student Cole Atkins, posting his personal best time of 14:17.66. That time put Atkins in 46th on the national list.

For the women's team, sophomore Manika Gamble provided the best finish of the day. She placed seventh in the 400-meter exactly one day after she set an HPU record in the 200-meter.

The freshman trio of Kelsey Paine, Danie Paul and Emma Tobin finished in 18th, 19th and 24th in the 800-meter. Senior Joya Canfield not only won her heat but set an HPU record in the 1,000meter (breaking Sumiyya Hunter's school record of 2:55.59)

Rachel Webb placed 13th in the pole vault with a height of 9'10". Joy Hunt took 16th in the weight throw with a toss of 42'7.5. Freshman, Lynee Pina took 18th place with a distance 36'5.5" in the weight throw.

> Jevin Monds and Josh Morgan; Geneva Winterink; Justin Conaway at the UNC Invitational on Feb. 12. Photos by Kelsey Hinchliffe.

Mahoney helps win baseball's home opener

By Steven Haller Sports Editor

Last Friday marked the start of the 2010 season for the High Point baseball team and it hit the ground running with a 6-5 win over UNC Charlotte, thanks largely to catcher Kyle Mahoney's clutch home run in the bottom of the eighth inning. "He left the fastball up and I capitalized on it," said Mahoney regarding his homer. He then added, "It was a good swing I felt like. So I am glad it got out and ended up being the game winning hit." It truly was a fantastic start for the fifth ranked team in the Big South preseason poll. The Panthers were completely focused on their opponent, which is part of the mindset that Head Coach Craig Cozart wants his team to live by this season. Before the game, Cozart was asked what some of the key games will be this season. "University of North Carolina Charlotte. That's it. That's all we're worried about is game one." He continued, "We preach to our guys that this is really the way we approach it. It does not matter who we are playing.

We are essentially playing the game. If we perform and execute the game at a higher level than whoever is on the other side of the field and win, then that is all we are concerned about. Cozart came to High Point last spring after a 12-year career as an assistant coach at South Florida. Last season, the team finished with a 21-32 overall record and an 11-12 record in Big South Conference play, finishing sixth in the Big South standings. Now, in season two of the Cozart era, the Panthers head coach has laid out specific goals. Something that we have never hidden behind since we have been here the past two years and since 1990, or since the transition to the Division I level, is that we have never had a .500 record. When you look at the magnitude of building a program to national prominence, simply playing at a level of .500 or better is our first goal," said Cozart. Another achievement yet to come to fruition for the High Point baseball program is a Big South Conference Championship and a trip to the NCAA World Series tournament, which is another goal that Cozart has put before the team. In order to help accomplish these goals, the team underwent a major roster renovation through

acquiring 17 new team members consisting of 13 freshmen and four transfers, which is just over half of the team on a roster of 33 players. One of the most notable newcomers is transfer Nate Roberts, a junior from Spring Grove, Ill., who will be the Panthers' starting right fielder this season. Last season, at Parkland College, Roberts led his team to the NJCAA World Series national championship where he set an NJCAA World Series record with a .710 batting average. Roberts was also selected by the Tampa Bay Rays in the 48th round of the 2009 MLB Draft.

These leaders will be motivating the team through the use of one word this season: S.T.A.C.K.E.D (swagger, toughness, accountability, competitiveness, killer instinct, energy, desire). The acronym can be heard throughout the team on and off the field, in the locker room, and in the dugout. According to Cozart, it is a constant reminder to the players of the qualities that the team needs to exemplify on a daily basis throughout the season in order to be successful. Cozart added that when he took the job at High Point, the first thing he did was hire a staff that met the expectations of the athletic department and his own. Cozart credited Bryan Peters, Rich Wallace, and Daniel Latham as some of the best possible staff, and that all of them are on the same page and communicate well together. Cozart said that together, they have implemented a system and created expectations on and off the field that changed the perception of the program in all aspects. In Cozart's vision, this system will garner the High Point baseball program consistent long term success. The Panthers open up a three-game home series against Farleigh Dickinson at 4 p.m. Friday in Williard Stadium.







In addition to the new recruits, the Panthers also have some quality leaders on the team, according to Cozart.

"A guy that comes to mind immediately is Matt Gantner, who is a fifth-year senior. He really encompasses what you would say a captain would be on a team because he is not afraid to speak his mind. He holds other players accountable and leads by a good example," Cozart said.

Other players that Cozart cited as leaders were Max Fulginiti, Mahoney and Pablo Rosario. On Rosario, Cozart said, "His enthusiasm is what really sticks out. Every day he comes to the field and he is excited."

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