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Don't miss variety of Christmas festivities

The university's choirs will present a Christmas concert on Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. The Chapel Choir, University Singers and Toccato Tones will all perform. The concert will be held in Hayworth Chapel. The service is directed by Dr. Billy Summers and are free and may be secured in 212 Slane Center. For students requiring transportation, a bus will depart Slane Center at 7:20 p.m.

In A&E: 'Eden' brings relationships to light

Millie (18th), Mike Salamone (28th), Jon Renner (39th), Eric Martinez (40th) and Nicos Pilay (61st). HPU (45) topped Liberty (69), host Coastal Carolina (96) and UNC Asheville (107) en route to the crown. Other team scores were Radford (127), Winthrop (131), VMI (170), Birmingham-Southern (183) and Charleston Southern (273).

"If you look at the results, Coastal and Liberty were pretty even with our first three runners, so Chris and Kyle were the difference," Barnes said. "That's the blessing of having good depth."

The championship is High Point's third Big South title in the past two seasons (joining the 2002 men's cross country and 2003 men's tennis teams). On Nov. 15, High Point's men's cross country team took 12th and HPU's women's squad finished 19th at the NCAA Southeast Cross Country Regionals at East Carolina University's Lake Kristi. Jeff Fairman was the top finisher for the Panthers, taking 26th with a time of 30:59.6 in a star-studded field.

Other HPU finishers were Taylor

High Country tops Big South again

High Point University

Women's soccer team wins Big South, faces notable UNC players

By Craig Grunwald
Staff Writer

The women's soccer team recently experienced the greatest honor and biggest challenge in its history.

A spectacular victory in the Big South Conference championship game, the Lady Panthers had to deal with the University of North Carolina in the first round of the NCAA National Tournament. The Tar Heel program is not only the most dominant in the history of college soccer, but perhaps the most powerful program in the annals of college sports. Since 1981, The Tar Heel women have won 17 national championships, and nine of the players on this year's U.S. national team are current or former Tar Heels.

The Tar Heels entered the first round of the tournament with a 22-0-0 record in the regular season and were ready to face their first challengers, the Lady Panthers. The Panther women were making their first appearance in the national tournament. They were also the first HPU women's athletic team to qualify for a national tournament game.

The Lady Panthers had everything to gain and nothing to lose. Unfortunately, UNC defeated HPU 8-0, but the loss hasn't put a damper on HPU's season. Carolyn Bader, a junior from Columbus, Ga., said she felt overwhelmed but also honored to compete against players who, a few weeks before, had seen on television playing in the women's World Cup.

"We were there regardless of what happened," explained Bader, "and we were all there regardless of what happened.

Sophomore Jen Evans, from Sewell, N.J., is upset that the season is over but proud of her team for having the chance to take on the best team in the nation.

Evans said, "We knew we had the opportunity to pull off a great upset. Even though we lost, now we know how it goes. We're experienced, and next year may be a second round or further."

The first goal of the game was scored by Catherine Reddick and the second was assisted by Lindsay Tarpley, both members of the current U.S. Women's team. When asked what strategy she took when

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Statistics indicate that High Point University had a low crime rate in 2002. Last year there were 27 cases of larceny, 17 burglaries and three motor vehicle thefts.

Director of Safety and Security Robert Clark is in charge of all university vehicles, parking regulations and enforcement and the safety inspection of all buildings. There are lights covering the campus and emergency call boxes at key locations. The dorms are locked at all times and have silent alarms monitored by hired alarm companies. All buildings are equipped with fire alarms, fire extinguishers and burglary alarms. However, Clark said that most crimes committed on campus are those of opportunity because students forget to lock their cars or dorms and leave valuable items in plain sight.

Senior Andry Shevstov is a security officer who responds to emergency calls, which are mostly break-ins into cars and disturbances in dorms. He said, "Students should lock their cars and roll up their windows because failure to do so is a common cause of theft.

Last year, sophomore James

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Taking care can aid community in preventing crime

By Kathleen McLean
Staff Writer

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The Source offers new forum for voicing views

Staff Editorial

Webster defines a university as "an institution for instruction in science and literature, etc." Let's face it: The crucial part of university learning is probably hard to find under the "etc." category. Science and literature only begin to scratch the surface of what is being accomplished here. University learning is about researching various opinions and beliefs enough to develop an understanding of your own. As part of this, university should promote the exchange of ideas from all different types of people.

With that being said, it should be known that the staff of the Chronicle welcomes additional forums for free thinking. A new underground publication, known as the Source, has added to the limited media coverage within the university.

After only one issue, it is hardly fair to critique the Source and its contributors. It is unknown what the future may bring for the publication. But hopefully, the Source will seek and maintain credibility while remaining a forum on campus. The very announcement of the Source has sparked conversations about journalistic ethics and standards such as anonymity and the right to edit contributors' work. And we all know how healthy an underground fashion, the Source might be right for you. If you hate having your work edited and wish to remain anonymous in your opinions, go to the Source. The entire campus will be reading it. Just keep reading and contributing to the Chronicle, too. With multiple campus publications, the possibilities are endless.

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The significance behind the turkey feast

By Jonathan Miller

Staff Writer

Last week people across the country took time off to celebrate a truly American holiday: Thanksgiving. Thoughts of turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing and cranberry sauce immediately come to mind; however, Thanksgiving means more than just good food. Don't get me wrong. I love the meal just as much as anyone else, but we need to remember what our national holidays really mean. Yes, they mean more than just another day off.

Thanksgiving received its birth in 1623 by Gov. William Bradford, a Pilgrim. Gov. Bradford proclaimed that all of his fellow Pilgrims "listen to ye pastor and tender thanksgiving to ye Almighty God for all our provisions."

In 1789 President George Washington declared that America should honor God with a National Day of Thanksgiving.

Finally, in 1863 President Abraham Lincoln officially proclaimed the last Thurs-day in November as Thanksgiving Day. President Lincoln saw the occasion "as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens."

Subsequent presidents, including William McKinley, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt and George W. Bush also reaffirmed Thanksgiving, as a day to thank God for all that we have, Thanksgiving, like Christmas, slowly become a secular holiday in this great country of ours, but I think we should remember that Thanksgiving is a God-inspired holiday.

Continue to eat the hearty Thanksgiving dinner and continue to give thanks to all that you are thankful for, but remember the beginnings of this holiday attention. Let us celebrate the God who blessed all of us with the opportunity to live in the greatest nation on earth.

The Source, c/o Michael Gaspeny, Box 2111, High Point University, High Point, NC 27262.
Beware of holiday shopping chaos

For most Americans, shopping on “Frightful Friday” is just a routine part of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Certainly, I have no problem with this, although I do not participate in the early jump on Christmas. However, we have to keep things in perspective, something we’ve obviously not done.

I’m referring to the events at a Florida Wal-Mart, not on that last Friday in Nov., this year’s busiest shopping day. Forty-one year old Patricia VanLester made a middle-of-the-night trip to the Arkansas-based chain for computer ink and decided to stay for the store’s five-hour “blitz” sale beginning at 6 a.m. VanLester was knocked to the floor and trampled by the bargain hunters, leading to a seizure. Said her sister, Linda Ellzey, “They walked over her like a herd of elephants.” Despite Ellzey’s outrage, this crowd just continued to step on VanLester, much to Ellzey’s astonishment.

Were you, one family even joking about taking the woman’s $29 DVD player that she still clutched while unconscious? Said shopper Valerie Calabrese, “There was a lady there, and her two kids were laughing about it, saying ‘Mom, you’re going to take it.’” All they cared about was a stupid DVD player, said Ellzey. Even the paramedics complained about the crazed shoppers. Said Mark O’Keefe of EVAC Ambulance, “There were people all around this woman. They would not move. They just continued to step on her.”

OPINION

Democrats, Republicans should terminate emotional bickering

By Josh Farrington

As demonstrated by a recent debate on campus as well as in the nation as a whole, it seems Democrats and Republicans no longer can emotionally argue their ideas. Instead, both parties have resorted to name-calling, and attack each other’s character rather than their ideas. Instead, both parties have resorted to name-calling, and attack each other’s character rather than their ideas. Instead, both parties have resorted to name-calling, and attack each other’s character rather than their ideas. Instead, both parties have resorted to name-calling, and attack each other’s character rather than their ideas. Instead, both parties have resorted to name-calling, and attack each other’s character rather than their ideas.

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Student abroad has new take on cultural differences

By Erin Sullivan
Staff Writer

OK, the secret's out. I didn't decide to go to school for this sports. Granted, there is a lot of tension and disharmony regarding all the athletes in the various sports. However, my enthusiasm for soccer was really brought out at the last women's soccer game between High Point University and UNC Chapel Hill.

My last break with sports was in high school, when I played basketball in a community league because I was too short. I attended the game at Chapel Hill and was really impressed. I thought that kind of behavior was gone forever, until the recent soccer game between the ladies of HPU and the ladies of Chapel Hill.
Resident assistants provide leadership, companionship

By Patrick Mitchell
Editor in Chief

As a freshman, you are looking forward to not having to follow the rules and routines when you come to college.

However, during your mandatory house meeting, you learn that your RA, who is also a peer, tells you when guests of the opposite sex can be in your room, how loud your music can be, and when you drink, you'll be fined. Then, after all these rules, the person promises to be here if you need anything.

Another word for this person is a Resident Assistant (RA).

As a sophomore, the task is to conquer or evade the RA, who is now seen as the dorm monitor in the Complex, Finch, Bell or Mills. As an upperclassman, you're usually able to obtain a better living area, such as U-village, University Apartments, Sixth Street or the Frances Allison Apartments. Usually to these

While there are some that despise the RA's because of the rules, there is a lot more to the job than meets the eye. First of all, RA's are usually just like any other college student. It is true that they do enforce rules and monitor the safety of the dorms, but they have tests, temptations and stresses just like any other student.

The one thing that separates RA's from the rest of the students is that they have chosen to use their leadership skills this way instead of being a manager on their job, shift supervisor, captain of a sports team, club chairman or active organization leader.

Being a RA does have a lot of positive points. First of all, you are part of a team, with people who usually share your same values. They are going to be people you can rely on if you're having a bad day or have questions. Also, being a RA is a way to become more involved in campus, get to know more people and help others become comfortable. And, of course, there really isn't any other job like a RA; you are the rule enforcer; companion if needed and program planner at the same time.

There is a lot more to this job than meets the eye. And when it comes down to it, the RA is in the dorms to monitor your safety and well being. The hall programs are supposed to be a way to get to know people, to get to know others' lives and have a cheap price or for free. On a daily basis someone needs to be close by if a resident has questions about maintenance, computers or other. They have to call for assistance with various problems. Also, not everyone comes to college with the maturity to handle group living, and sometimes it's a positive thing to have a RA to tell you when guests upstairs to turn down their music that has been blaring for the past few hours.

So, having a RA and being one can prove to be interesting sometimes, but remember that the RA's sole purpose isn't to make your life miserable; it is to graduate from college, just like you.

FYI, if you believe that being a RA is right for you, pick up an application in Student Life and join the team.

Senior recounts four years of acting on HPU stage

By Katie Estler
Assistant Editor

The words Mike Maykish, playing the God figure, sang during the closing number of "Children of Eden" touched many people in the audience and even put a tear in the eyes of some of the performers. Victoria Steele was one of these actors. As "Father" told of the journey we all must take, these words held a deep meaning for Victoria, as she thought about the journey we all must take.

Know as Vicki to her friends, she took her final bow as an actor on the HPU stage Nov. 9. She burst into tears every performance at the last two shows. With characteristic good humor, she called the songs "tackily sad."

"It was really hard, I thought about it the week before, but she didn't upset me that much until I actually did it. At least I wasn't the only one crying," she said.

One of the students that pushed for the show, Vicki received minor roles as story telling characters, she couldn't get one of the five personalities of the Snake. Though, she would have liked to have given out with a bigger bang. Vicki has been a well known face on the stage for the past three and half years.

As a freshman, she was assistant di- rector of "The Imaginary Invalid." Di- recting was an aspect of the theater she very much enjoyed but wasn't able to pursue through the other shows as she was con- stantly acting. In the same year, she had her acting debut as Norah in "They Came to Mars and Landed Outside the Pandale Avenue Church Hall in Time for the Townswoman's Guild's Coffee Morning."

"That show was great, not be- cause the show was so good, but because it just such a fun show to do, "Vicki recalled with delight. Her character, a British maid who was given 12 Valiums and proceeded to steal food from audience members and fall asleep on the stage, really fell into a cake.

She has enjoyed other roles such as Mrs. Von Danam in "The Diary of Anne Frank," Little Red Riding Hood in "Into the Woods," her preferred role and a personal favorite. "As she was singing these serious adult songs, and I got to be a little kid. The high schooler even has a more serious role then me," she said. Much- ching has much experience in playing under other actors' hoop skirts, Vicki maintained her role even when not rehearsing.

Comparing her past roles she no- ticed the trend of always playing wacky, off-the-wall characters. "(Directors) have always wanted me in the wackiest role," she said, smiling. She was also after love scenes with a character named "Fred."

As her final semester dwindles, Vicki carries with her many more the- atre memories than those made on the stage. Vicki had an honor of being one of the first two HPU nominees in re- cent memory to ACCT, a nationwide college ac- tors' competition. Se- lected for her role as Little Red Riding Hood, she competed against hundreds of students from all over the country. She remembers events of less magnitude. "I am always going to re- member my AACC class, because of my fel- low students." For in- stance, rehearsing her class scene from the "Cruel" with Ben Allen in the Stan- dard stage. Before it was just a City, "People walked by and thought I was beaten. (To outsiders) you are always going to be a weird person in the kid," she said, smiling.

What does the future hold for this veteran actor? A move behind the scenes. Returning to her freshman experience, Vicki looks to pursue and further educa- tion. Vicki is starting her senior year on Dec. 5. She will make her directorial debut with "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)," a three man show starring Ben Allen, Mike Turrin and Jamie Galinski. As a sophomore, from actor to director has not been the easiest. "Parts are really frus- trating, I want to be in it so I can do it a certain way. It's hard to convey to the ac- tors what I want," she said. While Vicki struggles not to step on people's toes and still have the show she wants, she is excited about the show's opening. After considering three different comedies, she decided on this even though the show requires a long list of props on a thin budget. It also requires her to have three actors to perform one before and another of all 37 Shakespearean plays in an hour and half. Audiences can look forward to a "splash zone" and full im- mersion.

Vicki has experienced much laughter and many tears on the High Point Stage. Before she leaves at the end of this semester, she hopes to go out with a few last laughs and encourages people to come to her finale, simply saying with a laugh, "It's free."
Students react to their Phoenix Festival wins

One writer wins twice; others excel.

By Amanda Roberts

Staff Writer

Junior Gena Smith has won the Phoenix Festival literary contests for HPU students in both the short story and poetry categories.

Her awards came on Nov. 21 during the 33rd Phoenix Festival, organized by Dr. John Moshman and the English department. The night before, Sarah Dessen, successful author of novels for young adults, read from "The Truth About Forever," her novel to be published next May. Friday morning began with the convergence of high school students from North Carolina and one school in Georgia. These students, as well as students from the University, participated in workshops with authors from the southeast.

At the end of the day, winners in the high school and university category were announced. From High Point, honorable mentions in poetry were awarded to Angel Ashton, Alicia Caldwell, Genevieve Danui, Ali Wassell and Emily Miles; in the short story category, Jaci Cheek, Tracy Whitman and Alexis Winning received honorable mentions.

Double-winner Gena Smith is an English major on the writing track. She has wanted to write since early childhood.

"Before I could actually write, I would go around the house singing songs I'd made up, and my dad would write them down for me," Smith said.

This year marked the first time Smith had written a short story; it was a requirement for Mr. Michael Gaspary's Writing Fiction class. "I would have never thought I could write fiction, nor would I have tried. It's become a new passion for me," she said. "It's a completely new aspect of writing, and I find myself writing pieces of stories here and there, on napkins especially."

Jaci Cheek, a senior English writing major, won second place for her poems, "Peter Denies Jesus at Jerusalem."

Briana Coone won second place for her short story, "The Sign." Coone, a senior English writing major, stated that she would never have entered the contest had it not been for Gaspary's class.

Coone's story involves a woman who stood up by her boyfriend who goes outside, praying for God to give her a sign; a shooting star falls out of the sky, which she takes to be the sign she's not alone. "I wasn't happy with the story when I wrote it. I didn't think it was that good," she said.

Smith's story "This Life" centers on a homeless man who desperately needs a new pair of shoes and steals a pair, thinking that they will make him happy, only to learn that they don't.

"I've always wondered what thought processes go on in the mind of a homeless person, what struggles they face and what type of things they aspire to achieve. Not just homeless, but everyone. I think it would be cool to be an undercover reporter and see life from a different viewpoint," Smith said.

"A Demon's Discourse to His Peers in Hell" is Smith's winning poem. She wrote this poem for Dr. Marion Hodge's Writing Poetry class as a dramatic monologue. Railing at his cohorts, the demon denies the worth of his entire existence.

"The thought came to me: what thought process does a demon go through, do they ever get tired of what they do?" Smith explained.

"It [winning second place] made my day," Coone said. "I've never entered anything like this before."
College Republicans

November was an eventful month for College Republicans. On November 3 and 4, members of the club participated in the November 4 election by volunteering with Jim Stanley's campaign. College Republicans volunteered by placing campaign signs around High Point.

On November 15, members had the opportunity to participate in the Family Faith and Freedom rally in Winston-Salem. Those attending had the privilege of hearing Senator Jim DeMint (R-S.C.) deliver the keynote address along with Senator John Ashcroft (R-Mo.) and the Reverend Jerry Falwell (R-Tenn.) speak about balancing career with faith, family, and civic responsibility in a free society.

College Republicans and College Democrats faced off at a debate on November 19. Debated topics included homosexual marriage, partial-birth abortion, and the current situation in Iraq. The intense discussion showed that High Point is home to some very skilled debaters.

The semester is about to wrap up, but if you are interested in participating with the Right-side on campus, come to a meeting in January. Good luck on finals, everyone!

Theta Chi

The brothers of Theta Chi would like to congratulate the new members of the chapter, including the new members of the Executive Council. Brenden Donahue as President, Phil Shumaker of Victory as Vice President, Jeff Wolfe as Secretary and, once again, Nick DeSando as Marshall.

The new officers bring an new, young lineup to the plate. Hopefully the lack of experience will be made up for with that youthful spring in their step and a lot of heart. Seriously, the fraternity has taken a step in the right direction and hopes to build on that.

With the minor things out of the way it is time to concentrate on the big picture, Heaven and Hell. For those of you attending the festivities, it will be the same old good time as usual.

With the semester winding down the brothers would like to wish all of you luck on your finals and final projects. Hopefully you have not put everything off until the last minute. Also, once those are finished, have a good break. To the seniors that are graduating, good luck in the real world.

Pi Kappa Alpha

The Brothers hope that everyone had a good Thanksgiving break. With the first semester coming to an end, we are staying really busy. One major project that we have taken on is the completion of our basement in the fraternity apartments. We started by painting the whole basement with our colors (garnet and old gold), then Nick Peterson and Joe Haubenhopht constructed a tiki-style bar which has gotten a lot of compliments. Our social chair Justin Mellinger has done a great job with the sound and lights.

We want to thank Alpha Gamma Delta for an awesome North/South mixer. It was a lot of fun for both teams, and not surprisingly, the South took bragging rights for the 2nd year in a row. We look forward to doing it again next year, ladies. We also want to thank the women’s soccer Team for a great time at our last mixer.

On Monday Dec. 1, the Brothers helped raise AIDS awareness on our campus. Sam Chlote, in addition to chairing the project, constructed a banner which featured a giant ribbon. Students, faculty, and staff were asked to sign the banner to show support of our effort. Sam also made hundreds of red ribbons for people to wear. In a brief statement delivered by Ms. Kim Soban, she led the small group of listeners in a prayer which encouraged us to be more understanding of the HIV and AIDS epidemic. To end the day, everyone gathered on the Greensward for a benefit concert. Overall, the day was a success and we hope that the HPU community benefited in some way from the event.

Congratulations to the newly elected executive council. The new officers are as follows: President-Darrin Sita, Internal VP-Clark Robertson, External VP-Nick Peterson, Treasurer-Zac Cuffe, and Rush Chair-Sam Closs. We want to thank our out-going President, Pat Warren, for all of his hard work and dedication during his term in office.

Finally, we wish everyone good luck on their final exams and we hope you have a good Christmas break. We’ll see everyone back here in January.

The Kappa Delta

It is that time again when the Thanksgiving holidays are over and the new semester is slowly coming to an end. The Ladies of Phi Mu hope that everyone received enough rest and relaxation over break in order to wind up the end of the year and face those dreaded exams.

The Giant Twister fund-raiser for Children’s Miracle Network on Family Weekend was a blast, and we would like to thank everyone who came out to play and donated their time and money. Your donations were greatly appreciated.

The Alcohol Awareness program that took place in front of Slane was a huge success. It was really a sight seeing everyone trying to weave that golf cart in and out of those cones with drunk goggles on. Thanks to everyone who came out and participated. We recently had our annual Thanksgiving Dinner where sisters and alumnae came together to celebrate the holiday.

Our next big event scheduled is our Christmas Formal on December 5th. We are looking forward to a great night. Good luck to everyone on exams and have a great Christmas Break!
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the Pikes and Lunatics who attended the

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shooting free throws.

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in relation to their team. The High Point

team this year, but the people who came

Point kept the score close, or maybe they

were a bit stunned by the fact that High

would not leave South Carolina quietly.

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whole Clemson frontline by himself, at

the baseline scoring on two Clemson de-

home court.

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Johnny Cochrane looks down at an am-

game, I look down on you the same way


ting is the best part.

Women’s basketball team has strong start

Kenny Graf

Sports Editor

Soccer, continued from front page

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Mazeika, along with the other se-

riors from this year’s team, went into

the conference tournament not knowing

which game would be their last. After

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would score 90 for the win. The Panthers

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getting as close as nine with 15:38 to go

a layup by Shorty Putrino, but the lane

would grow back to 20 and would remain

for most of the second half. Although the

Panthers kept things close in the first half

and managed to force four ties before

going into the locker room down 40-31,

you might be drinking to get you ready

for a football game, like beer.

The third step is vocal drills. This

involves repeating the same cheer over

and over again with your friends until

even you think it sounds a little annoy-

ing. On game days, the next goal step

is taking a little, or maybe a lot, of

to trash to whoever is wearing the opposing

team’s jersey or colors. This can grow

little bit; one, especially when you have

traveled to see your team at the

opposition’s stadium.

In the hours of eating, drinking, and

yelling, you are more than prepared to

witness your team’s glorious victory or

devastating loss with not the slightest

feeling that any money was wasted on the

ticket and parking.

Nothing like Saturday morning before football

By Bethany Davoll

Staff Writer

The women’s basketball team has

getting off to a strong start this season,

n a 3-1 record to date. The Panthers

have picked up wins over Murray State,

Western Carolina and Tusculum, with

their loss coming against Marshall Uni-

versity.

Against Western Carolina, the Pan-

thers held a 33-28 edge at half time and

never looked back from there. They ex-

tended their lead to as many as 10 in

the second half before winning by a fi-

nal score of 56-49. Sophomore guard

Kate O’Dell used her mid-range jumper

and diving ability to score from the baseline
to lead High Point with 12 points, while

Kate Jenner added 11 of her own from

the post to go along with eight rebounds

and freshman Candycye Sellers scored

10 points and pulled down seven boards.

It was a good home win for the Pan-

thers, who lost to Western Carolina on

the road by a score of 72-42 in their first

game of the season last season. Said

Sellers on the win, “It was a good team

effort, and it’s going to be very exciting
to play the rest of the season if we keep

playing well.”

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a layup by Shorty Putrino, but the lane

would grow back to 20 and would remain

for most of the second half. Although the

Panthers kept things close in the first half

and managed to force four ties before

going into the locker room down 40-31,