Well-known Dean of Students bids farewell; Tuttle transitions into Student Life position

By Pam Haynes
Editor in chief

For 11 years, Rams Triplet, Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life, provided hard work and long hours; he arrived, helped them adjust to living on campus, formed friendships with them and watched them graduate four years later. Now, it’s his turn to leave. Rams has lived on campus (first in Pitch Hall, then in an apartment in University Village) since he was first employed by the university, worked at all times of the day and eaten in the cafeteria twice a day for seven days a week. He has decided that it’s time for a change. “A lot of people think that something must be wrong, but I’m not leaving because I’m upset about something. This university has been good for me to work here happily for eleven years,” explains the Greenville, S.C. native.

He says that it’s the nature of the job that usually pushes a resident director to move on. “After the work day is over, I can get to campus,” he says, reclining in the Slane Center soaking with sweat. “I can get to campus. Sometimes he does the round trip at least twice. That’s about 28 miles a day.”

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Outdoor enthusiast uses gap year to test endurance in cross country cycling and paintball tournaments in European competition

By Cole Atkins
Staff Writer

Quiz time. Raise your hand if you have done any of the following: Ridden up or climbed a mountain that was over 4,800 feet high and proceeded to shower in the locker rooms every morning. Owned, captained, outfitted and fundraised for your own professional paintball team? Taken a year off before college to travel around Europe with said paintball team? Kept those questions in mind as you read about the fast-paced life of Rob Walters. Walters rides his bike to school. In fact, Walters rides his bike just under 14 miles round trip from his Laurel Oaks Springs apartment complex off Main Street to campus. Sometimes he does the round trip at least twice. That’s about 28 miles a day.

Each morning Walters strolls to the Slate Center soaking with sweat. “I race myself every morning to see how fast I can get to campus,” he says, reclining in an overfilled chair boardroom Starbucks. “I shower in the locker rooms every morning. The workers at the gym definitely know who I am,” he adds.

He continues, “Sometimes I take rides on the back of trucks for a few stoplights by grabbing on. The ride can get boring sometimes.” Oddly enough, the occasional taunts by passing drivers and screams from young girls don’t satisfy this young adrenaline junkie.

When asked if he has a car, he says, “Once you get bit by a few of them, you begin to scare you.” Two wheels appear to be more than enough for him. He is a junior education major who spent the previous six years before HPU in Surrey, England, where his father is a certified public accountant. Walters, from Connecticut, moved to England in 1993, when he was 14 years old. “I have lunch with the faculty every day. I go to class and do all of my work before class. The university has given me the experience of a lifetime,” says Walters.

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Athletic conduct code meeting held for student leaders

By Bryan A. Rathnem
Staff Writer

Dr. Woody Gibson, athletic director, emphasized proper behavior at HPU sports events during a meeting of 51 students on Sept. 18. The group included athletes and campus leaders.

The Big South Conference requires each school to hold an ethical conduct policy meeting. In August each school held a code meeting held in London, England, where his father is a certified public accountant. Walters, from Connecticut, moved to England in 1993, when he was 14 years old. “I have lunch with the faculty every day. I go to class and do all of my work before class. The university has given me the experience of a lifetime,” says Walters.

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Faculty and staff asked to donate flowers for additional botanical garden

The Arboretum Committee has announced plans for another botanical garden to be planted on campus in addition to the rose garden in front of Smith Library. This garden, which will be located in the area adjacent to the waterfall in Hayworth Park, will feature perennial flowers.

Instead of purchasing those flowers from a greenhouse, the committee is asking for faculty and staff members to bring perennial flowers from their own home gardens to be used for this project. The design of the garden will depend on the variety of flowers that are donated. Planting is scheduled to begin on Oct. 6.

-Compiled by Pam Haynes
Taking Leave: One student’s off-year odyssey through Australia, Spain, Italy and Russia

By W. Harris Walker
Staff Writer

Deep in the heart of Russia near Siberia, I played an orphanage in Yaroslavl with children that had nothing. Watching these children still gleam with happiness despite all of their misfortunes truly put my own life into focus. As I sat in the room with these children, I finally had an epiphany in which I discovered so much about myself. I finally realized the gifts I had been given and the necessity to use them. As my gap year was drawing to a close, I was finally beginning to realize those things which I had taken the year to discover.

The real part of my adventure exactly a year before this, in April 2006, I had been accepted by all eight schools that I had applied to and I was preparing to graduate from high school. The day just wasn’t there. I wasn’t as excited as my friends about heading to college and I lacked the drive. My headmaster and I concluded that maybe I should look into what is called a gap year. A year typically taken by students who have left high school and university, a gap year is almost expected of most students in Europe but not so prevalent here in the United States. Often, students travel abroad and either work, study or volunteer at various places. Amazed by the choices available for people interested in a gap year, I decided to take advantage of four different opportunities in various regions of the world. My first venture took me to the Northern Territory of Australia to learn the true meaning of hard work while laboring on a 3.4 million acre cattle ranch. After travelling all over Australia for a few weeks at the end of my work, I went home for Christmas. After the holidays, I left for

Salamanca, Spain, where I studied Spanish in a language school in the heart of this very traditional Spanish town for three months. This was truly the time of my life where I made many friendships that will last a lifetime, only a couple being with Americans. Sadly, I eventually left Spain and toured Italy for the week of Easter, where I was fortunate enough to hear Pope Benedict XVI deliver Palm Sunday Mass. Though I am not Catholic, the symbolism

The author on a bridge in Salamanca, Spain, May 2006.

of the Pope stretches across all denominations, and it was amazing to be able to view such an important Mass being delivered by the Pope. After my traveling in Italy, I was taken to Russia where I was graced with the experience of a lifetime working in orphanages. I also worked in a mental hospital for children who were often put there for nothing more than what we would consider to be attention-deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD). There was one young 11-year-old girl at this hospital, though, who had serious delusions as a one young 11 year-old girl at this hospital, though, who had serious delusions as a

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and I can only hope to see that experience have the same effect on someone else. For more information on gap year opportunities, you can refer to the internet or talk to someone like me who’s done a gap year. If you’re interested in learning more, take a look at www.gap-jobs.com and www. croscultural-solutions.org.

Straight Talk From Dr. Nido Qubein

Focusing on goals can help students solve conflict

Dear Student,

There’s no such thing as a life without conflict. The history of humanity is full of conflicts. But not all conflict is destructive and not all conflict is bad. As you experience your education here and move into the next phase of your life, you’re likely to encounter conflict. Difficulties arise when you are confronted with two or more conflicting options. These options may involve conflicting needs or desires. They may arise from conflicting values. You will encounter several types of conflict.

• Positive/positive. You have been planning to spend fall break at your family’s mountain cabin, but one of your friends suggests a trip to the beach. You have a conflict between two positive actions and you must decide which one to take.

• Positive/negative. You’ve been thinking about changing majors, but in doing so you will lose credit for two courses that you already completed. This might delay graduation by a semester but it may lead to a profession that you know you’d love.

• Negative/negative. You’ve written a paper on a subject that you thought you understood thoroughly, but on the morning you were supposed to turn it in, you learn that your basic premise for the paper was wrong. If you turn in the paper, you will receive a failing grade. If you don’t turn in the paper, you may have to repeat the course. You have to decide between two negatives: get a failing grade or repeat the course.

Decisions involving this kind of conflict can be reached more easily if you are focused on your vision and goals and if you have an action plan in place. You simply choose the option that will move you closer to your goal in harmony with your action plan. Of course, your action plan should be subject to change to accommodate opportunities that will move you toward your goal more quickly and easily. This is the way we approach conflict resolution. When you take this approach, you look upon the conflict not as a battle that must be won, but as a problem that must be solved. When the conflict is viewed as an opportunity to create positive change and new and better results can be reached – it is then that conflict has made a positive impact on your life.

WE LOVE YOU AND THANK GOD FOR YOU.

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Crumbling Walls: The hidden dangers of America's failed mental health system for the disabled

By John Winn
Opinion Editor

Owen LeGrande is a convicted killer. When he was tried and sentenced to death for gunning down a woman outside her home in Stanley County, North Carolina. He is also mentally ill. According to court-appointed psychiatrists, the 48-year-old marches for hours in his jail cell and refuses to speak to his attorneys because he believes they are persecuting him. His story serves as an example of how even the most troubled individuals can fall through the cracks of the crumbling institution that is the Department of Mental Health, and unless more is done to intervene with people like him, experiences like his will become more common.

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, 26.2 percent of adults—57 million Americans—suffer from some form of mental disorder. The most common illnesses are depression, schizophrenia, and bipolar disorder. While most are able to seek treatment, for a small minority of mentally ill patients—about six percent of the population—treatment is impossible. Many are so poor they can’t afford therapy or medication, getting off help until literally the last minute. The lack of affordable health care is an issue in itself, but for the seriously mentally ill it is even a bigger problem. At times funding for mental health services is not as high priority as paying for emergency services like police and fire protection. That, coupled with the recent trends in outsourcing has caused more harm to the mentally ill than anything else. The system is broken, but the good news is we can make it better.

All it takes is a total commitment on the part of lawmakers, advocates and the public. That means more money, more information sharing and a vigorous effort at the classroom level to remain informed about what’s going on in patients’ lives. The sad fact is if caregivers were able to intervene with Mr. LeGrande ten or eleven years ago, he wouldn’t be sitting on death row right now. None of them have any idea about what Mr. LeGrande will have to go through when he’s sharing the cell with the mentally ill patients to make sure that incidents like his never happen again. But that can only happen if we all work together to make stories like Mr. LeGrande’s history.

By Ashley Jessup
Campus Civitans

Campus Civitans invite students to join for experience in helping others and leadership

Civitans is open to day and evening students and meets every other Wednesday during the school year. If you have any questions or would like to join and cannot make the meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 16, please contact Anky Patel at patela04@highpoint.edu or Brenda Coates at bcoates@highpoint.edu.

Stop whining already! Are students being consumed by a disease called the “gimmies”?

By Scarlett Hester
Staff Writer

Instant gratification is something that we strive to achieve in society. In a time where impatience is in eminent and demanding and has a “give me now” mindset. It’s easy to see these traits in the younger generation and especially in college students. College students always have wants, and then once those wants are met, they always want more.

One thing that I think the HPRI administration has accomplished very well is trying to please the students. We even have a director of WOW whose sole purpose is to improve life for students. We have a campus concierge who can send out our dry cleaning and help us book rights. Both of these things are not typical on most college campuses. It’s obvious that administrators care about us. Because our school goes to such extreme measures to keep us happy, I would think that the student body would be grateful.

HPU is known for the kiosks dispensing drinks and snacks. When I first visited here, the kiosks impressed me and moved the university further up on my list of colleges that I was considering. However, when the kiosks aren’t open, students complain because their free snacks and beverages aren’t available. Instead of anticipating the days that they do get free stuff, they dwell on the times they don’t.

The administration has also renovated housing and updated class-room with new technology, desks and chairs. This is another example of how the university likes to keep its students happy. Millions of dollars were invested in making the campus look beautiful and feel like a second home to students. Despite all these changes, students still find things to complain about, whether it be the fact that the Choo-Fila is an express one instead of a real one to the fact that one renovated residence hall is more to the other. Students complain about trivial things instead of appreciating the fact that we do have a Choo-Fila. Who cares if it’s express or not? We barely take enough time to appreciate the changes that have been made for us—like the transformed living conditions—before we start complaining. The fact that students always want more and want something better stresses me. Will we never take the time to appreciate what we do have? The staff and administration here already go to such great lengths to please students that I wonder when and where the handouts will stop.

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Mae acquires new and ‘shocking’ sound

By Samantha Hester

Mae - Singularity

A new sound is on the horizon, and it isn’t a pleasant one. Rock group Mae released Singularity in August, which is their third full-length release and major label debut. The group recently switched from Tooth & Nail Records to Capitol Records. Mae derived a lot of inspiration for this album from bands like U2, the Smashing Pumpkins and Pearl Jam, and the idea for the title came from a book in which the two of the band’s members discovered the word “singularity” for the first time. Singularity features 12 tracks, with three bonus tracks.

The sound of this album is certainly new for Mae. Being a fan, I have all of their previous albums, and find Singularity to be a slight move in a different direction. Previous full-length albums Destination:

Trenton Music Hall in Charlotte, NC

- Thursday, Oct. 1
  The Number Twelve Looks Like You
  Tickets $15 in advance, $17 day of the show.

Doors open at 7 p.m.

- Tuesday, Oct. 30
  Saturday with Norma Jean, Alexisonfire and Envy On The Coast
  Tickets $15 in advance, $17 day of the show.

Doors open at 7 p.m.

Dico Rodo - Cat’s Cradle in Raleigh, NC

- Sunday, Oct. 28
  Jimmy Eat World
  (ticket prices unknown - tickets not yet on sale)

- Sunday, Nov. 4
  Hello Goodbye and Say Anything

‘Crucible’ presents bewitching evening

By Samantha Hester

Add ‘Editor

Let the bewitching begin. The NC Shakespeare Festival has begun its annual performances. This year, they are presenting “The Crucible,” and I highly recommend this play. It centers on Salem, Mass. and the problems there with alleged “witches” and “black magic.” The conspiracy in the story comes when a few children of the town begin proclaiming that they’ve seen the devil and that the witches of the town have sent him after them. Of course, the townspeople believe the children because they’re “innocent,” and decide that everyone the children condemn of conjuring the devil must be hanged for the whole town to see.

Obviously if you’ve read the play or seen the play, you know that it is a powerful story that boils with blood, lies, destruction and death. The actors in “The Crucible,” however, do an excellent job at creating the imagery and attitude of this heart-wrenching story. I give their performance an A+. Performances are still going on until Oct. 6.
MegaTokyo is a book for gamers and fans of Japanese culture

By John Winn

Opinion Editor

If it's imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, then comic strips are the most flattering medium of all. For decades writers and filmmakers have borrowed ideas from medieval legend (Prince Valiant), Viking culture (Calvin and Hobbes) and pulp novels (Dick Tracy). In the age of the Internet two enterprising artists, Fred Gallagher and Rodney Curnin team up to plan the depth of yet another genre—Japanese manga—to poke fun at American expatriation. Inspired by the success of such webcomics as "Penny Arcade," "MegaTokyo" made its debut on the Web in the spring of 2000. Since then it has grown to become one of the most influential strips ever, enjoying over 460,000 hits a day—the equivalent to the circulation of a mid-sized daily newspaper.

With the comic in its seventh year, MegaTokyo, Chapter 4 (Dark Horse, 2004, $9.95) is finally out in paperback and it is nothing short of funny. The journey begins when two slackers, Piro and Largo, decide to crash the Electronic Entertainment Expo (or E3) Convention in Las Vegas. Both gamers, E3 is like Mecca to them. But after Largo goes on a drunken tour harassing staff and VIPs, they are permanently exiled from the Strip. Humiliated they decide to vacation in the Greek—Japanese nonge—to poke fun at their own culture. As an American expatriate, you should be reading it.

"MegaTokyo" is compact, and can be read in a day. The characters are richly drawn and the plot believable. However there are moments in the graphic novel that veer towards the obscure—for example the scene where Piro and Largo get very specific on the plane ride into Tokyo—giving the impression that Gallagher and Curnin are trying too hard to be clever. Overall, though, there is much in the book to appeal to all audiences, not just game fanatics or fans of manga. One thing is certain: the novel is not a gag-driven comic in the style of "Fist" or "Get Fuzzy," so those expecting funny one-liners will be sorely mistaken. But if one is looking for a satire that is sophisticated and funny, "MegaTokyo" is worth the price of admission.

The details make all the difference.

Recently, competition cooking shows have become popular. Why not recreate this in your own kitchen? If you have a group of friends who all enjoy cooking, you can schedule alternating weekends—a "Cook Off." Decide on the ingredients and challenge each other to create unique dishes with them. Let your friends know that the dishes based on criteria such as taste, creativity and presentation. An inexpensive bottle of wine makes an excellent prize and you could collect the winning recipes to make your own cookbook.

"Shoot 'Em Up" gets inside the characters

By Joanna Graham

Staff Writer

Director Michael Bay deserves a great deal of praise for his 5 star film, "Shoot 'Em Up," which is a wild ride from the opening to the credits. The film opens with an unidentified man, who the audience later learns is Mr. Smith (Clive Owen) sitting on a park bench eating a carraunt when he is interrupted by a screaming woman on foot being chased by a car of gunmen that halts as they see Mr. Smith sitting on a park bench eating a carrot. Of course, just when you think the mystery woman is about to get killed, Smith rushes in to save the day and defeats the bugs; he also delivers the woman's baby. As Smith is carrying the woman and child from the car, the woman takes a shot to the forehead and Smith is left to protect the child. Little did they know, the adrenaline rushing scenes had only begun as the unusual pair find an unexpected partnership.

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Take a closer look at HPU

Plato Wilson School of Commerce
• Slotted for completion for Fall 2009.
• Will house majors such as Entrepreneurship and Economics.
• Named after Plato S. Wilson, a furniture industry mogul.
• Located in the area that will be inhabited by the four most recent academic buildings: the Phillips School of Business, the Qubein School of Communications, and Norton Hall.
• Will include tech centers, classrooms, faculty offices, and other new features for commerce-related majors.

Nido Qubein School of Communications
• Will house the Communications majors, state-of-the-art radio studios, faculty offices, conference rooms, classroom-shaped media room, and many other amenities for students.
• Adjacent to Wilson, Millis, Sixth Street, and York residence halls.
• Slotted for completion in Fall 2008.
• School received strategic support from Elon, whose station was recently named the best in the nation.

Montlieu Avenue Parking
• This currently vacant parcel of land will eventually be transformed into a parking lot, mainly for commuter students.

North College Residence Halls
• Two new residence halls will be built alongside the current east side of University Village.
• According to Dr. Don Scarborough, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, between the two residence halls will be an outdoor pool similar to the new one just west of the Slane Center (#21 on the map above).
• Another development planned for this plot of land will be a cafeteria comparable in size to the one currently housed on the top floor of the Slane Center.
• According to Scarborough the residence halls will hold a combined 500-550 students, and should be complete by the beginning of the Fall 2008 semester so the University will be able to accommodate what is expected to be another record-breaking freshman class.
• The new facilities are intended for the residents of UVille and the two new residences, but all students should be able to use them once open.
Brayton School of Education/Full-Service Restaurant

- Brayton School should be complete within the next four semesters.
- Will include a library, computer lab, faculty offices, and a lounge.
- Will be the home of the Education major, which is currently headquartered at Roberts Hall (#23).
- Located at #33 on the map below, Brayton School will be located directly across West College Drive from the University Park and Amphitheatre.
- Full-service restaurant will be a three-tiered building with three distinctive genres in each.
- Building will be located on the corner of North Avenue and West College Drive, where a brown-brick residence (see below photo) is currently located.
- The current plan, according to Dr. Don Scarborough, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, is to be able to use your meal plan - plus an additional fee to be taken from the declining balance - to dine here.

Parking Deck/New Tennis Facility

- Current varsity tennis structure (just right of #35 and above #29) will be torn down.
- Land where current tennis courts are located will be reallocated to become a multi-level parking deck.
- Will be used to alleviate serious parking problem during events at the Millis Center.
- On non-game days students, staff and faculty will be allowed to park their vehicles in the deck.
- Will likely follow the Georgian architecture style exhibited throughout the rest of the main campus.
- Will allow for greater student parking options, especially for those living at Blessing, Belk, North, Yadkin, Wesley, and McEwen residence halls.
- New tennis courts will be constructed on the west side of North College Drive, just north of Lexington Avenue (on the map above, this would be located just above and to the right of #41).
- The venue will have eight to ten courts, improving from the six currently on campus.
- There will be several upgrades - in fitting with the WOW! factor - that will make this site one of the best courts in Division I.
- HPU recently acquired the rights to have a loudspeaker installed on site, so a public address announcer might not be out of the question for future tennis matches.
- In addition to Division I varsity matches, HPU students, staff and faculty can use the courts recreationally and for intramurals.
Despite positive changes we’ve seen on campus, parking woes are still present this semester with the increasing number of students who bring their cars. Several ideas have been tossed around to decrease this problem, such as having resident students park in spaces farthest from classrooms to save the closer spaces for commuters; running a constant shuttle around campus; or designating a specific commuter’s parking lot. Students were asked which ideas seemed most effective to them.

Larry Daniels, Senior:
“I think parking is actually okay. Commuters should learn to get here earlier so they will have time to walk to class.”

Jessica Memory, Sophomore:
“I like the commuter’s parking lot idea. They won’t have to worry about finding a space on campus this way, but will know where they will park each day.”

Melissa Robbins, Sophomore:
“I think a combination of commuter parking lots and shuttle buses would be good. The shuttle buses would help resident students as well who have to walk from one end of campus to another.”

Krista Johnson, Senior:
“I think the shuttle idea would work because I can’t find a close space when I drive to campus. I don’t think people would respond well to making resident students park the farthest away. How would they enforce these rules?”

Steven Andrews, Freshman:
“Like the parking the way it is, but I think the university should run shuttles nonstop.”

Sports conduct, continued from page 1

Conference. Each sporting event starts off with this public address announcement: “High Point University and the Big South Conference have assigned a high priority to assuring its athletic events are conducted in a safe and enjoyable atmosphere. Spectators are reminded that unruly behavior, including taunting and comments of a vulgar, racial or sexual nature, will result in immediate ejection from the premises.”

When the policy is violated, two athletic department personnel are in charge of handling the situation. Ryan Treseil and Seth Heimbrey will make sure that the conduct code is enforced. If necessary, High Point city police will help maintain the code.

Gibson wants all students to enjoy the athletic events at HPU while behaving in an acceptable fashion.

Students Respond

Special to the Chron: Compiled by Michael Gaspeny

The departure of Rans Triplett has caused much commotion among students whom he has interacted with and built relationships with during his career at the university. Most students express regret over the departure of Rans as dean of students while others believe that job-related stress and fatigue has led to his resignation. The following quotes were gathered from students who reacted to the situation:

“I’m not surprised that he is leaving. He seemed to be involved in or in charge of so many things on campus that I’m sure he was overworked. He has also been here for a really long time, so he was probably ready to move on.”
- Camara McLaughlin, Sophomore

“I’m going to miss him, because he helped out a lot as far as getting in the dorms. He was a genuinely friendly person, despite the sarcasm he often used. I think I can understand why he’s leaving, though, because he seemed to get really worn out and stressed over certain aspects of his job.”
- Deana Spicer, Sophomore

“The announcement came as a total surprise because it always seemed that Rans enjoyed it here. I guess I assumed that he wouldn’t leave for at least a while since he was only just recently appointed dean of students.”
- Brittany Roberts, Sophomore

“I knew him through his being advisor of the SGA and thought he was a very effective and good advisor. I thought he was very good at his job and was generally well-liked by the students.”
- Scarlett Hester, Sophomore

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Post policy,” she says. “I’m always looking for suggestions and Insight from students.” She will continue to oversee things in the EDP along with her new position. In addition, the university is hiring new resident directors that Tuttle will also manage.

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“Like the parking the way it is, but I think the university should run shuttles nonstop.”

According to the policy, Triplett doesn’t have to leave the university immediately, but will begin looking for an appropriate replacement in the coming weeks. He plans to continue his travels to other campuses in the Big South Conference.

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“I hope to gain more knowledge from this and learn how to be a visionary in this position,” she says as Pat Benatar’s “We Belong” plays in the background. “I can help a single person, then it’s worth it.”

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Paint crew leader develops friendships with students and uses creative ways to alert them of wet paint

By Pam Haynes
Editor in chief

Walters rolled with it. At first the Walters without a road bike because he says, "eventually I would go back to school after my vacation to visit his friend in Winston-Salem who traveled to different buildings the rest of the week. He remains faithful to his church in Winston-Salem, which he says anyone is invited to. He has soccer, which he loves to play, even at age 50. He has memories of New York, and he says that anyone who has never been there must experience life there. He has many projects ongoing that helps the university get through this period of change.

As Daniels was pressuring washing the sidewalk, he reflected on his beginnings. As an adolescent, he ran the streets with his friends, where he would "chauslle and fight with rival communities in Greensboro. But it wasn't all bad as a youngster. He fell in love with music and continues to play the drums as a Reggae artist. Daniels recalls an incident where he was performing at a club and someone was shot right in front of him. It was then that he knew it was time for a change. He returned to church and started playing drums there. He remains faithful to his Creator.

Elwood Daniels, custodian for A&T State University. He has 24 years of custodian since he was 16, with previous work in a place like this work in a place like this. He has a lot of positive things on his side. He doesn't like it, then they don't like it," he says.

Pedro Rojas, paint crew leader, tapes one of his familiar "wet paint" signs to a wall to keep students from messing up their clothes.

The relationships that Pedro has developed across campus are numerous. When he sits in a patio chair in front of the Slaine Center, it's hard to carry on a conversation with him without someone else eagerly interrupting. "I would say, 'How is life?' at the end of those two months, Pedro's persistence earned him a spot on the paint crew. Two years later, he was paint crew leader.

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So for two months, every Friday, Pedro walked into Gardner's office. "I was sent to take on any assignments ever since his move to the South. This job worked for a construction company in Germany and Holland playing in Division One of the Millennium Series. As captain, he was responsible for every aspect of the team's operations. He says, "During that year I really learned to become responsible. I called everyone for practice, booked hotels and planned meals." As Daniels was pressure washing the sidewalk, he reflected on his beginnings. As an adolescent, he ran the streets with his friends, where he would "chauslle and fight with rival communities in Greensboro. But it wasn't all bad as a youngster. He fell in love with music and continues to play the drums as a Reggae artist. Daniels recalls an incident where he was performing at a club and someone was shot right in front of him. It was then that he knew it was time for a change. He returned to church and started playing drums there. He remains faithful to his Creator.

Larry Daniels
Staff Writer

Custodian appreciates respect from students; daily work ranges from one end of campus to the other

After gaining a full slate of sponsors, Walters and his teammates spent the next few months in France, Spain, Germany and Holland playing in Division One of the Millennium Series. As captain, he was responsible for every aspect of the team's operations. He says, "During that year I really learned to become responsible. I called everyone for practice, booked hotels and planned meals." After his year traveling Europe, Walters made the trip to HPU to get his education. "Many parents made me promise that I would go back to school after my year, and he believes that the expansion of High Point University in great Virginia is a positive thing. This institution is lucky to have such a dedicated custodian because Daniels, like his work, "is all good."

The Winter Olympics, is one of the most exciting. He says, "At some points I would have to say, 'Hey, be careful!'" explains Pedro. A Bolivian native, he is one of the many workers who have created the changes on campus that we see this semester. After his six years at the University, every building has Pedro's mark on it.

Pedro moved to America 22 years ago when he first lived in New York and attended an Allens school. He especially missed the food and the openness of the people there. "Everybody is the same [in New York City,]" he says. "There, my accent and my color didn't matter."

But he was drawn to North Carolina 10 years ago when he took a vacation to visit his friend in Winston-Salem who pastors First Alliance Church. After previously searching for housing in New York City, he was amazed at the low living costs in the South. He decided to relocate, and eventually 35 families from the church that Pedro attended in the Big Apple moved to the Triad area as well.

His career has consisted of hands-on experience. Since his move to the U.S. He was a handyman in New York City who traveled to different buildings performing construction routines, and he worked for a construction company in Greensboro. Walters prepared all of "Change is good, you go first," it is his most popular saying. "Just lucky to have a job" because the Triad is a good area for his business.

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Alpha Phi Omega: an alternative co-ed fraternity focused on serving nationwide and developing leadership skills

By Dan Costello

Alpha Phi Omega has been a contributing organization on the High Point University campus since its charter in 1918. As a co-ed service fraternity open to all students, Alpha Phi Omega extends service from our fraternity to the campus, community, and entire nation. APO currently has forty-one active members on campus.

Our vision is to be recognized as a premier service-based leadership development organization. Our mission is to prepare campus and community leaders through service. Our values are to develop leadership, promote friendship, and provide service. Our objectives are to share, grow, improve, and invest. These values of leadership, friendship, and service are our cardinal principles.

Our chapter service program provides many opportunities for the development of social awareness, friendships, and leadership skills. Participation in our service program helps make Alpha Phi Omega the unique fraternal organization that it is.

This past week we just completed our Rush Week for the fall 2007 semester. Monday Sept. 24 through Thursday Sept. 27 there were events each night for interested students to find out about Alpha Phi Omega. Throughout the week we hosted an interest meeting and a game of bingo. In addition, we also did a clean sweep of the greenway and our own Adopo-a-highway portion of N. College Drive. At the duration of this week we were thoroughly excited to accept new pledges.

We plan to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity on eight separate occasions this upcoming academic year. As a group we like to provide lunch for the volunteers with whom we work also. We are planning to work with Emmanuel Enrichment Home again this upcoming year during their game and bingo nights. We also participate in and run the paper recycling program on campus every academic year. On the second Friday of every month we volunteer at a dance in Greensboro for mentally and physically handicapped adults. On the nights when we are the premier hosts of the event we also provide snacks and drinks for the dance. One Sunday every month our chapter volunteers at the local Open Door Ministries, serving food during the dinner hour and speaking with the men and women who attend. We will be also participating with Meals on Wheels out of Greensboro this semester as we go and sort items in the warehouse the third weekend of each month and return to the High Point community to share with the needy the packages that we put together.

Last year, in an attempt to broaden our focus of service on the national level, we invited to Florida for Spring Break and volunteered with the local Habitat affiliate in Daytona Beach, Florida. We helped with the construction of three separate homes, working on the exterior painting, the siding and the roofing of each home. The trip was an absolute success as we worked and volunteered over 200 hours as a group for five days. We were even lucky enough to be featured in both The News-Journal of Daytona Beach and Central Florida Channel 13 news. The trip taught us that no matter where you travel throughout the United States, there are places of need.

For the fall break of 2007 we are planning to take fifteen people to Mississippi and volunteer with the Northeast affiliate in Tupelo, the hometown of Elvis Presley. We will be staying in a local church and volunteering Monday-Friday. This trip promises to be both rewarding and educational as we become immersed in the culture and lifestyle of local Mississippians. We have an excited group of students who are ready to hit the road and make a positive influence in the southern tier of our country. The trip will be an amazing experience for all who attend.

Alpha Phi Omega has come a long way since I pledged during the fall semester of my freshman year in 2005. When I entered this fraternity they were only 15 members strong. Since that semester we have almost tripled our size and have become one of the premier organizations on campus, volunteering more than 40 hours a semester per brother. One of our brothers, Kerry Quinn, has begun to work with Dr. Kelly Norton to improve and increase the opportunities for volunteering on campus and through the community. We have received positive feedback from all corners of campus as we have transformed our chapter into a positive influence across the university. We encourage all those interested in volunteering and serving others to attend our interest session and rush week this upcoming spring. We also look to increase our membership again and reach out and touch more of those in the community who are in need.

The Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity welcomes four new members into its fraternity following the fall recruitment of 2007 during the first full week in September. There was a great turnout for all the events we hosted throughout the week and we are pleased to announce that four gentlemen - Blake Santmyer, Brian Kayler, Kyle Beek and Dan Short - have accepted bids to join our fraternity this fall. Each gentleman is highly motivated to make an immediate impact on our chapter and we are thrilled that they carry a positive energy with them. All four are sophomores at High Point University this fall and are involved on campus in various organizations and activities such as Student Government Association, intramural sports, or working for the safety office. On behalf of Delta Sigma Phi, Congratulations Guys!
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**Week One Winners**

"It's an organized way to play good old-fashioned football," says senior Carter Bills, winner of player of the week. "I knew nothing of volleyball until I attended the match against UNCG. I have learned a lot and am still feeling out the basics. If you are a newcomer to any HPU sports, still come out and have a good time. That is the reason they are there for you! Your tickets are FREE!! Many times, Sports Marketing personnel offer give-aways. Most events are finished in two hours. That sounds like a perfect study break to me. You have nothing else to do in the early night. Let's be real here. Games that start at 7 p.m. end right around 9. So come on out, he wild and crazy and enjoy the games. I'm not asking for much, just trying to raise the bar."

"Me getting player of the week is a reflection of our entire team," says Bills about Team Pike A the tie for the lead. He says, "We are all hungry and have plans to go to Wilmington." Bills is referring to the 6th Annual Southern Atlantic Flag Football Tournament, which will be held at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington on Nov. 16-18.

The Pike A Team must get through the Theta Chi Team A before making it to regionals. "We must keep giving it our all to make it to the championship, but we are confident we will get there," says Troy Everhart, player for Theta Chi Team A.

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Soccer teams outscore competition 9-1 in 4-0 combined weekend

By Mike Nuckles

Both men’s and women’s soccer teams managed weekend sweeps between Sept. 21-23, winning four games with three shutouts.

Senior Beckie Lesh and junior Chris Shram – of the women’s and men’s teams, respectively – each scored two goals for their teams and received Conference attention for them. Lesh received Conference Player of the Week honors and Shram won a nomination for the same award.

In winning the two weekend games, the men (2-5-1) took the title at the Marshall Classic tournament. The women’s (3-2-3) two matches were part of the HPU Alumni and Family Weekend, and showed off their talent to packed crowds at Vert Stadium, including 922 on the Sept. 21 match against UT-Chattanooga.

Tallying two shutouts on the weekend was sophomore keeper Marisa Abbott, who saved five shots and compiled a 1.00 save percentage. Abbott has three total shutouts on the season.

On the men’s side, freshman keeper Corey Whisenhunt recorded a shutout on Sept. 23 against Xavier, while his junior teammate Adam Ross saved six shots while giving up just one goal against Western Kentucky.

Also getting goals for the Panthers on the weekend were sophomore Laura Eldridge (who leads the team with three on the season) and Renee Hitchcock (which was the junior defender’s first career goal) for the women, and Scott Rojo (tied for the team lead with two for the year), Hilaire Babou (last year’s top-scoring freshman in the Big South Conference with five goals), and sophomore Matt Turtle (who scored his second of the year coming out of the right side forward position).

The two wins for the men marked the first pair of new head coach Dustin Fonder’s career, while the two wins for the Lady Panthers were the first two at home on the year, after going 0-0-2 in their first two, with ties against Elon and North Carolina State.

The men’s next match will be at UNC Asheville on Saturday, Sept. 29 at 2 p.m. The women take on Wofford in Spartanburg, S. C. on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 11 a.m.