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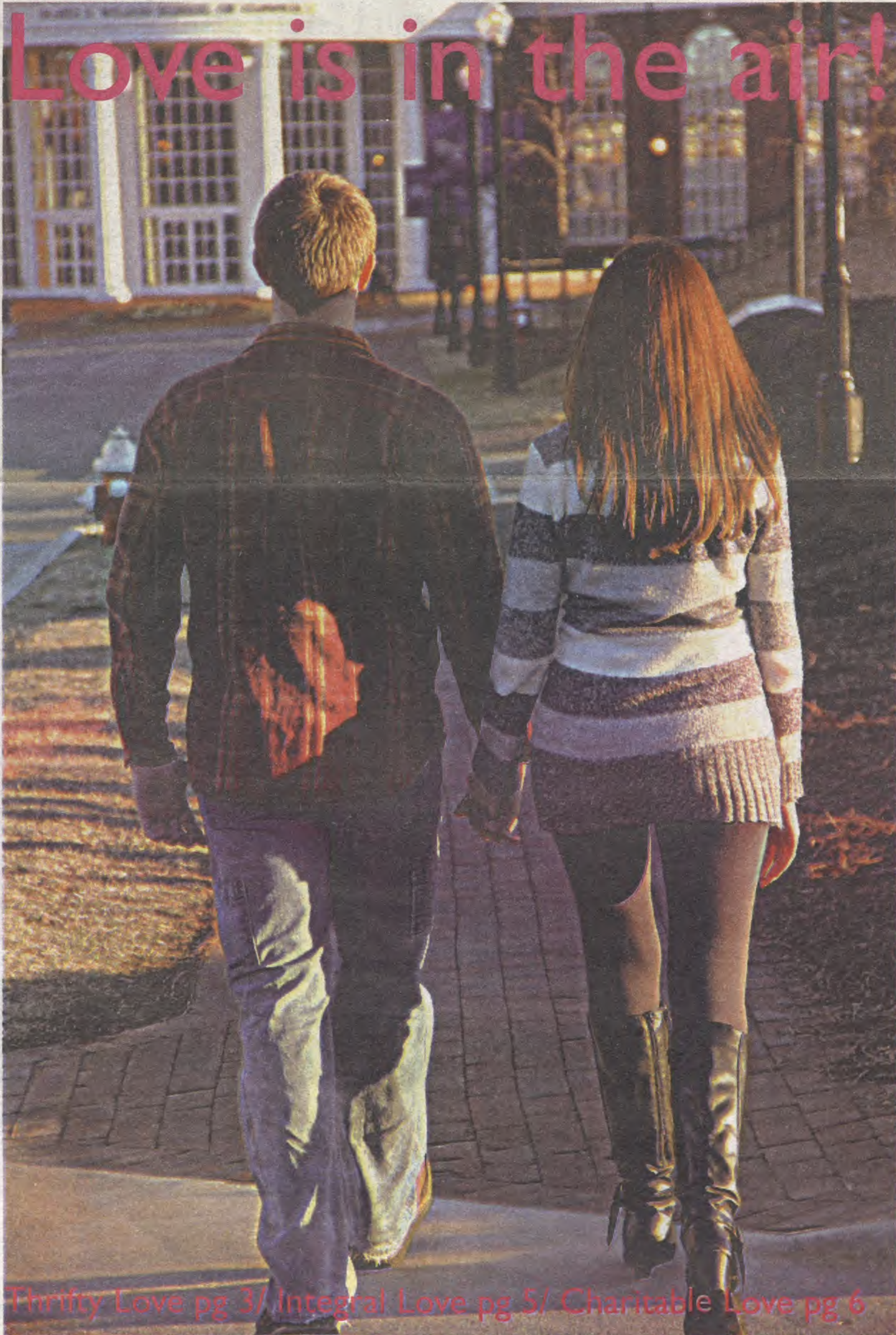
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Campus Voices: Special Valentine's Day Question Edition**Ladies: What is the best gift your significant other could get you?**

"Doesn't matter, as long as it's from the heart. Really nice, heartfelt card."

Laura Johnson, senior



"A nice evening out with someone who cares about me."

Brittany Joyce, junior

**Gents: What would you give your significant other?**

"I would leave a rose and box of chocolates that she could find throughout the day."

Rob Strauch, sophomore



"Chocolate, flowers, dinner, and a bracelet or necklace. Something that would go well with the person."

Wilson Powell, freshman

**SGA Adviser Act will benefit students and advisers***Staff Editorial*

The vote was unanimous to pass the SGA Club Advisers Act at the meeting on Feb. 3 for good reason.

In the past, a club's adviser has been required to attend any trips sponsored by SGA. Now, contrary to previous years, the adviser's trip expenses will be covered. Previously, the adviser not only had to schedule time to go on trips but had to also fund food, transportation and lodging out of his or her own pocket, unless the adviser's department picked up the tab.

This decision has been a long time coming. With the recent economic downturn, the need was obvious, but

there has been some opposition.

One argument against the amendment stems from the fact that money from the "Student" Government Association is now being used to pay for advisers. However, in this circumstance, using this money to pay for advisers helps the students since according to the constitution, they wouldn't be able to go without one.

Another source of contention surrounding the amendment has to do with the requirement for advisers to go on club trips. Although HPU students are at least 18 years old and legally adults, SGA requires a sort of "babysitter" for any trips students may take with their clubs. Thing is, though

it may feel demeaning to be required to have an adviser, the university is liable for its students even during SGA-sponsored trips. Having an adviser on these trips helps reassure administrators that the students are safe and that the university's money is being used properly.

The Campus Chronicle supports this recent amendment. If SGA is going to require advisers to go on club trips, then they might as well pay for it. This decision reflects a transition toward fulfilling students' wants and needs. It also leaves no excuse for not having an adviser to go on a club trip.

This Valentine's Day it's really the love that counts

By **Tierney Gallagher**
Opinion Editor



Heart-shaped boxes, teddy bears and roses line the shelves of local stores. Cards professing their love fill the aisles. Advertisements remind you daily to not forget to buy these gifts for that

special someone. The assortment of love-related items is inescapable during this time of year.

I'll admit, all of this mushy Valentine's Day stuff can be sickening. But you know what makes it worse? Listening to people complain about it!

Over the past few days, all I've heard is others giving this upcoming holiday a hard time. The single people complain that they feel left out while those with partners feel that the holiday only

creates stress in their relationships.

Frankly, I'm sick of hearing all of the whining and complaining. Not everyone hates the holiday so we don't need to be brought down with your negative attitude. Please put on your big-girl panties and suck it up. I even have some suggestions that might help you change your mind.

Valentine's Day is actually much more than all of the commercialization and mushiness. It is a really good opportunity to take the time to appreciate the people you love in your life.

Even if you are single, Valentine's Day can be a great way to acknowledge the important people in your life. Take the time to focus on someone in a special way. It doesn't have to be a significant other. You can pick your parents, siblings, friends or anyone else you feel deserves some attention. Get them a nice card, take them out to dinner or just tell them that you love them. Everyone likes to feel loved and

appreciated; Valentine's Day is a great time to show it.

For those of you in relationships, I understand that finding the right gift can be stressful, but don't let it get to you. Valentine's Day is the perfect opportunity to show your boyfriend or girlfriend how much they mean to you. Focus on your feelings instead of all the materialistic stuff. Reflect on your relationship and appreciate what you already have instead of stressing out about what you think you should have.

That being said, for both parties, please toss out your negative attitude.

I urge you to look at Valentine's Day a little bit differently this year. Instead of focusing on over-the-top, mushy gifts, make it all about showing your loved ones just how much you really love them. If you approach the holiday in a positive way - you'll find you will be happier when the day comes and it will eliminate the pressure.

A moment with the editors

Are you glad Triangle closed?

What was your last concert?

What's your favorite flower?

Katie Nelson
Editor-in-Chief



Yes

Disturbed/Korn

Birds of Paradise

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Aren't all triangles closed...?

O.A.R.

Snapdragon

Dianna Bell
A & E Editor



No

Thermals

Tiger Lily

Dazzle and shine on Valentine's Don't splurge this Valentine's. Save!

By Emilee Cook
Staff Writer

Valentine's Day is the one day a year for a woman to show off her greatest powers: her confidence and femininity. With Valentine's Day fever everywhere, it's hard to avoid pinks and reds. Whether you plan on spending this night with a significant other, best friend or stranger—it is still a great excuse to dress up, so take advantage of it!

Dateless or not, forget staying in and watching a tearjerker in your pajamas with the two main men of your life: Ben and Jerry. Pick up the phone, call some old friends and arrange a night out on the town.... or head to Liberty.

Outfit One: "The Casual Date"

Seeing a local concert or going to the movies? Match a flirty shirt with a nice pair of dark denim jeans. Dark denim dresses up an outfit without being overwhelming. A sheer, light pink, or floral ruffle top are perfect ways to show off your girly side.

Try avoiding the everyday bland Uggs and wear a stylish pair of flats. Tory Burch has a great collection of flats with patterns from animal prints to sequins. Remember: you can look cute while still being comfortable without throwing on a pair of sweatpants. If you're having a romantic night in, you can still dress comfortably in soft fabrics like yoga lounge pants and a long drape sweater.

Outfit Two: "The Romantic Date"

Going out to a fancy dinner? Wear a simple yet sophisticated dress, fun pair of heels, simple stud diamond earrings, and an eye catching sparkly clutch. The dress should be classy rather than extremely revealing. You can still look just as great in a bandage dress that manages to show off your curves and leaves more to the imagination.

However, if you are going to a restaurant that isn't that fancy, simply dress up a little more than you usually would. Wear a dressier top, such as a silk shirt, with a pair of dark or black jeans. Throw on a pair of heels and in seconds you've effortlessly taken your look up a couple of notches.

Outfit Three: "Girls Night Out"

Girls night out is your true time to shine. The only boyfriend who should be discussed on a Valentine's Day girls night out is the boyfriend blazer. Stand out of the crowd by wearing a gold sequin shirt underneath a boyfriend blazer with a high-waisted skirt and pair of sultry heels.

Remember with whatever you wear—be confident. Feel good in whatever you are wearing and walk with your head held high. Most likely your date or friends won't remember the little details to your outfit, but instead will remember the way you carried yourself. Confidence, not cockiness, is key.

By Skylar Mabe
Staff Writer

For a college student, expenses are significant but dollars are few. Here are a few ways to say "I love you" without breaking the bank, maxing out the credit cards and signing up for retail therapy.

A Hallmark card can cost anywhere from \$1 to \$5. Skip the pre-made romantic tidbits and write something from the heart.

Not that romantic? Recycle the three-word, age-old saying on a sticky note or the back of a receipt...the more creative the better.

Haven't said the "L" word yet? Don't be afraid of color: use markers, crayons or colored pens. In other words: draw a picture. Exhibit that imagination you were urged to use in preschool. Draw a bouquet of roses, which is much cheaper on paper than it is in real life. Draw a heart with both of your names. Lame? Yes, but isn't that the point? The more lame, the more memorable, the better.

Chocolate. If she likes it, buy it. All dollar stores, trees, generals and Family Dollars carry a wide selection of sweet treats. The chocolate is not second hand. It hasn't been eaten already and re-sold. No one will know you saved money on Hershey's Kisses or Russell Stover and that's the goal.

Have a little more dough to spend? Go to Target or The Fresh Market.

Target features a \$1 aisle for Valentine's treats. The store also includes aisles with Valentine's goods

ranging from candy to party favors to cupcake molds.

The Fresh Market is a haven for candy lovers. It has barrels full of single-wrapped treats like Ghirardelli chocolate squares and Boca Bons' truffles. The Fresh Market also carries an assortment of sugar-free candies including gummy bears, chocolate peanuts and butterscotch.

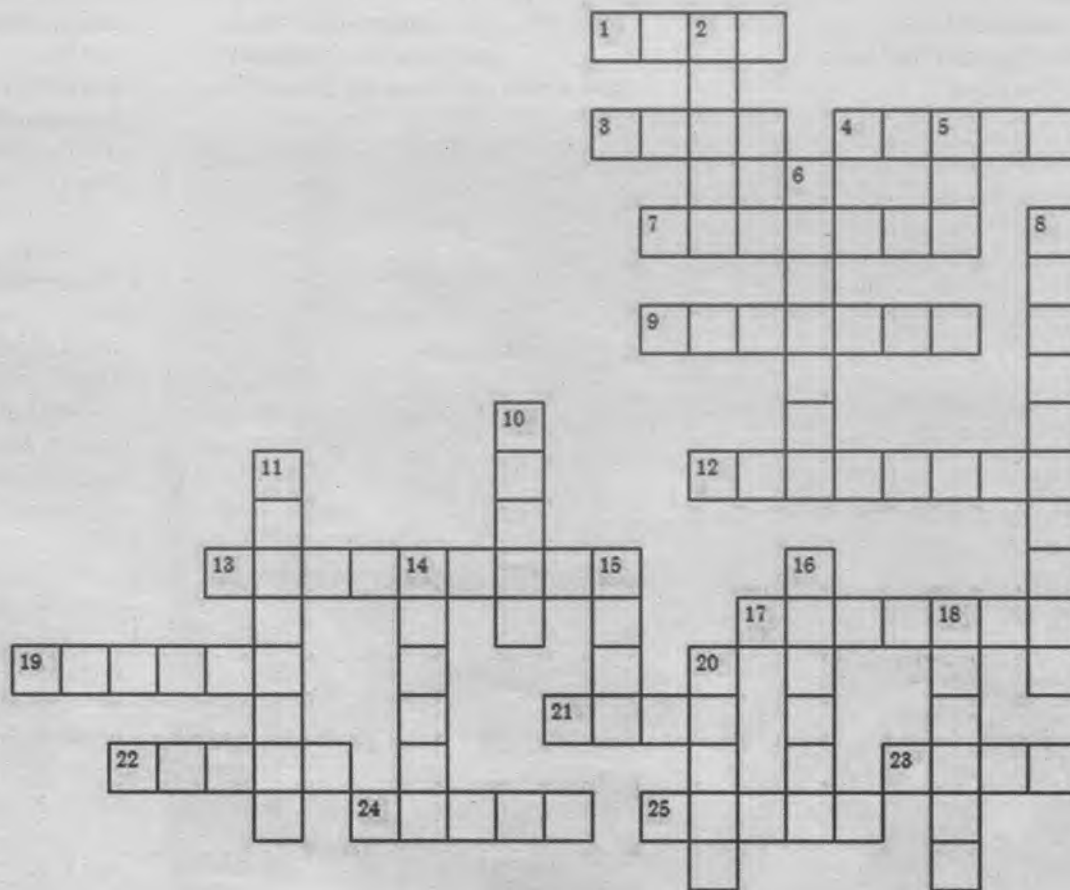
If your valentine loves flowers, what better way to cultivate your relationship than to plant a bulb or two? Once summer comes, your love will be stronger and your flower will be in bloom. Instead of paying twice as much for roses or daisies that will be dead in a week, pay the minimal price for bulbs that will last throughout the season.

Now for the main course: dinner.

The cheapest way is to do it yourself, but not all dorms are equipped with ovens and stoves. So dine off campus, but go about it the right way. Instead of over-doing it and ordering an appetizer, two entrees, and a dessert—snack before dinner. Eat a heavy lunch on campus, where food is abundant and charged to your passport, not your bank account. Order one appetizer, one entrée and one dessert. Take no doggy bags and leave a tip. Who knows? Perhaps sharing food will tell you a little more about the one you are with.

So to conclude: do-it-yourself cards, cheap chocolate, Target treats, The Fresh Market munchies, budding relationship bulbs and if you care, share (an entrée). With these tips, you won't break the bank while shopping for your sweetie.

Greatest Love Songs



By Janeen Leppert

ACROSS

- 1 "___ Me" - Sixpence None The Richer
- 3 "She's Got A Way" - Billy ___
- 4 "Love ___" - Taylor Swift
- 7 "___" - Faith Hill
- 9 "___" - Howie Day
- 12 "Let's Stay ___" - Al Green
- 13 "I Don't Wanna Miss A Thing" - ___

- 17 "I Just Can't Stop Loving You" - Michael ___
- 19 "Maybe I'm ___" - Paul McCartney
- 21 "I Will Always ___ You" - Whitney Houston
- 22 "This I Promise You" - ___
- 23 "___" - Goo Goo Dolls
- 24 "Truly ___ Deeply" - Savage Garden

- 25 "Just The Way You Are" - ___ Mars
- DOWN**
- 2 "I ___" - Boys II Men
- 5 "Back At ___" - Brian McKnight
- 6 "___ For You" - Colbie Caillat
- 8 "Your Body Is A ___" - John Mayer
- 10 "I'll Be" - ___ McCain

- 11 "___ Love" - Leona Lewis
- 14 "You're Still The One" - ___ Twain
- 16 "Let's Get It On" - ___ Gaye
- 18 "___ Garden" - Bruce Springsteen
- 20 "My ___ Will Go On" - Celine Dion

The Frat House is fraternity friendly

By Jared Johnson
Staff Writer

The Frat House Bar is the place to go if you are looking to blow off some steam after a week of classes. This is a bar that screams college atmosphere and caters to the patrons in every way possible. The Frat House feels like you have been there a thousand times as soon as you walk through the door.

There are not too many alternatives for college students in this area to have a fun, safe time if they want to get off

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campus and go out with their friends. With the recent

opening of The Frat House Bar, students now have the opportunity to do so.

To cater to their name, The Frat House gave High Point University fraternities the chance to make the bar their own by allowing them to paint a wall and add their own personal touch. This makes the atmosphere feel more like a fun, relaxing college hangout.

The Frat House Bar has a massive



The Frat House is located at 133B E. Parris Ave.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

1,000 square foot dance floor next to the main bar and an amazing sound system so patrons can dance all night. But the dance floor is not just for dancing. It can be turned into a makeshift comedy club for open mic night, or the space can even be used for indoor cornhole and darts. Other than the dance floor, The

Frat House Bar offers three pool tables and a half dozen arcade games such as Buck Hunter.

If it is someone's first time at The Frat House Bar, all that is needed is a one-time \$5 membership that is good for the year. Most bars have customers spending their money before they can

even get in the doors with covers for every visit, but that is not the case here.

Many students do not start going out to the bars until it is quite late. It is not uncommon for the bartender to be making last calls as soon as the crowd starts to arrive. That is not a problem at The Frat House where the bar is open until 2 a.m. every night.

Something else that every college student is looking for after a night at the bar is something to eat, and with Dominos next to The Frat House, what else can you ask for? The best part about the place is that they will order the pizza and get it for you.

The owners of The Frat House Bar are Daryl and Alicia Layton, who could not be nicer people. Daryl, a longtime DJ and firefighter, wanted to give students a place that is a safe alternative that allows them to have a good time. With great ownership and a fantastic bar, The Frat House is a great addition to the area club scene.

Clarification:

In the Jan. 31 staff editorial, the statement was made that the Frat House "only lets in 100 people." The occupancy capacity of the Frat House is now 245 people.

The Dog House: High Point's best kept secret

By Dean Judson
Staff Writer

If you're looking for a quick lunch get-away from campus, The Dog House is the place to go. It is conveniently located at 664 N. Main St. in downtown High Point and is approximately five minutes from campus. Parking is located either on the street, the BB&T lot or in the back of the shop.

As soon as they walk in, patrons are greeted with a great, Southern, local atmosphere. Almost all of its customers are local High Point residents, as many students don't know about this place. The Dog House has been in its original location since 1942 and still has some of the original memorabilia. It is a very old-school establishment.

There are two seating options: the counter, which has 11 stools, or one of the seven booths. Each booth is dedicated to one of the seven original ACC teams, as the owner is a huge ACC fan. There is even an old school High Point University

banner hanging above the counter. Also, antiques litter the whole restaurant, making it a unique experience, and the register is something seen in a 1950s diner.

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The service reflects its atmosphere almost identically: old school. Four Southern women service the counter. Your whole party must be present to take a seat and above each booth is a

sign saying "No singles please" to avoid inefficiency.

The Dog House is open from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday and is extremely busy. It takes about five minutes to get food from the minute it is ordered and one must eat fast to accommodate the amount of people waiting. Another great thing about The Dog House is the prices. There is nothing on the menu over \$4.

The food here is awesome! The Dog House is famous for its amazingly good hot dogs and hamburgers. YES! Weekly voted their hot dogs the best in the Triad.

The hot dogs come grilled or broiled on a steamed bun. With the hot dog and hamburgers, there is the option of adding bacon, lettuce, tomato, cheese, kraut, relish, extra slaw, extra onions, extra chili, grilled onions, and dressing for only a few cents more.

There is also a combo for the hot dogs and hamburgers: "loaded," "slaw," or "all the way." "Loaded" includes mustard, onions, slaw and chili. "Slaw" comes with mustard, slaw and chili. "All the way" has mustard, onions and chili.

If one not in the mood for hot dogs and hamburgers, The Dog House menu includes bologna, baked ham, BLT and chef's salads. The sweet tea here is simply amazing. The restaurant also offers Pepsi products with free refills and Cheerwine in a can. For those 21 or older who are in the mood for beer, they have it with choices of Bud Light, Budweiser and Miller Lite.

Ready to eat? Bring cash as no checks or cards are accepted. Also, remember to give yourself a little extra time if you have classes. There is more than likely going to be a wait.



If you go to the Dog House you can eat in a booth themed for your favorite ACC team but you can't pay with a credit card.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Kim, will you marry me?

By Skylar Mabe
Staff Writer

If you've had a class in the math or science department, you've likely seen Dr. Kimberly Titus and Dr. Aaron Titus. If you've ever used WebAssign, you've encountered one of Aaron Titus' projects. Math and science go hand in hand, but how do the two subjects enter into marriage?

It all began with a t-shirt, a play and an integral.

Drs. Aaron and Kimberly Titus first met at a N.C. State University graduate student mixer. He was a first-year student and she was a fifth-year student.

"I had a Christian t-shirt on and Kim said, 'I like your shirt.' I said, 'Oh thank you, you must be a Christian.'"

At the time, Kim was involved with an international Bible study, an outreach designed for international grad students.

Aaron asked when the Bible study met and with that, a 17-year relationship began.

"Our first official date I think we went to a play on campus," said Aaron.
"Yeah, 'The Taming of The Shrew,'" added Kim.

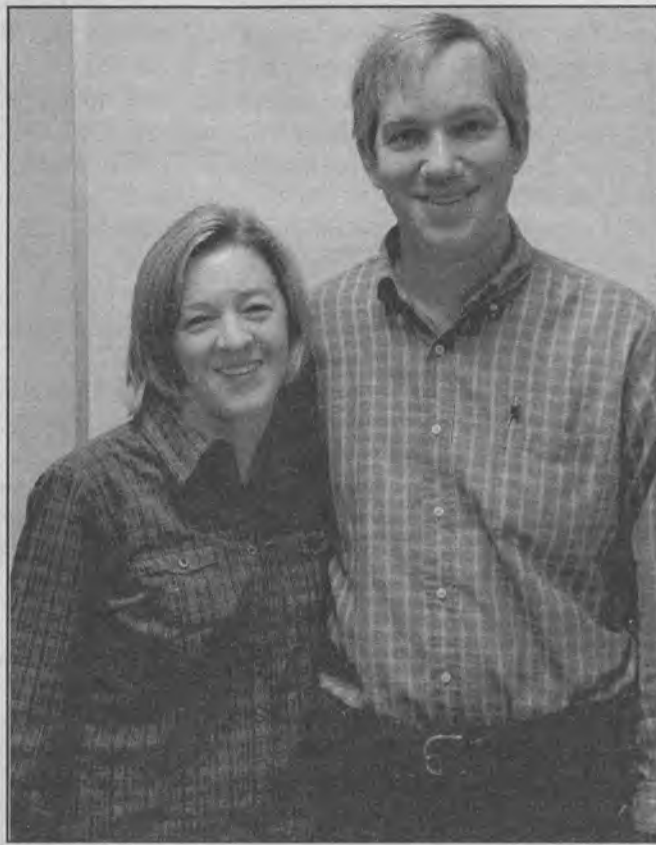
Kim and Aaron's relationship continued for about six months, as they played tennis and grew closer to one another while growing closer to God. On February 13, 1994, he popped the question.

Aaron wrote a letter as if it came from an office in Washington, D.C. It was disguised to look like a Ph.D exit exam.

At this time, Kim was spending approximately 12 hours a day writing her dissertation.

"She did not want to go get this thing. The secretary said it was optional... (I told her) you really need to come get it but she did not want to go do it. I said, 'Oh come on.'"

"Oh you're always so positive," said Kim.



Aaron and Kim Titus work in Congdon Hall.
Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

A snowstorm had blown in over the university so Aaron offered to pick up this "exam" along with all her other mail.

"I'm thinkin' she's gotta take this thing," said Aaron.

Kim sat down at her desk to get this exam, a nuisance, out of her way. Aaron made his entrance when Kim noticed the answers to the exam spelled out "Will you marry me?"

"I started laughing. He said, 'What's wrong?' ... I think somebody in the graduate program at Washington, D.C. wants to marry me," said Kim.

At that moment, Aaron bent down on one knee and asked for Kim's hand in marriage.

Kim planned a 200 person wedding in less than seven months.

After the wedding Kim had a full-time job in research; however, she knew that wasn't a feasible option when it came to raising a family. Two years after the "I Dos," the Titus' welcomed baby Melody to the family-three years later, Melody become a big sister to baby Michaela.

Kim was a stay at home mother and Aaron went to work at High Point University.

Five years later, when Michaela started Kindergarten, Kim followed her husband to HPU and became a full-time professor.

So now, who helps with the English homework?

"We both do," said Kim and Aaron.

"Just don't ask me about civics," said Kim.

Like most married couples, their kids receive the bulk of the presents for Valentine's Day; however, Aaron retains his romantic ways by giving his wife what she really appreciates.

"A lot of time he gives cool stuff like spare power cords, you know, techy stuff...I love chocolate, flowers and jewelry but I can really appreciate gadgets," said Kim.

As for this Valentine's Day?

"It's next Monday, honey. We have one week," said Kim on the day of the interview.

"I think we're grading papers. No, I'm just teasing," said Aaron.

Aaron and Kim will celebrate their 17th anniversary this Labor Day weekend.

Think you're taking too many credits? Try planning a wedding as well

By Alyssa Romeo
Special to the Chronicle

According to the US Census Bureau; between 1981 and 1985, the average age of a man getting married was close to 30, while a woman was around 25. In a 2002 survey, the average age for a man was 35 and a woman was 32.

College is a hectic time, especially senior year, the final two semesters to finish classes and send out the ever important resume for that perfect job.

And yet, on top of all that work, and the opinions of others to wait, some young couples decide to take on the added task of planning a wedding while still in college.

Five years ago, Katie Stanley, now 22, was sitting at home when someone rang her doorbell.

Shaine Mata, now 26, a guy she had grown up with in church, was looking to speak with her dad about a job opening. Mr. Stanley wasn't home, but Shaine stayed to talk to Katie.

The next day he called again, except this time he wasn't looking to speak to Mr. Stanley.

Shaine was calling for Katie.

A week before her 18th birthday, Katie and Shaine became a couple - they've been together ever since.

On August 21, 2008, Shaine popped the question on a pontoon boat, taking Katie completely by surprise. She says, "I was probably too picky about it. I told him I didn't want it on a holiday, and I didn't want to be expecting it..."

Katie remembers how nervous he was the entire time they were on the

boat, and she couldn't figure out why.

Shaine proposed at the beginning

of Katie's junior year at High Point University and plans for the wedding were not even thoughts in her mind. The following summer is when Katie said planning became a reality.

Katie said, "Summer came around and we figured out where we were going to have it. I knew what colors I wanted and I was already dress shopping, but that's about as far as I got."

Katie and Shaine talked about either having an August wedding or a

January one. January won and in the fall of 2009, Katie found herself balancing

19 credits and planning the wedding of her dreams.

During the fall semester, Katie got herself into a strict routine to balance the amount of credits she was taking with wedding plans. When she was on campus, school was the only thing that mattered. Five days per week, her mind was devoted to completing school assignments, which often entailed her staying late at night. Her reasoning was that if she brought the work home it would somehow get mixed up with the wedding and her grades would suffer. Weekends

were for wedding planning. After her assignments were done, Katie would devote her spare time to looking at flowers, photographers, and place settings. She said that keeping the two biggest commitments in her life separate is what kept her sane.

All-in-all, planning only took about six months, and although Katie found the intertwining of planning and school stressful toward the end, she said she wouldn't change the way she went about doing things.

Katie and Shaine's wedding was at night, exactly how Katie wanted it. Their vows were exchanged amongst family and friends in a sea of lights, candles and candelabras.

Looking back, Katie says that she could have waited longer to have the wedding, but since she wanted it to be a separate event from graduation, and she's married to the man she loves, it really doesn't matter.

For Katie and Shaine, the decision to wed so early in their adult lives seemed natural. "We had known each other for so long anyway, and knew we were going to end up married one day, why wait? It's what we both wanted," Katie said.

Advice Katie has for brides-to-be planning weddings while still in school; "There's a lot of stuff you learn that you don't need...you're in school and you're stressed out and you want to buy everything, and just have it all there at one time and you don't really need to do that. Don't take 19 credits...and try not to stress out so much. The more people you have to help you, the better it is."



Shaine Mata began looking for a job with the Stanley household but he found love instead. Photo provided by Alyssa Romeo

Greeks use Valentine's Day to support charities

By Stephanie Schwartz
Staff Writer

Although love is in the air, philanthropy around campus is blossoming. While many High Point students will be spending their Valentine's Day surrounded by friends, flowers and chocolates, three Greek organizations have made an effort to help others on the day of love.

Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity helped make that perfect Valentine's Day dinner much easier. Valued at \$200, APO raffled off dinner for two at Print Works Bistro at the Proximity Hotel in Greensboro. The restaurant has a prix fixe (predetermined) menu for the night

with dishes such as lobster bisque, beef tenderloin and a chocolate hazelnut tart for dessert.

Included in the prize is town car transportation to and from the restaurant. "The money we raise for the raffle will be going towards the fraternity so we can continue to do more to help," said Taylor Bradley, fundraising chair for the fraternity. "I'll be watching The Notebook with my girlfriends, but for people who have dates, this is the ideal evening," Bradley said.

Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority and Pi Kappa Phi fraternity are teaming up for an event called "Valentines to Stop the Violence." The money raised will go directly to the North Carolina Coalition

Against Domestic Violence.

The organizations are selling personalized candygrams to be delivered on Valentine's Day. Cupcake decorating is another great chance to support the cause and will be taking place right outside the cafeteria. Both delicious opportunities only cost one dollar each.

"It's going towards a great cause," said Pi Kappa Phi pledge Jonathan Overton. "Our event is helping people in danger get to a safer place in their lives. I'm excited to be a part of this awesome opportunity."

Erin Sinnott, philanthropy chair for Sigma Sigma Sigma added, "What inspired us to choose this organization was the idea that, around Valentine's

Day, we pay special recognition to those who we love, and sometimes everyone isn't as fortunate to feel this kind of love, but rather has felt the abuse that may sometimes come along with a relationship. On Thursday and Friday, we'll be accepting dollar donations for candygrams that will be delivered to the person of choice- whether that be a boyfriend, a girlfriend, a best friend, etc. We will have bags filled with chocolates and on Monday, the sisters of Tri Sigma and the brothers of Pi Kappa Phi will deliver these bags to the dorm rooms of these people. On Monday, we will be accepting dollar donations to decorate a cupcake as a little treat for Valentine's Day."



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Men's basketball thriving in own house

By **Pat Budd**
Staff Writer

The recent home stand of the High Point University men's basketball team has played a key role in its recent success. The Panthers won three games in a row at home

including a come-from-behind victory against Charleston Southern on Jan. 29 and a 72-70 victory over Radford on Feb. 5.

The Panthers defeated Charleston Southern 77-75 in dramatic fashion at the Millis Center. The game, which was televised on WCWG, was a tale

of two halves as the Bucs dominated in the first half, but junior Nick Barbour caught fire in the second half, going 10-18 from the field and scoring a game high 28 points for HPU.

"It's been an up and down season. We tried to come out and have fun,

and stop thinking about it so much. All we need is to believe in each other and trust each other," said Barbour after the victory.

The Panthers have seemed to overcome their mid-season struggles and have their offense clicking on all cylinders, despite missing key players at times. The team has struggled to have their entire line-up all together in recent key Big South Conference match-ups. Corey Law and Nick Barbour were suspended from the team for two games for violating team policy on Jan. 20-22, Earnest Bridges missed two games against Presbyterian College and Charleston Southern due to a knee injury, and freshman Cameron Soloman has not seen any playing time since Jan. 5 against Wake Forest.

Junior transfer Shay Shine has created a buzz recently on and off the court with his spectacular dunk against Presbyterian College. The dunk was featured on ESPN's SportsCenter as the No.2 play of the night on its daily Top Ten Plays. It was the second time this year that Shine has been recognized on ESPN, the first coming back on Dec. 4 against UNC-Asheville. Shine's one-handed dunk over a 6-foot 10 defender was good for the No.1 play of the night on ESPN. The dunk has become a YouTube sensation, getting over 2.5 million hits.

The Panthers have improved their record to 9-13 overall with a 6-7 Big South Conference record. The team has shown its resiliency and has not gone away despite its 1-6 road skid over the winter break. However, the team faces a difficult end of the year schedule with road games against UNC-Asheville and Gardner-Webb on Feb. 24 and 26, respectively.

"It's huge," said head coach Scott Cherry about the resiliency of his team, "For guys to play the way that they have played, it is huge."

Coach Cherry credits freshman Du'Vaughn Maxwell's and Travis Elliott's defensive play as keys to their winning ways. Maxwell, who was recently named Big South Freshman of the Week, is averaging 7.5 points per game along with 5.7 rebounds per game. He notched a double-double against Presbyterian with 10 points and 11 rebounds.

"Our guys have played through a lot of adversity, and for them to respond like this is really a tribute to them," said Cherry, who is in his second year with the Panthers. He also credits the recent success of junior guard Nick Barbour.

Barbour is now second all-time in HPU basketball history for career three-pointers made at 175, trailing only Eugene Harris, who graduated last year. He is also averaging over 17 points per game in Big South Conference play and is a candidate for Big South Player of the Year.

High Point will take on Winthrop on Feb. 15 at 7 p.m., and Appalachian State in the ESPNU BracketBusters game televised on ESPNU on Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. Both will be at home in the Millis Center.



Sophomore forward Corey Law throws down a one-handed dunk over his opponent at the Millis Center.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins



Junior guard Shay Shine cuts between his opponents as he drives toward the basket.

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Women's basketball on pace in the Big South

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The High Point women's basketball team has continued its quest for a Big South championship with two wins in its last three games. The wins raised the Panthers record to 10-11 and put them in a tie for fourth place with Charleston Southern in the wide-open Big South.

High Point's recent run of success began with a home win against Winthrop on Jan. 24, where the Panthers used a punishing defensive attack to cruise to a 15-point victory. In her first start of the season, sophomore Erin Reynolds led the way with 18-points and four assists as High Point won 64-49.

"This was a hard fought victory tonight," head coach Tooley Loy said following the victory. "We were a little short handed but we really battled and played great defense. We took away everything they wanted to do. Offensively we really got going in the second half. We've picked up two victories in a row (High Point had previously beaten Coastal Carolina at home 80-66) and now we need to go on the road and keep it going."

Five days later, another key victory for the Panthers occurred when they traveled to Clinton, S.C. and racked up another 15-point win. High Point jumped out to an early 8-0 advantage with six points coming down low in the paint.

Brown led HPU with four points early while senior Frances Fields and freshman Cheyenne Parker each scored from close range. High Point continued a strong defensive performance in the second half, outscoring Presbyterian 22-9 to take a 55-31 lead with under nine minutes left in the game.

"This was an all-around team effort here today," Coach Loy said following the game. "We had 10 players ready to go today and got good performances from all 10. The first 10 minutes of the

second half was as good as we have been all year defensively. We shut down everything they wanted to do, which allowed us get into transition. We did some good things on both ends of the floor and are getting better and better every week."

With the win in Clinton, High Point's record rose to .500 at 10-10, but unfortunately, High Point was dealt a setback in Charleston, S.C. as the Panthers lost to the Charleston Southern Buccaneers 80-72 on Jan.

31. However, the Panthers have been picking up individual accolades lately. Senior Mackenzie Maier was named to the second-team ESPN Academic All-District team for District III. Maier is currently carrying a 3.80 GPA while majoring in education. She is a three-time member of the Big South Presidential Honor Roll and a Millis Scholar-Athlete.

In addition, the Big South Conference named freshman Cheyenne Parker the Crons-Brand Freshman of the Week.

Parker averaged 11 points and nine rebounds in two games and recorded her third double-double in Big South play. Parker has now been named Big South Freshman of the Week four times, which ties her with Winthrop guard Duquesha McClanahan for the most in the conference. Parker won the honor on Nov. 16, Dec. 14 and Jan. 18.

There are eight games remaining in the High Point women's basketball season and the team currently sits in fourth place in the conference.

The team hosts the Big South tournament in March and the Panthers have a winning record at home so anything is still possible for this unit.



Senior forward Amy Dodd looks to make a quick pass into the paint versus Winthrop on Jan. 24.

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