John Jay Jonas shared his 9/11 survival story with packed house

By Mollie Laux
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Jonas spoke to an audience of HPU students and the community on Sept. 1 in the Hayworth Fine Arts Center. Being the captain of the New York Fire Department's 4th Battalion, Jonas and his men were called to the World Trade Center a few minutes into the attack on September 11, 2001.

"I was drinking a cup of coffee and eating a bowl of Wheaties when I heard a bang," Jonas said during his presentation. "Everyone in my battalion was looking for a man who was going to be listening. Never forget the events of September 11, 2001."

John Jay Jonas shared his message at HPU on Sept. 1. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Okiomah named fútbol All-American

By Henry Molski
Organizations Editor

When Kara Okiomah decided to play Division I soccer at High Point University in the fall of 2008, head coach Dustin Fonder knew that she had acquired a special player.

"We knew that it was a major 'get' for the program," said Fonder. "Kara has grown into the great player we hoped he would be.

"Great" may not even be a strong enough word to describe Okiomah when entering the pre-season accolades he has already collected. Okiomah is the only Panther this fall to be named a preseason All-Atlantic Soccer Coaches Association (ASCAA) All-Academic Scholar. Okiomah received this honor from College Sports Information Directors of America news where they announced him as a third-team All-American on August 12.

Okiomah is first All-American men's soccer player in HPU history and fourth overall. He joined Nate Roberts (baseball), Mark Shorey (baseball), and Jomias Hess (track & field) on the list of prestigious All-American HPU athletes.

The praise continued for Okiomah when he was later placed on the Top 100 College Senior Professional Prospects by TopDrawerSoccer.com. Okiomah earned such an honor after his biggest year in college which in which he was not only ranked sixth best in the country for goals per game, but was the Big South Player of the Year and third-team All-American.

Lastly, the National Soccer Coaches Association of America also placed Okiomah on the prestigious Hermann Trophy Watch List. The award is considered the highest individual honor in college soccer and the players on the watch list are selected by Division I head coaches who are members of the NSCAA. This is the first time a High Point University men's soccer player has been placed on this list.

One might wonder how an athlete with such many laurels before the season even begins keeps himself in check. Okiomah takes the humble route.

"I think I can score lots of goals to help our team to win the NCAA Championship this year," Okiomah said. "I have always dreamed of When it really comes down to it, Okiomah is hoping that he can "score lots of goals" to help his team get to the NCAA Championship game last year against Coastal Carolina, and they want to fix that this season.

Coach Fonder agrees with Okiomah, "I've seen a whole lot of double teams, and although some information was common sense, it included a lot of stats and other facts that I was unaware of.

All new students to the HPU community, including freshman and transfers, were required to take part one of the program before they arrived on campus in the fall, and part two by the end of October. If a student fails to complete part two, they face a sanction of $100 fine. As a junior transfer student, Rachel Buckrholdt says, "I think I can jointy of up transfers that isn't Alcohol, whether in open or closed containers and regardless of student's age, should not be visible on a college campus.

Where the legal use of alcohol results in behavior which is disruptive, disrespectful, destructive, loud, or threatening, sanctions up to and including suspension or termination may be imposed.

Students who are under the age of 21 are not permitted to be in the presence of alcohol on campus.

It is against the law to sell or give beer, wine, liquor, or mixed beverages to anyone who is younger than 21 years.

"Seeing the information that was there was eye-opening for me," said Tuttle. "She helps you need to understand the decisions of binge drinking." Cheyenne Wagi, a freshman from Greensboro, also agreed that the program was "very informative, and although some information was common sense, it included a lot of stats and other facts that I was unaware of."

AlcoholEdu serves as educational tool for incoming students

By Kim Whiting
Staff Writer

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Members of the High Point fire and police departments were also there to hear the inspiring story of Jonas and also honor him for his amazing heroism.

"I was drinking a cup of coffee and eating a bowl of Wheaties when I heard a bang," Jonas said during his presentation. "This was the beginning of a day that would no doubt define the career of Jonas, but also the history of an entire nation.

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Women's Basketball Coach interview

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Opinion

Yearning to intern? Know these five tips before you start the job

By Caroline Weller
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Parking problems: to each his own fight over area?

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So the solution I humbly offer is that freshmen should park in the overflow lot across the street from the main entrance and the lots that are right outside of the dorms, such as those behind Blessing and the University Center. That way, you can have easier access to everyone else. This way, freshmen can still drive off campus when needed, but upperclassmen and commuters will have more convenient spots when parking for class.

If the parking situation remains difficult, then one of the easiest and financially-savviest answers would be to revel in the convenience of the Prius service on campus which allows students to rent a Prius from the main entrance, or to have a campus concierge who can help arrange transportation back home or wherever else needed. And don’t forget about the new rental Prius service on campus which allows students to rent a Prius from the main entrance, or to have a campus concierge who can help arrange transportation back home or wherever else needed. And don’t forget about the new rental Prius service on campus which allows students to rent a Prius from the main entrance, or to have a campus concierge who can help arrange transportation back home or wherever else needed.

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Attending graduate school: worth it to wait out a poor job market?

By Tatiana Kresetsky
Staff Writer

How many days per week do you use your car?

18% 1-2 times
27% 3-4 times
55% 5 or more times

54% Have a car on campus
100% Have only one car on campus
18% Drive home on a weekly basis
26% Use car for off-campus job

Poll held on 200 HPU students, with 140 students in each class.

The economy is especially weak in inflation and unemployment are high as another recession looms on the horizon. There are not enough jobs for the few who need them and the cost of living is on the rise. The education system is at best broken due to emphasis on reaching benchmarks and excelling on standardized tests rather than pursuing knowledge and gaining marketable skills. But is the climate favorable for attending graduate school?

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Attending graduate school often seems like a glittering path of opportunity. Continuing education for the pursuit of knowledge and improvement of self are powerful motivators to continue being closely acquainted with books. Some professions necessitate higher education. Receiving a professional degree can help keep in touch with your co-workers when you’re looking for your first legitimate job, while your non-interning friends struggle to make connections.

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5. Pay attention to everything, and be analytical. Analyzing the work you’re doing, internships are the best way to figure out if what you’re studying in is what you want to do after you graduate. When you look at your surroundings—the desk, the people, the assignments—can you picture yourself here in five years? In 20 years? Do you see yourself being happy in the coming years?
A t the start of every year it is evident that High Point University only keeps growing and improving. In the past years new dorms, academic buildings, and social events have been created to help better the students’ experience on campus. In addition to two new residence halls, the school opened two new restaurants this year: The Farmer’s Market and The Bistro. The Bistro is located in the North Court section of campus and is considered a Global Meal swipe. Global meals are exclusive at The Cafe, The Grille, The Bistro and The Farmers Market. The concierge viewed The Bistro as a self-serve, made to order style of restaurant. You have a large variety of food options ranging from burgers and fries to stir-fry and salad. This is a great option because if you are looking for healthy foods you always have that choice at The Bistro!

Sami Carroll, a freshman at HPU who attended its grand opening on Aug. 29, described The Bistro as a “modernized version of the campus Caf.” This means that like the cafe you serve yourself, but the options have been enhanced and modified in the best way possible. Although there are similarities between The Grille and The Bistro, there are a few key differences. Even though The Bistro is a brand new restaurant and everyone is eager to try it out, the lines are much shorter in comparison to The Grille. This could be due to the fact that it is off campus so the student population around The Bistro is smaller, but either way you can be in and out in minutes if you are in a rush.

Also, upon leaving the Bistro, you don’t have that classic smell that seems to linger on your clothes all day when leaving the Cafe. The food at The Bistro is extremely fresh. Not only do you see the chefs cooking most of the food right in front of you, but you also taste the freshness when you eat. Freshman Conner Hall described the food as well prepared and fresh. “It didn’t taste like it had been sitting out for hours,” said Hall.

He even made a point to mention the smoothies. “They were my favorite part, especially because they can’t get them anywhere else on campus.”

The variety of options gives you the opportunity to try new foods. Like all university workers, the staff is extremely friendly and always willing to answer any questions you may have about the food they are serving that day.

Not only is The Bistro a brand new, delicious dining option, but also a social atmosphere to take advantage of with your friends. It’s the perfect place to gather and socialize over a meal together due to its multiple seating areas and easy access. If you already live in North College then getting to The Bistro is very easy and convenient; however, if you live in the dorms on campus or over at the Village, the Bistro is just a short car or trolley ride away. No matter where you live, you can still eat at The Bistro during any of its business hours.

The Bistro is open from 7 a.m. to midnight so you have plenty of time to stop by and try it out—you’ll be glad you did!!

The University Center has added yet another attraction to its restaurant collection. The empty seats on the second floor have finally been filled by hungry students searching for that healthy all-you-can-eat buffet. The Farmer’s Market certainly kicked off the year with a good start as students looked forward to its opening day. Its motto, “Fresh. Local. Organic.” is nothing short of what it brings to the table. It is a wonder High Point University only has one dining option dedicated to all natural choices before this.

David ter Kuile, Senior Food Service Director for Ara- mark said, “The design of the Farmer’s Market was the culmination of research gathered from High Point University students during the fall semester of 2010. The High Point University team has worked diligently to create extraordinary, unique dining options throughout the HPU campus.” For one Global Dining Meal swipe you are greeted by a variety of fresh, healthy foods to campus during lunchtime. For one Global Dining Meal swipe you are greeted by a variety of fresh, healthy foods during lunchtime, but either way you can be in and out in minutes if you are in a rush.

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FARMER’S MARKET

The sandwich of the day is another popular aspect of the Farmers Market. These specials aren’t randomly decided but instead, TerKuile said, “are customer-driven based on sales and special requests. Each day there is a different sandwich and soup offering to maintain a diverse and dynamic menu.” This is a unique approach that allows the students to be involved in influencing a healthier on campus dining option.

There is also the option to grab a bowl of soup at another section of the buffet where you can choose between two daily specials, which are complemented with choice of freshly baked crackers and breadsticks.

Needless to say, the Farmers Market has been extremely successful so far with their organic outlook. “I had such an unexpected experience at the Farmers Market. I was so pleased with the variety of choices, as well as the setup. I can’t wait to go again all year long,” said junior Victoria Summerlin.

The Master Quest Mode is the only thing I found slightly disappointing. In order to unlock the master quest mode, you must complete the main quest mode and then you can unlock the master quest mode.

Another new feature is the motion situation. In which I have grown fond of. However, it proves to be a problem in confined spaces, such as planes or cars, and there is no option for disabling it. This remake also includes a boss mode, where you fight all of the enemies in the game. One of the main advantages of the original "Zelda: Ocarina of Time" is that it offered a unique experience for each playthrough. The 3-D itself, however, may cause motion sickness if you are sensitive to it. If it were to occur, the 3DS is able to be adjusted and even turned off, if necessary.

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B.o.B. Announced as Fall Concert

By Bronte Dakota
Staff Writer

A fter many rumors that the fall concert this year was going to be rapper Wiz Khalifa, it's confirmed that it will be rapper B.o.B. Thanks to O.A.R. going to return, High Point University finally announced to serious students that it was international rap sensation B.o.B. B.o.B., or Bobby Ray Simmons Jr., was born not too far from High Point in Winston-Salem. Shortly after, his family relocated to Georgia. It was there that he discovered that he wanted to be a musician.

In 2007, he began topping the charts with singles like “Hey prioritize Everywhere” featuring Wes Fif and “I'll Be In The Sky” Three years later, on April 27, 2010, B.o.B. released his album “The Adventures on Bobby-Ray,” which quickly became a huge sensation. Known for his collaborations with big stars like T.I., Eminem, CeeLo Green, and the late Whitney Houston, B.o.B. has been nominated for dozens of awards. He won the 2010 Teen Choice Awards for Best R&B Performance with big stars like T.I., Eminem, and Lil' Wayne or even with the collaboration of none other than乡间小路, “R.I.P.”

Explained, "The hardest thing is getting who we want, when we want them.” Kolajky noted that many factors go into making the final decision. One of these factors is the date of the performance. The timing has to be just right in order to keep a good momentum going throughout the year. Also, the cost of the performance needs to be considered in order to balance the expenses of all the other wonderful Campus Activities Team, or C.A.T., offers students.

Availability is also important in determining the fall act. The more dates of the artist have to correspond with the dates of the concert. Most importantly, she stressed that the students need to approve of the artist in order to make it happen. Without the support of the student body, it’s harder to create the excitement needed for a great concert.

Then describing last years spring concert, Kolajky stated, "We had over 20,000 [students] at Gil Y Hall, and I would love to see over 4,000 students and their friends at B.o.B.” She also explained that High Point University is very generous, and that they want students to bring their friends. Students can even receive up to four free wristbands for guests. Students seem very eager for the fall concert. Student Sam Stewart said that he loved B.o.B. and was eager to hear the songs “Magic” and “Airplanes.” Kolajky also added that if you think you don't want to meet B.o.B. and would like the opportunity to do so, students should simply write a letter addressed to her explaining why you want to meet B.o.B. Simply put your name, phone number and student email address on the letter, then drop it off in any suggestion box on campus. Kolajky will contact selected letter writers.

To step up to the dates with the latest fall concert information and C.A.T. activities, follow them on Facebook and Twitter.

September Movie Preview
Help us out Hollywood; we’re bored!

By Chelsie Mercan
Editor

The Cinderella Story Strikes Back!

Following the story of two estranged brothers, “Warrior” is an intense sports drama guaranteed to leave audiences on the edge of their seats and with a tear in their eye. Battling each other for the Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) title and the biggest cash prize in the sport’s history, brothers Tommy, a war hero, and Brendan, a public school teacher, must overcome the fear of failure, the past, and more importantly, each other. Neither brother is a professional fighter, but when they come face-to-face in the MMA title match, a lot more than the win is at stake. The story is based on the return of their abusive, alcoholic father (played by Nick Nolte), Tommy and Brendan are forced to face their childhood, and the resentment they feel toward one another.

Baseball’s “Island of Misfit Toys”

“There are rich teams, and there are poor teams...then there’s 50 feet of crap.” (From the movie “Moneyball”)

Originally a non-fiction book by Michael Lewis, “Moneyball” is a story about a general manager for the Oakland A’s named Billy Beane. The film follows Beane (played by Brad Pitt) as he tries to reinvent his cash-strapped team, rejecting a scouting and management system that is as old as baseball itself.

Faced with constant judgment and criticism, Billy Beane was threatening the game and the way things had been done for more than 100 years. With the help of garage-dweller, The As he deals with doubt, fear, excitement, anger and most importantly faith. But I’m not talking about religion, I’m talking about faith in the game. He sticks to what he believes in to succeed and defy everything we thought we knew about baseball.

With films out there like Hoosiers, Rocky, and Remember the Titans, it’s hard to believe that another epic sports movie could be made. Guess again. Not only is it possible, it’s happening twice in one month with Warrior and Moneyball.

The Everyday Fashionista

By Jordan Breetz
Staff Writer

While trouble transitioning into fall; Wanting to stay away those cute summer outfits maybe you can’t be worn all year! Thanks to laying your favorite summer dress can be paired with a cute cardigan and boots for a fresh look this fall. But be careful not to over do it, one extra piece could cause you to look bulky. To avoid this soon, here are some layering. Dos and Don’ts.

DO pull out your favorite “LBD” - a little black dress looks great over a long-sleeved shirt and pants with loafers and boots. Add a scarf to complete the look.

DO recycle your short-sweaters - Wear them over tights and put them with a dressy tank and blazer for an instantly chic look.

DO keep out your flirty summer tank - Layer them over your favorite cardigans. Wear this with jeans and a bold necklace for a sophisticated look.

DON’T dress too juvenile - Avoid laying a short-sleeved me with a long-sleeved, fitter tee. Choose height and bold prints. This is how a fashionista that I know once told me: Limit your colorful items to just one or two to avoid looking too summery. A little pastel or at is all you need to brighten up a boring fall look.

DON’T be afraid to wear graphics and prints - It’s a fun, easy way to spice up your look.

This season, feel free to layer it up ladies, and remember it’s our about what you are wearing, it’s about how you are wearing it.

Interested in writing? Like taking pictures? The Campus Chronicle is always looking for people to join our staff! Meetings are on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. in the Hido R. Qubein School of Communication, Room 233.
AlcoholEdu designed to educate, survey students about alcohol awareness

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Consumers: I’ve heard about students who keep track of their alcohol consumption by marking their hand with a tally mark for each drink they consume.” John says the program is an effective way of informing students about alcohol. Turtle explains that the punishment for a student’s inability to complete part two is not about the fine, but more so about the fact that they miss an opportunity that is thought-provoking and educational.

The program was not started to stop students from drinking, but more realistically, the goal was to help and encourage students to make the best decision possible. AlcoholEdu does not only act as an educational tool to students, but it also serves as a consequence. If minors are caught with alcohol, they are referred and required to use this tool online. A first time offender of alcohol possession and/or consumption will receive a fine and be required to complete AlcoholEdu online as well.

As Turtle said, this was a decision based on an assessment completed by participants last year, by Annette Jones, who is a Substance Educator.

If a student commits a second offense, the fine will increase, parents will be notified, and students will have to complete mandatory counseling.

For a third time offender, the fine will double to $200, discipline probation will be imposed, as well as mandatory counseling and 3rd level substance education, and parents will be notified.

According to student life, sanctions for a student who is 21 or older, such as supplying alcohol for a minor, are much more serious. Upon the first offense, consequences typically include a $175 fine, mandatory counseling, substance education, and disciplinary probation. A second offense includes a $250 fine and suspension from the university for one semester.

Instead of being limited to completing an alcohol-based class in a typical classroom with other students, this program allows students to complete the course on their own time and in the privacy of their own room.

HU is always looking for new ways to collaborate with students on decisions made in the classroom, including those about alcohol. This program is a great way to enhance students’ knowledge about this topic, as well as their freedoms, especially socially, says Turtle. The program is an overall effective way to educate individuals about the choices they have and will continue to make in the future.

HU has very high hopes for this new program. Sometimes, students don’t think about the consequences of their actions involving alcohol. The creators believe that if AlcoholEdu were to help gain insight for any one individual regarding their choices and actions, it is powerful and is accomplishing exactly what they set out to do.

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AlcoholEdu to help gain insight for anyone one individual regarding their choices and fraternities identify what they’re looking for in members.

Organizations

Wednesday

At 7 p.m., a motivational speaker will present at the Millis Center to help encourage a sense of community amongst Greeks, and help sororities and fraternities identify what they’re looking for in members.

Thursday

Everyone is invited to come and watch the sororities and fraternities “eat like Greeks” at Vert Stadium at 7 p.m. Eating contests will include anything from eating wings to finishing a fish bowl-sized slushie.

Friday

From 5-8 p.m. at the Slane Student Center, sororities and fraternities will battle it out to see who can create the largest castle made of cans in a “constructure.” All of the canned food items raised will be donated to charity.

Saturday

Perhaps the most well-known of the Greek Week events will be held on Saturday when sororities and fraternities team up and battle it out against other teams in ‘Lip Sync.’ The event will take place at 2pm at the Slane Student Center and usually draws the biggest crowd of the whole week.

Jonas asks audience to help keep the memory of the fallen alive

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The group made it down to the fourth floor when the building started to collapse.

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"I was in the sixth grade, when the attacks happened. I remember the teacher rolling a TV cart into the room and turning on the news coverage for us to watch,” said Erickson.

The memories still are fresh in the minds of so many only will be made more vivid by the countless television specials and memorial ceremonies, which are scheduled to air on all major networks in the days leading up to the anniversary. From Diane Sawyer to Brían Williams, the networks are putting together their tributes to those lost and allowing audiences to pay homage to do so as well.

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Following his speech Jonas played a moving tribute with pictures of the fallen first responders flashing on the screen. A total of 2,750 people died at the 110-story World Trade Center. He ended his speech with three powerful words, “Remember My Friends.”

This is indeed the mission as the anniversary of this sad day nears.

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It’s hard to imagine a team improving off of a conference championship and a first ever trip to the NCAA Tournament, but the High Point University Volleyball team appears to be hungry for their second-straight Big South Championship.

Despite losing three key players to graduation, head coach Jason Oliver’s team is loaded with talent and experience from top to bottom and has a lot of depth at every position. The Lady Panthers were tabbed to finish second in the Big South, despite losing talent.

The three captains from last year have graduated - Audrie Gonzalez, Megan Smith, and Julie Hershkowitz, as are contributors Stephanie Wallin and Anna Lott.

Last season’s freshman standout Maddie Simpson will be redshirting this season, however their absence is manageable by returning veterans and one of the strongest recruiting classes in the nation.

Coach Oliver has named the two captains for this year’s team as junior Molly Barlow and the team’s only returning senior Breanna Holliday. The two leaders will be competing for replacing Julie Hershkowitz at libero position.

Holliday has 319 digs in 77 career matches. She is also one of the team’s best returners at the service line with 35 aces. Barlow has compiled 378 digs in 59 career matches while posting 47 service aces.

Another notable returning player is sophomore middle blocker Michelle Chakirelis. Chakirelis could be primed for a breakout year at that position, as she was named to the Preseason All-Conference Team. She is also High Point’s most experienced middle blocker. In her freshman year she played in all 35 matches and led the team with 90 blocks while averaging 1.44 kills per set.

For the second straight year, there is expected to be a battle at the setter position between the Panthers experience and youth. Juniors Lauren Bell and Stephanie Kaminskak will be challenged by freshmen Chelsea Blandford and Lindsay Jones for the position. Bell has transitioned to the setter position after her freshman year, and appeared in four matches last season, dipping out 24 assists. Kaminskak has been the Panthers’ back up setter in each of her first two seasons, averaging 4.76 assists per set in 13 matches. Blandford and Jones would have to transition from their previous positions of attacker and defensive specialist.

Blandford and Jones are also strong parts to arguably High Point’s strongest freshmen class of all time, which was nationally recognized earlier this year. The groups’ accomplishments are numerous: Blandford won a state championship in her senior season at Cape Henry Collegiate School and was MVP of the state tournament. Chelsea Davis, Caity Farus, and Kristin Heldt were named to the 2010-11 Under Armour Girls’ High School All-American Watch List at the beginning of their senior seasons. Jones was the Northeastern Coastal Conference Co-Player of the Year and held Pauquannok High School to the third round of the state playoffs.

After all the preseason hype, the new look Panthers got their season started in Blacksburg, Va. as part of the Hokie Tournament, and suffered three losses to non-conference opponents. In their first game of the season the Panthers fell to Indiana 3-1. However, Chelsea Davis made the most out of her collegiate debut, having a double-double with 14 kills and 11 digs.

In their second game of the season against host Virginia Tech, Johnik had nine kills and Holliday had a career high 20 digs, but it wasn’t enough to stop the Hokies from a 3-1 win. In their final game in Blacksburg the Lady Panthers were shutout 3-0 to Cleveland State, despite 14 more digs from Holliday and 11 kills from Heldt.

Despite the slow start there is nobody in the Big South who can deny that Jason Oliver’s girls are filled with talent and have a very strong chance to successfully defend their title.

**Women’s soccer looks to ‘3-peat’**

By Ethan Winter

A first winning the Big South Championship for the second straight season, the High Point University women’s soccer team looks to win again as a “three-peat.”

The Panthers come into the season as the obvious goal for the Panthers but head coach Marty Beall has other goals in mind for his squad.

“We want to build the program to be a top level Division I program,” said Beall. “With that in mind we want to contend for conference titles every year.”

Senior midfielder Katie Tiber has lofty goals for the team as well. In addition to winning the Big South, she would like the team to go undefeated in the conference as well.

“We want to go undefeated in regular season conference play as well,” says Tiber. “That’s a pretty big goal to have, to not lose a game and not have a letdown. That would be huge for our team and huge for the program.”

Sophomore Becca Hendy will play a key role in getting the Panthers back to the NCAA tournament

**Upcoming Sporting Events:**

**Thursday, September 8**
Women’s soccer vs. NC State @ 7 PM

**Friday, September 9**
Volleyball vs. Davidson @ 5 PM
Men’s soccer vs. Stony Brook @ 7 PM

**Saturday, September 10**
Volleyball vs. Wright State @ 11:30 AM
Volleyball vs. James Madison @ 7 PM

**Sunday, September 11**
Men’s soccer vs. St. Bonaventure @ 3 PM

**Tuesday, September 13**
Volleyball vs. Elon @ 7 PM

**Sunday, September 18**
Women’s soccer vs. Appalachian State @ 2 PM
New coach, new perspective for HPU basketball

By Shawntay Henry
Staff Writer

On April 12, 2011, Athletic Director Craig Kellita named Jennifer Hoovers head basketball coach of the HPU womens basketball team after Toosie Loy resigned. The Campus Chronicle got to sit down and chat with Hoover about her background and views on the game of basketball.

How was the first meet and greet with the players? Great! Everyone was excited. However, I think the players were more anxious than excited to know whom they would be working with since there was a limbo of knowing and not knowing. Nevertheless, the young ladies welcomed and embraced new staff with open arms. I’ve tried to make sure we’ve been walking and talking like Big South champions.

Can you share a little background information about yourself? I am from Routsie, VA, I attended college and graduated from Wake Forest University. After playing basketball at Wake Forest for four years, I played a year overseas in South Korea. Although playing ball was a wonderful experience, allowing me the opportunity to do what I love and also learn about a new culture, I did not enjoy the idea of being away from my family. As a result, I came back home. I am married and recently celebrated my 10-year anniversary. My husband and I have a beautiful little girl, Maggie.

Who is Jennifer Hoover? She is inside the gym. Jennifer Hoover is intense, passionate, and holds high standards of expectation and effort. I am very competitive, which means I don’t like to lose in ANYTHING. More importantly, I am a team player, which has made guided me in the direction of coaching.

When did you love for basketball begin? When I was eight years old I played on an all boys team. I was not allowed to play on the girls team because the rules stated that you had to be at least nine years old. Regardless of the fact that I played on the boys team, I was comfortable and my interest and love for basketball increased. In addition to basketball, I also played volleyball, soccer, and many other sports. I am very athletic.

Why coaching? My coaches, growing up and playing basketball in high school and college, meant a lot to me and had a great influence on me. My coaches were great role models. My experiences and interactions with my coaches taught me that I could be a coach and still be a family. I embrace the one-on-one interaction being a coach permits me with each player. It is not all about helping players develop on, but off the court as well.

When did you decide you wanted to be a coach?

My basketball experience at Wake Forest University was the first time I thought I wanted to be a coach. I was very knowledgeable of the concept of the game and the players. First I thought about being a high school coach, but realized the impact coaches have on a college level, the process of recruiting, and my own personality and begin college coaching.

Why did you decide to accept the job at HPU?

After visiting the campus and seeing Nido’s vision for the school compared to other schools, I was immediately taken away.-Jennifer Hoover

Women’s Basketball

Head Coach

My biggest weaknesses are the fact that I have to be flexible because of the concept of the game and the players. First I thought about being a high school coach, but realized the impact coaches have on a college level, the process of recruiting, and my own personality and begin college coaching.

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What is your favorite restaurant?

Cambridge Italian Restaurant

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What do you like to do in your free time?

“Since I’m so far away my parents can only make it out once a year, if that.”

Barlows family lives in Phoenix, Ari. which is a five-hour flight to High Point University. With thirteen of their scheduled games being home games, it has never been more beneficial for parents like Barlows to have the ability to watch their daughter play at every home game.

“My mom hooks up the computer to the TV and they watch kinda like they are there,” said Barlow, with a smile, even mentioned that her parents would dress up in their Panther gear and pop some popcorn, just like they were really at the volleyball games cheering her on.

Jon Lithfield, Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Information at High Point, said the biggest part of Sports Links job is how it can bring home games to anyone, anywhere.

“The biggest thing it [Sports Link] does is we are putting high quality broadcasts online that people can watch,” said Lithfield.

He also touched on how most schools in the Big South conference only use one camera, but High Point University goes beyond the call of duty by bringing an online streaming experience as close to the big sports network as you can possibly get on a college campus. Using a variety of cameras and camera angles, the sporting experience mimics those you get from ESPN or even NBA.com.

Sports Link is an educational opportunity that opens doors for both the students and those off campus who cannot directly experience what the organization offers. Parents, alumni, students, and faculty members all benefit from the organizations hard work and dedication to broadcasting a wide variety of NCAA sports. For information on streaming packages you can go to BigSouthSports.com.