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### Column One News

#### Screenings detect eating disorders

The Office of Counseling is offering free, confidential eating disorder screenings on Feb. 16 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Slane Center. The screenings are a part of National Eating Disorders Screening Week which runs Feb. 14-18.

Though eating disorders are common in society, many people do not realize that they or someone they love has one. These screenings are meant to answer many questions that eating disorders present.

The university is also sponsoring these screenings at two local high schools. "We feel that it is important not to only offer these screenings to the students on our campus, but also to provide community outreach to some of our area high schools," said Amber Kelley, director of counseling.

If you are concerned about someone close to you or if you are concerned about your own relationship with food, take this opportunity to check it out. If you have any questions, contact Kelley at x9121.

#### Census bureau in search of employees

Looking for a job that will make a difference for the next 10 years? The U.S. Census Bureau is searching for qualified college students to help out with Census 2000.

Census 2000 will be used to decide how federal money should be spent on services such as schools, housing assistance and programs for the elderly.

If you are interested in a job with the Census Bureau, a representative will be on campus every Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Westminster Room.

Applicants are required to bring two forms of identification as well as complete an application that will be provided. If you have any questions, call (336) 605-0141 or toll free at (888) 325-7733.

#### Bloodmobile needs volunteers

The American Red Cross is bringing the Bloodmobile back to campus on Feb. 3, but it needs your help to make it a success.

Volunteers are needed to staff the canteen that donors are required to visit after they give blood. They will be expected to work in 1-hour shifts.

If you or your organization is interested in volunteering, call the Volunteer Center at x4568.

- by Kelly Gilfillan

## 'Snow' typical week

Recent storms cause class cancellations



PHOTO BY JON HENTZ

Students enjoy their day off with a sledding adventure.

By Mike Graff  
Editor

The South has looked a little like the North this week. Just when it seemed North Carolina

would never see the flaky white of snow, four snowstorms moved through the area.

Students from the region have en-

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## Herron honors King in speech

By Courtney Mueller  
Staff Writer

It's time to broaden our circle of relationships, said Dr. Alberta Herron, dean of graduate studies and professor of psychology, during a service held Jan. 17 honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Genesis, High Point University's gospel choir, provided music and gave an excellent performance of such hymns as "Bless that Wonderful Name" and "Hallelujah, Glory"

"Because of Dr. King's work, I can stand before you today," said Herron, an African American. She told the audience that King made it possible for society to move forward.

"He thought the unthinkable and

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## Brayshaw's death stirs memories

Mike Graff

Editor

The only physical reminders are the orange marks the police spray-



Mike Graff

Editor

painted at the corner of Cook and Lexington signifying the line Jake Brayshaw's car followed in the early morning of Dec. 5, 1999.

But the

memories are still present every time I close my eyes, as is the case with most of Brayshaw's closer friends.

Some are painful, and some are downright funny. Some make me laugh. Some don't. Some scare me. Others reassure me.

The lasting image of the paramedics covering Jake's body with a sheet is

something I try not to think about, but other memories make me realize how amazing Brayshaw actually was.

The 23-year-old, 6-foot-3, stringy Brayshaw called it as he saw it. He was the most honest person at High Point, I'm convinced. In our Theta Chi fraternity meetings, he would stand alone on something if he had to and be the only person with his hand raised.

Because he believed in it.

Chances are, if you ever met Brayshaw and he didn't like you, you knew about it. He didn't leave anything unknown. I saw him yell at numerous fraternity brothers for not having the strength to "stand up for something."

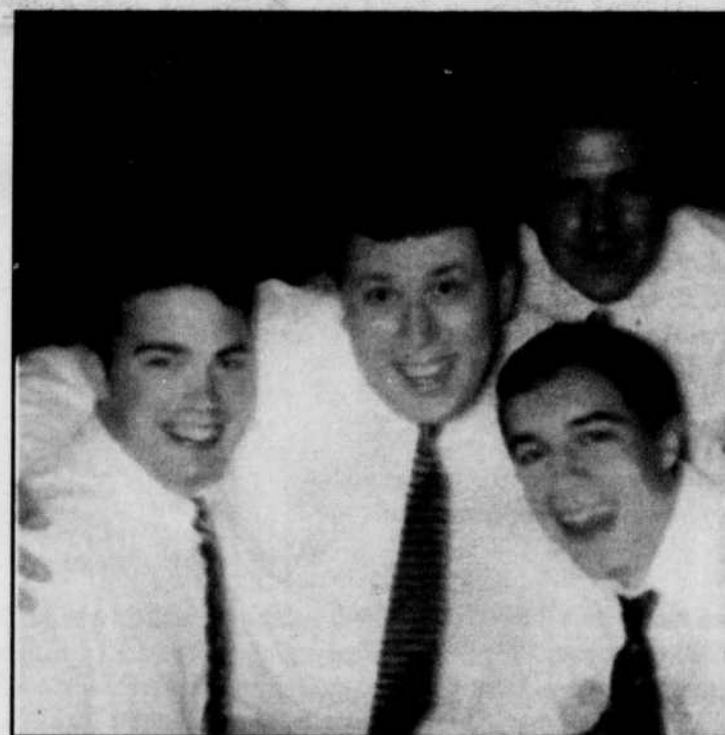


PHOTO BY JACKIE BROY

Right to left: Jake Brayshaw with fraternity brothers Dave Durham, Sean Kirk and Matt Lee.

But the best part about Brayshaw: If he didn't like you and you talked things out with him, he would admit he was wrong. He had the guts to say what he felt, and he also had the guts to reconsider his actions and apologize.

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## Remembering Jake Brayshaw

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His mind was as strong as his personality. Brayshaw could have been a certified genius. He didn't always make the best grades, but his intelligence was never questioned. Weeks before his accident, Brayshaw phoned "Who Wants to be a Millionaire" in an attempt to win a spot on the show and was told he had a good shot of receiving a call.

Brayshaw could spout off the mascot of every college or university in the country. He knew sports better than most any sports buff. The Steelers (football), Penguins (hockey), Duke (college basketball) and Texas (college football) were his favorite teams.

He didn't have a favorite soccer team. Probably because he didn't care too much. He was the founding father of the "I hate soccer" intramural soccer team this fall in which his sole purpose was to "make a complete mockery of the sport." I'm sure he wasn't too happy to watch us actually take a team into overtime the week after his accident.

If there was a sport Brayshaw took seriously, though, it was intramural basketball. His intensity scared referees and opposing teammates, but if his team won, he'd laugh about how he frightened people. That is, if his team won.

Aside from sports, hanging out with his friends was Brayshaw's favorite pastime.

I remember a Campus Chronicle deadline that fell one Wednesday last fall. I had just taken the paper to the printer, tutored for two hours and was about to fall asleep to wake early enough to pick The Chronicle up the next morning.

"You're looking mighty good in the eyes of the school, Graff, but you're slacking in the hanging out department. You need to get some priorities straight," he said jokingly.

Sometimes I feel bad for being sorrowful about Brayshaw's death. I know he's saying, "Graaaff, stop your damn crying."

I can't imagine what his roommates, Billy, Adam and Seth felt when they woke up for a week and had to see Brayshaw's shoes.

I can't imagine the emptiness inside his parents, Bill and Royanne. I do know, though, that they know how much he meant to us, "Jake's family in High Point," according to a recent letter.

I can speak for everyone I have talked to since Dec. 5.

Jake loved fun and sports. He was honest and straightforward. He could have been a 4.0 student had he tried a bit harder, but he didn't want anybody to miss hanging out with him. He was a fifth-year senior who picked up a minor to stick around here for another year.

"I just think he wanted to stay down here," his mom said prior to the chapel service dedicated to him last Wednesday. "He liked it so much."

Well, Brayshaw probably won't be credited with the minor he wanted, but he will graduate this May, according to President Jacob C. Martinson and Vice President of Academic Affairs E. Vance Davis.

It would be a little nicer if he'd find a way to come back and accept his diploma.

I think we are all still trying to realize that just can't happen.

## STAFF EDITORIAL

## Fire alarms are lifesavers, not toys for pranksters

The boy who cried wolf story recently led to tragedy at Seton Hall University.

Three students were killed and 25 more were injured in a fire that swept through the six-story Boland residence hall at 4:30 a.m.

The fire caused at least one student to leap from a third-floor window and others to tie sheets together to escape from the blazing building.

The chaos took place because students didn't believe the alarm when it sounded. Like the whining boy in the wolf story, the alarm lacked credibility.

Many of the 640 residents went back to sleep when they heard the alarm. They thought it was just another of the 18 false alarms set off since September. Four false alarms emptied the building during the first night of finals last semester.

"When we got out we didn't think it was real," said student Mariel Pagan. "(Then) we saw some smoke."

False alarms are problems on any campus, and High Point is no different.

Nearly three times a month, somebody pulls a fire alarm as a joke.

This campus is lucky that none of these "jokes" has caused death.

Most students find the middle-of-the-night pranks annoying. But the pranks could result in more than just a nuisance if there is an actual fire.

It isn't uncommon to see hundreds of students gathered outside of Finch or McEwen at 3 a.m. waiting to be let back in after the RA's find no fire.

But some students stay in bed and sleep. They don't see any reason to waste good sleep by standing in the cold.

And thus far it hasn't caused any se-

rious problems.

But it could.

There's a reason RA's open every door to check rooms. It is just a precaution. And students at Seton Hall probably wish their RA's were more forceful during fire alarms.

The room checks are not designed to invade your privacy. Instead, they are used to protect your life.

But even RA's may not have been able to save lives at Seton Hall.

The students who pulled the numerous fire alarms in the first semester should feel responsible for the deaths of three of their hallmates.

They are the reason students stayed in bed. They are the reason students were trapped, looking out windows and looking down at a 30-foot fall.

To picture it is horrifying enough, but to actually experience it would be a different story.

And it's entirely possible it could happen on this campus.

Pulling fire alarms is not just a crime anymore. It could actually lead to deaths in residence halls.

The administration has its consequences for pulling fire alarms and so do the police. But if these do not scare delinquents, then they should picture a real fire when they put their hand up to the alarm.

A tragedy like the one at Seton Hall would devastate a small campus like this one.

Stopping a fire from happening is not entirely in the hands of students, but stopping deaths in fires is.

As the students at Seton Hall know too well.

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## Word on the street:

*"Do you think that HPU should observe more than a two hour break on Martin Luther King Day?"*



"We should at least get the whole day off for Martin Luther King because of the great importance he portrayed in our society."

**- Cisco Reseudes, Freshman**

"Even though we are a private school, we should recognize this prestigious man. Two hours is not enough recognition for what MLK accomplished."

**- Melissa Henderson, Sophomore**

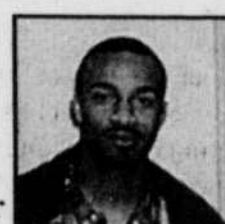


"Yes, we should take the day off, but if we do take the day off, we should not utilize that time by sleeping. We should take part in the ceremonies and everything he stood for."

**- Shannon Moxley, Junior**

"It would be nice to observe more than just two hours, but I think the university is acknowledging the few people who attend the services conducted currently."

**- Leon L. Reels, Senior**



WORD ON THE STREET PHOTOS AND INTERVIEWS BY JON HENTZ



# Student follows favorite restaurant to High Point

By Matthew Rickards  
Staff Writer

Have you ever felt like you were being followed? Maybe you've seen that same red car everywhere you go or perhaps you've noticed a strange but familiar face at a string of unrelated locations. We've all experienced this, sure, but have you ever been followed across the country by an entire restaurant?

Before I came to High Point, I lived and went to school in Newark, Del. There was a Chinese take-out restaurant near my apartment called No. 1 Chinese. It had the best food at very reasonable prices. My roommates and I would go there at least once a week, order tons of food by the pint or quart, take it home and feast like emperors. It was the perfect place for our appetites as well as our budgets. Since I left, I missed No. 1.

Or rather, I *had* missed No. 1. Not long ago, I ventured over to the College Village Shopping Center just across campus, and lo and behold, there was a No. 1 Chinese restaurant two doors down from the supermarket. It couldn't be the same. I knew the No. 1 in Delaware wasn't part of a chain; it was a family business, and I remembered the family that ran it. So, when I saw the sign over the door, I was angry that someone had apparently stolen the name. After all, there could only be one No. 1!

I went in to decide for myself.

The inside was oddly familiar. There were five linoleum-top tables with aluminum cans that had been folded intricately into blossoming ashtrays. Red and gold tissue paper decorations hung from the ceiling, and on the walls were beautiful Chinese characters made from twisted paper ribbons. At the far end of the black and white checkered floor before me was a tall counter. Above the counter, a lighted menu displayed pictures of the various dishes labeled with their prices and menu numbers. Paper menus were stacked on the counter next to a plastic cup half-full of dried rice serving as a pen holder.

Back in the kitchen, I could see the cooks deftly tossing and stirring food in huge woks over fiery gas jets. And then I looked at the people who worked there and I could swear I recognized every face.

What is a rational person to do under such odd

circumstances? Well, I was hungry, so I ordered. The woman who took my order was wearing an unmistakable fluorescent pink biking cap - just like Sue, who worked at the No. 1 in Delaware. Should I say something? I wondered. Would that be rude?

I asked her for a pint of chicken with broccoli and thought I saw a glint of recognition in her eyes. I always got chicken with broccoli back home. So I said, "Excuse me, but did you use to work at this same place in Delaware?"

She said, "Yeah, I thought I recognized you." It was Sue.

What a bizarre coincidence! It

turns out that in July of 1996, about a year after I moved here, Sue and her husband, Phillip, came to High Point to take over the No. 1 Chinese that had been owned and run by Phillip's parents since 1992. The original No. 1 is still in Delaware and being operated by his uncle. I guess it was I who followed the restaurant.

Since I've rediscovered No. 1, I eat there whenever I can. Of course, the food is as wonderful as it ever was, but now when I walk in, Sue says, "Chicken with broccoli?" You know it. On my most recent visit, I took some time to talk to Sue and Phillip about their business and how they liked High Point.

"The people here are much friendlier than Newark," said Sue.

Fair enough. I guess I'd have to agree. But Sue and Phillip say that although business is good, they're not getting as much business from students as they did in Delaware. I don't understand this at all.

I got a generous pint of chicken with broccoli on top of white rice, a can of soda and a fortune cookie for \$4.88 including tax. I could find \$4.88 in my couch. What's more, it was ready in about two minutes. I'm surprised there's not a line of High Point students snaking out the door and into the parking lot all the time.

The local folks sure seem to like it and not just for



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

No. 1 Chinese is located in College Village.

the traditional menu. The last time I ate at No. 1, five different people came in and ordered chicken wings. No. 1's chicken wings might be the best-kept secret in the city. They are enormous compared to the wings you'd find at other restaurants. Plus, they're delicious and affordable. Four chicken wings with french fries are \$3.25.

While I ate, I listened as Sue chatted with a customer who must have been a regular. She asked her about her "little one" and how her allergies were. This is refreshing to see when so often I find myself at a fast-food drive-thru shouting into a menu box at a faceless, nameless, incoherent minimum-wage employee to whom it wouldn't make a difference if I bought lunch from him or choked to death on a chicken nugget.

The people working in No. 1 Chinese, unlike the average fast-food restaurant staff, seem to have a personal interest in how their customers feel about their eating experience. After all, they don't just work there. They own it.

It turns out that the Chinese characters on the wall, loosely translated, tell those who can read them to relax because the little things that might happen at work are no big deal and business will get better and better. Maybe that's why Sue smiles so big when a customer walks in. Maybe that's why she cares to remember what I like to eat.

## Southern hospitality thrives in local barber shop

By Jim Long  
Special to the Chronicle

Customers fill the waiting area and stools in the comfortable establishment. They read newspapers or magazines as they wait for the next available barber. Old-style country music provides a traditional atmosphere. The African-American gentleman in the corner works hard on his shoeshine customer before he goes outside for his next smoke break. The sign on the wall behind the barber chairs reads, "WORK IS FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW HOW TO FISH."

This High Point gem is the College Village Barber Shop.

The Southern-style business only has five barber chairs, but the staff still manages to turn out 75 to 100 haircuts a day.

Last Nov. 11 was the 40-year anniversary for the shop. It has a wide assortment of clients, including doctors, lawyers, judges, preachers, mechanics, college students and little boys.

Anyone should feel comfortable entering a place that epitomizes Southern hospitality. It's convenient for collegiates, especially those looking to get cleaned up to visit Mom. The average haircut costs \$8, appealing to the college student's budget. "I've been getting my hair cut there for four years now," said alumnus Tony Giro.

As young entrepreneurs, Ed Durham, Carroll Johnson and Charlie Ward founded the shop in 1959. Ward has retired and sold his share of the business to Steve Petroff, Johnson's son-in-law. About the barbering business, Durham says, "You can't dislike it and stay in it this long. All in all it's been good to me."

In 1956, Durham started barber school after graduation from high school and a tour in the army. Eight

months later, he was finished and began work in an old barber shop in downtown High Point.

Durham says one of the joys of the business is the friendships and the loyalty of the customers. "If you do a good job for someone, they will wait for you to be available instead of going to someone else in the shop," he says. Durham recalls one relationship with a customer that began years ago when he was still working downtown. The man followed Durham when he opened his own shop in College Village.

There are not many factors that affect the barbering business. Durham says the weather is really the only concern: "When it first gets cold, it'll be as quiet as a mouse in here for at least a few days, but it eventually picks up again."

A trademark of the shop is the hot shaving cream that the barbers put on the back of your neck and around your ears at the end of the haircut. "With the university located just across the street, there are several college students from Northern states who comment on it," says Durham. It used to be offered in just about any barber shop, but it has since been outlawed in many states.

The state of North Carolina sent out a questionnaire on the issue but could not ban it because so many barbers wanted to have the privilege. "To me, it is an inherent part of barbering," says Durham.

As customers get their hair cut, they are surrounded by stickers that read "FISHING FOREVER, WORK WHENEVER," mementos such as a wooden handle for a hair brush that reads "BALD MAN'S HAIR BRUSH" and story after story about the big catch at the pond this morning, the mileage of pick-up trucks, the latest round of golf or war sagas.

So, guys, if Grandpa isn't around to give a little advice or wisdom and you are looking for some good,

old-fashioned Southern humor, you know where to find it.

### ATTENTION STUDENTS GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

**All High Point University students must take and pass the English Assessment Examination or take ENG 104 as a General Education Requirement for graduation. Students who have completed English 102 or received transfer or AP credit should take the test.**

**Catalogue Statement:**  
*ENG 104 is required of students (including transfers) who do not achieve a satisfactory score on the English Assessment Exam.*

If you have questions, please contact Ms. Rawley at 9297.

**English Assessment Test  
February 15 and 17, 2000  
11:00 A.M.  
Cooke Hall 232**

**English Assessment Test  
September 19 and 21, 2000  
11:00 A.M.  
Cooke Hall 232**

**The testing will start promptly at 11:00.**



# Change highlights first SGA meeting

By Kelly Gilfillan  
Assistant Editor

The new semester has only been in session for a couple of weeks, but the Student Government Association has already accomplished several things after only one meeting.

At the first meeting on Jan. 20, members of the Executive Council presented several changes that will be implemented in the coming weeks. Many of these new ideas came from a weekend retreat where the EC had a chance to determine its goals for the future. According to several members, it was time well spent.

Three things the EC hopes to improve on are professionalism, influence and credibility. SGA President Matt McLendon sees these qualities as important to the overall vision he has had for the organization since he took office. "We want to build a foundation so students know they can come to SGA and solve campus problems," he said.

Steps towards these goals have already been taken. One small change came when EC members started wearing professional clothes to meetings. Another is that the format of bills presented for ratification has also been revamped. With the new standard format, it's the EC's hope that the bills will be more businesslike. "Instead of 30 different formats coming in, there will only be one which everyone will know. It will simplify the job of the Attorney General as well as the reading and amending of the bills," said social vice president Chris Huff.

Attorney General Don Dunphy has decided to distribute the bills early to representatives so they have several days to think about a bill before they vote rather than make split second decisions. This should allow legislation to be pushed through the process much more quickly, but it also means that bills will not be accepted late anymore.

For those who miss the meetings or who are interested, the EC is also considering posting the min-

utes so representatives can see them outside of meetings.

There are plans to concentrate on changes that have already become a large part of HPU culture. Many of the improvements made, such as the addition of Channel 8, may be in danger of disappearing after the current EC leaves office. During the semester, the EC members intend to make sure the improvements stick around well after they are gone.

Finally, SGA is looking to revise the current judiciary guidelines. Through the work of a committee, whose members will be determined later, SGA will rewrite the guidelines so they are more accessible and better represent the rights of students, faculty and administration.

As it stands now, the SGA has a busy semester ahead. These changes may make meetings unrecognizable to some. However, since it's still riding high on the success of last semester, the SGA should have no problems making this semester just as noteworthy.

## Herron reflects on discrimination

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he fought the impossible," she remarked.

Herron began by reflecting on past and present racial discrimination. She recalled growing up in Georgia seeing "Whites Only" and "Colored" signs. She remembered having to sit at the back of the bus and having to go to the back door of whites' homes.

And still, today, Herron faces day-to-day prejudices and stereotypes. As an African American woman, she is often presumed to be a secretary by others or asked in a disparaging manner how she became so successful.

"Some things have changed since the '60s," Herron said, "but we all know a lot stayed the same. There is still work to be done in the millennium. Many challenges remain and they can't be changed overnight."

She stated that racial discrimination still exists, but that it has moved "underground."

Herron said that many people wear masks and pretend there is no problem when it comes to race relations.

"We'll smile, go on our way," she said. "But everyone has prejudicial

thoughts. Listen to those thoughts. Listen to that voice. It could be your own."

Herron concluded by saying that we are responsible for creating a world without division.

Our society needs to get past the fear of the unknown and the distrust that are felt when we don't know someone, she said.

"It's not impossible," she continued. "Today is the day. Talk honestly.

Avoid judgment. Building a relationship will take time, and the path won't always be smooth."

Earlier in the speech, quoting the

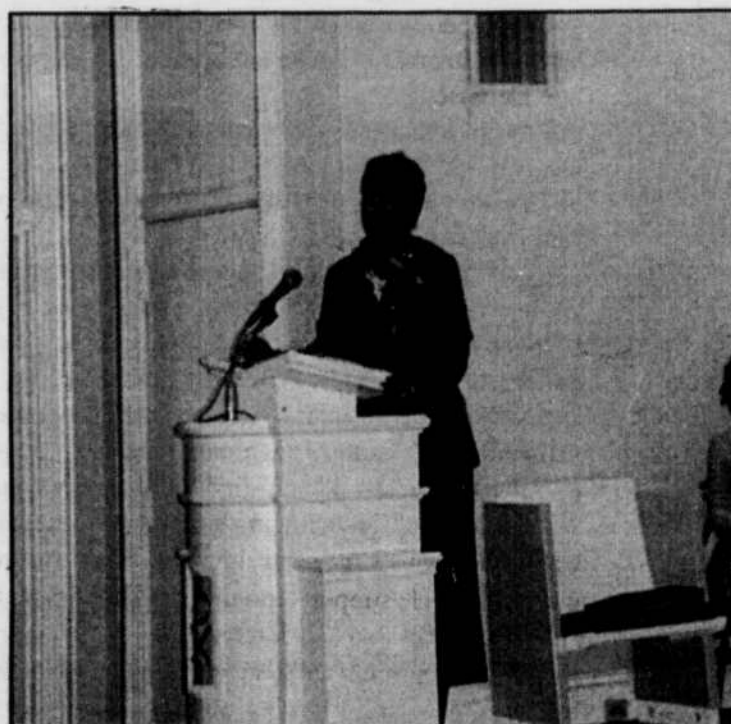


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Dr. Alberta Herron delivers King Day speech.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Herron said, "The only justification for looking down on somebody is to lend him or her a hand and pick them up."

## Wray speaks at reunion in Japan

By Kelly Ivey  
Staff Writer

One of the first people from High Point University to bring in the year 2000 was Dr. Morris Wray. While the United States was eagerly awaiting the sparkling ball to drop, Wray was already well into the next millennium in Tokyo, Japan. "It was strange to celebrate New Year's Day before all my friends," admits the vice president for internal affairs.

The trip to Japan was not a mere vacation. Wray was asked to speak at a reunion of students from the East West Foundation. Since 1975, this program has brought more than 5,000 Japanese students to study in United States universities. While a dean and president of Andrew College in Georgia, Wray entered into one of the first partnerships of the Foundation.

His good friend, Dr. Ken Nishimura and his brother, Dr. Shinn Nishimura, started the program in 1975 after many pleas and questions from Japanese students.

According to Wray, the main reason Japanese students want to get their college degrees in the U.S.

is to become fluent in English. Japanese high schools are very rigorous compared to American high schools. A Japanese high school graduate is usually as well educated as an American student with a two-year degree. Japanese colleges are technical schools while universities are similar to the college/university programs here. However, the United States' university is much more difficult than the Japanese university once the student is accepted. Japanese students hope to become bilingual, gain basic skills and a degree and return to Japan with excellent chances of getting upper level jobs.

Wray spoke at the reunion of the Fast West Foundation students, as well as two churches founded by Dr. Ken and

Shinn Nishimura. The speeches were "friendly" and "focused on expectations of the 21st century," according to Wray.

“It was strange to celebrate New Year's Day before all my friends.

“  
- Dr. Morris Wray

and the lack of noticeable poverty, indicates Wray. This is surprising when Japan has half of the U.S. population in a country the size of North Carolina. The Japanese lead a simple lifestyle with small living spaces and little furniture. "At the same time, Japan is the most technologically advanced country in the world," Wray reflects.

## Snow falls on campus

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joyed the latest Arctic blast.

"I've lived in North Carolina all my life and I've never seen anything like it," Jacob Haislip, a senior from Franklinville, said. "Four times in one week is amazing. The people from around here take it differently than people from the North."

The latest storm on Monday night would have caught anyone from any part of the country off guard.

Early reports said that snow would fall Wednesday and would accumulate to about six inches. Well, it came early and stayed late as High Point found itself buried in 8 to 12 inches of snow by Tuesday morning.

From 10 p.m. Monday night to 8 a.m. Tuesday morning, the low pressure system hovered over the Outer Banks and dumped anywhere from 6 to 20 inches in North Carolina. The storm set a record in Raleigh.

And for the first time since 1996, the university cancelled all classes. Student Life officials like Ted Sikes and Katherine Phipps and residence hall RA's worked in the cafeteria, serving meals to on-campus students.

"We're just volunteering," Phipps said. "They (Budd Services) only had about six workers show up, so we decided to pitch in."

A week earlier, snow began to fall at around 2 a.m. Tuesday and continued to accumulate until 8 a.m. The university classes were not cancelled Tuesday, but some faculty members could not reach campus because of the slippery roads.

On Thursday, a storm predicted to drop four inches on the Triad fizzled into a few flurries.

On Saturday, snow fell all afternoon, and some heavy accumulation occurred. But the snow turned into ice after midnight, making driving conditions treacherous. The precipitation made its final change when it rained Sunday morning, which made Monday classes a possibility.

It looked as though High Point would escape the worst of the snow after the first three storms, but then the aforementioned fourth snow rolled in.

And the campus still sits, covered with snow.



# Issues separate presidential candidates in 2000

By Robin Kester  
A&E Editor

The following is a compilation of the presidential candidates and their positions on the issues. It only contains some important points; not all of each candidate's views are listed. Readers are encouraged to visit each of the candidate's web sites to find out every viewpoint.

## Democrats

### Bill Bradley

#### Health Care:

His proposal consists of giving all Americans access to affordable health care and guarantees insurance to all children. Also, it preserves Medicare and expands it with an optional prescription drug benefit for all seniors.

#### Education:

Bradley would ensure that 2.2 million new teachers in the next decade are respected, talented, well-trained and well-paid. He would also create the Teach to Reach program to place 60,000 new teachers each year into low-income and rural school districts.

#### Helping Working Families:

Bradley would create a national program of after-school care and community development centers that offer a range of academic and social services to 5.6 million children and adults each year. He would also expand the Family and Medical Leave Act.

#### Gun Control:

He would require handgun owners to pass a basic safety course before they can obtain a license to operate handguns and establish a registration system for handguns. He would also limit the purchase of a handgun by any one person to one month and significantly increase the license fees on gun dealers and restrict federal firearm licenses to commercial areas, out of residential neighborhoods. Bradley would also require background checks at gun shows and require trigger locks on all handguns.

#### Campaign Finance Reform:

Bradley would restrict funding for campaigns to only limited individual donations and public financing. He would also require free broadcast time to candidates who accept public financing, 60 days before an election.

#### Fighting Poverty:

He would permit mothers on welfare to keep their child support payments.

### Al Gore

Gore promotes the following:

- Saving our schools
- Improving health care
- Keeping the budget balanced
- Agriculture policy reform
- Campaign finance reform
- Fighting for America's seniors
- Strengthening families, reducing child poverty, promoting responsible fatherhood
- Closing the opportunity gap
- Children with disabilities
- Building prosperity
- Fighting cancer
- Fighting rural crime
- Faith-based organizations
- Fighting crime
- Health care
- Stronger families
- Americans with disabilities
- New treatment for AIDS
- Protecting America's steel industry

## Republicans

### Gary Bauer

#### Defending Human Life:

Bauer will fight for a Human Life Bill defining unborn children as persons under the 14th Amendment. He would also outlaw partial-birth abortion

#### Lower taxes:

He would enact family-friendly tax reform with a flat rate of 16 percent as well as cut taxes 20 percent as

part of Social Security reform

#### Rebuilding the National Defense:

Bauer would deploy the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), protecting America from attack by ballistic missiles.

#### Increasing Educational Opportunity:

He would decentralize major education policy decisions, giving power to states and communities

Conducting American Foreign Policy Based on American Values:

He would restore support for human rights, including freedom of worship, as a central goal of American foreign policy. He would also continue support for Israel as a cornerstone of U.S. policy in the Middle East.

### Governor George Bush

#### Education:

He supports increasing choices for parents in the education of their children by allowing federal funds to be used for public and private school choice and innovative education programs.

#### Taxes:

Bush would eliminate the "death tax" and oppose any taxes on access to the Internet. He would also veto any increase in personal or corporate income tax rates.

#### Social Security:

He opposes any tax increase for Social Security, supports making personal retirement accounts part of Social Security reform and opposes government investment in private stocks or bonds.

#### Defense:

Bush would increase by \$1 billion the currently planned military pay raise to encourage the best and brightest to enlist in the armed forces. He would renovate substandard military housing and improve military training. He would also deter terrorist attacks by ensuring that every group or nation understands that if it sponsors such attacks, the U.S. response will be devastating. He also supports accelerated research for and deployment of both theater missile defenses and a national missile defense, as soon as possible.

#### Foreign Policy

Bush would redefine the relationship between China and the U.S. as one of "competitors," not strategic partners. He supports moving the U.S. embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem and also supports keeping the current sanctions on Cuba until there are free elections, free speech and freedom for political prisoners.

#### Trade:

He would eliminate trade barriers and tariffs everywhere and supports the expansion of NAFTA through the Americas.

#### Abortion/Social Issues:

He is pro life with exceptions for rape, incest and life of the mother. Supports efforts to increase adoptions and opposes same sex marriage.

#### Affirmative Action:

Bush opposes quotas and racial preferences.

#### Environment and Natural Resources:

He's against offshore drilling in California and Florida and supports conservation of land, wetlands and habitat, especially by private owners.

#### Campaign Finance Reform:

He calls for banning "soft money" contributions from labor unions and corporations and supports raising individual contribution limits.

#### Gun Laws:

He supports requiring instant background checks at gun shows, supports Americans' rights to own guns for protection of their families and supports voluntary safety locks.

### Steve Forbes

#### Social Security:

He would not allow tax increases or benefit cuts. He would also create a new system in which young people would be free to choose or invest their payroll taxes in their Personal Retirement Account simi-

lar to a 401K plan.

#### Taxes:

Forbes believes in the flat tax. People would only pay a rate of 17 percent.

#### Civil Rights:

He would create laws to protect the civil rights of all Americans, regardless of their race, gender or ethnic background. He opposes unfair and unjust racial and gender-driven quotas, set-asides and other forms of preferential treatment.

### Senator Orrin Hatch

#### Hatch's views:

Against sex discrimination.

Encourages women to balance work and family and wants them to succeed as entrepreneurs. Believes in child tax credits.

Wants to restore the tax deduction for a home office. Works to make adoption safer and easier. Would enforce parents paying child support. Would assure the personal health and safety of women. Sponsors the Patient's Bill of Rights.

Would fight against breast cancer. Help reduce infant mortality. Supports the Social Security "lock box."

Would show that vitamins and minerals have a significant protective effect on the health of older citizens.

Would lower the capital gains tax rates.

Would work to protect wildlife conservation, water quality, trails for conservation and recreation, clean air and tropical rain forests.

### Ambassador Alan Keyes

Keyes supports the following:

- 100 percent pro life.
- Would abolish the income tax.
- Supports free enterprise.
- Believes in the right to bear arms.
- Supports school choice.
- Would support school prayer.
- Encourages traditional family integrity.
- Believes in the principle of non-discrimination.
- Supports a strong national defense.
- Supports family farms and family businesses.

### Senator John McCain

#### Taxes:

McCain would increase the number of taxpayers eligible for the lowest tax bracket. He would also provide tax incentives to promote family saving and investment.

#### Social Security:

He would protect it by not allowing the surpluses to be used to mask the size of the budget deficit nor let it be used for spending not related to retirement. He also believes it should be put in a "lock box."

#### Education:

He believes in school choice. He would encourage a nationwide test of school vouchers to make school choice a reality. He would increase teachers' salaries and spend money on the classrooms.

#### Gun Control:

He doesn't support gun bans, but supports background checks on firearm purchases.

#### Budget Surplus:

He would use the budget surplus to help Social Security, save Medicare and repay the national debt.

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# New steakhouse 'liberates' taste buds

By Heather Sittler  
Staff Writer

Let there be liberty and justice for all, all those who enjoy a good steak and a unique selection of beer, that is.

The opening of Liberty Steakhouse Brewery has created quite a stir in High Point, particularly among the college crowd. Not only has the town's newest hot spot provided jobs for about half of the university student population, but it has become a beacon of light, attracting all of the other college kids who don't already work there.

What used to be just another neighborhood bar and grill (remember Red Robin?) has magically been transformed into a very upscale steakhouse. We all know that first impressions are oh so critical, and Liberty certainly hit the mark.

Not knowing that it opened at five, I walked in right on cue. The hostess was right there to open the door for my date and me, and she was eager to chat with us as we were seated. Because we were the first customers of the evening, I had an opportunity to take a look around and inhale the entire atmosphere, free of clutter. The colors are so warm and inviting, and the carpet leaves you wondering if you could possibly make navy with bold yellow stars look good in your house, too. And, of course, Miss Liberty herself is there to greet you at the door.

The menu is just as impressive. Liberty offers the basics, like cheese fries and buffalo wings, but it has a plethora of unique selections as well. You've got your usual choice of salads, pizza, steak, chicken and fish, but Liberty takes the liberty of giving your taste buds a vacation. I highly recommend the maple-pecan crusted breast of chicken. Complete with cranberry chutney and garlic mashed potatoes, this meal left me so in awe that I wasn't even that concerned with the garlic breath reminder.

Because I don't eat red meat, I couldn't comment on the steak, but my boyfriend assured me that it was good (he had the filet). That's a pretty big compliment coming from him since he works at Longhorn and I forced him to taste the competition.

And now I must address what I am sure is the major thing that attracted you to this article, the brew. I tried the Miss Liberty Lager, a mild flavored beer quite reminiscent of a Miller Lite, but with a more generous taste. I hear that the dark ales are just as good, and why not when they are boasting names like Blackberry Wheat, Rocket's Red Ale and Nut Brown Ale (highly recommended by the staff). All of selections are Liberty-brewed and kept on tap. There is also a full bar, which offers three selections of bottled beer, as well as any mixed drink you could dream up. Liberty is also in the

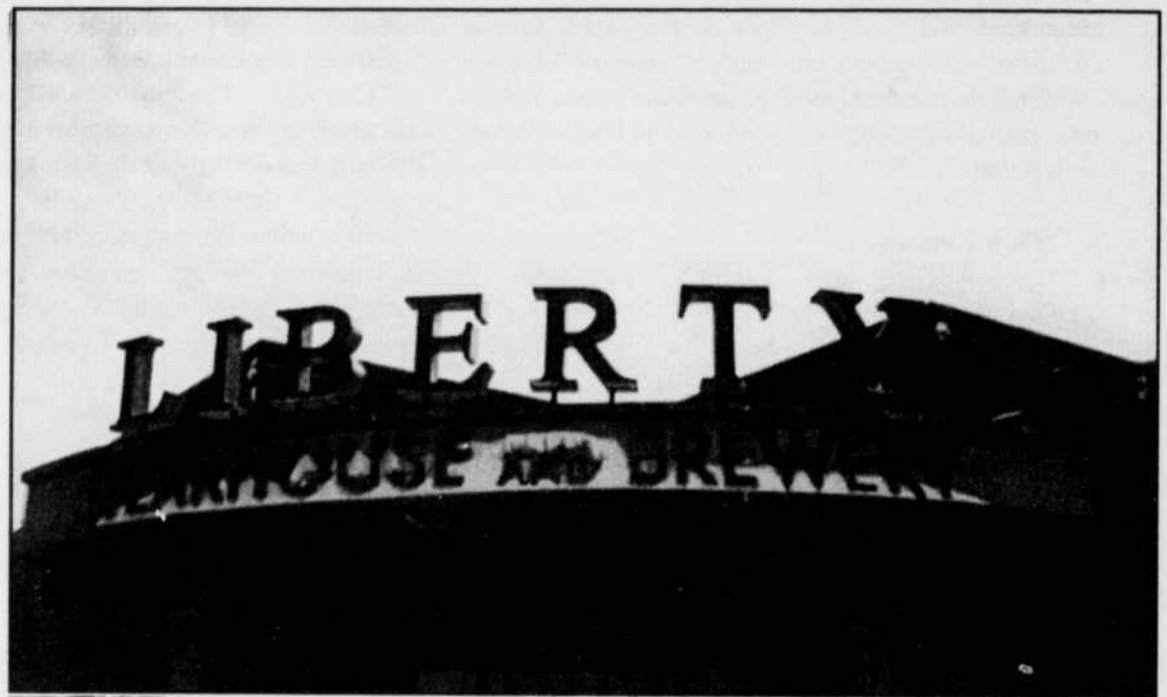


PHOTO BY JON HENTZ

Liberty Steakhouse is the newest hot spot for High Point students.

process of installing The Mug Club, which enables you to purchase a mug for \$25. The mug has your name placed on it for future visits. The club will also offer discounts and specials on beer. I've already heard several guys say that they are starting a fund for their mug.

Liberty is a bit pricey for the average college student, but only if you are going for the full dining experience. You can easily go in and grab a sandwich and a beer and spend around \$10, which matches the average meal at Chili's and Applebee's. So, whether you need a chill place to take that new love interest that has surpassed the "two weekends of hanging out" mark or you just want to go out with a bunch of your friends,

Liberty provides the atmosphere, food, drink and friendly faces (our waitress rocked; thanks, Lindsay!).

Like Cheers, it's pretty likely that everyone will know your name, since much of the

staff attends HPU. Whether the masses of people are due to the restaurant's novelty or the awesome menu is yet to be seen, but I think that Liberty will experience much success in the coming months.

## Babylon has all the rave

By Mariel Mackintosh  
Staff Writer

Just down the block from the ever popular college night hotspot, The N Club, is a place called Babylon - a club made for a different kind of crowd to get down. Located in the historic district of downtown Greensboro since 1994, Babylon has two bars, a Star lounge and a mezzanine overlooking one of the largest dance floors in the Triad.

Babylon is mostly known for its monthly rave, First Friday. This is an all-night party in which the DJ spins the first record at 11 and the music does not stop until dawn. If you are looking for a fun late-night party, Babylon is the place to be. Students from colleges all over North Carolina come here to mingle and that creates a friendly atmosphere at First Friday.

Despite all of the troubles the club has faced in the last year, including the murder of First Friday's promoter Ed

LeBrun in August and the drug arrests made at the December '99 First Friday, Babylon has survived the negative publicity. The reputations of Babylon's employees and management and the rave scene itself were slightly damaged, but Babylon jumped right back when it held a huge party to kick off the millennium.

A main reason Babylon is so successful is that it hosts a diverse and accepting crowd, ranging from ages 18 to 35 and including all races and sexual preferences. Babylon is a great alternative for students who want something different from the regular dance club scene.

When it is not the First Friday, Babylon has a Lounge night that usually costs about \$8. Doors open at 11 and the DJ plays all the music you can dance to. First Fridays cost about \$17, but they feature respected headlining DJ's as well as local DJ's. Saturday nights the entertainment varies.

There are also DJ's that play all the best club music, guest ap-

pearances and even dancers and drag shows. The drink specials are great, and the guest entertainment is amazing! Sunday night is a favorite, and it only costs \$4 before midnight and it goes up \$1 after midnight. Doors open at 10 and close at 3. The theme is Retro Night, and the DJ's play anything from the '70's, '80's and early '90's.

Upcoming events include: First Friday, Feb. 4, with DJ's Mike and Charlie, East Coast Boogiemens, Roy Dank, Carl Lee, Dubz, and Disciple; Heartbeat, Feb. 11, with DJ's Pete "Shaker" Bones, Donald Gluade, Static, Vivid, Nicole Stallings and Mike Soden; Lounge and Get Down, Feb. 18, with DJ's Craig, Dimension, Dubz, Groov-e; and First Friday, March 3 with DJ's Vicious Vic, Carl Michaels and more to be announced. You can get more information about First Friday at [www.first-friday.com](http://www.first-friday.com).

Babylon is located at 221 South Elm Street in Greensboro; the phone number is 336-275-1006.

## Our staff recommends the following...

### Movies: "Anna and the King"

- Xena
- "American Beauty"
- Greensboro Grinch
- "The Green Mile"
- Hentz
- "Austin Powers 2: The Spy Who Shagged Me"
- Hentz

### Books: "Oral History" and "Family Linen" by Lee Smith

- Greensboro Grinch
- "Bridget Jones' Diary" by Helen Fielding and "Angela's Ashes" by Frank McCourt
- Oriole

### CDs: *Everything You Want* by Vertical Horizon

- Graff and Oriole
- All the Way* by Celine Dion
- Xena
- The Sopranos Soundtrack*
- Greensboro Grinch
- Buena Vista Social Club*
- Greensboro Grinch

### Sports: Watching the Super Bowl and rooting for the Tennessee Titans

- Hentz and Graff

### Food: Ramen noodles for late-night study sessions.

- Hentz



# Jay-Z continues his 'hard knock life'

By Derek Gibson  
Staff Writer

If you were to draw a graph representing the success of hip hop rap per Jay-Z, otherwise known as Sean Carter, it would be a line going straight up....way up. From the phenomenal success of his last album, *In My Lifetime...Hard Knock Life Volume 2*, Jay-Z definitely has what it takes to score big in the millennium with his new album, *The Life and Times of S. Carter*.

Jay-Z became nationally known as hip hop's main "jigga one" in 1996 with the help of his gold-certified single with Foxy Brown "Ain't No Nigga." The

Brooklyn native signed a contract with the Priority label, and he released his highly anticipated debut album *Reasonable Doubt*. The first single, "Can't Knock The Hustle," hit the R&B top 40 and achieved gold status (That's my jigga).

In 1997, Jay-Z received several Grammy nominations and music awards for his next album *In My Lifetime Volume 2...Hard Knock Life*. The album garnered several hits such as "Can I Get A ...," "Money Cash Hoes" and the hit, "Hard Knock Life."

"Hard Knock Life" became a song nationally known for its catchy chorus and rhythm and was also a remake of "It's A Hard Knock Life" from the

Broadway musical "Annie." The album sold four million copies which led to a national tour in 1998.

Now, in the year 2000, Jay-z is back once again with his fourth album, *The Life and Times of S. Carter*. The album has sold an amazing 462,000 copies in its first week, bumping last week's No. 1, DMX, down to No. 2. After hearing the album only a few times, I can safely say that it's "off the chain." Featured guests on the album include Beanie Seigel, Amil, Missy Elliot, Memphis Bleek and Mariah Carey.

The first single and also my favorite, "Do It Again," is an upbeat tune fans are sure to be groovin' to at the local club scene.

The album is filled with possible hits such as the sleek and likable tune, "The Things U Do" featuring Mariah Carey, and the rhythmic "Snoopy Track," which will most likely boost Jay-Z's musical success to an even higher level. (As for the bootlegging bamas, I urge you to buy the original copies from a record store because they sound a lot better).

I give this album four stars for all of its blazin' contents and another star for the simple fact that I actually shook hands with the rapper at an autograph signing in Greensboro. Really! If you don't believe me, you can call Jay-Z. Chances are, though, he won't remember me.

## Various artists immortalize Bob Marley and his legacy through latest tribute album

By Tyisha Clarke  
Staff Writer

There aren't many people today that don't know the music of the late great Bob Marley. For those unfortunate souls that have never benefited from his reggae jams and for those that are looking for a new twist on his music, you have to check out the new release called *Chant Down Babylon*.

I have to admit that I am a big fan of Bob Marley's. I love "I Shot the Sheriff," "Buffalo Soldier," "Jammin'," "Three Little Birds" and "No Woman, No Cry" as well as many others. None of those songs is on

the CD. Instead, I'm exposed to another part of his music and to songs that I have quickly fallen in love with.

It's hard to believe that this legend is n't standing right in the studio singing these songs with everyone. Thanks to his sons and their production group, The Marley Boyz, the purity of

Bob's songs is kept intact. They don't exploit their father. Instead, Bob's voice is expertly woven onto new tracks with singers like Erykah Badu, Lauryn Hill, The Roots, Steven Tyler and Joe Perry and Busta Rhymes & Flipmode Squad.

Even a couple of old and almost forgotten faces emerge on this album such as Mc Lyte, Chuck D from

Public Enemy and Rakim minus Eric B. This CD is packed full of popular hip hop artists. "Rebel Music" with Krayzie Bone is such a cool jam that you'll find yourself chanting along with them.

Most of the CD is pretty mellow. You can have it playing in the background and just sway to it while you read or do homework. Or you can crank up the volume and jam to it.

It is also the perfect make-out music because a lot of the songs have a soft, steady beat such as "Turn Your Lights Down Low" with Lauryn Hill and "No More Trouble" featuring Erykah Badu. "Kinky

Reggae" with The Marley Brothers and The Ghetto Youths Crew is full of reggae beats that aren't harsh, but easy to groove to. I love Chuck D's militant voice in "Survival A.K.A. Black Survivors."

This CD is a tribute to Bob Marley and his legend. It gives people that don't know him a chance to fall in love with his music and learn about his messages. It also gives those that know and love him a new take on old and lovable songs.

It's hard to believe that this man is dead and not really in the studio singing. Maybe he's hanging out on that hidden tropical island with Tupac and The Notorious B.I.G.



## Radio station searches for new Enigma talent

Campus radio station WWIH is recruiting students to produce new programs to help it fill its spring semester schedule.

Approximately 14 students in the media studies program's audio production and radio practicum courses already are developing new shows for the coming year. Those shows won't be enough, however, to fill the station's available time slots, 3:30 p.m. to midnight Sunday through Saturday.

"We're trying to develop a real programming service with a real variety of programs," said Mr. Gregory Brown, the radio practicum instructor. "In the past, we've struggled because we have a relatively small campus and not enough audio students to make it work as well as we wanted. Now we think we've developed a creative solution to the problem."

"Because the radio station operates as an arm of the media studies program in the English department, all students broadcasting live on the air must be en-

rolled in one of the two audio courses," Brown said. "Those programs will air live but also will be recorded on two-hour-long cassette tapes for rebroadcast in a different time slot - another means to fill air time."

Station Manager Len Gibson, Media Studies Professor Kate Fowkes and Brown came up with the plan to allow more students to work with the station. That plan allows students to pre-record programs on two-hour-long tapes for review and later broadcast. These students will be required to sign a contract stating they understand and will abide by the station's content and operational rules. Student volunteers also are needed to change tapes and insert CDs in the evenings.

Brown has scheduled a meeting for 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, in room 224 of Cooke Hall. To receive more information about the radio station, students should e-mail Brown at the address at [gbrown@acme.highpoint.edu](mailto:gbrown@acme.highpoint.edu).

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# Ryder explores insanity in new flick

By **Becca Davis**  
Staff Writer

During the summer after graduating from high school, while others are planning on college, Susanna Kayson spends her days indulging in her own sadness. She then chases a bottle of aspirin with a bottle of vodka because she "had a headache." Because of her actions, she somewhat willingly admits herself to Claymoore, a private mental institution near her home in Massachusetts, where she spends about two years of the revolutionary '60s.

"Girl, Interrupted" is a film based on a work by Susanna

Kayson. It is a real life memoir of her time spent at Claymoore.

Winona Ryder plays Susanna, and as always, she does a fabulous job shedding light into the tortured mind of her character. At Claymoore, Susanna

meets many interesting women who are patients with more serious psychological problems. Georgina (Clea Duvall), her

roommate, who is a pathological liar obsessed with the fantasy of living in the fictional Oz from "The Wizard of Oz." Then there is Daisy (Brittany Murphy), an antisocial girl with an unusual eating disorder. Susanna also befriends Polly (Elizabeth Moss), a girl who is horribly scarred from lighting herself on fire years before. However, it is Lisa, a rebel sociopath played with fierce inten-

sity by Angelina Jolie ("The Bone Collector") that proves to affect Susanna the most.

At Claymoore Susanna is diagnosed with "borderline personality disorder," a condition that is primarily marked by feelings of uncertainty. However, it is subconsciously known by Susanna that she is not crazy and that she really doesn't belong in a mental institution. Even Valerie (Whoopi Goldberg), the head nurse at Claymoore, and others begin to realize that Susanna doesn't belong in the mental institution. Yet, as the film becomes more climactic, Susanna finds herself believing in the possibility that

maybe she is crazy, and maybe she actually does belong at Claymoore.

I don't want to give any more insight into the film or its details... how or where Susanna ends up. However, I will simply tell you that "Girl, Interrupted" is a story of self-discovery.

Also, I would suggest to you that you should not make my same mistake and read the book before you see the film so that the images are not already implanted in your mind. You should allow your own imagination to create its own understanding by watching the movie first.

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... 'Girl Interrupted' is a story of self-discovery.  
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## Stone scores with film: 'Any Given Sunday' captures a behind-the-scenes look at the obsessive world of pro football

By **Dave Kerr**  
Staff Writer

"Any Given Sunday," directed by Oliver Stone, is the newest football film in theaters. The only catch is that the movie deals more with the nature of humanity than the actual game. This film takes you behind the scenes of the excitement and popularity of football with brutal honesty and intense performances.

Tony D'Amato (Al Pacino) is the aging coach of the Miami Sharks. Problems arise when the legendary star quar-

terback (Dennis Quaid) realizes that he can't play football anymore due to injuries. Kristina (Cameron Diaz), the ruthless general manager of the team, pushes Tony to get a new quarterback so the team does not suffer more losses than it already has. Willie Beaman (Jamie Foxx) is the quarterback that Tony puts in the game to bring the Sharks back to victory.

The film's big supporting cast includes James Woods as the corrupt doctor for the team, Ann-Margret as Cameron Diaz's mother, LL Cool J as a member of the team, Lauren Holly as

Dennis Quaid's wife and Elizabeth Berkley as a prostitute.

The film's most exciting moments take place both on and off the field. The intense arguments between Pacino and Diaz make the film well worth seeing. Jamie Foxx also

gives a terrific, believable performance

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as the rising quarterback. Oliver Stone hasn't directed a movie in such a cutting-edge, explosive style since 1994's "Natural Born Killers." Though the film clocks in at almost three hours, it was still the most entertaining movie I saw over the holiday season. Even if you're not a fan of football, you will definitely enjoy this enter-

taining football movie.

## Movie mania: The concise guide to the latest movies soon to hit the big screen

By **Robin Kester**  
A&E Editor

### "Next Friday"

Actors: Ice Cube, Tamala Jones, Tom 'Tiny' Lister Jr.

Genre: Comedy

Craig (Ice Cube) still lives with his parents while trying to find a job. Debo, the bully, escapes from jail and is determined to seek revenge on Craig. Craig goes to live with his Uncle Elroy and cousin Day-Day. But while Craig tries to escape his trouble, it finds him anyway no matter where he goes.

### "Restaurant"

Actors: Adrien Brody, Elise Neal

Genre: Drama

The plot focuses on a group of actors, writers and performers who work at a restaurant. The bartender, Chris, a struggling playwright, starts a new relationship with a coworker/singer, after several failed relationships.

Release Date: Jan 28

### "Hanging Up"

Actors: Meg Ryan, Diane Keaton, Lisa Kudrow, Walter Matthau

Genre: Comedy, Drama

Three sisters living on the wild side learn that their father is dying.

Release Date: Feb. 11

### "Held Up"

Actors: Ian Black, Jake Busey

Genre: Comedy

A squabbling couple finds itself in a hostage situation in a convenience store hold-up. The experience causes the man to remember the good things about his relationship, and he decides to become directly involved with the robbers as a way out of the dilemma.

Release Date: Feb. 11

### "All the Pretty Horses"

Actor: Matt Damon

Genre: Drama

After his mother sells the ranch he grew up on, John Grady Cole leaves on horseback with his friend to go to Mexico where the life of a cowboy still exists. Along the way, Cole has adventures, one of which lands him in jail after he kills a man in self-defense.

Release Date: Feb. 18

### "Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai"

Actors: Forest Whitaker

Genre: Drama

Ghost Dog, a professional killer, is guided by an ancient samurai text. His identity is betrayed by a Mafia family

that hires him.

Release Date: Feb. 18

### "The Whole Nine Yards"

Actors: Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry, Natasha Henstridge

Genre: Comedy  
A neighborhood becomes forced into a situation involving organized crime when it discovers that a new neighbor is a mobster.

Release Date: Feb. 18

### "Pitch Black"

Actors: Vin Diesel, Keith David

Genre: Suspense, Horror, Science Fiction

In the future, a pilot crash-lands on a distant planet. Her crew dies, and some passengers escape. The survivors must stay together while exploring the planet. During the day, the planet seems lifeless, but as the sun sets, its inhabitants are starting to emerge.

Release Date: Feb. 18

### "Wonder Boys"

Actors: Michael Douglas, Robert Downey Jr., Katie Holmes, Tobey Maguire

Genre: Drama, Comedy

A professor struggles with writer's block while also getting the chancellor pregnant. He and a college student hunt for a

jacket once owned by Marilyn Monroe. Along the way a college girl falls in love with the other student.

Release Date: Feb. 18

### "Beyond the Mat"

Actors: Jake Roberts, Terry Funk

Genre: Documentary

Three wrestlers struggle with their careers and find trouble.

Release Date: March 3

### "Black and White"

Actors: Robert Downey Jr., Jared Leto

Genre: Drama

A man decides to leave a life of crime behind. He tries to change his life by living the hip-hop lifestyle.

Release Date: April 12

### "28 Days"

Actors: Sandra Bullock

Genre: Comedy, Drama

A party girl played by Sandra Bullock, gets drunk with her boyfriend, borrows her sister's limo and lands in rehab. Living in a new structured environment, she learns that life isn't just a party.

Release Date: April 14

Look for the next issue of the Campus Chronicle, to find out the newest upcoming movies.



### Phi Mu ΓΖ Chapter

Gamma Zeta Chapter would like to welcome back Sister Effie Nicholson from studying abroad last semester in Oxford, England. We know that she learned a lot and enjoyed her experience, but we are happy to have her back.

We would also like to congratulate Carnation Sister pair Lindsay Weldin and Brianne Russell for their exemplary scholastic work last semester. These two sisters recorded the most A's and B's out of our chapter.

The chapter would also like to commend the efforts of Sister Emily Hunter who is serving as this year's Panhellenic Vice President.

Emily organized a successful Fall Recruitment, a fun-filled Greek Week and Spring Formal Recruitment. We would also like to recognize Sister Lori Sessoms for all her hard work to prepare us internally for Spring Recruitment.

Fourteen of our sisters traveled to the Raleigh/Durham area, on Dec. 3 to volunteer their services at the Annual Teddy Bear Ball and auction for Duke Children's Hospital. Our sisters had a wonderful time volunteering over 100 hours for Children's Miracle Network. Also in the month of December, our sisters volunteered at the High Point Theater.

Our participation in a one-day food drive made us "Most Popular Greek Organization on Campus." Each food item donated was counted as one vote. This food then went to a local food bank for the holiday season.

At our recent sisters' semi-formal dance, the Phi class recognized new sister Jamie Regulski as the Most Outstanding Member of the class. Sister Lori Sessoms was voted Most Outstanding Sister by the same Phi class.

The Sisters would like to recognize the scholastic efforts of our president Tara Ebner who was awarded a full academic scholarship, which includes a stipend for books, to Princeton University for graduate work. Congratulations, Tara, and best of luck.

### Zeta Tau Alpha ΔΓ Chapter

We are extremely happy to have sister Mandy Space back from Spain and sister Nicole Davis back from England.

We are proud of sisters McCullough Caldwell and Kat Hoffman, who were inducted into Order of Omega. Jenn Layton was accepted into the Sports Medicine Program, and Christy Everhart was recently selected to serve on the Board of Stewards.

We would also like to congratulate sister Raechel Bennett who was selected from ZTA's all over the nation to interview for a Traveling Leadership Consultant position.

Congratulations to ZTA's new Executive Council: Susannah Brown (President), Kelli Johnson (First Vice President), Brynne Fisher (New Member Coordinator), Christy Everhart (Treasurer), Jana Craven (Historian Reporter), Jenn Layton (Secretary), Amy Hanshaw (Ritualist), Erin Jackson (Membership) and Jackie Bailey (Panhellenic). Have a good year, girls. Thank-you to the outgoing Executive Council for your hard work this past year. Also congratulations to the new members on ZTA's Program Council.

### Alpha Gamma Delta ΓΗ Chapter

We would like to congratulate our new officers for the next year. Our executive council officers are: Amy Loflin (President), Danielle Cooper (VP Membership Development), Kathy Asplund (VP Scholarship), Alisha Choquette (VP Recruitment), Kristyn Taylor (VP Operations), Joelle Davis (VP Finance), Johanna Reynolds (VP Campus Relations) Lauren Woodburn (Property Manager).

We would like to wish great happiness to sister Becky Mendenall as she and Theta Chi brother Tim Wiles begin a beautiful life together with their recent engagement on Nov. 29, 1999.

We extend these same wishes to sister Jen Kleinrichert for her engagement to Lambda Chi brother Chad Bailey during the Christmas holiday.

On Tuesday, Jan. 25, the sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta enjoyed a beautiful candlelight ceremony in honor of Sister Becky Mendenall's engagement.

We wish both of our wonderful sisters a life with unending joy and happiness.

The sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta have been busy since the beginning of the new semester planning for a wonderful spring rush.

### Kappa Delta ΓΤ Chapter

We would like to welcome into our circle sophomore Jill Chicalace. She became a new member last semester and we have had a great time getting to know her better. Kappa Delta is excited about the upcoming formal recruitment and adding more new faces to our circle.

December 3-5 we had the pleasure of receiving a visit from our Collegiate Province President Andrea Wilkinson. Andrea gave us many new ideas and some leadership training. Her visit inspired us and we are glad we got to spend time with her.

The chapter would like to congratulate and give best wishes to sister Danette Farmer and Kelly Hill who both got engaged before the break. We are all so happy for you both.

Best of luck to the spring sports teams in their upcoming seasons. Make us proud.

Finally, we hope that all the sororities and fraternities have an awesome formal recruitment rush and we look forward to working with them this coming year.

### Pi Kappa Alpha ΔΩ Chapter

We would like to congratulate the newly elected executive council of the Delta Omega chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha. They are: Brian Taylor (President), Todd Carroll (Vice President), Dan Carr (Secretary), Dustin Vamer (Treasurer), Adam Davis (Pledge Educator) and Chris Dyson (Sergeant-of-Arms). We are confident that they will serve our fraternity well.

Rush week is now upon us and we are expecting a very strong pledge class. The brothers would like to wish the best of luck to all the fraternities and sororities for a successful week.

The intramural basketball season is here, and three talented teams are representing Pi Kappa Alpha. We have already won the Ultimate Frisbee championship

### GREEK COLUMN

## Is Greek life for you?

By Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

The first formal rush of the new millennium is well underway, and bids will be given out within days. As a new class of members begins the journey into our Greek community, with them come energy, excitement and potential.

Since August, I have noticed a rare breed of freshman around campus. It seems as if the freshmen are very eager to get involved within our Greek community. I

have talked to many freshmen about what Greek Life is all about. Many of these men and women have had numerous questions such as "Which fraternity or sorority is the best?" or "Why should I join a Greek organization?"

Well, the answer is that the fraternity or sorority that is the best depends on the individual. Even though I am a member of Theta Chi, that doesn't mean that everyone needs to be a member. We certainly would like you to be, but you, the individual, need to determine which organization fits your needs. As to why you should join a Greek organization, there are numerous reasons, and each person that is a member of a Greek organization could list a dozen each. Being a member of a fraternity or a sorority is a great honor. You will make friendships that will last beyond your college career, as well as have the chance to do wonderful things for your campus and community such as community service with Habitat for Humanity and The Father's Table or assisting with the Juvenile Diabetes Association. Becoming a member of a Greek organization allows you to participate in numerous social activities such as dances and mixers. You also get the chance to travel the country to attend local, regional and national conferences for your chapter.



== Justin Wood ==  
Greek Editor

There is definitely more to a Greek organization than spending money to hang out on the hall or at the house! Although hanging out with your brothers and sisters is a great way to pass time, there is more to Greek life than "buying friends" as some people think.

If you did not participate in formal rush this week, it's OK. This is your chance to decide if becoming a member of a Greek organization in the fall of 2000 is right for you. Keep a watchful eye on what

our Greek members and organizations are doing. Evaluate all fraternities or sororities and see what you like or dislike about them. Don't rule out rushing quite yet; keep asking questions and determine where you fit in best. The Greek community at HPU plays a large role in campus activities and clubs, including SGA,

University Ambassadors, the honor societies and almost every other organization. We strive for academic excellence and hold higher GPA's than any other club on campus. We also try to better our campus and community through numerous hours of service. Did you know that the Greek community compiles more community service hours than any other club on campus? Keeping a watchful eye on what we do may change your mind about rushing and becoming a member.

Becoming a member of our Greek community in the future will be well worth it. You will be glad that you decided to participate in Rush! One insight on joining is that once you become a member of a Greek organization, you will acquire so many T-shirts that you won't have to do laundry for a month!

and we were runner-ups in football and soccer. We are hoping to add a basketball championship to the list of athletic accomplishments for this year.

One final note, our 47th annual Dreamgirl formal is going to be held on Feb. 4 and 5 at the Greensboro Radisson. Check back in the next issue of the Campus Chronicle to find out which lucky lady is crowned Pi Kappa Alpha's dream girl.

### Theta Chi EA Chapter

The brothers of Theta Chi are extremely pleased with the number of visitors we have had for Rush. We wish everyone the best of luck on bid day.

Our Spring Drags have been set for early February at Mugs Sports Bar on Market Street in Greensboro. We are all looking forward to having a great time.

We are going to be extremely busy this semester through community service. The date of our 2nd annual See-Saw-A-Thon will be announced in the

next few weeks. Be on the lookout for all the exciting events we are planning for the weekend. Tentative plans include a Block Party with two bands, food, raffles, and of course, 48 hours of sawing to raise money for the American Diabetes Association.

Intramural basketball has finally begun, and the season looks promising for all three of our teams. Brother Jacob Haislip looks to be the MVP of our C-team this year, helping to carry them to a win for their first game.

As we look down the road, many of us will be heading to New Orleans for Spring Break to partake of Mardi Gras activities, while Dream Girl weekend will be shortly after Spring Break.

Our new executive council has really been focused on excelling this semester.

Finally, the brothers would like to thank everyone for the support we received after the loss of our brother, Jake Brayshaw. The last few days of the semester were hard on the brothers, but your support made them a little easier.



# Dance Team and cheerleaders provide spark

By Shannon Moxley  
Staff Writer

"I do not believe in putting garbage on the floor," are the stern words from new cheerleading and dance coach, Melissa Towery. With her tough tactics and years of experience, she hopes to make a drastic change with this squad.

This year High Point is competing on the Division I level. The new status requires a transformation of the cheerleading and dance teams. These groups have never received great support from the student body, but this year they intend to make a name for themselves.

The university searched for a coach with experience and determination. Towery fits these qualities because she has coached for 14 years.

She cheered for four years at Elon College and coached at Greensboro College.

She chose this university because "I heard it through the grapevine that High Point was looking for a coach that would be able to work with a program that needed a lot of building. They were very cooperative with me throughout the interview, and this was the type of job I was looking for. Starting from ground up."

Towery has very high expectations for her women and men. She holds practices everyday with both the squads for two hours.

They are required to run 15 minutes and to lift weights, on top of their routine workout. She wants her athletes to be in tiptop shape and to look good when they are performing.

The teams made their big debut at the first pep rally on Nov. 17, 1999. There was a good turnout. The chairs were filled with screaming Panther fans who danced along with the new and improved squads.

"We were really excited and nervous for the first time because we had something to prove to the students and we wanted to blow their minds away," says dance team member Mary Ann Dimsio.

The show received rave reviews from the student body.

"I was really surprised at the team's performance. They seem very coordinated and they seem like they had something to prove. I look forward to seeing them dance and cheer at future games," says sophomore Melissa Henderson.

Towery tells the student body to expect "a lot more energy from the team. They are a young, vibrant team that has high expectations for the near future. They are just getting their chemistry with each other, but once they start caring more about each other as a team, then they will be a dominating team."

In April, the team will enter the National Cheerleading Association com-

petition at Daytona, Fla. There are also plans to have a dance and cheerleading camp during the summer. So, if you are interested in trying out for the team, be prepared to give a maximum effort because this year both the dance and the cheerleading team aren't taking any slack.

Members of the dance team: Amber Martin, Cass Arnold, Tracy Gwyn, Mary Ann Dimsio, Kelly Strandridge, Meredith Mackoy, Michelle McKnight, April White, Michelle Dellosa, Amber Lewis, Allison Augustine, Becca Marcus and Lauren Woodburn.

Members of the cheerleading squad: Karie Williams, Sarah Hubbard, Misty Johnson, Melissa Quinn, Vaneisha Paynter, Tiffany Clarke, Mandi Yoder, Lisa Pettigrew, Lea Newport, Ginny Gielen, Rebecca Rush, Amy Powers, Nick Karwoski, Andrew Walling, Jonathan Griffith, Jimmy Routh and Josh Hykes (mascot).

# Former pro ballplayer has roots at High Point

By Len Gibson  
Staff Writer

Sports have had an important purpose in the life of Mr. George Erath, preparing him for the real world of the furniture industry and the duties of a trustee of this university.

Not many people can say they went to college and played professional baseball at the same time. In 1951, Erath began his higher education at High Point College while playing professional baseball as pitcher for a farm team of the Chicago Cubs.

"I got my start in baseball when I was in the Army. I was placed on special duty to play football and baseball because the Army generals liked to bet," recalls Erath. "I was an average student in college, maybe a little better."

He pays credit to this institution for

giving him a chance to go to school in the fall and play in the minors for the Cubs during the spring. Erath and Bob Davidson, now the university's track and field coach, were classmates.

"I can remember when George was throwing to a catcher in Harrison gym, he fired the ball so hard it would pop in the catcher's mitt and it would sound all over the gym," said Davidson.

Erath played in the minor leagues for seven years with the Cubs and the New York Giants.

"I made a promise to myself to quit baseball and start my career if I didn't make it to the major leagues," said Erath.

But for a time he found a way to stay in the game he loved. Erath became the general manager for the Cincinnati Reds farm team, the Hi-Toms of High Point/Thomasville.

He brought the first minority players, Cubans, to the Hi-Toms. "In the beginning, fans were not nice to the Cuban players. The Cubans would curse the fans out, and the fans would not know what they were saying. When the Cubans did a good job, the fans started to love them," said Erath.

In 1957 Veneer Corporation hired Erath. In 1968, a Veneer manufacturing plant was about to go bankrupt.

"I was playing golf with this man, and he told me if I needed him for anything to give him a call. When I found out about the plant, I gave him a call and he gave me the money to buy the Veneer business," said Erath.

Today Erath owns Veneer Corporation with locations in High Point and Rocky Mount, Va. He is also known for his distinguished service on the HPU board of trustees.

Erath enjoys traveling and eating seafood. One of his most memorable trips was when he went to see Ademola Okulaja play basketball in Berlin before he played for UNC-Chapel Hill.

"My wife and I were invited by Coach Dean Smith, and we were standing at the foot of some stairs, and Dean Smith was coming toward us with Okulaja walking behind him. I was the first to see Okulaja before he came to the U.S. other than Dean Smith. My wife and I spent the rest of the day with Dean Smith and Okulaja," said Erath.

Many college students of today have multiple ways to attend school, but years ago those opportunities weren't offered. Erath got his chance here because of the Army's GI Bill. "I think it's good when you have to struggle to go to school because you will realize you're in college to learn not to play," said Erath.

## Men's bball schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Jan. 27	@ Radford	7 p.m.
Jan. 29	Elon	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 1	@ Liberty	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 5	@ Coastal Carolina	4 p.m.
Feb. 7	@Charleston Southern	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 12	Winthrop	4 p.m.
Feb. 16	Liberty	7 p.m.
Feb. 18	@ UNC-Asheville	9 p.m.
Feb. 24	Radford	7 p.m.
Feb. 26	@ Elon	7 p.m.

## Women's bball schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Jan. 29	Elon	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 3	@ Liberty	7 p.m.
Feb. 9	Winthrop	7 p.m.
Feb. 12	@ Coastal Carolina	7 p.m.
Feb. 14	@ Charleston Southern	7 p.m.
Feb. 18	@UNC-Asheville	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 21	Liberty	7 p.m.
Feb. 23	Radford	7 p.m.
Feb. 26	@ Elon	4:30 p.m.
Mar. 2-4	Big South Tournament	TBA

Look for the next issue of the Chronicle to hit stands on February 17.



## SPORTS EDITORIAL

# John Rocker's comments draw interrogation

By **Jon Hentz**  
Sports Editor

It's amazing how a few comments can send the entire world into an uproar. If the comments you make are to a national reporter and they offend just about all minority groups and homosexuals, it tends to grab a few people's attention. Atlanta Braves' closer John Rocker made such comments, and now he's Public Enemy No. 1.

For those of you who have been hiding under a rock, here are a few of the diatribes that were revealed in Rocker's recent interview in Sports Illustrated magazine. While driving down the highway, Rocker commented about another motorist, "Look at this idiot! I guarantee you she's a Japanese woman. How bad are Asian women at driving?"

The chaos surrounding John Rocker started well before he made his ridiculous and outlandish comments in SI. It all began in the National League

Championship Series against the New York Mets.

In the third game of the series, the bullpen doors opened, and the boos started and then came the chant of "A-hole! A-hole!" In that series Rocker had bottles and batteries thrown at him, and beer was dumped on his girlfriend.

Rocker didn't help matters by spitting at Mets fans and giving them the bird. Not what most would consider the acts of a professional athlete.

When Rocker was asked if he would ever play for a New York team, he responded, "I would retire first. Imagine having to take the 7 train to the ballpark, looking like you're riding through Beirut next to some kid with purple hair next to some queer with

AIDS right next to some dude who just got out of jail for the fourth time right next to some 20-year-old mom with four kids. It's depressing."



== Jon Hentz ==  
Sports Editor

It doesn't stop there, though; Rocker has his own unique view about the entire city of New York: "The biggest thing I don't like about New York are the foreigners. I'm not a very big fan of foreigners. You can walk an entire block in Times Square and not hear anybody speaking English. Asians and Koreans and Vietnamese and Indians and Russians and Spanish people and everything up there. How the hell did they get in this country?"

Since then, Rocker has admitted that his comments made him sound like a complete jerk and has apologized, saying that he is not a racist.

The Braves' ace closer claimed that he just lost his cool and said things he didn't mean about New York fans because he wanted to inflict some emotional pain in retaliation for the pain that had been inflicted on him.

"You hit one home run in the big leagues, it doesn't make you a home-run hitter," Rocker said. "To make one comment like this doesn't make you a racist."

Everyone from minority groups to the mayor of Atlanta has expressed ideas for a proper punishment for Rocker, whether it be an apology, his departure to another team or his exit from baseball.

Whether or not Rocker is a racist has nothing to do with whether or not baseball should take action against him. It is warranted that Rocker owed an apology and he made one. Everyone has the right to free speech in this country, and no matter how ignorant the words or how many people his statements may have offended, he still has the right to speak his mind.

## Senior baseball player Webb's powerful bat leads team, bids to catch eyes of scouts

By **Jason Brennan**  
Staff Writer

It's December, and the grass is still green and vibrant, but the baseball field has a hollow feeling, save the crack of bat on ball. That sound is coming from the powerful swing of Buddy Webb as the bat connects with the ball off the baseball tee and races into the screen.

That is the Buddy the HPU baseball team has come to rely on. Teammate Tim Dixon, a senior shortstop, describes Buddy as "quiet-spoken. He leads by example by the way he carries himself on and off the field."

Buddy is wearing his gray-hooded HPU sweatshirt and black adidas sweatpants along with the "scully" over his head to protect him from the cold air. He swings, and there's another "CRACK." He says working out by himself on the field and in the weight room "helps me stay focused so I don't joke around."

Buddy, a sports management major, stands 6 feet, weighs 200 pounds and carries an explosive swing. He is a left-handed hitter, which as coach Jim Speight says, "is a great asset in our park (with the right field wall only 297 feet away)."

His real first name is John. He says the name Buddy "was given to me when I was little. There was always someone else in my class with the same first name as me." He says his little sister started calling him "Bubba" when he was 6, and the name evolved to "Buddy." It has stuck ever since.

Buddy, a senior, has started every year at first base and in right field and will start again this year in right field.

Chris Vinar, a junior who roams the outfield beside Buddy, says, "Hitting is his main asset. Situational hitting and leadership. He's had quite a few big hits that I can remember. He's clutch."

Last year, Buddy hit .331 with a team-leading 10 home runs. He had the

game-winning home run versus Elon last year in the team's first Big South Conference win of the season. He described the experience as "awesome because it was against some of my former (American) Legion coaches and three of my best friends play for Elon. We have never really beaten them and we finally did it!"

"CRACK!" Another solid shot off the bat.

The baseball team has been through a lot of change since Buddy came in four years ago, when the team was Division II. There was a two-year transition period before the team officially became a Division I member this year. Buddy is one of only three players who still remember the Division II days.

"The biggest change is the attitude (of the team). Players want to win. There were only three or four guys I came in with that really wanted to win," he says. "More players actually want to win and give 110 percent every day now."

About going Division I, Webb says, "(I) think it's the biggest step the school's ever had. A challenge. A well-worth challenge to see how well we stack up against every other Division I school."

Buddy represents one of High Point's best shots at getting drafted in June's Major League Baseball draft. To get drafted, he must "have another year like last year. Ten to 15 home runs and hit .350 or above." But he says that the success of the team will also help him get noticed. "I think I have to produce, as

well as everyone else," he says. "We have to play as a team. No one person can play as a team."

If he were to get drafted, it could move mountains for the program. This would lay a foundation for the program to build off. It would open the eyes of major league scouts as to the abilities of the rest of the players on the team.

Buddy's skill and experience have led him to become a team captain this year. David White, a sophomore pitcher, echoes the sentiments of the team in his experience with Buddy.

"Myself, along with other teammates, think of Buddy as a quiet guy who leads the team with his actions," White says. "He showed me an example of that quality last year when we almost got into a brawl with UNC-Asheville. He was the only player who kept everything calm in a stormy situation by speaking up (and telling us not to fight)." The team is used to hearing only the "CRACK" of his bat,

although when he does speak up, the team listens.

Perseverance is one of Buddy's strongest traits, and it has been challenged by his experience here. The baseball team has been in a rebuilding stage for the better part of Buddy's career.

Less than half of his freshman class and only 25 percent of the following year's class remain. This is a high rate of turnover that has caused its share of problems for the program. The team has endured a staggering number of losses during Buddy's career (only 41 wins in

over 130 games).

There have been new players entering the program every year, and the majority, until very recently, have either quit or transferred. Buddy has remained a constant. He is not going to walk away from a puzzle only half finished. He wants to be the one to start the program out on the right track in Division I.

A quote that keeps him going is, "Swing, because I'm not up there looking for a walk." He is not going to walk away from this program. He is swinging and giving it his all.

He wants to be the one at the plate in the bottom of the ninth, with the bases loaded, two outs, the team three runs down and two strikes against him in the Big South championship game. "I'm looking for a fastball that I can hit a mile," he says.

Buddy stares into the distance for a brief instant, imagining the moment. And the crowd goes wild.

As he continues to take swings and work on his batting stance in the crisp December air, other players begin to invade the field. As Buddy scans the green outfield grass, the echoes of bat on ball move from the solitary sound of Buddy's swing to being too numerous to pinpoint. This must be the sweetest sound for him. Sounds of a team. The field no longer has a hollow feeling.

"CRACK!" Another laser into the screen.

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Hitting is his main asset. Situational hitting and leadership. He's had quite a few big hits that I can remember. He's clutch.  
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- Chris Vinar on fellow outfielder Buddy Webb

**Due to the inclement weather the Chronicle had to be published a day later than scheduled.**



# Men's team gets back on track with victory

By Todd James  
Staff Writer

The Panthers managed to improve their conference record to above .500 again this season with a tight victory over UNC-Asheville. After holding an 11-point lead at halftime, the Panthers pulled out a 60-58 victory with a last-second shot by Billy Anderson, making the club 3-2 in Big South play.

On Jan. 22, the Panthers lost to Winthrop 75-57. Mantas Ignatavicius led the team with 17 points and five boards.

After a wild Western road trip that saw the Panthers play four games in 11 days, HPU returned home to start its Big South Conference schedule.

On Jan. 15, High Point won its first conference game by smashing Charleston Southern 79-61 in the Millis Center. Sophomore guard Ignatavicius led the way with 14 points, eight assists and six steals. Panthers Anthony Jackson and Myron Stewart also had nice games, each scoring 12.

HPU head coach Jerry Steele said the win over CSU may have been his team's best outing of the year: "In the second half we really got into the flow and played well for an extended period of time."

Two days later, High Point almost won its second home game in the conference, but fell short by five points, losing 73-68 to Coastal Carolina. Senior Jimmy Bennett came through with his season-high of 17 points for the Panthers, but the Chanticleers were on target from the perimeter, connecting on 12 three-pointers to turn back the home team. High Point's record is now 3-2 in the Big South, 8-10 overall.

Before conference play started, HPU played four road games, three in California and the other in Las Vegas.

On Jan. 9, the Panthers lost a close game (74-69) to the UC-Irvine Anteaters. High Point took the lead after going on a 17-6 run to open the second half, but

couldn't hold on in the final minutes. Sophomore guard Derek Van Weerdhuizen led HPU with 20 points in the contest, and center Geordie Cullen also came up big, netting 18.

On Jan. 7, High Point lost 96-65 to the Fresno State Bulldogs, who are coached by Jerry Tarkanian. Van Weerdhuizen paced the Panthers with 19 points and 11 rebounds.

On Jan. 4, HPU lost 72-53 to the UNLV Runnin' Rebels. The Panthers started the game by going up 19-6, but then lost control. Thirty-four High Point turnovers helped UNLV catch up and win going away in



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Brooks Lee drops in another jump shot.

the second half. Jackson led the Panthers with 13, while Cullen and Van Weerdhuizen had 10 apiece.

On Jan. 2, the Panthers lost 74-63 to the San Diego State Aztecs. High Point again played well early, as the score was tied at 25 going into halftime. Cullen had his best game of the road trip, scoring 26 and pulling down five rebounds. Ignatavicius and Van Weerdhuizen also put up double figures, with 15 and 11, respectively.

Steele said the road trip was a good learning ex-

perience for his team. "I thought we played pretty good. We were in the San Diego State game, we were down by two with nine minutes to go at UNLV and we had a chance against Irvine, but we made some mistakes and I think we got a little tired."

On Dec. 30, HPU edged Yale 62-60 in the Millis Center as Ignatavicius connected on a buzzer-beating jumper after taking a pass from Brooks Lee. The Panthers were down 42-30 in the second half, but went on a 13-0 run to take a 43-42 lead with 12:00 left to play. Eleven of Ignatavicius' team-high 14 points came in the second half.

On Dec. 21, High Point lost to Jacksonville 101-86. Two days prior to that, the Panthers were bombed 109-60 by the Florida Gators, who were ranked 8th nationally at the time.

On Dec. 17, HPU lost 79-35 to the Demon Deacons of Wake Forest. Panther coach and former Deacon player Jerry Steele was honored at a ceremony before that game. Steele, who was presented with a plaque, captained the 1961 Wake Forest team which won the ACC championship. Also, current Deacons coach Dave Odom played under Steele when he coached at Guilford College.

Steele said the ceremony brought back a lot of good memories. "I saw a lot of people that I had not seen in years and I recognized them all. Dave Odom went out of his way to do that, and that's typical of him. He's a very classy."

On Saturday night, Elon visits the Millis Center for a 7:30 tip-off.

## Women suffer tough losses

By Verron Chue  
Staff Writer

It's just past the middle of the season, and not too many things are going the way the women's basketball team expected.

"We started off slow," says freshman forward Gina Rosser. "We can compete with everybody. There are a lot of hard teams out there, but we'll be OK."

The Panthers faced a tough Winthrop team and suffered a 63-45 loss down in Rock Hill, S.C. Stephie Scott tossed in 13 points, and Mary Brewer added 12 points, seven rebounds and four blocks in the loss.

Indeed the Panthers have shown that they can hold their own on a number of occasions. In a nail-biting loss to conference foe Coastal Carolina at home, 52-50, the women outshot the Chanticleers 48 percent to 33 percent and out-rebounded the "Chants" 34-31. Unfortunately, the Panthers also had nine more turnovers than the "Chants." That pretty much did the Panthers in. The scoring attack of Keisha Boyd (12) and Annie Miller (11), both seniors, just was not enough. Prior to this game, the Panthers had just beaten two other conference enemies in Charleston Southern and Radford.

Against Charleston, the Panthers had three players score in double digits. Leading the way was Annie Miller (14), followed by Keisha Boyd (12) and sophomore Toni Vick (11). These three led HPU to a 63-54 victory over the Buccaneers. Against Radford, the Panthers dominated every aspect of the game and came out on top, 62-50. Annie Miller led the way with 25 points, and sophomore Mary Brewer had 12 rebounds. This game was the Panthers' first official Big South Conference win.

So far in conference play, the Panthers are 2-2. "We're playing well in the conference," says Rosser. Surely the absence of Misty Brockman has given this team another obstacle to overcome and they have. One player in particular is Annie Miller.

"Annie has a lot of pressure on her," says Rosser. "But she is doing very well." This is evident in the fact that Miller was voted the Big South Conference Women's Basketball Player of the Week earlier this month. Miller averaged 38 minutes and 16 points per game over a three-game span.

### SPORTS EDITORIAL

## Super Bowl looks promising

By Mike Graff  
Editor

Five years ago, the St. Louis Rams played in Los Angeles, and the Tennessee Titans were the Houston Oilers.

In their old homes, the two were merely mediocre. The Rams played in a Super Bowl against the Pittsburgh Steelers in the late '70s, and the Oilers were the beneficiaries of one of John Elway's most memorable fourth-quarter comebacks in the early '90s.

But this could be the start of something good. Young players like Eddie George, Steve McNair and Jevon Kearse make up the backbone of the Tennessee lineup. For the Rams, players such as Kurt Warner and Marshall Faulk have found their homes in Missouri.

Speaking of finding a home, Tennessee has played in four stadiums in four years but has finally settled in Nashville, where it went undefeated this season.

Both of these teams may find their homes atop the NFL for the next few seasons. The new millennium has brought fans of football two teams that are young, unselfish and very talented.

Out are the old stars of the Cowboys and the SF logo of San Francisco. It's time for some freshness in the league, and this bottom-top season made football new again for all of us.

Both Tennessee and St. Louis have more than shrewd coaches.

Rams' leader Dick Vermeil coached the Eagles to a Super Bowl in the early '80s.

Titans' coach Jeff Fisher thought of a way to beat Jacksonville (15-3), the AFC's powerhouse team, three times this year. And after last season, Fisher's job was on the line. He has thought of trick plays all year, including the miracle lateral in the wild-card round against the Bills.

Both teams have players who, prior to this year,

were either good, decent or just plain unheard of.

Isaac Bruce and Az-hir Hakim have bull's-eyes on their chests for Warner, who went from NFL Europe hero to NFL MVP. Marshall Faulk was a standout at San Diego State but never amounted to much for the Indianapolis Colts. But for the Rams Faulk rushed for over 1,000 yards and received for over 1,000 yards to set the record for total yards by a player in a single season.

In Tennessee, "Air" McNair looked like "Impaired" McNair midway through the season. Then he threw for five touchdowns against the Jaguars. Eddie George, a Heisman Trophy winner at Ohio State, did rush for over 1,200 yards in each of his first two years in the pros, but this year, he improved on his catching ability while still putting up the same numbers. Titan Frank Wycheck is going to the Pro Bowl, and Kearse set the record for sacks by a rookie.

And some people are saying that this won't be an exciting Super Bowl.

Both teams, noted for their offenses, have relied on their defenses in the playoffs - aside from the Rams' 49-point effort against the Vikings. Both held their opponents' offenses in check on conference championship weekend. And as we all know, say it together now, "Defense wins championships."

Predicting a winner is difficult, but I chose the Titans at the beginning of the playoffs and I can't stray now. (Believe me, I was sweating during that Buffalo game.)

For all betting purposes, take the Titans.

On Monday morning, the Rams were on the right side of the 8-point spread.

I don't see Tennessee having any trouble covering the spread. They have surprised people all year, and Sunday's game should be no different.

As for being a fan, take your pick. There's no reason to not be a fan of either of these teams.

Especially if you want to be on the winning side for the next few years.





In Greek: Fraternities and sororities celebrate successful Rush.



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## Column One News

### Big Brothers go bowling for dollars

The Office of Development and Alumni Relations is offering organizations a chance to have fun for a good cause.

On Feb. 26, Big Brothers/Big Sisters is holding its annual "Bowl for Kids' Sake" at High Point Bowling Center. It will run from the morning until early afternoon. Teams will be allowed to choose the hours they bowl.

Competing in teams of five, each member will be responsible for raising \$50 from sponsors. All funds will go to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. There will be door prizes and other giveaways for participants.

If your organization is interested in this fundraiser, contact Marisa Ray in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at x9239 or Wendy Rivers of Big Brothers/Big Sisters at 882-4167.

### SAB looking for HPU hidden talent

Do you have a secret talent you're ready to show the world? Do you dance, sing or tell jokes? If so, the Student Activities Board wants you for the 9th annual HPU talent show.

The show, part of Spring Activities Week, will be on March 31 at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Auditorium. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three acts.

Auditions for the show will be sometime in mid-March. If you are interested in trying out, call Katherine Phipps at x9156.

### Student stars shine at Spring Cabaret

Looking for some local entertainment this weekend which is sure to knock you off your feet? You don't even have to leave campus because the Spring Cabaret will do that and more.

In a show organized by the fine arts department, students are given the chance to perform some of their favorite tunes. While some tunes are older, others are brand new and have never been performed before.

There is something for everyone at this show, and at \$3 a ticket for students, where are you going to find a better time? So sit, relax and sing along if you want as your fellow students make the night one to remember.

The show begins at 8 p.m. on Feb 18 and 19 and at 2 p.m. on the 20th. Tickets are on sale in the bookstore now.

- by Kelly Gilfillan

## Hearts and history get hitched

By Shannon Moxley  
Staff Writer

In February, many people celebrate Black History Month and Valentine's Day. Black Cultural Awareness (BCA) decided to approach both of these events at the same time but in a different way.

"Since Valentine's Day was coming up and Black History Month was here, I thought about how Black America especially fails at true intimate relationships, so I wanted to address this issue," says BCA Co-President Monica Dowe, who was responsible for the heated discussion of the theme "Who is to blame? We're not making love no more."

More than 30 African Americans gathered in the Great Room on Feb. 9 to consider the real meaning of intimacy and love. The group divided into genders, the men going to one room and the women to another.

David Taylor, the first African American fire chief in High Point, and Leah Clark, the first African American female police attorney in High Point, mediated the discussions. Impressed by the guests' prestigious accomplishments, both groups were eager to begin the debate. The mediators asked questions about the stereotypes America gives African American men, women and couples and about interracial relationships.

ships.

One question that stirred a lot of controversy in the women's room was why African American females get upset when African American males date outside their race.

"It's not that I get mad when I see this, because you can date anyone you want, but when I see a black guy treat a black female bad and then turn around and treat a white female like a queen, it really upsets me," one woman said.

When the two groups returned to one room, they found out that everyone was asked the same questions. Men and women discovered that their perception of each other was distorted.

"We realized that we have a different way of thinking about certain issues," says Derico Cooper. "For instance, girls don't want us to act hard; they want

us to be more sensitive to their needs and guys just want girls to listen to us instead of speaking sometimes." This forum brought out many topics that have been kept in the dark for a while, and it helped both genders know and understand each other a little better.

Mediators Taylor and Clark ended the night by encouraging men and women to be honest with each other and urging students to focus on goals so that they can achieve success.



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

Monica Dowe speaks on King Day in chapel.

## Dakkota mixes country with rock

By Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

The Student Activities Board brought Nashville recording artists Dakkota to campus on Feb. 10. Dakkota is a North Carolina-based country music band that was formed by five Elon College students in 1994.

A crowd of about 50 students and guests was thoroughly amazed by the talent of Dakkota. The band performed cover songs such as "Brown-eyed Girl" and "You Don't have to Call me Darling" as well as some of its own songs from its two albums.

The band promoted crowd involvement by bringing numerous students on stage to sing.

Dakkota combines the melodies of country with the drive of Southern Rock to produce its own distinctive sound. Its highly energetic, interactive stage show and newly released album have allowed them to perform with some of the biggest names in country music such as The Dixie Chicks and Tim McGraw. The band has built a reputation as one of the hardest working groups in the United

States, touring extensively since 1994.

The National Association of Campus Activities has named Dakkota "Country Music Entertainers of the Year" for five consecutive years.

Dakkota also works for the No. 1 morning radio show in the South, "The John Boy and Billy Big Show."

The band can be seen at many of John Boy and Billy's public appearances. It can also be heard on local radio sta-



PHOTO BY HEATHER DODD

Dakkota enthalls audience in cafeteria.

tion WHSL, 100.3 FM every morning.

The band will continue to perform locally as it will play at Triangle Billiards on the corner of Main Street and Lexington Avenue at 9:30 p.m. tomorrow.

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## The South needs to plan better for unpredictable winter weather

**Mike Graff**

**Editor**

There are many perks that come with living in the South.

The people are nicer and treat each other with courtesy and respect. The Southern drawl is a different dialect that is hard to complain about.

The weather is usually nice and warm.

But when the weather takes a turn toward the cold side and snow moves in, I wish I was back up north in Maryland.

The cleanup process in the South is too slow and can cause numerous problems.

After last month's 10 inches of snow, North Carolina stood at a standstill. Travel was, at best, difficult for at least three days. And after a week, the side streets were still covered in ice.

The roads leading to campus were treacherous for what seemed like a month. And the only way the roads ever became clear again was through a drawn-out melting process.

I felt as though the city just stopped plowing and de-icing.

Now, I realize North Carolina probably doesn't put money aside for winter weather, but the length of time the snow stayed on the roads was ridiculous.

North Carolina was declared a State of Emergency after the storm.

I thought it was more like a State

of Defeat.

I remember when the Blizzard of '96 hit in Maryland. The state was in chaos for a week.

But that storm brought over two feet of snow. And the road crews worked every day until each road was cleared.

But last month, the North Carolina road crews gave up. They decided they

couldn't beat the "monstrous" amount of snow. So, they just stopped trying.

And the public schools were out for 12 days. Granted, the storm did warrant about a week off, but 12 days? Come on.

And don't blame the school systems for closing. They couldn't have allowed their buses to carry around students on icy, slick roads.

High Point University students felt the

wrath as well. On College Drive in front of Cooke Hall, cars slid off roads for days.

The university had to hold school to complete the needed number of semester hours, and most students were irritated with having to come in with such terrible driving conditions.

The problem could have been averted if the road crews would have done a better job clearing the side streets. The main roads were cleared in a reasonable amount of time, but the side streets sat under ice for days.

Maybe the state needs to allot some more money to the winter weather fund.



**Mike Graff**  
**Editor**

### STAFF EDITORIAL

## Little enigmas, part II

This world still manages to make absolutely no sense. It has been said before and it will have to be said again because there are still things that manage to boggle the mind.

What's most amazing about these problems is that we seem to breeze through life without even giving them a second thought.

For example, let's think about people that stroll into a fast food restaurant and order a cheeseburger and a diet soft drink.

Is there any real point in trying to order a healthy drink after you just ordered a meal that could probably cause a heart attack in a small animal? This really annoys some people, and it really doesn't make any sense, so just go ahead and order a regular Coke instead of diet.

Speaking of extremely annoying, can't someone think of an easier way to package CDs? You go to the store and spend \$15, which is a good deal of money when it comes to college students, and then it takes 20 minutes to open the thing.

It starts with the plastic they wrap the CD in. It's next to impossible to pull up one of the little corners of the plastic, and once you do, it rips in a place that makes it just as difficult to get the plastic off.

Then you finally do get the plastic off and you think you're finally going to get to listen to the CD you just spent your hard-earned money on when you realize that there is still that God-forsaken sticky label at the top.

All right, they put that little tab on there that says "pull," but nine times out of 10 you can't pull it off in one piece, and it ends up getting stuck all

over your hands.

If someone knows of an easy way to open our precious music, please enlighten the rest of us poor struggling souls.

Now this is an issue that has been thought of probably almost every day, especially by college students. Why is the drinking age 21 when at 18 you can vote, pay taxes, hold a job and go to war and die for your country? This list sounds like you must be a pretty responsible person, so why is it that we cannot legally drink?

And another thing: The United States government has a branch called Congress, but its goal is "progress", so why don't we just rename it "Progress" instead of Congress? It would make life much more simple.

Here are two more oddities: Why do we drive on the parkway and park in the driveway? Why is it that when goods are delivered on a ship, they are called cargo, but when a truck delivers the goods, they're labeled a shipment. This makes no sense! Ships were around before trucks anyway, so why didn't they just name the goods a shipment to begin with?

Now let us move on to the Panther Pantry. Why is it that on weekends the store doesn't open until 4 p.m.? Does the manager think that no one gets up until 4? All right, some of us don't, but opening the Pantry a little bit earlier would be much more convenient for Panthers.

It's been said in an earlier issue of the Chronicle, but it needs to be proclaimed again. So here's our final desperate plea: Please bring back the single greatest meal in the cafeteria, the steak and cheese pita!

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## Word on the street:

*"If you had to pick a cartoon character to be your valentine, who would it be and why?"*



"Velma from Scooby Doo. She is really smart and has many other really good qualities, plus she is sexy with her glasses off."

**- Chas Welch, Junior**

"I would choose Popeye to be my valentine, because he has really big muscles."

**- Mindy Cox, Senior**



"I think Garfield would be a great valentine because we both love Italian food."

**-Kelly Shamberger, Freshman**

"I would just love for Smurfette to be my valentine. I'm true with the blue. Plus she's a blonde! The best part, though, is that she's small enough to fit in my pocket so I can have fun wherever I go."

**- Justin Gaynor, Sophomore**



WORD ON THE STREET PHOTOS AND INTERVIEWS BY JON HENTZ



## A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION GUIDE

## Qualities of presidential hopefuls considered in making of ideal candidate

By Robin Kester  
A&E Editor

What do you have when all the presidential candidates are chained together at the bottom of the ocean? A good start.

In watching, studying, analyzing and scrutinizing each of the presidential candidates, I find myself banging my head against the wall and trying to imagine which of these contestants will be the lucky one to claim the White House and have to make such crucial decisions as whether to send America into war. Having to declare war takes precedence over all other issues.

Close your eyes for a minute and try to picture the scenario of the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) in Defcon 4, the last level of pre-war readiness, and the nation having to wait for the president's final word.

Al Gore, the man claiming to invent the Internet, would say, "The time has come for America..." And after about a two hour speech, he would eventually give the order, but only after consulting his staff, advisers, wife, media consultants and Congress and taking a poll.

In Bill Bradley's position, the blessing may not come at all. Not that he wouldn't give the order, but America would be lucky to hear a yes or no. If Bradley's legs were as slow and ponderous as his voice, one

wonders how such a man could have run to the other side of the court during his days of playing basketball.

Then there's George W. Bush. Despite similarities to Ross Perot, the man would give the OK so fast that not even the Micro Machines'® commercial guy could have said it faster. One would have to replay his answer on a tape recorder in slow motion.

Senator John McCain always seems to remind me of Jim Carrey's infamous Fire Marshal Bill in the old days of "In Living Color." Need I say more?

Without being too critical, there are qualities of each of the candidates which, when combined, would make a good president. But where's Dr. Frankenstein when you need him? If 25 percent of Gore's Southern hospitality, 35 percent of Bradley's confidence, 30 percent of Bush's tenacity and 10 percent of McCain's rationality were collected into one person, that would make a fine-looking candidate.

Of course, you're thinking, "Well, that person isn't running in this election." I have this to say: The key to the perfect candidate is in keeping up the research in genetics and cloning. Then, someday we will be able to create the perfect candidate. But by that time, there probably won't even be a need for a president, since we'll probably be slaves to the machines. Meanwhile, Martin Sheen is doing a pretty good job of running the country, even if it is only a TV show.

## Gore's experience promises change as Bush ignores important issues

By Terence Houston  
Staff Writer

Vice President Al Gore is the candidate most qualified to run the America of the 21st Century. His seven years working with the president give him a unique experience which is rivaled by no one else. Unlike other candidates who will tell you what they promise to do for America, Gore has the advantage of showing you what he's already done.

If it's not broken, don't fix it. Under the Clinton-Gore administration, the condition of America is the best it's been in 30 years. The economy has added an average of 244,000 jobs per month, the highest number of any president on record. There were 52,000 jobs per month under George Bush and 167,000 under Ronald Reagan.

Gore has done a great deal for our country not only as vice president, but as a congressman. He has been a leading supporter of environmental protection for more than two decades. He has written a bestselling book concerning environmental issues and worked with the president to produce the cleanest environment we've had in decades.

In addition, the vice president has worked to reduce crime. He has consistently advocated putting more police officers on the street and dealing stiffer sentences to criminals. This is one reason why the crime rate has continued to drop over the past seven years.

Those who believe that all politicians are the same are mistaken. Every candidate has considerably differ-

ent ideas on how to run the country. An excellent example of this can be seen upon comparing Vice President Gore's views to those of one of the leading Republican candidates, Gov. George W. Bush.

The candidates' web sites ([www.algore2000.com](http://www.algore2000.com) and [www.georgewbush.com](http://www.georgewbush.com)) give a variety of information, but Gore's site provides a much more detailed explanation of his opinions on important issues.

One of the most important issues today is education. No one knows where the road of the future will lead us, but it should be guided by a generation that is wiser than its predecessor.

Gore believes that reforming our schools is an urgent priority that requires a national strategy. Gore has produced several plans which will work directly toward equalizing schools.

One plan will provide a \$5,000 pay increase for high-quality teachers who teach in high-poverty urban and rural school districts.

Bush's educational plans ignore focusing on developing these districts. In addition, giving individual districts sole power over reforming schools, as the governor wishes, would only lead to unequal reform among the school districts.

As time passes, HPU students are moving closer to the day when they will graduate from college and become independent citizens under the first new president since they were in grade school or middle school. Our generation outnumbers any other age group in America. It is up to us to vote and make sure that the first government we graduate into is run by Al Gore, the best man for the job.

## George W. Bush shows promise

By Matt McLendon  
Staff Writer

It's hard to believe that this year's election cycle is already here. The Iowa Caucuses and the New Hampshire Primary are complete, and by the end of next month we should know who the nominees are for each party. Since this is the first presidential race of the new millennium, it is important that we choose a leader who can get the job done.

My support in this year's election will go to Gov. George W. Bush of Texas. In Iowa, Bush emerged as the GOP front-runner in a primary with several contenders. He has done quite well in campaign contributions, and even though he lost in New Hampshire, Bush will right himself, and he will be the one most likely to receive the Republican nomination.

However, my support is much more than jumping on the bandwagon. It's important in any election to weigh each candidate with a critical eye. It was a very difficult decision to choose between Bush and his closest competitor, Sen. John McCain of Arizona.

In choosing any elected official, whether it be dog catcher or president, one of the most important factors is how much success this person will have if elected. George W. Bush is the candidate with the most potential for success.

I am speaking of legislative success. That is, the number of the president's bills and proposals that would be passed through Congress. Bush has gained many supporters on Capitol Hill. They include many prominent Republicans such as Sen. John Ashcroft; Rep. Henry Hyde, chairman of the Judiciary Committee; Dick Armey, house majority leader and even my former boss from the summer, Rep. Charles H. Taylor from the eleventh district in North Carolina. Senator McCain, on the other hand, has alienated many of his colleagues with his controversial Campaign Finance Reform bill. Also, McCain can't bring the type of consensus and unity that is needed in the Republican party. He is too rebellious and could very easily find himself isolated by his party.

The passage of legislation such as no taxation of the Internet and no increases in personal or corporate income tax which Governor Bush proposes is important to me now and in the future. Gov. Bush is not without his critics. Many label Bush an intellectual lightweight who's not capable of handling the job. People should look at the ideas of the campaign rather than the few small mistakes Bush has made. Gov. Bush does have the intellectual drive to pursue the presidency based on his ideas and what I believe his success will be during the next four years.

I would also like to urge our student body to get involved. Whatever your politics may be, this election is crucial at every level. In the next administration, it is likely that there will be two vacancies in the Supreme Court, leaving the two spaces to be filled by the new president. Also, the balance of power in the House and Senate is at stake. Republicans hold onto small majorities in both Houses. The election process should be important to all of us, and I hope our students will get involved.

## Next time, don't confine your Valentines

By Melissa Mac Dermid  
Staff Writer

Valentine's Day, less stressful than Christmas and more global than Thanksgiving, is one of the most eagerly anticipated holidays.

It started in the second century when a Christian priest named Valentine was beheaded for marrying couples against the wishes of the Roman emperor Claudius. Since then, it has become known as the lovers' holiday, when people of all persuasions are excused for simply being in love or being loved and having nothing else on their minds. It

was a simple celebration of true love between people of all types — family, friends and lovers.

Over the years, however, this celebration has become a huge holiday that requires a significant other in order to participate properly. The story and meaning have been lost behind the cards, candy, flowers, balloons, decorations and expensive gifts. Valentine's has become a holiday that keeps the economy growing rather than a time to express true love through words or actions.

If we do not receive some sort of gift on Valentine's Day, then we feel unloved. If we do not give the nicest gifts,

we feel guilty. Valentine's Day has absolutely nothing to do with the giving of gifts, but rather its main focus is supposed to be on the giving of unconditional love to all those present in our lives.

Instead, Valentine's Day has become a second birthday for many people. And what about those who do not have a significant other to celebrate with? What are those people supposed to do when a majority of people around them is receiving cards and candy?

When they see all the happy couples dressed up and going out to dinner and loving each other like they never have

before and never will again until next year?

Many people do not even spend Valentine's Day with the same person each year, but they claim to be in love and are bold enough to celebrate and rejoice in that love.

Valentine's Day is a day to rejoice in the meaning of love between all people. It is not necessarily a day to see what gifts can be given or received. It is a day to remember how important those around us are, and it gives us the opportunity to take time out and express the love we have within our hearts for those people.



# Discipline is key for perfect body structure

By Courtney Hurley  
Staff Writer

Getting into shape takes time, discipline and patience, but how do you know if you are really improving your physique? Are you losing body weight or body fat? What's the difference?

The most common as well as misguided approach to making our bodies look better is to simply cut back on the number of calories consumed. However, you

don't have to limit yourself to a few crackers a day to fit into those jeans again. Of course, cutting calories will help you drop pounds, but there is a catch. When you consume less food, you force your body to turn to glycogen (carbohydrate) stores for energy. As these stores are depleted, you will lose weight on the scales, but it will be mostly water.

Losing pounds this way can leave you not only dehydrated, irritable, hungry and fatigued, but with a metabolism that is dramatically slower. This reduces your body's ability to burn calories and fat. According to "Body Fitness for Women," this can be lethal because your metabolism will continue to slow throughout your lifetime until eventually all foods will be stored as fat.

So what can you do? First of all, realize your goal is to burn fat. According to the magazine "Muscle and Fitness," the most effective way to do this is through regular strength training. Strength training builds muscle, speeds up your metabolism and burns fat. In fact, one pound of muscle burns an extra 50 calories a day at rest ... that's 350 calories a week!

This strategy is overlooked by many women because someone, somewhere out there told one of them that working out like a guy would make them big, bulky and less feminine. This is completely untrue because of their low levels of testosterone. Instead, they will tone up, speed their metabolism and lose body fat.

Building muscle requires a diet rich in complex carbohydrates, clean protein and natural forms of fat. According to Bill Phillips, author of "Body for Life," eating the correct personalized combination of these foods will help you to "starve the fat and feed the muscle." He also explains that eating five to six small meals a day instead of three will keep your metabolism at full speed. You will also feel energized, and as your insulin levels elevate, you will become alert and focused.

Getting into shape requires a lifestyle change. Many people attempt to improve their bodies the wrong way simply because they don't know what to do. The secret is to combine desire and discipline with intensity and frequency. This will result in the lean, toned body everybody craves.

## SGA opens floor to new bills and clubs

By Kelly Gilfillan  
Assistant Editor

They say bad things happen in threes, but at the Feb. 3 SGA meeting, it actually was the opposite.

Three clubs, Genesis, the Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP) and the Sports Medicine Club, were officially placed on the roster. Though none of these groups is new to the campus, they have not been officially recognized.

After being approved by a Student Life committee and voted on by the senate, the clubs can be represented at meetings, submit bills and apply for budgets.

Three new bills were also presented. First, Social Vice-President Chris Huff asked for the right to pick the person who would replace him after his graduation in May. He believed that he knew the members of the Student Activities Board well enough to decide who would do the best job.

An amendment was placed on the bill which gave Dean of Student Activities Katherine Phipps the power to help make this decision. By doing this, the senate was ensuring that no favoritism would be shown.

Debate over the judiciary guidelines committee ended with the removal of the original bill from the table and the ratification of a new bill submitted by Judicial Vice President Brandon Kuebler.

In this new bill, an ad hoc committee consisting of Kuebler, Attorney General Don Dunphy and Dean of Student Life Gert Evans was established to choose, from student nominations, the group that would ultimately rework the guidelines. Nominations from the student body for the committee ran Feb. 3-9.

The last bill involved the Easter Egg Hunt sponsored every year by the Volunteer Center. The senate allocated \$600 to cover costs for decorations, food and other supplies. The hunt, scheduled for March, will involve kids from Parkview Elementary and Northwood Elementary.

Finally, Executive Vice President Kat Hoffman mentioned two issues dealing with the university's Channel 8. The movies, thanks to the senate, will continue running. Money for the movies will be allocated at a later meeting.

Also, those who live on the other side of College Drive will finally be able to pick up Channel 8. Time Warner Cable has made arrangements to put the channel through to the whole campus.

If you have any questions about SGA, office hours for President Matt McLendon are 1-1:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Representatives are encouraged to pick up copies of the bills, which are in the bins outside of Katherine Phipps's office. The next meeting is Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Room.

The last day to take the English Assessment Test this semester is today, February 17, at 11 a.m. Come to Cooke Hall, Room 225.

## Crossword 101

### "Color-full Expressions"

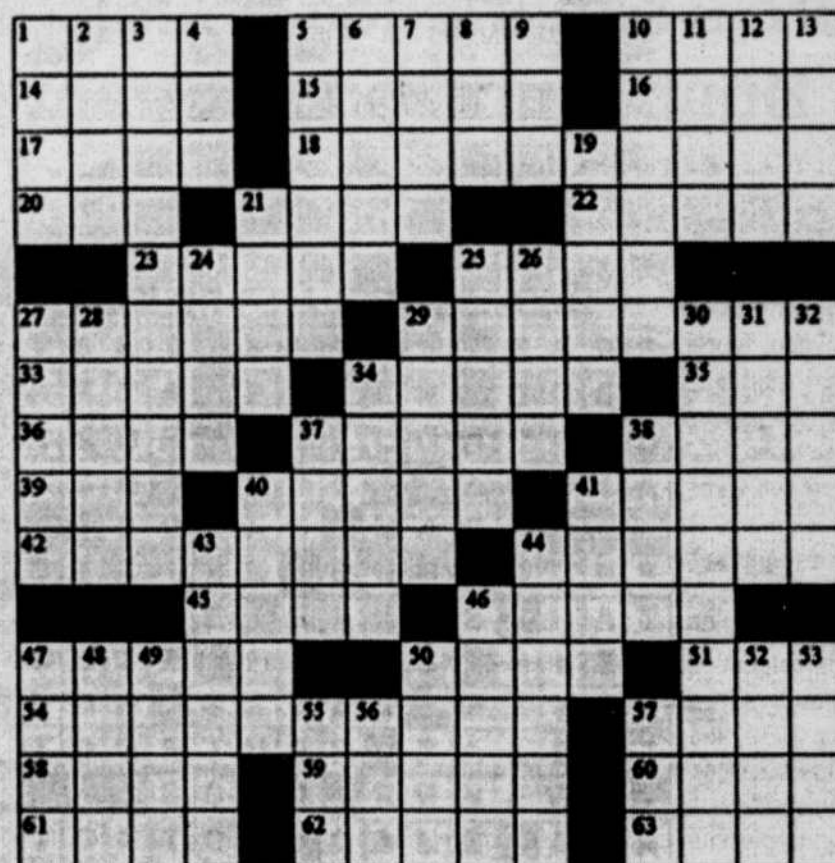
By Ed Cauty

#### ACROSS

- 1 Sour
- 5 Bridge feats
- 10 Sings, a la Ice-T
- 14 Region
- 15 Stacker
- 16 Butter substitute
- 17 ML. leader
- 18 Soccer warning
- 20 Koeh B'goesh: Kids' clothes
- 21 Takes the gold
- 22 Main vein
- 23 Linda \_\_, actress
- 25 Lawman
- 27 Line
- 29 Massage
- 33 Chill con \_\_
- 34 Autumn tools
- 35 Cap
- 36 Theater award
- 37 Admits
- 38 Flat bread
- 39 Large quantity
- 40 Goalle feats
- 41 Follows parking
- 42 Collectively
- 44 Most fair
- 45 Turfs
- 46 Regenerate
- 47 Famous side kick
- 50 Bargain event
- 51 Starr's org.
- 54 Edit
- 57 Fido's bone
- 58 Team
- 59 Josh
- 60 Drivel, slang
- 61 Wordsworth work
- 62 One on Santa's team
- 63 Doctrines: suffix

#### DOWN

- 1 Pedro's sandwich
- 2 Supplies with weapons
- 3 Distrac tion
- 4 Seaman
- 5 Eavesdropping



- 6 Property liabilities
- 7 " \_\_ Well that Ends Well"
- 8 Alice's boss
- 9 Full house sign
- 10 Fanciful ornamentation
- 11 Having wings
- 12 Shampoo brand
- 13 Pepsi or Coke
- 19 Districts
- 21 Ebb
- 24 Tarzan's transport
- 25 Microwaves
- 26 Lincoln & Vigoda
- 27 "Ivanhoe" author
- 28 Forbidden
- 29 Indy car, for one
- 30 Some tires
- 31 Hawthorne & Hale, familiarly
- 32 Get going
- 34 Thumbs-up reviews
- 37 King \_\_ of Saudi Arabia
- 38 Soccer great

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# Bumin sets his sights on success in America

By Mariel Mackintosh  
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Do you ever feel like there aren't enough hours in the day to get whatever you want done? This is not a problem for junior Kiril Bumin.

You would never expect so much to come from such a modest guy who stands about five-five. He does what most of us consider normal work plus a lot more. Kiril has 21 credit hours, holds a part time job as a server at Longhorn and assists in teaching yoga and Tai Chi classes. He's a triple major who had a 3.83 grade point average last semester.

To top it all off, Kiril was raised in Belarus, Russia and did not even know English very well until he moved to Asheville just before high school.

Kiril starts his average day around 8 a.m. so he has time to drive to class from his off-campus apartment. His impressive schedule of seven classes includes challenging honors courses and the political science senior seminar. Kiril is finishing his political science major this semester and will conclude his majors in business administration and international business only one semester later than his anticipated graduation date.

Kiril is an expert at martial arts and is very entertaining when he starts swinging around his nunchakus. Kiril has two black belts and is working on his third. His inspiring grandmaster Yip Chun is the son of Bruce Lee's grandmaster. Kiril assists in teaching the yoga and Tai Chi classes here at High Point and boasted that just the other day when the instructor did not show up to teach class and students were planning on leaving, he took charge and carried on the class as usual.

After classes Kiril will usually take a nap, watch

television (the History Channel and the news are his favorites) or play with his snakes. Kiril's snake collection consists of five boas named Bob, Charlie, Doobie and two others that are new and still unnamed. Kiril loves his snakes and calls them "my babies" even though his roommate and his mother do not care for the snakes very much.

Between schoolwork and his job, it is amazing that Kiril still finds the time to mellow out to Bob Marley, hang out with friends, work out and drink an occasional beer. I asked Kiril how he does it all without being stressed out. He replied, "I work well under stress and pressure. I work my best to resolve my problems and I try to lead a balanced life. Martial arts helps in that a lot."

This is all impressive, but to understand more about Kiril we need to look back to his days just before high school in Russia. Then, he was a troublemaker who did not get very good grades. In eighth grade, his teacher said his English was so bad that he would

never learn to speak the language. Not only does Kiril speak Russian and English now, he knows five other languages and has been looking for an instructor to teach him Chinese.

When Kiril moved to the United States with his family, he was enrolled in school after being here for only three days. It was a big move for the Bumin family. They could only take a limited number of belongings on the airplane and they had to start all over. The change was a good thing for Kiril. He said, "This time I just decided to start things off right." Kiril really evolved during his ninth grade year when one of his teachers stirred his desire to go into politics.

His father was a great influence on him because he

was a colonel in the Russian Special Forces. Because Kiril has traveled all over the world as a result of his father's profession, he would like to go into the military so he can stay on the move. Kiril feels that if he had never moved to the United States, he would be involved in sales and marketing scams, the easy way to make money in Russia.

Last spring Kiril went with Dr. Linda Petrou, assistant professor of political science, and a group of students to the Presidential Convention in Washington, D.C., and he plans on going again this year. Kiril really enjoys High Point University and thinks it was one of the best choices he has made in his life.

The supportive instructors he has met here provide him with a reason to achieve, and he favors Petrou, saying, "She is my mentor, and in my opinion, the best professor here at High Point."

Tradition plays a big part in Kiril's life, and he has a strong family heritage. His parents, grandparents and other relatives have been great role models.

Even though it seems like Kiril has achieved a lot, he feels like he has done nothing compared to the rest of his family. His mother works in the field of science and discovered a metal compound. Kiril's father was the personal doctor of a president in Africa while the Bumins lived there. Kiril's grandfather was a professor, and his grandmother worked as a department director in a hospital in Russia. He feels the pressure to succeed, and it keeps him motivated.

I asked Kiril what it is that drives his ambition and he was excited to say, "I have this vision to share with the world, and I'd like to change myself and the world for the better." Kiril's vision is to help in creating better relationships among countries.

Kiril was also excited to mention, "I'm still not a citizen of the United States, but I can't wait to be one!" His goals are to get involved with the military and national security, but his ultimate goal is to follow in the footsteps of his favorite role model Henry Kissinger and become secretary of state.

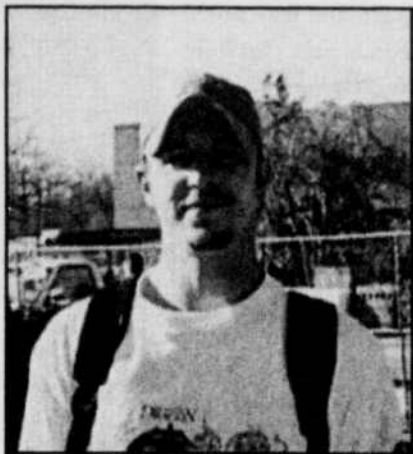


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Kiril Bumin

# Rodriguez praises God through her singing

By Kristy Whitaker  
Staff Writer

The Oakton United Methodist Church in Vienna, Va. was packed that night. The chapel choir was performing "Jonah and The Whale." It was Kelley Rodriguez's first play, and she was scared.

"I was only 10, and I just kept thinking about how nervous I was and how much I didn't want to go out there," Kelley recalls. But after a quick prayer, she was ready to go and felt at ease. Kelley played her part as a deckhand beautifully. With the help of her faith, Kelley got through her debut.

That night established a pattern. Rodriguez, a sophomore, has been performing with choirs for 10 years now and loves every minute of it. "I love to please people and, at the same time, give praise to God," she says, smiling.

In high school, Kelley moved up to the youth choir, and she was a hit. "I remember being asked to sing a duet and, at first, I refused but then I realized that God would be right there with me and help me get over my nervousness," she says.

When Kelley wasn't at a service or practicing with her choir, she was eager to work in the nursery. "I always loved to help out with the kids," Kelley says.

Not long ago, the church showed its appreciation to Kelley for her faith and perseverance. When she decided to go to High Point University, she realized that she would need financial assistance.

Kelley's pastor informed her that she had been approved for a Methodist Student Loan through the church and that he had written the recommendation for her. "I was so, so excited when I found out the news," Kelley recalls happily.

After arriving at HPU, Kelley wanted to continue performing. But she

felt she had too much going on during her first semester at school to join any groups. She wanted to concentrate on getting good grades, meeting new people and adjusting to living away from home. By the spring, Kelley was ready to sing again, and she joined the HPU Genesis Choir. "I joined because I missed performing and being in a choir-like setting. I also wanted to praise God through my singing," she says.

Kelley's most recent performance

with the Genesis Choir was at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration.

"Since I am a minority and a woman, I was very excited to hear Dr. (Alberta) Herron speak and even more excited to sing for this great occasion," mentions Kelley.

The chapel was jammed, and it made Kelley a little nervous as usual, but before she sang, she prayed and felt empowered once again.

"I was messing with my hair, and I felt like I was going to sweat in my robe, but I was too excited to let that really bother me," states Kelley.

Over Super Bowl weekend, Kelley and the rest of the Genesis Choir were supposed to travel to Kelley's hometown to sing at her church. The trip was cancelled due to the recent snowy weather.

"I was really disappointed that we didn't go because I love my church and I wanted to show my appreciation for all their support and prayers," Kelley says. She hopes this trip will be rescheduled.

Maybe it's her wonderful alto voice or her brilliant smile that sends people away with a happy feeling. Whatever it is, Kelley loves to perform and gives praise to God after every performance.



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Kelley Rodriguez

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# Archer wins 'Best Technical Director'

By Kelly Gilfillan  
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Wood scraps and sawdust cover the floor of the Empty Space Theater. Student technicians work on the latest set design while cracking jokes. The smell of paint is overwhelming as other students work on the front door. Every so often, the drilling of a screw gun makes conversation impossible. Workers consult a marked-up floor plan of the theater that sits on a platform. In the middle of it all, Technical Director Brad Archer works as hard and jokes as much as the students.

Archer grew up in the small town of Beebe, Ark., about 35 miles from Little Rock. He didn't get started in theater until he went to

Arkansas State University. Once an electrical engineering and a physical education major, he stumbled into theater when he was asked to audition for a group called the Campus

Singers. One of the requirements for the group was to act in the spring musical, but Archer got involved in not only one show, but all of them.

He fell in love with the technical side of shows. "I never have been a person who wanted the spotlight or wanted to be on the stage, so that's one good thing I like about being backstage," he said. He changed his major and graduated

with a degree in technical theater and later got his master's degree at UNC-G.

In his first year at HPU, Archer has already done two shows and is working on two more. He came here because he "wanted to be part of the building process and see the [theater] department grow."

Archer hopes to improve the department and try new things. "I always thought we should have more performances so students know what an extended run might be like and sustaining a character for more than three or four performances," he said. He also encourages everyone to get involved. "This is a big opportunity for people to learn, and maybe they will stay involved in theater whether it be here or community

theater somewhere else. I think it's a good process for that person coming in and for the whole theater department."

In those days before a show opens, he's often under a lot of stress, but that doesn't seem to bother him.

"You have a timeline and you have a date and it has to happen then whether you want it to or not," he said. "You work as hard as you can and teach people as much as you can in the time you have."

Regardless of the timeline, watch-

ing students learn is one of the perks of the job to him. "I like to have a lot of students around helping because that's where I really believe they pick up a lot of their skills, by actually being there, on hand, working," he said.

You can see how much effort he puts into a set from the design on paper to the final project. You could see it in the sink with running water in "The Woolgatherer" and the bed with 20 mattresses in "Once Upon A Mattress."

Though he's not trying to achieve perfection, he is trying to make the set memorable. On opening night, he feels the same way and he claims never to have butterflies: "I know there are things on that set or lighting design that I would like to [change], but I don't believe that anything I don't get done personally will be detrimental to the show."

Some would argue that technicians are often unfairly overlooked during great performances, Archer doesn't agree. While he admits that one of the worst parts of technical theater is being a part of bad shows backstage, he believes that technicians are indirectly acknowledged when they work on good shows.

"When [the audience] congratulates the actors, they're congratulating the whole production," he said.

His satisfaction with a show depends a lot on the relationship between the technicians and the actors, and Archer has noticed some animosity. He believes

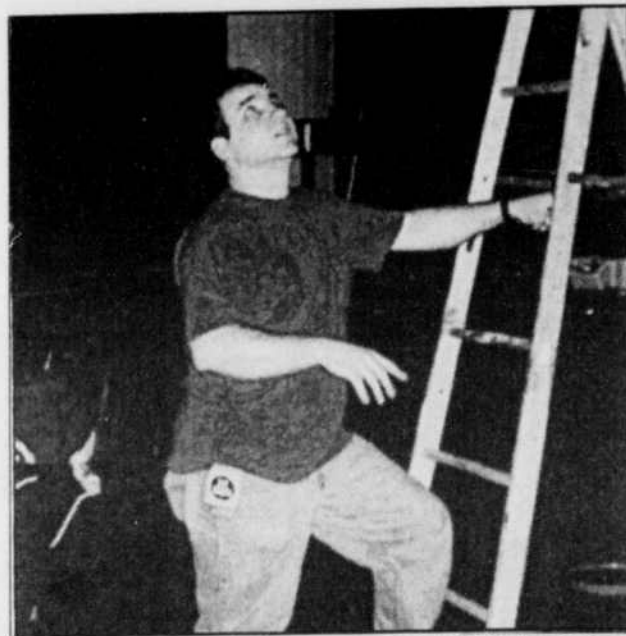


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Archer supervises a co-worker in assembling stage equipment.



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Archer efficiently prepares the stage.

it is because technicians and actors don't often find themselves in each other's shoes.

"It [the conflict] surprises me in this sort of theater department that's small and a little more close-knit than the larger universities. I would expect them to be closer and not so critical of each other," he says. One solution he has is each person involved in theater should act and do tech work at least once.

Archer hopes to get more involved with campus life outside of theater. "I haven't done a lot [with the campus] in the first semester; I'm still trying to get my office cleaned," he joked. Archer started with interviews during Presidential Scholars Weekend and plans to go from there.

For now, he'll stick to the screw guns and loudmouth college students that have become important parts of the job he loves.

## Cuisine that's convenient and tasty

By Heather Sittler  
Staff Writer

Here's the info on some of our local favorites that tend to get overlooked when a decent dinner and some serious social interaction are in demand:

### CHILI'S

LOCATION: Mall Loop Road (Oak Hollow Mall parking lot off Eastchester Drive)  
AVERAGE COST OF ENTREE: \$10-\$15

This well-known neighborhood bar and grille has been a local favorite for years. It offers a wide variety of entrees and drinks, as well as some kickin' appetizers. If you've never been, you have to try the Monterey Chicken (trust me, you'll love it). Chili's also offers great accommodations for large dinner parties... the more the merrier!

### OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE

LOCATION: Johnson Street (take a right turn at the intersection of Johnson and Eastchester Drive going toward Main)  
AVERAGE COST OF ENTREE: \$15-\$20

This famous steak pit has it all. It is the No. 1 local pick for steak dinners, and it also offers a plethora of chicken and pasta dishes. There is something for everyone, and it appeals to the Aussie



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Outback Steakhouse is No. 1 pick for steak.

in all of us. Outback's claim to fame? The salads! Check this eatery out if you need a great place to make a positive, lasting impression on that special someone.

### AUSTIN'S

#### FAMILY RESTAURANT

LOCATION: N. Main Street (next door to the Bob King Kia dealership)  
AVERAGE COST OF ENTREE: \$10-\$15

This locally owned and operated family restaurant is worth visiting not only for the food, but the service as well. Meeting the feisty Italian owner is worth a trip all in itself. Austin's is seldom too busy, but trust me: it's no reflection on the food. The menu includes a variety

of dinners, sandwiches, appetizers, and drinks. The fried zucchini stole my heart! Check 'em out for a nice change of pace from the average dining experience.

### HAM'S

LOCATION: N. Main (come on, I know you know where it's at!)  
AVERAGE COST OF

ENTREE: \$5-\$10

This is the place to be, everyday! Famous for its draft and drink specials and

those oh-so-tasty homemade chips and ranch, Ham's has undoubtedly captured the hearts of almost every HPU student. Complete with a large screen television for Monday night football and an awesome variety of sandwiches, soups, salads and appetizers, this little restaurant has it going on. Oh, and that little train is just so cute!

### GARFIELD'S

LOCATION: Inside the Oak Hollow Mall (across from Cancun)  
AVERAGE COST OF ENTREE: \$10

This sweet little place boasts the neighborhood bar and grille theme too, with a TGI Friday's flare to boot. It has an impressive array of appetizers and entrees, with some of the most reasonable prices in town. Inside tip for the broke college student: Garfield's offers a \$1 draft Bud Ice special each and every day. If that doesn't do it for you, Garfield's advertises several other drink specials throughout the week. So, go do some shopping, and then take a load off at Garfield's...the waiters and waitresses have a unique way of introducing themselves.



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Chili's offers wide variety for everybody.



# 'All the Way': Popular singer Celine Dion releases a farewell album for disappointed fans before going on hiatus

By Derek Gibson  
Staff Writer

If someone were to count the number of albums pop-diva Celine Dion has made throughout her musical career, it would more than double the number of championship rings owned by Michael Jordan. No, really. Over the past two decades, Celine Dion has recorded over 14 albums. After the legendary success of her career in music, Dion finally delivers her farewell album, *All The Way... A Decade of Song*, before going on a hiatus.

After learning English in the late '80s, the young Francophone inked a deal with Sony and released her U.S. debut, *Unison*, in 1990. With four top singles, including "Where Does My Heart Beat Now" and "(If There Was) Any Other Way," the album surpassed sales expectations. Dion gained further publicity with a remarkable vocal performance in the Disney film, "Beauty and the Beast," winning a grammy for best song. Several songs from the soundtrack were featured on her 1993 album, *The Colour of My Love*, which went double platinum in the U.S. and platinum in Canada. In 1996, Dion returned to the top of the U.S. charts with *Falling Into You*. (You go, diva!)

Dion's successful streak continued in 1997 with the release of *Let's Talk About Love* on Epic Records. The album went straight to the top of the Billboard Charts thanks to the popular hit singles "Tell Him," a duet with Barbra Streisand, and "My Heart Will Go On," the love theme

from the mega-blockbuster movie, "Titanic."

After almost a lifetime of hit-making, Celine plans to take a hiatus from her phenomenal musical career. As a farewell to her disappointed fans, Celine released a greatest hits album, *All The Way... A Decade of Song*. The album along with the Backstreet Boy's latest, *Millennium*, set a new gold standard for the music business, selling over 500,000 copies in its first week of release. They landed at No. 1 and 2 on the country's album charts. (Hmm...I guess that was Titanic-week for Celine. That's very impressive.)

The 16-track album includes all of Celine's hit singles from the '90s portion of her career. If you loved hits such as "The Power of Love," the lovable "If You Asked Me To" and "I'm Your Angel," featuring R. Kelly, then you may want to take a trip to your local music store. Other hit highlights on the album include "Beauty and The Beast," "Love Can Move Mountains," "Because You-Loved Me," "Live" and the upbeat title track, "All The Way," featuring the late Frank Sinatra.

If you weren't a Celine fan before, you should definitely invest in this record. It may be a long time before we get another hit record from the French-Canadian singer. I give the album five stars and a personal thumbs up to Celine for taking us on a wonderful journey through her musical career. With Celine on an extended departure from the music biz, we'll be able to go "all the way" and back again with this greatest hits album.



# Sportscaster fondly reflects on his days here

By Candace Ray  
Staff Writer

It's 2 a.m. and most people are sleeping, but not '91 alumnus Jay Shurling. "I get up about 1:45 in the morning. I'm usually at work between 2:30 and 3 a.m.," he says. Jay works as a sportscaster for WGHP Fox8, doing the morning show from 5 to 8:30 a.m.

Originally from Oxford, N.C., Shurling came here in 1987 on a baseball scholarship and majored in media studies. He jokes that he performed the impossible by graduating in four years as opposed to the more common five, six or seven.

In high school Shurling won an award from a local sportscaster for his baseball accomplishments. The reporter did a story on him and later invited him to come to the television station. "I just was fascinated with the business. That kinda gave me the bug," he recalls.

From that point on, he directed his career towards sportscasting. Shurling's present colleague, Rich Brenner, had worked in Raleigh while Jay was growing up. So, when he came to HPU, he began watching Rich again on what was then WGHP ABC45.

It was his junior year when Shurling began trying to get an internship. "I just kept calling and calling (Rich Brenner)," he says. Well, as luck would have it, while moving into an apartment his junior year, Shurling realized that Brenner lived across the hall from him. "I just walked up to him and said, 'Mr. Brenner, I don't mean to bother you but do you know a guy named Jay Shurling?' Well, I'm Jay and I was just wondering if I could get an internship." The answer was yes, and the next day he was put to work.

Jay said he got his foot in the

door by doing photography and editing. He was also offered the chance to report on the Wake Forest Coaches Show which WGHP produced. With this material he put together a tape and got a job in New Bern at ABC affiliate, WCTI. This is where Jay began his on air career in sportscasting.

Throughout his career at High Point, Shurling's adviser was Ms. Georgeanna Sellers. "I saw his first show (at WGHP) and I remember thinking, 'I don't know if he's going to survive it.' It was rocky. But with time, his personality came out," Sellers says. She recalled that her former advisee was always in good humor: "I don't think I ever saw him when he didn't have a smile on his face." Those smiles come from an extremely outgoing personality.

What does Shurling remember about college? "A lot of good friends. That was the best part about High Point, just a lot of good friends and a small atmosphere. I really like that."

Baseball also played a significant role in his experience here. He says, "We had great teams. We missed the World Series a couple of times, lost to Elon both times."

There still remains a touch of bitterness in his voice when he talks about those losses. He says that the coaching staff at High Point encouraged him to pursue his media ambitions.

Jay spoke of many good times at the university. It was here that he received, with the aid of friends and faculty, the essential skills needed to make the cut and beat out the other talent to enter one of the better TV markets in the country.

Perhaps Jay sums up his current situation best when he says, "I talk about sports for a living. I mean, it pays my bills, and you can't get much better than that!"

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# 'Scream 3' scares away audiences



By Dave Kerr  
Staff Writer

The newest horror film in theaters is Wes Craven's highly anticipated "Scream 3." The movie is the third installment in the popular series. It ranked No.

1 in the box office its first weekend, making approximately \$34.7 million. This is a record-breaking amount for an opening weekend movie in February. The film does have its entertaining moments; however, it's just not scary.

The movie follows the doomed main character, Sidney Prescott (Neve Campbell), to Hollywood. Here she lives alone in an over-protected house in the mountains and works for a Phone-Help line from her home under a different name. Meanwhile, because of the success of 'Stab' and 'Stab 2,' the movies based on Sidney's horrifying life encounters, 'Stab 3' is in production. Scoff Foley (TV's Felicity) plays the director, and Parker Posey does a comical job as the infamous reporter Dale Weathers in 'Stab 3.'

When the phone threats

start and the body count begins to rise, "Scream 3" becomes somewhat entertaining. Because Sidney learns of the murders and becomes threatened herself, she decides to come out of hiding and put her past behind her once and for all, even if it kills her. David Arquette and Courtney Cox Arquette, who are real-life newly weds, reprise their roles as Dewey Riley and Dale Weathers.

The film's lack of scary moments is what makes it so disappointing. The original "Scream" had plenty of frightening scenes, and I guess I



Sidney Prescott (Neve Campbell) risks her life to leave her past behind in the three-quel "Scream 3."

thought that this film would be just as hair-raising, if not scarier. The movie was not as original as the first two films were. I think this was due mainly to the fact that Kevin Williamson

wrote the first two films, but did not write the third.

"Scream 3" definitely proves one theory, however. Sequels are never better than the originals.

## Reba McEntire goes to town at LJVM



Reba McEntire poses with Justin Wood after the concert.

By Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

Once again, Reba McEntire stunned a sold-out crowd at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Winston-Salem this past Saturday night. Reba, whose 2000 tour is titled "The Singer's Diary", had a show like no other. "The Singer's Diary" was a musical play about her struggles and triumphs in achieving the American Dream.

Reba traced her career as a country music singer from the beginning to now. The first half of her show was set like a

Country Music Association Entertainer of the Year recipient, had the audience laughing, crying and screaming throughout the performance.

She entered the stage through what looked to be a bullpen and singing the National Anthem, which was how Red Steagall, a country music entertainer himself, discovered Reba in 1974 while singing at the National Rodeo Finals in Oklahoma City, Okla. She took the audience through her life, reliving her first marriage, hitting it big in Nashville, experiencing a divorce and a second marriage to Narvel Blackstock (a former band member and currently her pro-

ducer), the tragic death of her first band and the birth of her son Shelby. The performance traced the twists and turns of her life and career. It made you feel as if you were behind the scenes of one of the most competitive, exciting and sometimes heartbreaking businesses around.

The show combined the elements of a Broadway production with a major music concert. Utilizing actors, dancers and musicians, the play culminated in a wide-open, no-holds-barred concert. As with any Reba show, there were sure to be several incredible surprises that seemed impossible to believe. One event that left everyone talking was the famous dress change during her song "Fancy."

Reba is known for her amazing and numerous costume changes, and this show included over 20 of them. While singing "Fancy," Reba appeared wearing a skimpy black dress, and halfway into the song, the lights dimmed, and with a twist of the arm, a red, floor-length evening gown magically appeared. It was a spectacular sight. In a post-concert interview with Sandi Spika, Reba's wardrobe designer, I asked how the startling change was done, and her response was, "It is just one of those tricks that we like to use to keep the audience in awe! We don't ever reveal our tricks!"

I have been to 13 of Reba McEntire's concerts, and I have to admit that this was one of Reba's best performances ever. Reba sang many of her older songs such as "What Am I Gonna Do About You," some of her awesome hits like "Take It Back" and, of course, many of her latest songs off of the "So Good Together" album.

After the concert, I asked both Reba, and her husband Narvel Blackstock how they came up with the diary concept, and both agreed that they wanted to do something that no one else has done. Narvel explained, "Everyone does the same old thing now, and we wanted to be different. How many concerts do you go into and see the performer's life relived from beginning to present?" It was something that was a truly unique experience and well worth the expensive \$50 and \$60 ticket prices.

For those of you that unfortunately missed Reba's outstanding show in Winston-Salem, you definitely missed a five-star performance from one of the most magnificent ladies known in the country music business. But, don't worry: She will eventually be making her annual tour stops in Raleigh and Charlotte this summer, so keep your eyes and ears open for the dates!

## Sting attempts new style in latest album

By Tyisha Clarke  
Staff Writer

Sting is somewhat of a music legend. He has had great hits with the group The Police and has had a successful solo career. Then his new *Brand New Day* came out. I guess Sting has decided to attempt something new, perhaps try out a new formula. He should have stuck with the same old magical formula that made him so appealing and such a big hit.

The CD has the one song that I like and that the radio stations can't get enough of, "Brand New Day." The rest of the CD contains so many different

types of music that it is hard to put a label on it. The first two songs, "A Thousand Years" and "Desert Rose," have an East Indian feel. The chants and musical instruments give them a certain mystical sound. If you like that kind of thing, then you'll like these two songs.

Sting singing country? Who would have thought up such a thing? No one should have because it just ain't right. In "Fill Her Up," Sting takes on country. It makes me feel as if I'm sitting in a Cracker Barrel

restaurant. This song gets under my skin because the music and lyrics are stupid, pointless, rambling, moronic, silly, simple, and all the synonyms my thesaurus has for "stupid."

"Perfect Love... Gone Wrong" starts off pretty well. The music is kind of jazzy and the lyrics are all right. Then, all of a sudden, some woman is rapping in French! That just throws everything

off. The French words and the upbeat, R&B music don't belong anywhere in

the song. The last thing that is squeezed into it is a gospel choir.

There isn't much of anything good to say about this new CD. "Brand New Day" is always good. The lyrics speak to you about forgotten loves and missed opportunities. The "Ghost Story" starts off very well with soft East Indian music. But then somehow the song makes an interesting transition into soft country music. Don't ask me how or why, it just does. I don't know what Sting was trying to do with this unique CD. If you don't want to be disappointed, then I suggest you stick with Sting's greatest hits CD and forget that this one was ever made.







PHOTO BY JUSTIN WOOD

The brothers of Delta Sigma Phi gather to congratulate their new members in front of the Slane Center on Bid Day.

### Alpha Phi Omega

The brothers of APO have been busy this semester. They have helped the Salvation Army sort and stack cans that were donated. Also, they have visited High Point Manor and played bingo and other games with the residents living there. APO would like to thank Theta Chi fraternity for its help with the recent blood drive. This was a successful drive, with 42 pints of blood being collected.

The brothers would like to congratulate Melissa Males, Rebecca Rush, Kevin Vanhoy, Stacie Goss and Stephen Cowne on becoming new brothers. We would like to welcome our new pledges: Catherine Bush, Laura Cossart, Josh Hykes, Chris Huff, Chris Hooks, Ava Roddy, Amy Rogers, Allyson Wood, Jessica Seitz, Eugene Liauw. We wish you all the best of luck this semester.

### Zeta Tau Alpha ΔΓ Chapter

Congratulations to our 15 new girls in the Delta Gamma chapter. They include: Leslie Ashton, Kelly Bizon, Tiffany Clarke, Heather Daniel, Jamie Denardo, Elisabet Ericson, Tiffany Grzan, Melissa Guttman, Sandra Lehman, Cassandra Leonard, Alison Mauldin, Rebecca Plescia, Amy Powers, Allyson Ross and Amora Williams. We are very excited to have these girls as an addition to our chapter.

The Delta Gamma chapter would also like to congratulate everyone on a successful rush and we wish them all of the best.

We have ZTA day coming up on Feb. 19, and we are very excited about it. We will also be having a Decades date party that night.

We have our annual "Golf for a Cause" set for April 8. The golf tournament will be held at Tanglewood Park and we hope to raise money for our national philanthropy, breast cancer. Prizes will be awarded and there will also be a celebrity appearance. If you are interested in playing or donating money, please contact Angela Winningham at 882-8906. It is for a good cause and we hope you will consider coming out and playing.

### Alpha Gamma Delta ΓΗ Chapter

After a busy but rewarding Spring Rush, the sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta would like to congratulate all of the fraternities and sororities on their new members and for a job well done. We

would like to welcome 13 wonderful and unique ladies to the rewarding new world of Alpha Gamma Delta. They are: Tori Belbusti, Corie Dixon, Meredith Mackoy, Laura Miller, Melanie Wall, Mary Nicholls, Allison Augustine, Kelly Standridge, B.J. Ercolino, Michelle Dellosa, LeAnn Durham, Janie Jones and Lauren Virgin. Congratulations, girls!

After all of the hustle and bustle of Bid Day, many of our sisters attended the HPU basketball games not only to support the players, but the Dance Team and the Pep Band to which many of our sisters and new members belong. A pizza party was also held to satisfy our hunger and to rejoice over another successful Rush.

To celebrate Valentine's Day, a Crush Party was held at George's Pizza for all of the sisters and a lucky date to enjoy. A good time was had by all.

Congratulations to sister Joelle Davis and new members Allison Augustine and Meredith Mackoy for being selected to be University Ambassadors. We are very proud of each one of you!

On a final note, this being the month of February, keep this in mind: "Friendship is far more tragic than love. It lasts longer" (Oscar Wilde).

### Kappa Delta ΓΓ Chapter

The sisters of Kappa Delta would like to welcome and congratulate all of our new members. They are: Sarah Hubbard, Amber Martin, Laura Zimmerman, Kelli Keslar, Rena Cornwell, Naomi Leavitt, Jocelyn Paza, Mandi Yoder, Melissa Quinn, Jill Chicalace, Carolyn Hassett, Melissa Males and Melissa Mohrbutter. We are so proud of you girls and are so happy you get to join our circle of friendship. Congratulations to all the other sororities and fraternities on a wonderful Spring Recruitment/ Rush.

We would like to wish best of luck to our intramural basketball team. So far we are 4-1 and are having a great time doing it. Keep up the great work, girls!!

This past week our Chapter Development Counselor Megan Doogan, a Kappa Delta graduate of the University of Maryland at College Park, visited our chapter. She met with our executive council and appointed officers, and we gained a lot of advice and suggestions to improve our chapter. We all learned quite a bit from her and appreciate all of her help.

Since we have returned from break, the chapter has been busy fundraising.

#### GREEK COLUMN

## Spring rush proves successful

By Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

The first Rush and Recruitment of the new millennium has come and gone, and for all of our fraternities and sororities, it has been a huge success. Almost every Greek organization had a new member class in the double digits.

With the success of the Greek community nationwide teetering like a seesaw, our Greek community has proven that we can

survive. The new member class of this spring is one of the largest in recent years. Fraternities and sororities are now able to breathe a sigh of relief after seeing all of their hard work pay off. Spring and fall rush are what we all live for, and this is the time that we can expand our chapter with quality men and women and excel further into the future.

Congratulations to the new members of our Greek community. We hope that you all feel welcome and are ready to help carry the Greek system far into the future.

You all have now become part of one of the strongest organizations on campus. There are few organizations on our campus that contribute close to the amount of community service hours that the Greek community totals each year. We also have a competition to receive the highest GPAs each year.

Did you know that nationwide, men and women who are members of a fraternity or a sorority have higher GPAs than most independents! We hope that with each day you gain

more knowledge about your respective chapter and use that knowledge in the future. Our new members are our future. They will be the leaders of our chapters within time and are all part of a wonderful community.

The words "fraternity" and "sorority" have recently been tarnished like a silver spoon thanks to the negative media coverage that we have received. The few chapters that do happen to make mistakes are the ones the public sees in the

spotlight. Our chapters, however, are surely proving the negative publicity wrong.

The success from rush week goes to show that we are being watched by our fellow students, and they like what they see. The countless hours of community service, the fight for the best overall GPA, competition on the intramural field and

great parties all go to show that the Greek community of HPU can survive in this millennium.

As we look past the Y2K hype that plagued everyone for the past year, we now look ahead with our new members.

While everyone worried about computers crashing and the world ending, we prepared for Formal Recruitment and Rush. Each chapter has proved successful, and we now need to continue to strive for even greater accomplishments and not turn back. The past is behind us and we have a bright future to work toward.



Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

We have had two penny drives, a huge yard sale and two car washes. Thank you to everyone who has supported us in our fundraising efforts.

We are looking forward to our Chapter's 45th anniversary in March. This will be a two-day, black-tie event held in Greensboro. Alumnae of the past 45 years of Gamma Gamma, as well as the original chapter president, will be attending this event.

Best of luck on midterms and the remaining semester.

### Theta Chi EA Chapter

The brothers of Theta Chi would like to congratulate all of our new members: Matt Howell, T.J. Beatty, Matt Marth, Sean White, M.J. Gimbar, Mario Nocito, Mike Miller, Matthew Boggs, Tim Hassett and Kevin Harrison. We would also like to congratulate all of the other fraternities and sororities on a successful Rush.

We have been busy so far this semester including assisting Alpha Phi Omega with a blood drive Feb 3. The brothers are also keeping busy preparing for our 2nd Annual See-Saw-A-Thon for the American Diabetes Association. The

date for this event will be announced in the coming weeks.

Last Thursday, the brothers co-sponsored the Dakota concert with the Student Activities Board. The band found it necessary to bring several brothers up on stage and the crowd found it hilarious.

Our Spring Drags will be held on Saturday, Feb. 26. We are all looking forward to our annual spring dance. The location will be a surprise to all!

With Spring Break only a few weeks away, many of the brothers will be partaking in Mardi Gras festivities in New Orleans. Thanks to brother Eric Alspaugh who will be letting us stay at his house for the week.

Intramural basketball is well underway, and all of our teams look to be faring very well. Our C-team's outstanding player has been brother Chris Jones helping to show his "Va. Style!" Our A-team is also looking sharp, and we hope to progress far in the tournament.

Congratulations to brother Dave Lindsey, who lavaliered his girlfriend, Kappa Delta Ryan Amick this past Friday night. We wish you all the best of luck.

Our annual Dream Girl weekend will be held again over Easter weekend, and we are all looking forward to this yearly event.



# MPC focuses on minority issues in new agenda

By Verron Chue  
Staff Writer

The **Multicultural Programming Committee (MPC)** is an unofficial board advised through the Office of Student Life that focuses on minority issues and concerns. It is a newly formed entity created due to the need for student action in interests noted by the Office of Student Life. This semester's agenda includes four split agendas under three programming umbrellas. The umbrellas are as follows: Health & Fitness Week, Gender Affairs and Black History Series

(BHS).

**Health and Fitness Week 2000** will be held March 13-17 and will focus on the needs of the community while implementing minority health and fitness concerns. Going on theme of "Your Body, Your Health, Your Future," event ideas include a Health Fair, CPR training, Penny Drive for Leukemia, Walk of Relief, alcohol and STD seminars, an AIDS forum and a Women's Clinic Advertisement.

**Gender Affairs** will involve two very detailed and important events. The goal is to incorporate university faculty/

staff and student participation while including the greater community. The first of these events is entitled **Take Back the Night**. Scheduled for March 15, this program will focus on ending domestic violence and will include speakers, dramatic monologue and a candlelight vigil. The second of these events, planned for March 25, is the **Women's Consciousness Conference (WCC)**. This event will be headed by prominent women in our community and will award the efforts of HPU female leaders. The focus will be on image, professionalism and women's rights.

The **Black History Series** includes biographies that will be displayed in the windows of the Slane Center throughout February, and there will be a discussion that is scheduled for the Feb. 21, titled "Is High Point University Diverse?"

On the 23rd, in the cafeteria, **Buff-N-T Musical Act** will be appearing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. We also hope to impact the community throughout the semester and not just for one month.

There will be other scheduled events; notices will be posted on the front windows of the Slane Center.

## Intramural basketball brings in spring seasons

By Mike Graff  
Editor

One needs only to look at the number of teams for this year's intramural basketball season to see that Intramural Director Kevin Hampson's work has paid off.

Thirty-four teams are participating this year, about 10 more teams than last year.

"I guess it's just getting the word out," Hampson said. "People have liked what I've done for the most part, so that helps."

Even with the large numbers, things are running smoothly. There have been fewer fights and arguments between players than in the past.

This could be credited to more competent referees. For basketball, the refs went through intense training to learn the rules of the sport better. Hampson trained the officials for the flag football season as well.

"If I had to compare it to last year, it's 100 percent better," Hampson said. "There have been less forfeits and not really any altercations at all. Everything's been

very positive."

Some teams are also finding positive outcomes this year.

Backwoods (6-0) leads the A-league, while Hoop it Up heads up the B-league.

In the women's division, BCA stands alone at the top with Kappa Delta close behind.

Winners in the fall season were: Pi Kappa Alpha (Ultimate Frisbee), FFP (flag football), Lambda Chi Alpha (soccer).

Kappa Delta swept both flag football and soccer in the women's league.

Hampson said he hopes to have the championship basketball game the Thursday before spring break and start softball after the break.



## Spring teams doing battle

From Staff Reports

• **Baseball:** The baseball team has managed to maintain a record of around .500 in its first season as an official member of the Big South Conference.

Last week, the Panthers dropped to 2-3 after suffering a 6-1 loss at the hands of Wofford. Chris Chandler took the loss for High Point, giving up four runs in four innings of work.

Prior to the Wofford loss, the Panthers upended Davidson 4-2. Freshman Kemp Smith drilled a two-run homer, and sophomore John Cavanaugh had an RBI single which broke a 2-all deadlock. Freshman Kevin Burch picked up the victory while junior Jason Brennan was credited with the save.

High Point opened its season with three games in Spartanburg, S.C. against Furman.

The Panthers split a doubleheader to start the season. The Panthers lost 2-0 in the first game despite a strong complete game performance by Chandler. In the second game, High Point's Buddy Webb homered while three other Panthers picked up RBIs. David White earned the win. Bryan Meadows picked up a loss the next day against the Paladins.

• **Women's Tennis:** The women's tennis team has gone 1-1 in its last two matches.

UNC-Wilmington disposed of High Point, 5-4 on Feb. 11. Individual winners for the Panthers were Mirva Maenpaa, Inga Muller and Megan Hofmann. The only doubles team to win was the team of Maenpaa/Ericson.

The Panthers shut down Meredith, 7-2, on Feb. 9. Singles winners for High Point were Maenpaa, Elizabeth Ericson, Andrea Avello and Hofmann. In doubles play, the teams of Maenpaa/Ericson and Maya Latinovic/Hofmann won.

• **Men's tennis:** High Point rolled over UNC-Wilmington last week, 6-1. Individual winners for the Panthers were Joakim Peterson, Jakob Widange, Erik Pettersson, Janne Leino and Bob Ferguson.

### Question:

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SPORTS EDITORIAL

# Road woes trouble men's team

By Jon Hentz  
Sports Editor

Most people may not know that there are two men's basketball teams at High Point University, but there are. There's the one that comes to play at the friendly confines of the Millis Center, and then there's the other that goes on the road.

After seeing the Panthers play at home, you would probably walk away saying, "This is a pretty good basketball team." But if you traveled on the road with the club, you would most likely have an entirely different opinion. Currently, the Panthers are 7-2 while playing in front of the "Millis Maniacs," but have only been able to muster a 3-12 record on the road.

They started 1-1 in the Alabama Tournament with a win over Centenary in the consolation game and then

went on to win their first regular season away game, 90-66 over Campbell.

The Panthers road woes began when they traveled to Wake Forest and succumbed, embarking on 11-game losing streak away from home. The skid finally ended on Feb. 7 with a close victory over Charleston Southern. The Panthers did face opponents that they were expected to lose to, such as Wake and Florida. If High Point wants to start being recognized as a real Division I basketball school and not just a cupcake big schools put on their schedule, they need to start beating teams like San Diego State, UNLV and UC-Irvine on the road.

High Point has shown that it can play great basketball, and there have been flashes of brilliance. Unfortunately, most of these have only been at home. The Panthers are 7-2 at home, and both losses came in winnable games. In the

first loss against Coastal Carolina, High Point played without two starters in Geordie Cullen and Anthony Jackson, who were benched for disciplinary reasons. And against a Winthrop team that took Maryland to overtime and slaughtered Virginia Tech, the Panthers lost by a mere five points.

The Panthers are 4-6 in the Big South Conference but have only won one conference game on the road.

Although High Point has had its woes on the road, this should be considered a successful season. The Panthers are currently 10-14 overall and are an extremely young team with Myron Stewart being the lone senior. If they can cut down on turnovers and manage to improve their rebounding, this will be a team that people start talking about as the team to beat.

This is the first season that the Panthers are eligible for an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament. They'll have to wait until the 2001-2002 season to be a full member of the Big South Conference and be eligible to win the conference tournament.



Jon Hentz  
Sports Editor

# Griffey trade affects NL

By Mike Graff  
Editor

Maybe Kerry Wood shouldn't be so eager to come back.

The National League Central pitchers should loosen their necks, because they'll be twisting them quite a bit this year during divisional play.

As if Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa weren't enough for the NL Central. There's a new "Kid" in town now. Only, he's not a kid anymore.

The seasoned Ken Griffey Jr. was traded to the Cincinnati Reds last Thursday. He brings around 50 more home runs to the powerful NL Central, which looks more like an American League division now.

Two of the most prolific home run hitters in American League history who locked horns in the AL West a few years ago are set to do battle in the Central Division of the senior league. And with the emergence of Sosa, this season and the seasons to come should be rather exciting for home run buffs.

Balls will be flying over the walls at record pace (not that it hasn't already happened with McGwire and Sosa). Griffey will be playing in a park that saw the fourth most home runs last season.

Not only will the NL Central contain three great home run hitters this year, it will have three great people.

Griffey turned down a multi-year, \$140 million contract from Seattle to accept a 9-year, \$117.5 million contract in Cincinnati. The reason: he wanted to go home again.

McGwire's son made his father's decision to stay in St. Louis two years ago.

Sosa has become a national hero in the Dominican Republic and he's done it with poise and gratitude.

All baseball fans should be a little giddy this year.

A combination of two of these three players will occur in 38 games this season. That means that in nearly one-fourth of all Central Division games, we'll either see McGwire-Sosa, McGwire-Griffey or Griffey-Sosa.

Toss in the forgotten Jeff Bagwell and his mere 45 home runs per year, and the NL Central will set the standard for home runs.

When McGwire left Oakland a few years ago, the National League was noted for its pitching with the Braves' staff making all the headlines.

Then McGwire and Sosa went on that little home run chase in 1998. Now, the American League's power has shifted greatly. Juan Gonzalez and Albert Belle highlight a league made for hitters. The three best home run hitters in baseball are now in the pitcher's league.

So, here are the winners and losers in the American and National Leagues after Griffey's trade.

American League losers: Home run-craving fans. Seattle Mariners. Winners: pitchers.

National League losers: Pitchers. Winners: Cincinnati Reds and home run-craving fans.

Losers from both leagues: Record-holders.

## Oldsmobile Drive to March Madness

### 1999-2000 Big South Conference Men's Basketball

Through games of February 10, 2000

#### Big South Standings

Team	Conference			Overall			Other			
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	Home	Road	Net	Streak
Radford	7	2	.778	13	9	.591	7-2	6-7	1-1	L1
Winthrop	6	2	.750	14	7	.667	11-1	3-6	0-0	W3
Coastal Carolina	6	3	.667	9	13	.409	5-4	4-9	0-0	L1
Elon	4	4	.500	10	12	.455	8-1	2-11	0-0	W1
High Point	4	5	.444	10	13	.435	7-1	2-11	1-1	W1
UNC Asheville	4	5	.444	6	16	.273	6-3	0-13	0-0	W1
Liberty	2	7	.222	12	10	.545	8-3	4-7	0-0	L2
Charleston Southern	2	7	.222	6	16	.273	6-5	0-11	0-2	L1

#### Player of the Week

Brendon Rowell, Elon, Sophomore, G, Charlotte, NC

Rowell scored 34 points against Charleston Southern, hitting 9-of-15 from the field and 15-19 from the line. He also chipped in a three-pointer against the Bucs. Earlier in the week, Rowell scored 11 points to help lead Elon over Radford. Rowell shot 52.4 percent from the field and 84.6 percent from the foul line in two games last week.

#### Rookie of the Week

Peanut Arrington, Radford, Freshman, G, Bedford, Va.

Arrington continued his torrid play with a 17-point performance against UNC Asheville. He scored 16 points in the final 8:34 against UNC Asheville. He made 6-of-9 field goal attempts including 4-of-6 three-pointers against the Bulldogs. Arrington made three three-pointers and equaled his career high with seven rebounds in the loss at Elon.

#### Recent Results

2/5 Radford 88, UNC Asheville 74  
Winthrop 88, Liberty 63  
Charleston Southern 90, Elon 89 (OT)  
Coastal Carolina 75, High Point 67

2/7 Elon 57, Coastal Carolina 49  
High Point 59, Charleston So. 54

2/9 Winthrop 81, Radford 78  
UNC Asheville 82, Liberty 68

Italics Denotes Home Team  
Bold denotes Conference game

#### Upcoming Games

2/16 Elon at Winthrop 7:00 pm  
Liberty at High Point 7:00 pm

2/18 High Point at UNCA (TV-FSS) 9:00 pm

2/19 Winthrop at Charleston So. 4:00 pm  
Elon at Radford 7:00 pm

2/20 Coastal Carolina at UNCA 4:30 pm

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### 1999-2000 Big South Conference Women's Basketball

Through games of February 10, 2000

#### Big South Standings

Team	Conference			Overall			Other			
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	Home	Road	Net	Streak
Liberty	7	2	.778	15	7	.682	8-3	6-2	1-2	W3
Radford	7	2	.778	9	13	.409	5-5	3-8	2-2	W2
Coastal Carolina	5	4	.556	14	8	.636	8-2	5-6	1-0	L2
UNC Asheville	5	4	.556	6	14	.300	2-7	4-7	0-0	W1
Winthrop	4	5	.444	8	14	.364	5-6	2-7	1-1	W3
Elon	4	6	.400	11	12	.478	5-6	5-6	1-0	L2
High Point	2	6	.250	5	16	.238	2-8	3-7	0-1	L5
Charleston So.	2	7	.222	6	14	.300	3-6	3-8	1-2	L2

#### Player of the Week

Jennifer Grant, Radford, Senior, C, Huntingdon, Quebec

Grant set a new Big South Conference record with 23 rebounds in Radford's win against Coastal Carolina. Eight of her 23 boards came on the offensive glass. She scored 12 points against the Chanticleers as well. Grant recorded a double-double against Elon, scoring 18 points and grabbing 11 rebounds. She finished the week averaging 15 points and 17 rpg.

#### Rookie of the Week

Michelle Fricke, Liberty, Freshman, F, Maple Grove, Minn.

Fricke led the squad with 16 points and nine rebounds against High Point on Tuesday night. She was 5-for-11 from the field, including 2-for-4 from three-point range and a perfect 4-for-4 from the free throw line. Fricke recorded 14 points and seven rebounds to help guide Liberty to a 70-52 victory over Charleston Southern on Saturday. She was 3-for-7 from the field and 7-for-10 from the charity stripe.

#### Recent Results

2/5 Liberty 70, Charleston So. 52  
Winthrop 57, Elon 55  
Radford 59, Coastal Carolina 46

2/7 Liberty 56, Coastal Carolina 51  
Winthrop 68, Newberry 49  
Radford 59, UNC Asheville 55

2/9 UNC Asheville 50, Elon 47  
Winthrop 57, High Point 50

Italics Denotes Home Team  
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#### Upcoming Games

2/16 Charleston So. at N.C. A&T 6:00 pm

2/17 Winthrop at Liberty 7:00 pm

2/18 High Point at UNCA (TV-FSS) 6:30 pm

2/19 Elon at Radford 2:00 pm  
Winthrop at Charleston So. 6:00 pm

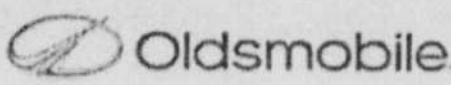
2/20 Coastal Carolina at UNCA 2:00 pm

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# Men's team playing up and down

By Todd James  
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team broke an 11-game road losing streak on Feb. 7 by beating Charleston Southern 56-54. Sophomore guard Mantas Ignatavicius drilled a baseline jumper with only one second left in the contest to give the Panthers their first road win since Nov. 30 when they blew out Campbell 90-66. High Point's Big South Conference record is now 4-6 after a loss to Winthrop last Saturday, while its overall mark is 10-14. Senior forward Myron Stewart led the Panthers with 13 points against CSU. Sophomore Valdas Kaukenas also got into double figures, scoring 12.

HPU Coach Jerry Steele said the win at Charleston Southern was a definite step forward for his team: "It was a big win for us. I thought it was probably the hardest and the smartest we've played as a team. Everybody played hard and got into the flow."

On Feb. 5, High Point lost at Coastal Carolina 75-67. Sophomore center Geordie Cullen paced the Panthers in scoring with 19 points. Three other Panthers also put up double figures against the Chanticleers. Jimmy Bennett had 13, Stewart netted 11 and Ignatavicius posted 10.

On Feb. 1, HPU lost 88-63 at Liberty. Sophomore guard Derek Van Weerdhuizen led four High Point players in double digits with 14 points. Ignatavicius and Kaukenas had 13 apiece, while Anthony Jackson scored 12.

Steele said the game at Coastal Carolina was close until the end, but the contest at Liberty was decided before halftime: "Against Liberty we were out of it in the first 10 minutes, and then when we played Coastal, we were down 12 but actually came back to take the lead in the second half."

On Jan. 29, High Point used 51 second-half points

to run away from arch-rival Elon and win 77-60. Over 2,000 Panther fans packed the Millis Center, and they weren't disappointed. Cullen made sure of that, coming through with a 33-point performance. Van Weerdhuizen and Ignatavicius also helped fight off the Fightin' Christians, scoring 21 and 14 respectively.

Steele said the effort against Elon was encouraging, but noted that his team has been a little up and down in conference play. "On some nights we've had everybody play as good or better than they're capable of playing, but then there's been some other nights that I think we've played below what we should have played."

HPU has three games remaining on its schedule this season. The next game on the slate comes tomorrow, when the Panthers will travel to play at UNC-Asheville. That game will begin at 9 p.m. and can be seen on Fox Sports South. Next Thursday, High Point plays its final home game of the year, welcoming in



PHOTO BY LEV SHELLINGER

Anthony Jackson squares up for another 3-pointer. Jackson and the Panthers have three games remaining this season.

Radford, last year's Big South champion. That game is set for a 7 p.m. tip-off. The final game of the season is Saturday, Feb. 26 at Elon (also a 7 p.m. tip).

Steele is looking for improvement in the final few weeks of the season. "The outcome is important. We need to (win) a couple of those, but how we play is just as important because it will carry over to next year," the coach said.

## Women still optimistic

By Verron Chue  
Staff Writer

The Panthers' last five games have been anything but what they had hoped them to be. Despite losses to Elon, Liberty, Winthrop, Coastal Carolina and Charleston Southern, Coach Joe Ellenburg remains optimistic, even though his squad's mark stands at 5-18. The Panthers only have four games left, and then it will be on to the Big South Conference Tournament in Asheville.

"Anytime there is a tournament that determines who wins it all, there is still hope," says Ellenburg. "We will keep that hope until we play our last game."

Unlike their male counterparts, Ellenburg's squad is eligible to play in the tournament, and it plans to make the most of the opportunity. There are four seniors who enjoyed great success their first two years, but have suffered some disappointments the last two years. Keisha Boyd, Kelly Goode, Annie Miller and Kelly Thomas have handled both prosperity and adversity well. "The seniors are laying the foundation for a positive future," says Ellenburg. "We'll be better in the future."

"This is the first year that injuries have cost us a good year. But it happens."

The most debilitating blow came when point guard Misty Brockman was lost for the season, and shooting guard Annie Miller had to move to the point. Still, the season had to continue,

and the Panthers are clawing and scratching their way through it. Players had to step up, and composure had to be kept.

"Hats off to Annie Miller for playing in an unnatural position," says Ellenburg.

If nothing else, the Panthers should be congratulated on just surviving during their first Division I season. The move up was a big step, and the Panthers are still getting acclimated.

The coach has a battle-plan for 2001. "Next year, we hope to play more up-tempo basketball," states Ellenburg. "That's my kind of game."



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Mary Brewer lines up a free throw for the Panthers.

## Thomas more than just an athlete

By Mike Graff  
Editor

When Derrick Thomas died last week as a result of injuries suffered in a car accident, I wasn't really bothered.

Until I saw a memorial on SportsCenter.

I found out that Thomas was worth more than his record of seven sacks in one game.

The tribute to Thomas was one that couldn't have been put together for many other professional athletes.

Apparently, in 1994, Thomas took under his wing a little boy from Kansas who suffered from the AIDS virus.

The boy, 11, loved to play basketball. But his peers didn't like playing with him.

Entire basketball tournaments were cancelled because people feared playing against him and the virus that would soon claim his life.

But Thomas decided to make the boy's peers a little jealous.

The Kansas City Chief walked out onto the basketball court and put his arm around the boy, saying it was OK to come closer.

And when the boy was a few days away from dying, he had only one more wish — to see Thomas again.

So Thomas obliged and flew in from Miami to give the boy his final wish. And DT gave him one of his Pro Bowl jerseys. It was the only time the linebacker ever gave a jersey away.

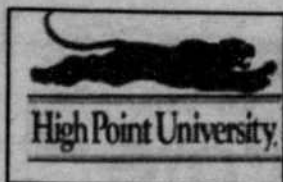
Three days later, the boy died. It came as no surprise that the boy's mother didn't listen to others when they said he should be buried in a suit. Instead, the boy was buried in a Chiefs jersey.

After seeing this story, I came to the realization that not every player is self-centered.

Not every player donates money to organizations in order to gain praise.

Some actually do find time to care about others.





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### Column One News

#### Spring Sting soon to be in full swing

The Student Activities Board is holding its annual Spring Activities Week March 27-April 1.

The theme this year is "Spring Sting" which will be promoted through more activities and more t-shirts than in the past.

On March 27, video buttons will be made in the cafeteria lobby from 1-3 p.m.

Students can have goofy IDs made on March 28 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. also in the cafeteria lobby.

At 8 p.m. on March 29, the SAB will be sponsoring Bingo in the Slane Center lobby. Prizes will be awarded to winners.

Comedian Mark Reedy makes his debut here on March 30 at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria. He has been seen on Showtime, MTV, A & E and HBO.

Wax Hands will be done on March 31 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the cafeteria lobby. Also, come see HPU's hidden talent onstage at the annual talent show at 8 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium.

Finally, the SAB has a trip planned for Celebration Station on April 1. The trip starts at 1 p.m. and goes until students are ready to leave. The cost is free, but bring extra money for game tokens. Sign up in the Student Life office.

#### IDS events offer last chances for credit

There are still six more opportunities to earn IDS credit before the semester ends.

The United States Air Force Band will be performing on April 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Millis Center. Tickets are free and available in the bookstore.

Take the chance to earn credit and have a good laugh as the Tower Players present "All in the Timing" April 5-9 in the Empty Space Theater.

On April 11, the Wind Ensemble will be having its spring concert at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium.

There are two chances to earn credit on Honors Day, which is April 12. Come support your fellow Panther brothers and sisters as they are recognized at the Academic Awards ceremony at 11 a.m. and at the Campus Life ceremony at 2 p.m.

Finally, on April 18, the University Singers will have their spring concert at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel.

Events such as the Honors Symposium and the Old Montlieu Society picnic are not good for credit.

- by Kelly Gilfillan

## Alum makes a killing with book

By Kelly Ivey  
Staff Writer

An apparently normal encounter with a traveler sparked alumnus Detective Jeff Pate's first novel, "Winner Take All." Serial killers can possess a "facade of being normal" when in reality they are "monsters," according to Pate of the High Point Police Department. This opinion stems from an experience he had 10 years ago. While on patrol, Pate and another officer gave a man a ride to the Radisson Hotel. One week later, the officers discovered the same traveler was wanted for murder in South Carolina, New York and North Carolina, including the slaying of a Radisson employee.

Jeff Pate always knew he would be a police officer, being sworn into the High Point Police Department the day after graduating from HPU. This brother of Pi Kappa Alpha gained degrees in history and political science and has been a detective for over five years and an officer for 14.

"I don't know how it came to be," Pate says of his novel. He began reading crime fiction only six years ago and it became easy to see the drama unfold in the books. In 1998, Pate attempted to take his turn at writing a "true to life" story using his police experience and knowledge of North Carolina.

"Winner Take All" leads the reader through a web of serial murder and suspense. Although the book is fiction, Pate has drawn much of his material from actual people and places. The main characters, SBI (fictitious North Carolina investigative group) profiler Clark Hager and partner Lloyd Sheridan, hunt the killer of several young women. Pate admits he is "a little of every character," and his cool aura seems to reflect the smooth yet sharp nature of Clark Hager.

In the novel, the first dead body is found in Hertford County, coincidentally the home of Hager and Pate's parents. Another interesting twist is that other bodies are found in such familiar areas as UNC-Wilmington and Greensboro. As the action heightens in "Winner Take All," the reader will be surprised to discover the identity of the killer, hints Pate.



"Winner Take All" is the first book published by HPU alumnus and High Point City Detective Jeff Pate.

Real life detective work is much more complex than the make-believe world of suspense fiction. In writing, the author creates how the story will end, while in actual cases there is rarely a conclusion. In Detective Pate's experience with property crimes, only 10 percent are

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## Nelson preaches acceptance of all

By Courtney Mueller  
Staff Writer

Using a passage from the Gospel of John as her guide, Reverend Janet Cooper Nelson urged a full chapel of clergymen and women, students, faculty and staff to "feed the lambs, tend the sheep and follow Jesus."

On March 16, Nelson, the chaplain and director of religious life at Brown University, served as the second keynote speaker during the Bishops' Convocation for Clergy and Finch Lecture.

Nelson began her speech, "Imperatives: The Place of the Christian University," by thanking the audience for the warm welcome she had received at the university.

After reading from John, Nelson identified Jesus' message to Peter as an important one, saying that Jesus commands Peter, instead of asking him, to feed the lambs, tend the sheep and follow him.

"The imperative mood makes very quick and efficient instruction," she said.

"When you speak in an imperative tone, the you is never spoken, it's implied."

Nelson continued by explaining that there are two "yous" - me and you.

"There is me," she said, "and there is you... the large collective you."

We are the followers of Peter's tradition, Nelson continued. It is to all of us that the passage is directed.

"In order to tend, feed and follow, we must know the sheep," she said. The sheep represent the world, the large collective you. As sons and daughters of Christ, we are to be generous and loving, "the way God is among us in mercy."

Addressing Christian education, Nelson said that teaching has the capacity to shine and be authoritative. It should include the freedom of expression and ideas. When looking at an academic institution, Nelson said the most important thing to examine is the people.

Reading from the book "Students Are Watching," Nelson said, "Don't look at the rules or mission statement. Judge the school not at what it says but in how it

keeps."

"It's important to ask 'how are we keeping?' every now and then," she said. "The sheep are many, the needs of the world are huge. How shall the Church of Christ follow through with this mission? We must always ask: Have the sheep been fed? Have they been nurtured? Together, we are God's sheep."

We must take up the corporal life of the world as Jesus did and see we are racist, we are homophobic, we have too much. We have been greedy when we should have been generous."

Our lives will not be judged according to our resumes, she said. We must have purpose, heart, balance, gratitude and joy.

Nelson concluded her speech by repeating the final and most important imperative - to follow Jesus Christ.

"[People that have a strong faith] are stronger. They participate and contribute. They follow a light that is brighter than the glimmer of their own candle," she said.

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## Hackers place students in technological danger

I watched a special on MTV over Christmas break and I found it discouraging and frightening.

A 15-year-old kid, whose face was never shown, displayed what he knew about computers and how dangerous he was. This "innocent" kid has hacked into the United States military's computer system. A terrorist leader in the Middle East has even sent him money for disclosing vital military information.

Nice game, kid.

Thanks to people like you, we could have another bombing at the World Trade Center or in Oklahoma City. It's all fun and games.

I watched this over Christmas break and became upset and angry, but I put it in the back of my mind for a while.

But then another great person hacked into the university's system before spring break.

I've seen the server down at school before, but only for a day or two. This problem couldn't be fixed until the end of spring break. And even after it was fixed, vital data were lost.

Some of my teachers had their syllabi posted on the school's web page. Gone. Everything had to be rebuilt.

Saved information on individual hard drives? Gone.

This game had computer services at a standstill for days. And the common assumption is that the job

was done internally.

Where does a person find pleasure in this?

I've heard that while people are logged onto the Internet, their information is open to numerous computer hackers. Faceless people can ruin the lives of others by pressing a few buttons on a keyboard.



**Mike Graff**  
Editor

The hacking of the school's system left some students and teachers almost helpless for a week or so. I guess some people can be satisfied by using their computer intelligence to hurt others. I don't really know why, though.

One of the government's main concerns is the Internet's susceptibility to attack. The "information superhighway" opens up many holes in military procedure.

Our armed forces are vulnerable to hackers everyday, even though they attempt to use forms of protection. The kid on MTV thinks it is a game when it is not. He doesn't realize the number of people he can affect by using his computer.

The most disheartening fact is that the people doing the hacking are our age. Young people are the leaders in the exploitation of the Internet.

And they don't know how to assume the responsibility because of their age.

I'm convinced that it was a member of the university community, maybe even a student, who broke

## Make your own vote

By Cathy Roberts  
Staff Writer

Freedom of Choice - one of the most important foundations of the American Dream. As citizens of this country, we pride ourselves on the ability to control our lives, as well as the laws and the officials that govern them. At the age of 18, we pass into the phase of adulthood that enables us to vote. Law gives us the opportunity to make our voices heard.

Unfortunately, giving us the right to vote does not guarantee we will make a wise decision. Public relations-oriented media coverage of the candidates has turned our society into a group of people incapable of thinking for themselves.

With the next presidential election bearing down upon us in a matter of months, the time has come for voters to take a closer look at the factors contributing to their choices on the ballot. We depend upon the news to tell us the viewpoints of candidates, hardly realizing that this information originates from the campaign managers hired to make their employers look good.

These managers rely on our apathetic willingness to accept what is spoon-fed to us.

Since elementary school, we have been encouraged to trust the political ideas taught to us in class. We have never once been forced to come to our own conclusions about history or how our government runs. The educational system has done the job of thinking for us. Finally, at 18, we are expected to cast intelligent ballots about the future

of our economic, legal and political system...right?

But we often fail to think for ourselves. For example, on websites promoting the vote, we can find a simple quiz that matches our beliefs as closely as possible to the candidates' platforms ([www.govote.com](http://www.govote.com)). After our answers have been matched, the quiz provides a tidy explanation of which candidate we should vote for, depending on whom we agree with the most. Why come to our own conclusions when the medium has easily made available to us a quiz that can tell us where we should stand on Election Day? In a matter of minutes, we casually throw away the power we have been granted.

However, the thoughtlessness does not stop there. We avoid having to think for ourselves every time we put all of our loyalties behind our chosen political parties. Rather than supporting a politician because we agree with his ideas, we allow ourselves to be influenced by party officials who claim that voting for someone not of our party suggests we lack loyalty or patriotism. From the perspective of the average American citizen, we should find it unpatriotic to listen blindly to these politicians in expensive suits.

So when Election Day arrives, be patriotic by not listening to rich political leaders encouraging us to vote in ways that largely benefit them. Prove these politicians wrong in their assumption that the American population lacks the backbone to think for itself.

down the school's system and that he or she is probably laughing at this editorial right now. And unless this

person is caught, it will happen again.

It would be nice if people cared about the wake they leave behind.

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### Word on the street:

*"If you could live the life of any fictional character, which character would it be and why?"*



"I'd like to be Trinity in 'The Matrix.' She does lots of cool tricks and it is an awesome movie."

- Michelle McKnight, Sophomore

"I would choose Homer Simpson, because he is his own man. DOH!"

- Matt Norman, Senior



"I would be Jim Carrey from the movie 'Ace Ventura,' because he saves Dan Marino for the Miami Dolphins, the best team in football."

- Brian Sykes, Junior

"I would want to be Chyna from the WWF. She's buff, she hangs out with a lot of hot wrestlers and she kicks butt."

- Lindy Maness, Sophomore





# Unpredictable Presidential race is heating up

By Terence Houston  
Staff Writer

The close of the Super Tuesday primaries on March 7 allowed us to get a good look at the two candidates who will run for president in the general election. Just as predicted, the race will be between Texas Governor George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore. What is becoming increasingly unpredictable is the victor of this election.

Six months ago, expert pollsters would have told you that Gov. Bush was a shoe-in as the first new president of the 21st century. However, much has changed in a relatively short time and much will have to change if either of the two candidates wants to see victory.

Vice President Gore and former New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley were two Democratic candidates with liberal ideas that appealed to the same group of

## And then there were two



Al Gore (left) and George W. Bush (right) remain in the race.

voters. After losing, Bradley vowed to support Gore in the election. The vast majority of Bradley voters is guaranteed to support Gore in November.

Bush's primary victory against Ari-

zona Senator John McCain did not come out as well. McCain expressed ideas which appealed not only to Republican voters, but also independents and even Democrats. Polls taken in several states

have shown that while half of McCain's supporters say they would vote for Bush, four out of 10 say they would support Gore. McCain has not pledged to support Bush.

Attracting McCain voters along with the enormous number of independents will be the key to winning the presidency. However, there are independents that may not vote in the election because of the constant slandering on both sides.

Bush's critics are likely to focus on his visit to Bob Jones University, an institution where, until recently, interracial dating was taboo. In addition, there is the tax cut he proposed which is bigger than one congressional Republican put forth last year.

Gore's critics are likely to bring up his controversial visit to a Buddhist temple fundraiser in the 1996 campaign. Bush himself has made it clear that he

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# Student sees world by studying abroad

By Beth Judy  
Special to the Chronicle

Henry David Thoreau once wrote, "One sees the whole world more clearly if one looks at it from an angle." Having been one of the 15 students (accompanied by history professor Dr. Larry Simpson) who studied abroad last semester at Westminster College in Oxford, England, I would have to agree with Thoreau's statement. Going to another country allows you to experience everything from a new perspective.

As I look back, studying abroad was one of the best decisions I've ever made. Not only did I get to meet a lot of diverse and interesting people but was afforded many opportunities to travel.

As part of the abroad experience, the first week we arrived, we were given guided tours of several well-known places in England such as Stratford-upon-Avon, Stonehenge, Warwick Castle, Salisbury Cathedral, Bath Abbey and Blenheim Palace. Although the first few days were a little rough considering we were all jet-lagged, it was definitely worthwhile. It was neat visiting places I had only read and dreamed about. We also learned a lot of history from our gracious and witty host, Brian Cudmore, who was the long-time interna-

tional coordinator between Westminster and High Point before his early retirement.

Also, many of us took advantage of the short two-hour bus ride to London on the weekends for sight-seeing, shopping or taking in a Broadway play or musical. London is really an amazing, cosmopolitan city that has so many wonderful sights to explore.

My personal favorite memory of London was watching the pomp and circumstance of the Changing of the Guard Ceremony, which takes place every odd day at 11 a.m. Let's just say the British really know how to put on a show! My advice to anyone who goes to this ostentatious ceremony: bring your camera, of course, and arrive early! Oh yeah, and one more thing: When using the underground in London, don't forget



Beth Judy poses for a picture at historical Stonehenge.

to "mind the gap!" (In other words, watch your step when getting on or off the subway!)

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# Young adults need to be treated with respect

By Heather Cheek  
Staff Writer

I want to know why the public rarely takes me seriously.

What possesses a person to deem that polite indifference is all an intelligent young woman deserves?

My story begins as the old bell rings on the glass doors while I walk into the cigarette-stink of the shop where I used to work. Tom, as I will call him, sits on his wooden stool within reach of a large tea, cookies and the stereo blaring Metallica. His usual one-size-too-small shirt exposes his round, hairy belly through a ragged hole.

"What's up, girl? How've you been doing?" he mutters, looking down at his fingernails, which he is picking with a tiny screwdriver.

I tell him that I need a new stereo and speakers for my car. (My parents bought me a new car, and the radio sounds like one of the old recordings of Franklin D. Roosevelt's Fireside Chats.)

"I can hook you up with something," he says. "What do you want?"

What do I want? That's a good question, but I thought I had just told him that.

"I just want a stereo and some speakers that sound good. You know. Keep it simple. I just want to be able to turn my radio up and not feel like I'm listening to a phonograph. It can't be too expensive, though."

"Well, I've got some used Pioneers. They'll sound like new." He puts the screwdriver down and begins combing through his long, stringy hair with his fingers. "Come on up here tomorrow morning, and we'll getcha going."

So, that's that, right? I should have some new speakers and a stereo in my car within a day. Well, the days are passing, and each one leaves me a little more dumbfounded by the creative excuses Tom feeds me.

A month elapses, and my bill climbs after the failure of one stereo kit, three different lemon stereos and a set of speakers that crank up and lock themselves as loud as they will go at the touch of the brake pad.

There is nothing to show for my many appointments except a few more "mini-

mal quirks that happen to the best of us," as Tom explains.

This nightmare continues six months, and it sucks \$365 from my purse as well as every last bit of my dignity out of me. I still have a terrible stereo and four old sun-cracked speakers that seem to cackle at me with each new song they cough.

Why am I not taken seriously? Businesses might as well give me a sign that reads, "You are not at the top of our priorities." Whether I'm speaking with a businessman on the phone or dealing with a clerk in a store, I am always told that there is a cheaper kind of the merchandise that I'm looking at that will suit me well or else I am ignored as if I've previously stated that I don't need any help.

In restaurants, the service is usually poor to mediocre unless I am blessed with "Romeo, the waiter" who attempts to sweep me off my feet with each offensive remark that he coos at me while winking his left eye. Evidently, the bad service arises because I look like I'm too young, stupid or rude to know how to tip well, and the flirtations must be lame

attempts to arouse me into leaving my telephone number by my plate written on a large bill for him and his impressive services.

Ladies and gentlemen, I am asking you to raise your standards of acceptable treatment. Although young women and men may not roll into the parking lots in our shiny new Land Rovers, Lexuses and Stealths with a gold card in hand, we still deserve to be treated honestly and with respect.

The only way to get this treatment is to demand it. Instead of walking away from a store with our heads down, we should firmly state what we perceive to be going on and ask for exactly what we want.

If we happen to be shy, we can gain respect by filling out the customer comment card or by taking our business elsewhere.

The world is not perfect. I and others like me are too old to be ignored or toyed with like children. Every time I go out, I won't be treated like a queen, but I should receive no less respect than my elders get.



# Peele gives advice for life after graduation

By **Derek Gibson**  
Staff Writer

As graduation approaches, seniors find themselves wondering if they will find the perfect job that will suit them for the rest of their lives.

Alumnus Andre Peele can attest to the struggles in finding a suitable job after college. Peele's words of wisdom to the class of 2000 can be summed up quickly and simply: "The key is who you know, not what you know," says Peele.

After graduating last December with a degree in business administration, Peele has emerged from what we all know as college life into what he now refers to as the "real world."

Since graduation, Peele has been occupied as store manager, salesman and customer serviceman for Foot Action, working 12 hours a day, four days a week.

The job's benefits include meeting many people and making new friends, especially women. What's a more perfect way to meet women than helping them buy shoes? On a typical day, Peele works the long hours and then comes home to cook dinner. He jokingly says that he's now looking for a wife to help him with the cooking.

Paying bills and shouldering more responsibility await seniors in the real world. Making ends meet has been a little tough for Peele, "but I make pretty good money with the job I have now. Luckily, it's working for me," he says. The challenges have made him stronger. Peele says he has a lot more goals now than he ever had in college.

Talking about his college experience at HPU makes Peele grin and raise an eyebrow a few times. He misses the campus atmosphere and his old friends. Sometimes he doesn't think he enjoyed college the way he should

have.

"I spent most of my weekends studying, and there were a lot of things I didn't get a chance to do. On the other hand, I don't regret any of the choices I made," says Peele.

After four and a half years of taking final exams, living in a dorm and making friends, Peele felt it was time to go.

He gives this advice to the class of 2000: "Go on as many interviews as you possibly can because it's hard to find a job right after graduating. Ninety percent of college students don't find a job after they graduate. I lucked up. Trust me. Just be dedicated."

Peele hopes to become head manager at Foot Action and then to chart an independent course in business.

"It's a whole new world out there and I'm ready for it," he says confidently.

# SGA passes several bills for organizations

By **Kelly Gilfillan**  
Assistant Editor

It's been a busy few weeks for the Student Government Association, even with the time off for spring break.

At the Feb. 24 meeting, two bills were presented. The dance team and cheerleaders asked for funds for tumbling and dance classes, and the allocation was approved. Also, making their first move as a newly recognized organization, the Sports Medicine Club requested money to send eight students to a national conference. After a heated discussion, the bill was amended for a lower cost and passed.

The March 3 meeting saw the senate involved in the passage of one bill and a long discussion about security with Director Ed Cannady.

Theta Chi Fraternity hoped to bring the country rock band Dakkota back to campus on March 31 for their annual see-saw-a-thon, along with musician Kerry Pierce. The fraternity asked for the necessary money to pay for both acts and they got it.

The security discussion, prompted by comments at earlier meetings, gave representatives a chance to tell Cannady about their concerns. Cannady said that he believed most students found him inaccessible, but he was quick to assure the senate that he is always available. He addressed issues ranging from malfunctioning call boxes to parking. Cannady promised to make changes, and a few have already taken place.

Finally, at the March 16 meeting, an unprecedented event took place as the Physical Education Club was officially recognized by the SGA and presented a bill in the same night. The members wanted the funds to send four students and two faculty members to a conference in Orlando this week. They got the money and a place on the SGA roster. Also, the SGA made good

on its promise to pay the bill for movies running on channel 8. Executive Vice President Kat Hoffman hopes that the legislature will soon be able to pick the movies the school receives.

President Matt McLendon spoke about elections, which are rapidly approaching. Petitions will be ready by March 27, but final dates for elections have yet to be set. The new officers will be sworn in at the last

meeting on April 13.

Speaker Jenny May has started a liaison project in which she will speak to organizations about SGA proceedings and concerns. She encourages any interested clubs to contact her.

The next meeting is March 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Room. Any incoming bills should be given to Attorney General Don Dunphy by March 27.

## A look at the two candidates

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will make the Clinton scandals a favorite topic during the campaign. This ties into the fact that many voters continue to suffer from Clinton fatigue which they are all too willing to avenge by voting against Gore.

Regardless of his flaws, one of these men will make it to the White House and it is up to the independent voters to decide whose flaws will least affect the manner of the future commander in chief. The best way to determine this is by reading the newspapers.

Debates also provide a chance to compare the views of the candidates as they discuss their positions on important issues. However, it may be some time before we get a chance to see these opposing forces go head to head. While Gore has challenged Bush to a series of debates in exchange for both parties' dropping negative TV ads, Bush has yet to accept the challenge.

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# Davidson encourages future black journalists

By Shannon Moxley  
Staff Writer

Over the past decade, blacks' presence on TV has increased tremendously, although the percentage of whites is still much higher.

"We have come far, but we still have much farther to go," says Dia Davidson, the only black female news anchorwoman for ABC 45 in Winston Salem. Davidson's presence was strongly felt when she spoke here recently to an eager group of African American students.

She provided students with the cold, hard facts about racial reality in professional life and the hardships she, along with other blacks, had to go through to make their voices heard.

"You have to be 200 percent better than your white counterpart," says Davidson. "Every day is a struggle... Blacks have struggled in the entertainment business since the days of vaudeville, when white America would take characters from shows and depict the way blacks spoke and behaved. Blacks were given roles that made them look

and act like buffoons. During the time of vaudeville, we were not what they (whites) thought would be credible. The doors for opportunity weren't open to us."

These barriers began to be broken in the 1950s when actors like Lena Horne, Dorothy Dandridge and Sidney Poitier portrayed black characters who were beautiful and educated. These pioneers opened up doors for more blacks to showcase their talents in the media.

Davidson is one of a relatively small group of blacks who have had the chance to succeed in the media. Davidson graduated from the University of Georgia and attended law school at Louisiana State

University. She had no desire to become an anchorwoman until she did an intern-

ship at a local news station in Baton Rouge, La. and developed a strong interest in journalism. Davidson decided to leave law school after realizing that "there was no true justice in the law," and instead decided to gain her master's degree in journalism at Temple University.

She was a 1998 recipient of the NEA Award for Excellence in Advancing Education through Broadcasting as well as the first black member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority at the University of Georgia. She is working on her doctorate in

journalism at the University of South Carolina.

Despite her accomplishments, she still has to work hard to gain respect from her colleagues, because she is a female and because of her skin color. "I'm not here to make friends; I am here to make a living," says Davidson.

She has had to cope with some unpleasant situations since she entered the media field. "I was thinking about going natural by dreading my hair," she says. "When I told my colleagues that, I was told that if I were to do this, then I shouldn't let the door hit me on my way out." She was also criticized for over-enunciating her words when she was presenting news stories. Davidson told students that these are things that you are going to have to deal with if you plan on making it in media work. "You reap many benefits if you are able to stay in the game," she says.

Davidson urged students to concentrate on their studies and understand that as black people they are always going to have to work harder than others. She closed by reminding the students that media work is a demanding field and that "you have to start out low in order to rise high."

“Every day is a struggle  
... Blacks have  
struggled in the enter-  
tainment business since  
the days of vaudeville,  
when white America  
would take characters  
from shows and depict  
the way blacks spoke  
and behaved.  
- Dia Davidson

## HEALTH CORNER

### Five easy steps to leading a healthier college life

Most of us lead pretty hectic lives, and the idea of maintaining a healthy lifestyle at the same time seems distant, difficult and unimportant.

Keeping this in mind, I have developed five easy ways that lead to an immediately healthier life.

Most of these ideas include foods that are tasty, versatile and inexpensive. These changes are also easy to make and they require little or no nutrition knowledge.

• **Eat more Fish.** According to a survey conducted by nutrition specialist Georgia Kostas, fish contains omega-3 fatty acids, which aid in lowering cholesterol levels and reducing fat storage. The best kinds are cold water fish such as bass, trout, sardines, salmon and tuna. Two fish meals a week are recommended, but as little as one salmon steak or a few cans of tuna each week can offer significant benefits.

• **Increase your fruits and vegetables.** Doing this in at least two of your daily meals can make a huge difference in your overall health. Fruits and vegetables contain vitamins A and C, folic acid, fiber and naturally occurring phytochemicals. These substances are believed to slow damage to human cells, protect against cancer and heart disease while boosting the immune system.

• **Try Oatmeal.** It's hot, inexpensive, easy to make and tastes great with a little brown sugar on top. Oatmeal is filled with a fiber called beta glucan, which lowers cholesterol levels. A diet rich in fiber also keeps carbohydrates from entering the bloodstream too quickly, keeping fat storage at a minimum.

• **Limit soda intake.** Soda contains

large amounts of sugar, sodium and caffeine, all of which increase fat storage and cause water retention. Limiting yourself to a few sodas a week or one a day (depending on how much you usually consume) can keep you healthy. You can even take it a step further by replacing soda with water. Your body will thank you with less water retention, a cleaner system and healthier skin.

• **Include a multi-vitamin.** Vitamins are chemical compounds that are essential for growth, health and normal metabolism. Supplementing the body with a substantial multi-vitamin can keep your mind and body in top condition. The correct supplements of various vitamins and minerals keep your body satisfied,

which will prevent deficiencies and keep your immune system boosted.

These five changes are easy to make because they require minimal effort. The short term effects will allow you to feel great, while the long term effects will keep your lifestyle above average as you experience a longer, healthier life.



Courtney Hurley  
Health

### Student finds home overseas

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Oxford is also a busy, exciting city which offers much to see and do. Whether you just want to walk around, go to a symphony, shop, tour the university or enjoy the pub atmosphere and good spirits, Oxford has something for everyone.

Like HPU, Westminster schedules a fall break. Many students used this week to travel to such exciting destinations as France, Italy, Ireland and Switzerland. I still have to pinch myself to believe I've actually been all the way to the top of the Eiffel Tower!

There were also other educational advantages to studying abroad such as acquiring "new" words. I learned fun words and expressions like "rubbish" (trash or hogwash), "jumpers" (sweaters) and "Cheers, mate!" (thanks, pal). I also learned that many of our words have different connotations and meanings in England. For instance, cookies are called "biscuits," pants "trousers" and you don't

vacuum, you "hoover." I quickly realized that there are two kinds of English: English and American English. And, by the way, you don't stand in line, you "queue up!"

Moreover, I got accustomed to the British manner of hospitality: invitation to a cup of tea. Yes, it's true: the British do drink lots of tea! Although I wouldn't consider myself a tea connoisseur, I developed quite a taste for hot tea during my three month stay.

Yes, I would definitely consider my visit "across the pond" a good one. I learned as much, if not more, out of the classroom as I did in, made lasting friends (not to mention, tons of e-mail pals) and gained wonderful memories that will last a lifetime.

Thus, I would encourage any student thinking about studying abroad, to give it serious consideration because — from no matter what angle — it is one learning experience you will truly never forget.

### Pate writes first novel

PATE, continued from the front page

solved. He is still gaining ideas every day to work into the sequel to "Winner Take All," hoping to strengthen the mystery and character base.

Writing "Winner Take All" wasn't the hard part for Pate. Getting the book printed and distributed was a frustrating process, so much so that he took hold of the first situation. Pate began his own company, Harlan Publishing, to market

his novel.

"Winner Take All" hits the bookshelves in April. Detective Jeff Pate visits his alma mater on April 10 at 3 p.m. for a book sale and signing at the HPU bookstore. Other local book signings include: April 10 (7 p.m.) at Books A Million, April 13 (7 p.m.) at Borders in Greensboro, and April 15 (11 a.m.) at the Book Rack in High Point.

Students make hard decisions in college.



*Shannon Moxley*  
*Shannon Moxley*



# Tower Players prepare for production

By Kelly Gilfillan  
Assistant Editor

Six becomes one as the Tower Players tackle David Ives' "All in the Timing," a set of one-act plays sure to entertain you. The show will be presented in the Empty Space Theater April 5-9.

"Sure Thing" focuses on Bill (junior Doug Herring) trying to ask Betty (sophomore Rasha Zamamiri) out on a date. Every time Bill messes up, a bell rings. By the end, the bell is ringing more than he's talking. Most guys will relate to this one.

"Words Words Words" centers on

three monkeys (junior Ed Hickey and freshmen Christy Brown and Danielle Beazley) locked in a room with typewriters so they can write "Hamlet." Throw in some political satire and a tire swing, and hilarity is sure to ensue.

Theater professor Hardy Koenig makes his HPU acting debut as Don, a professor of "The Universal Language," who is trying to swindle Dawn (junior Hilde Christensen) out of her money. They fall in love, which is hard to believe because their conversations are hard to understand. But who says you have to fall in love in English?

"Variations on the Death of Trotsky"

looks at the final hours of Leon Trotsky (Herring). His wife (Christensen) finds an encyclopedia from the year 2000 and discovers that he is murdered. Trotsky goes through eight scenarios of his death with an axe in his head the whole time. No wonder he dies!

In "The Philadelphia," Mark (junior Daniel Christian) finds himself stuck in a place where he has to ask for the opposite of what he wants. His friend, Al (Kenneth Fisher) calls it a "Philadelphia." Despite some hysterical setbacks, Mark figures out how to live in this new world and falls for a waitress (freshman Juli Docimo) as well.

Finally, in "A Singular Kinda Guy," Mitch (Herring) is trying to impress a potential date by telling her he's an Olivetti Model 250 portable typewriter. And he can't even type! You have to see this one to believe it.

Steve Willis directs the show while Brad Archer serves as scenic and lighting director. Freshman Melanie Scala is the stage manager.

Tickets for the show will be \$3 for HPU students, \$5 for other students and senior citizens and \$7 for adults. Everyone is encouraged to come and see the Tower Players perform in their latest production.

## Comedy provides alternative for weekends

By Kelly Gilfillan  
Assistant Editor

It's Friday night and you want to go out. But you don't want to go dancing, you're tired of the frat parties and the latest movies look pretty boring. So where can you go to have a good time without dealing with loud music or ridiculous storylines? My friends and I wanted an answer and we found it. It lies at Holden Road and Patterson Street in Greensboro, but it's better known as the Comedy Zone.

From the outside, the Comedy Zone gives no indication of the wild activities that take place inside. Even as you enter, you have no idea what to expect. You walk in and stand on a bridge with a small stream running underneath. The hostess escorts you to your table and hands you a menu that glows under the blacklight. You're left to eat, drink and speculate.

The cost of a night here is a \$6.50 admission charge and a \$4 minimum food/drink purchase. The \$4 is easily spent because they have the best drinks, which come without alcohol in case you're the DD. My favorite was the Strawberry Shortcake, but some friends preferred the Watermelon Freeze. If mixed drinks aren't your thing, they do have beer and soft drinks.

The food is provided by Little Tony's Cafe, which has pizza and other Italian goodies. I haven't tried it myself, but I have yet to hear anyone complain. Oh, make sure you tip the wait staff. The last thing you need is a comedian teasing you about being cheap and it'll happen if you're close enough to the stage.

Now that you've satisfied your appetite, it's time for the show! Enter the emcee, whose name is C.J. He's a Greensboro guy, a graduate of North Caro-



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

The Comedy Zone, located on Holden and Patterson in Greensboro, provides entertainment for college students.

lina A & T and he's damn proud of both. He's hilarious and he definitely gets you in the mood. After one or two comics of equal talent, your sides will hurt, but you'll be enjoying yourself too much to care.

The comedians change every week, but no matter who they are, you won't be disappointed. Beware of jokes about

college students and the Greensboro area because these are two favorite topics. Chances are you'll agree with whatever they say because who knows these things better than college students from the Greensboro area? Just be sure to suppress the urge to heckle them for it.

After the show, the come-

dians and C.J. make their rounds of the audience, shaking hands and thanking people for coming. You get a chance to see how nice they are and how much they enjoy their jobs. Sometimes, a comedian will be selling t-shirts or CDs by the door. Just as when you came in, you leave with a good impression.

So, as you make the trip back to High Point while repeating punchlines, you know one thing. The next time you need a night out, the Comedy Zone has good food, great atmosphere and you're encouraged to laugh at the fool onstage.

For information or reservations (highly recommended!), call the Comedy Zone at 333-1034 or check it out on the web at [www.thecomedyzone.com](http://www.thecomedyzone.com). Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. on Fridays and 7 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Saturdays. The Comedy Zone is a great place to go to when there's nothing to do on weekends.

## Old style thrives under club's new name

By Mariel Mackintosh  
Staff Writer

Did you ever wonder if there was a place to go dance and drink the night away while you're in the clothes you wore to class the same day? Fuzzy Duck's on 708 W. Market Street in Greensboro is just that place. The dress code is casual, and the atmosphere is extremely relaxed and fun. Fuzzy Duck's, formerly known as Zoo Bar, opened in mid-October after the site was fully revamped. The renovations and name change were not due to new ownership, just the need for a fresh look.

Chris Evatt, along with a long time friend and business partner, has owned the popular college hot spot for the past 13 years. The guys re-invent the club every four years or so because they have found that college students get bored

with going to the same old place. The name Fuzzy Duck's comes from a drinking game that Evatt and his buddies used to play back in his own college days at UNCG. Old timers will recall hanging out at Fuzzy Duck's because that was the name of the bar from 1987-1991.

When you walk into Fuzzy Duck's, you notice that the jungle animals that used to hang from the Zoo Bar's ceiling have been taken down and everything has been done over in black. The walls have been covered with black acoustical theater curtains, and new sound and lights have been installed. The bar is new sleek black tile with glowing glass blocks, and the bathrooms are sparkling white.

The outdoor patio area is opened for larger crowds and nice weather. Even though there were no major changes to the bar, everything looks cleaner and a lot nicer.

Fuzzy Duck's is host to a wide variety of people, music and activities. Monday nights the rave crowd of the Triad

gathers to enjoy featured DJ's and have fun on a usually boring night. It is a nice change from the regular college bar scene. Even our own High Point University students Brett Trielo and Mike "Brownie" Brown have taken their turn at DJing on techno night. The DJ booth is set up right next to the bar, which creates great interaction between the DJ and the crowd. You can also hear about upcoming events on techno night because there are a lot of flyers being passed around.

Wednesday is College Night at Fuzzy Duck's, and they have great drink specials and good music. I know a lot of you are thinking, "What? Are you crazy? Wednesday nights are college night at N-Club!" But let me just give you this alternative - Fuzzy Duck's is no hassle - they will let you in wearing a t-shirt, jeans and flop flops. You do not need to get dressed up in club gear to go out to dance and have a good time. Greensboro College students just walk to the bar from campus, and UNCG students come from the fraternity houses right down the street. Evatt assured me that High Point students are welcomed with open arms and wishes more of us would come to Fuzzy Duck's. Greeks get in free on College Night if you present your letters.

With 75 cent drafts, plenty of mixed drink specials, cheap cover and the same kind of music you can find at other clubs on College Night, why not try Fuzzy Duck's?

Live bands are booked for Friday and Saturday nights at Fuzzy Duck's. Popular bands such as Dave Matthews Band, Hootie and the Blowfish and Marcy Playground have played the venue back before they got major record deals. Fuzzy Duck's gives local bands a chance. All you have to do is call for booking information and send a demo. Maybe your own band could be playing Fuzzy Duck's stage next! The bar can also be booked for private parties such as Greek functions.

The greatest thing about Fuzzy Duck's is that it is run by college students, for college students. With such a close proximity to Greensboro colleges, the place always has a young, friendly crowd. One thing Fuzzy Duck's takes pride in is never lowering its standards to get a large turnout. No cheesy thong or wet T-shirt contests, just a relaxed place for college students to go with their friends and have a good time. Fuzzy Duck's is always 18 and up. Call 336-272-2166 for more information; events are updated weekly.



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

Fuzzy Duck's, formerly called Zoo Bar, provides a relaxed atmosphere.



# High Point resident shares history

By Len Gibson  
Staff Writer

Work without pay is sometimes the job that rewards you the most. You can see this in the mission of Mr. Rufus Bostic.

His many achievements include being the first black deejay on a predominantly white radio station in High Point and serving as director of the Carl Chavis YMCA. But his labor of love is presenting the African-American history of High Point to those who wish to learn. Bostic teaches by giving a presentation and showing a display. His efforts as an educator have raised the consciousness of many people.

Bostic has always been a pioneer. After graduating from high school, Bostic went to the work at a local furniture store. But when someone addressed him with a racial slur, he "decided to go back to school, because I didn't want to spend the rest of my life in an environment like that," he says.

He entered Johnson C. Smith College, but after one year, his life as a student was interrupted by World War II. Serving in the Army's 24th Infantry Regiment, he saw heavy action. Three years later, Bostic returned to college and graduated in 1949.

He was determined to find a job that

didn't require him to work at a furniture store. During the Jim Crow era in the 1950s, when most radio stations were segregated, Bostic applied for deejay work. Rejected by one station, he approached Nick Lawrence, station manager of WHPE. Lawrence promised to give Bostic a shot if he could line up some sponsors. When Bostic secured the support of funeral homes and other businesses, he won his slot on the air. For eight years, Bostic hosted a jazz and rhythm and blues show with a popular request line.

Through the years Bostic's interest in history caused him to save articles in a scrapbook. After he accumulated his archives, he decided to let people see his work. Ten months ago, Bostic started a stand-up display. Bostic felt this was very necessary.

"I found out that history is soon to be forgotten, and I want to contact as

many young people as I possibly can because if they don't learn the history, it's going to die," Bostic said.

His display focuses on the success of blacks in High Point. He recalls a time when there were no African American police officers or fire personnel in this city. "We (blacks) were once last hired and first fired," Bostic says. There has been tremendous change since then. "The first black police officer in High Point was Mr. O.H. Leak, and now we have the department named after him," Bostic said.

In addition, the first black fireman didn't appear on the scene until 1963, and now the head of the fire department, Chief David Taylor, is black.

Bostic's display also features jazz legend John Coltrane, who was a graduate of William Penn High School in High Point. Today, the city has erected a memorial to the magnificent saxophonist at the corner of Commerce and

Centennial streets near the downtown post office.

"A lot of the things I have on display are unknown to many of our youth and to a few of our older adults," Bostic said.

Bostic, who served as a model citizen staff member and juvenile officer, worked as a substitute teacher after his retirement from public life. He enjoyed this work, but found there was a void in many of his black students' lives - insufficient knowledge of their heritage. Bostic is determined to fill that void.

During the past eight months, Bostic presented his display on six occasions, including the NAACP annual meeting, the 1964 class reunion of alums of William Penn High School, and events at a women's club, the Carl Chavis YMCA, a senior citizen center and High Point University's Black Cultural Awareness organization.

Here, Bostic spoke to a group of 31 students. "I was extremely happy to see all of the young adults at the presentation, and I hope they took something with them that they will never forget," said Bostic, who attributes his success to the sacrifices of the African American pioneers who preceded him.

His work allows people to recognize the truth of the old saying that "it's not where you're from, it's where you're at."

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## Action flick captivates with unusual plot twists

By Becca Davis  
Staff Writer

One of the most recent action films to hit theaters is "Reindeer Games," an adventure flick starring Ben Affleck who plays Rudy, a recently released convict. Days before Rudy and his cell-mate/friend, Nick (James Frain) are to be released from prison, Nick has an unfortunate mishap that prevents him from leaving.

Rudy dishonestly meets up

with his Nick's long-time penpal-love Ashley (Charlize Theron) whom Nick had been planning on meeting for the first time ever when released from prison. At first Rudy's impersonation of Nick goes well. He and Ashley revel in the pleasures of meeting one another for the first time in the flesh. However, Rudy soon learns that he should have never pretended to be Nick. He probably learns this truth sometime in between a punch to his stomach or a pistol

being pressed to his temple by Ashley's thug brother Gabriel (Gary Sinise).

Gabriel forces Rudy to help in the planning of the robbery of a casino where Nick used to work. The only problem for Rudy now is that...he isn't Nick! Rudy tries to come clean and tell Gabriel, Ashley (and Gabriel's four friends with guns) that he isn't the real Nick, but they don't believe him because they have no real reason to. So now Rudy is in a very

complicated situation. I won't tell you what becomes of Rudy, or how he gets into and out of many sticky situations in the film. I will tell you that "Reindeer Games" is an action-packed drama that will keep you waiting for the next scene.

Because the film has about five somewhat impossible plot twists towards the climax, you may leave the theater thinking to yourself, "That could never happen." However, since many movies are exaggerated, this

implausibility does not make the movie any less intriguing. Hollywood films are not supposed to always be fully realistic. That is why we are so often intrigued by them, because new things are always interesting!

Overall, "Reindeer Games" is an exciting film that has many surprises. With a fantastic cast and well-written script, "Reindeer Games" is sure to bring you a couple hours of sheer entertainment. And it reminds us to never impersonate a convict.

## Actor captures audience's attention

By Robin Kester  
A&E Editor

There's a new actor in town, and film fans should be on the lookout for him. In fact, it's possible that he could be the next Tom Hanks or Robert DeNiro making millions of dollars per film. His name is Vin Diesel.

One of his most recent films is "Pitch Black." Diesel gives an outstanding performance as Riddick, a convicted murderer who has the ability to see in the dark. His character is diehard type. His most prominent characteristics lie

in his appearance and skill at winning the audience's favor. Diesel obviously spent time training for the role. Though he is viewed as a villain in the beginning, he becomes a hero in the end. Diesel's acting is impressive. He can be extremely serious and yet humorous at the same time.

Diesel's resume includes the role of the Italian-American Private Caparzo, one of the five men sent on a search in "Saving Private Ryan." Diesel is also starring in "The Boiler Room," currently playing at theaters, and he has become friends with co-star Ben Affleck. In addition, Diesel provides the voice of the title character in the animated feature

film "The Iron Giant."

Diesel is also a filmmaker. He directed and starred in a short movie, which was screened at the 1995 Cannes Film Festival. This is the picture that caught Steven Spielberg's eye and landed Diesel the part in "Saving Private Ryan." He also produced, directed and starred in another film, which was shown at the 1997 Sundance Film Festival. Now Diesel is working on "Knockaround Guys," sharing star billing with Dennis Hopper, John Malkovich and Barry Pe-

per.

Diesel, 33, was born in New York City. He began his acting career at 7 by participating at the Theater for the

New City in Greenwich Village. He continued to act while majoring in English at Hunter College. Thereafter, he started to write screenplays.

Hopefully, audiences will see more of Diesel. He shows a lot of promise as an actor. He has already made his mark in the industry. Any director would be an idiot if he didn't cast Diesel in his movie. Movie buffs will be anticipating Diesel's next role.



Vin Diesel



Diesel plays a convicted murderer in "Pitch Black"

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# Martin shakes it up with American debut

By **Derek Gibson**  
Staff Writer

When it comes down to getting your grooves on the dance floor and shaking your bonbons, no one does it better than the Latin heartthrob, Ricky Martin. (Yes, ladies... he is single.) From the teenage band Menudo to his Grammy-winning American debut, *Ricky Martin*, this soloist has definitely reached the top and has earned the privileges of stardom.

In 1994, Martin landed a

regular role on the soap opera, "General Hospital," which later led to a year-long part in the Broadway production of "Les Miserables." In 1995, Martin released his third solo album, *A Medio Vivir*, a rock album with Latin stylings. Three years later, Martin made *Vuelve*, which contained the international hit, "La Copa de la Vida/The Cup of Life." The song became the anthem for the 1998 World Cup and winner of a Grammy for Martin in 1999 for Best Latin Pop Performance. Now Martin has masterminded another

chart-topper with his latest album, making Latin Pop a new, thrilling phenomenon for music lovers nationwide.

It was no surprise when I saw Ricky's latest release, *Ricky Martin*, debut at No. 1 on the Billboard Charts. The English-language debut went gold its first week in stores, selling over 661,000 copies. So far the album has sold more than six million units and has also won Ricky a Grammy award for Best New Artist. (He tore the roof off at the Grammys with his performance of "Livin' La

Vida Loca.")

The album features some of the wildest and most upbeat tunes you will probably ever hear by a Latin artist. The inescapable smash single, "Livin' La Vida Loca," starts off wild and jumpy and races into the lovable hook. (The video is blazin') The album also has the song in its Spanish version, "Shake You Bon Bon," which was produced by Diane Warren, has the same electrifying elements as "Loca," but is toned down to a softer sound. Pop queen Madonna is featured on

"Be Careful," a perfectly constructed ballad co-produced by the great William Orbit. In the 14 tracks on the album, you definitely get the best music of Ricky Martin.

The history of Latin Pop is crowded with distinction. Yet often enough on *Ricky Martin*, this sudden superstar and his alert producers make it into a new thrill. The sparks fueled by the success of his solo career make this Puerto Rican pop star red hot. I give the album four stars. Keep on shakin' those bonbons, Ricky!

## Leo finds adventure in 'The Beach'

By **Heather Sittler**  
Staff Writer

I must admit that I was pretty jealous that almost the entire student population of HPU was away on spring vacation in Florida and other warmer climates while I was stuck here student-teaching. And as many of you were actually sunbathing on the beach, I was merely dreaming about it. In fact, I found that my best and only form of escape that week was the movies, and so while I was dreaming of the beach, why shouldn't I have seen a movie about one? Especially if that movie just happens to star Leonardo DiCaprio.

"The Beach" was actually a real pleasant surprise. At first I figured that it was just going to be a C grade plot with a grade A actor, but it was a pretty decent movie. It opens with Leo cruising the streets of an Asian city all alone on foot. He is there with no purpose in mind other than finding an adventure. He meets a whacked-out man, who shares with him the map of a secret island that consists only of two things,

beautiful beaches and acres of marijuana. Leo decides that this island is where life will take him next, and so he recruits a few new friends and heads toward his new adventure, the beach. But before he does, he finds that his crazy map-toting friend has just committed suicide.

The rest of the movie is a roller coaster of emotions, all well portrayed with the possible exception of this one scene where Leo thinks that he is the main character in a really stupid video game. (If you have seen or go to see this movie, you'll recognize what I mean.) After finding the secret island and all of its inhabitants (not so secret, huh?), Leo and his friends are taught how to survive in their new society.

Unfortunately, surviving in paradise is a little bit more difficult than one would expect, especially when there are drug Nazis and other assorted bullies roaming the island. But you get to see Leo experience love, infidelity and mental instability, proving that he really is a gifted actor and not just another pretty face.

## Comedy wins approval

By **Dave Kerr**  
Staff Writer

"Wonder Boys" is one of the best new films this year. It combines extremely effective comedy and a heart-felt plot which makes the film pure entertainment.

Grady Tripp (Michael Douglas) is a famous writer and also an English professor. Because of a marijuana abuse problem, he hasn't published a book in several years. He is separated from his wife and is having an affair with the chancellor's wife, Sara Gaskell (Frances McDormand). James Leer (Tobey Maguire) is the brilliant, but troubled teenager in Grady's English class, who becomes Grady's protege. The plot progresses when James accidentally kills Sara's dog because it was attacking Grady. From there the film goes on to be the most madly original and won-

derfully acted film about self-discovery since "Good Will Hunting."

The movie also has an excellent supporting cast, which includes Robert Downey Jr., who does a terrific job playing a homosexual book editor, and Katie Holmes ("Dawson's Creek"), who plays one of Grady's students who wants a little more from him than a good grade.

This film contains the best acting performance Michael Douglas has ever done. This part is completely different from his usual roles as the high-class businessman, such as in "Disclosure" and "A Perfect Murder." Here, he plays an aging, usually stoned has-been, who is regularly wearing a bright pink bathrobe. This is the role Michael Douglas fans have been waiting for; he is absolutely flawless.

This film is brilliantly written, acted and directed, and I highly recommend it.

## Take a T.V. Class

Calling all students! Looking for a general elective this fall? The English Department invites you to consider taking Eng 401 "Introduction to Television Production." No experience necessary! Although in the past this course was reserved for media students only, this fall we are offering the class on a first come/first serve basis to any interested student. This is a three-hour, graded class that will count toward your graduation! Prerequisites? A professional attitude and a desire to learn a fun and useful skill. So, get with the program! For more information, see Dr. Fowkes: Ch 204, 841-9260.

## Movies: A useful guide for the latest movies

By **Robin Kester**  
A&E Editor

### "The Skulls"

Actors: Joshua Jackson, Craig T. Nelson  
Genre: Thriller  
Plot: After clawing his way into an Ivy League College, Luke McNamara joins a secret and exclusive society called The Skulls. He hopes that this will ensure his acceptance into law school. But, Luke becomes trapped by his desires after his roommate commits suicide for suspicious reasons. Luke will risk his life in trying to outsmart The Skulls.  
Release Date: March 31

### "High Fidelity"

Actors: John Cusack, Joan Cusack, Sara Gilbert  
Genre: Comedy and Romance  
Plot: Rob Gordon owns a record store in Chicago. He shares his work at Championship Vinyl with two friends, Dick and Barry, who have an extensive knowledge of pop music. But Rob needs help getting over his girlfriend Laura who walked out on him. His failed attempts at romance and happiness drag

him screaming into adulthood.  
Release Date: March 31

### "American Psycho"

Actors: Christian Bale, Willem DaFoe, Jared Leto, Reese Witherspoon, Samantha Mathis  
Genre: Art/Foreign  
Plot: Patrick Bateman is a young, rich man protected by privilege. But underneath this appearance lies a serial killer. His urges drive him to kill those who have more or something better than he does.  
Release Date: April 7

### "Rules of Engagement"

Actors: Tommy Lee Jones, Samuel L. Jackson  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: After a Vietnam veteran becomes a lawyer, he is asked to defend a former vet from charges of starting a riot, which resulted in the deaths of many people.  
Release Date: April 7

### "The Wisdom of the Crocodiles"

Actors: Jude Law

Genre: Thriller and Romance

Plot: A man who seduces women finds one woman whom he can't live without. Her body is found at sea and knowing that the trail will lead back to him, he tries to help the police investigation. But in the mean time, he finds another victim. The only problem is she becomes a challenge when she is uncertain of her love for him.  
Release Date: April 7

### "Black and White"

Actors: Robert Downey Jr., Jared Leto  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: A man decides to leave a life of crime behind by living a hip-hop lifestyle.  
Release Date: April 12

### "Keeping the Faith"

Actors: Edward Norton, Ben Stiller, Jenna Elfman  
Genre: Romance and Comedy  
Plot: A friendship between a rabbi and a Catholic priest still exists after several years. But they both fall in love with the same woman. Both are uncertain of having a long lasting relationship with the

woman because of the priests's vows and the rabbi's fear of involvement with a Gentile.

Release Date: April 14

### "Passion of Mind"

Actors: Demi Moore  
Genre: Thriller and Romance  
Plot: Demi Moore plays dual roles as Marie and Marty. She is a widow living in France who creates an imaginary world in her dreams. She is also a glamorous New Yorker. She falls in love with a man in both worlds, one which is real and one which is her imagination. She must choose which life is reality before she loses everything.  
Release Date: April 14

### "Ready to Rumble"

Actors: David Arquette, Rose McGowan, Oliver Platt, John Goodman  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: When a favored wrestler loses his championship belt, two wrestling fans go to the WCW headquarters in Atlanta to help defend the wrestler in order to redeem himself.  
Release Date: April 14



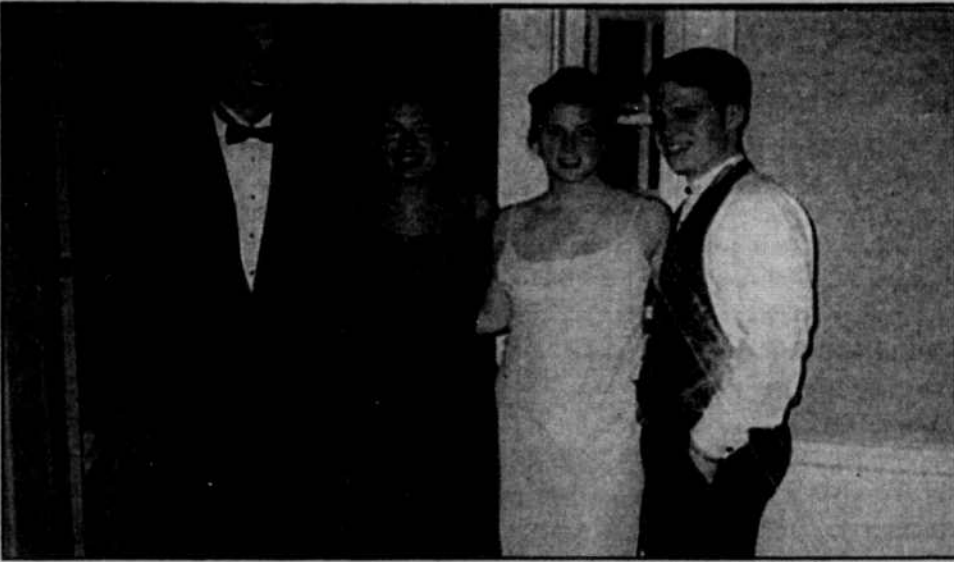


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Kappa Deltas Megan Cramer and Laura Henry take a picture with their dates at the 45th Anniversary dance.

## Kappa Delta ΓΓ Chapter

The sisters of the Gamma Gamma Chapter would like to congratulate our new sisters on their initiation on March 16. Welcome, girls, to our circle of friendship.

The chapter celebrated its 45th anniversary on March 18 at the Starmount Country Club in Greensboro. Gamma Gamma Chapter began on Feb. 12, 1955 and has been going strong ever since. Alumnae from the past 45 years of Gamma Gamma Chapter were invited to this event, and many of them were able to attend and celebrate our sisterhood's history.

On March 25, Kappa Delta will be holding its annual Shamrock Project's 5K Fun Run (run, walk, walk the dog, roller blade, etc.) at the High Point YWCA at 10:30 a.m. The event raises money to help prevent child abuse nationally and locally. Eighty percent of the proceeds go to High Point's Hallelujah House, a 24-hour crisis center for abused children and 20 percent goes to Prevent Child Abuse America for national education programs. The cost of the 5K Fun Run is \$10 with a t-shirt and \$5 without a t-shirt. Please come support us in our efforts to prevent child abuse because it should not hurt to be a child!

Kappa Delta recently became the first sorority on campus to have its own scholarship. Allison Guy, an alumna of Gamma Gamma, died a few years ago and her fellow sister, Elen Lesler (now Letheridge) set up a scholarship in her memory for one sister of the High Point Chapter to receive each year.

Our intramural team has made it to the finals in women's intramural basketball. The game was postponed on Thursday, March 16 due to a leaky gym roof but is rescheduled for March 21. Come watch KD play Black Cultural Awareness, a game we promise will be packed with talent and action. Best of luck to both teams.

## Alpha Gamma Delta ΓH Chapter

With only a short time remaining in the year, this will be a very busy time for students and especially the Greek associations.

Over the past month, the sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta have held several activities to get to know and learn about each of the new members. Some of the events include a progressive dinner, a scavenger hunt and an assortment of sisterhood games. Many sisters plan to of-

fer their support and walk five miles at the March 25 5K Shamrock sponsored by the Kappa Delta sorority. Finally, the Gamma ETA chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta will be holding the forty-fifth annual Rose Ball formal on April 15. Several alumnae have taken part in planning the event and we have received word that numerous alumnae will be attending.

We would like to congratulate Becky Mendenall on her wonderful performance in the University Cabaret. Also, a big congratulations to the sisters of Kappa Delta for a successful forty-fifth anniversary event.

## Zeta Tau Alpha ΔΓ Chapter

We hope that everyone had a relaxing spring break. Right before break, our new members received their big sisters. To start the second part of the semester off, we had a James Bond theme party to celebrate our Big Sister/Little Sister teams.

We recently spent some time volunteering with Habitat for Humanity. It was a great event, and we had a lot of fun.

We are making plans for our annual Golf For A Cause Tournament which is set for April 8. If you golf or know someone that does, please contact Angela Winningham at 882-8906. We would love to have everyone come out to play and support a great cause.

Sisters Christy Everhart and Mandy Space are going to be inducted into Delta Mu Delta. Sisters Susannah Brown and Christy Everhart will also be inducted into Alpha Chi. Sister Susannah Brown has also been selected to be a Junior Marshal.

Mandy Space is also being inducted into the Spanish and Modern Foreign Language Honor Societies. Congratulations, girls.

Also congratulations to Jannell, who was accepted into grad school in Southwest Texas, and Kerrie Foss, who recently took an exciting job offer at Wachovia in Winston-Salem. Congratulations to all of you.

## Phi Mu ΓΖ Chapter

We would like to congratulate the new initiates of all the fraternities and sororities. On March 24 we welcomed 11 new sisters into our bond of love. Congratulations go out to Sylvia Armstrong, Gloria Biles, Maeghan Birkett, Markeisha Edgerton, Amy Fosbenner, Jeanelle McKenney, Shannon Meroney,

## GREEK COLUMN

# Turmoil may bring uncertain future

Lately, "Greek Unity" has disappeared on campus. It's hard to believe that in such a short time, this unity that everyone has strived for has been lost.

There has been much turmoil between many of our fraternities and sororities. Does anyone stop to think what kind of an image this portrays? Each chapter tries extremely hard each semester for recruitment, and then everyone questions why the number of new members is low. Perhaps all the negative words and actions by our fellow Greek members cause the low turnouts.

What many people do not realize is that there are many quality students on campus who should be a part of our Greek community. However, those students will not even consider taking part in Rush due to the rifts within the Greek system. Those people see the frustration and know they don't want to be a part of it. Each fraternity and

sorority on campus has lost many possible assets to their chapters because of this continuous problem.

When are people going to realize that we are all adults now and the actions that have been occurring are extremely immature? Many of us are in our early 20s, but our actions make us all look like children. I have said many times that the Greek community is supposed to have one of the strongest bonds on campus. This is

not so, however. It is time we begin to make changes so that we can regain our positive image. As fellow Panther brothers and sisters, we need to be the ones to sit down and discuss our problems together, without the intervention of campus officials. If we do, wouldn't that say something for us?

In a time like this, I really believe that school officials are looking for us to grow up and handle our problems in an adult manner. There are more important things that we

should be doing than bickering and fighting. If we all continue to act like we do not have any home training, it will all reflect on us in the near future.

It is sad to say that there is a large gray cloud hovering over Greeks now. The actions of a few individuals have reflected on everyone. If we all want our numbers to

increase and if we want to recruit quality people, our actions need to change now.

The Greek numbers are dwindling, and with a little work we can change that. So, let's grow up, put these problems aside and begin to act like mature adults, so that every chapter will have a successful future.

Plus, wouldn't it be much more fun around here with the fraternity houses open?



== Justin Wood ==  
Greek Editor

Rebecca Roehrich, Ruth Smith, Kerry Sweeny, and Jenna Wilson.

Gamma Zeta Chapter invites all of campus out to see your favorite professor get a pie in his or her face on Thursday March 30. Pie the professor any time from 11 a.m. till 1 p.m. in front of the cafeteria. Everyone is also invited to play Giant Twister on Wednesday, April 5 at 6 p.m. on the Greensward (in front of Finch). So grab a friend to get twisted up with and help support Children's Miracle Network!

A group of sisters visited Duke Children's Hospital in Raleigh on March 16. These sisters provided support and smiles for the children while learning how Children's Miracle Network helps terminally ill children. The sisters will also be attending Phi Mu State Day for all chapters in the Carolinas on April 8. This is an exciting day of meeting sisters from all over and learning how to make our chapter better. This will be a busy day for our sisters because the same evening, we will be celebrating our 46th annual Carnation Ball. The Ball's theme and location are a secret to all but the senior sisters. We know that a great time will be had by all.

We would also like to congratulate our new Executive Committee officers who will be installed April 2. Lori Sessoms (president), Danielle Wood (vice president), Amy Fosbenner (secretary), Jeanelle McKenney (treasurer), Amie Phillips (membership), Mande Lassatter (Phi Director), Amanda Grutka (Risk Management/Social) and Emily Hunter (Panhellenic).

## Theta Chi EA Chapter

Over spring break, 15 brothers made a trip together to Mardi Gras in New Orleans and had a blast.

We are now looking forward to intramural softball, where we should have at least a moderate amount of success.

We are working hard to prepare for our second annual See-Saw-A-Thon for the American Diabetes Association.

Our 48-hour event begins at noon Friday March 31 and continues until noon on April 2. To kick off our event this year, we will be holding a concert on the patio of the Slane Center. Beginning at 4 p.m. on Friday March 31, Theta Chi, WHSL 100 FM, and SGA welcome the Gold's Gym Girls, and Nashville recording artists Dakkota. The afternoon concert will last about three hours; beginning with the Gold's Gym Girls dancing and then signing autographs while Dakkota performs.

Following the concert, everyone is invited to stop by the Theta Chi house, and enjoy Papa John's pizza, Krispy Kreme Doughnuts and more food, all donated by local businesses. We will also be raffling off prizes like a pair of tickets to Disney World, a wing party at Hooters for you and nine friends, tickets to Putt-Putt Golf, gift certificates to Cleary's, and much more. There will also be t-shirts on sale again this year for \$10.

If you have any questions, or would like to make a donation, please call Justin Wood at 841-9169.



# Tennis teams start out swinging with success

By **Jon Hentz**  
Sports Editor

## • Women's Tennis:

The women's tennis team was undefeated in the Big South Conference going into its match with the Chanticleers of Coastal Carolina. The team suffered a tough loss to the Chanticleers, as Inga Muller was the lone singles winner at the No. 2 position. The Panthers also received wins in the doubles competition with the team of Muller and Andrea Avello at the No. 2 slot and Maya Latinovic and Megan Hofmann in the No. 3 match. The loss brought the Panthers' record to 5-7 overall and 2-1 in conference matches.

Against non-conference foe Mercer, the women suffered a tough defeat as they lost 5-4. This was first loss the women incurred in two weeks of play. The Panthers got wins from their No. 1 singles player Mira Maenpaa with a straight sets victory (6-3, 6-3), No. 2 Muller (6-1, 6-1) and No. 6 Megan Hofmann (6-1, 6-4). The lone doubles team to win for the Panthers was the No. 2 team of Muller and Avello.

The women's team got a huge win over conference rival Elon on March 1. The team put on a strong showing against the Fighting Christians as they won 6-3 at the Millis Center courts. The Panthers got a big victory at the No. 2 singles spot with Muller posting an impressive 6-1, 6-1 win. The Panthers also received big triumphs from the No. 4, 5 and 6 singles, as Latinovic (6-3, 6-2), Avello (6-0, 6-2) and Hofmann (6-0, 6-2) trounced the opposition. The only win the Panthers received from the doubles teams was from the No. 2 team of Elisabet Ericson and Avello (8-5). The victory over Elon gave them their second win in the Big South for the season.

Upon traveling to Greenville, the

Panthers weren't as fortunate as they lost to East Carolina University 6-3. The Panthers received wins from Muller, Latinovic and Hofmann.

In the first Big South Conference match of the year against UNC-Asheville, the women won on the road. The winners included Maenpaa, Muller, Avello, and Hofmann in the singles matches and got a win from the doubles team of Latinovic and Hofmann.

Every Panther won in her match in Greensboro on Feb. 23 as High Point shut-out North Carolina A&T, 9-0.

This was a remarkable turnaround considering the fact that High Point was handed a tough 7-2 defeat at the hands of Campbell a day earlier on Feb. 22. Maenpaa and Hofmann recorded the only wins for the Panthers.

## • Men's Tennis:

The men's tennis team like their female counterparts also lost their first conference match with a close 5-4 defeat to Coastal Carolina University. Winning singles matches for the Panthers were No. 3 Peter Mellstrom and No. 5 Janne Leino. The doubles winners were No. 2 Jakob Widange and Leino, and No. 3 Mellstrom and Bob Ferguson. The loss dropped the men's record to 9-3 overall and 2-1 in the Big South.

The men picked up their ninth win against visiting Mercer University. They received clutch victories from No. 1 Joakim Peterson, No. 2 Widange, No. 4 Mellstrom and No. 5 Peter Greberg in the singles matches, while also getting a pair of wins in the doubles matches. The doubles winners were the teams of Widange and Greberg and Mellstrom and Ferguson.

While visiting East Carolina, the men

managed to pick up another victory 7-2. Earning victories were Peterson (6-2, 6-4), Widange (6-3, Mellstrom (6-3, 2-6, 6-3) and Leino (6-4, 7-5) at the singles positions, while the Panthers swept the doubles matches. The doubles winners were the teams of Peterson/Eric Pettersson, Widange/Greberg and Leino/Ferguson.

Like the women, the men proved they had what it takes to get past conference rival Elon College. It was a back-and-forth battle as the Panthers got victories from their No. 2, 4 and 6

singles players and from the No. 3 doubles team. The winners for HPU were Widange, Mellstrom, Leino and the team of Mellstrom and Ferguson. The team won the match 4-3.

On Feb. 25, the men had their first Big South Conference match of the season on the road against UNC-Asheville. The Panthers swept the match 9-0. The men also swept North Carolina A&T 7-0. In a match three days earlier, the men's team lost to Campbell University. The winners were Widange, Leino and the doubles team of Widange and Greberg.

## Women drop last four games of 1999-2000 year

By **Jon Hentz**  
Sports Editor

The women's basketball team fell into a dry spell as they went on a four-game losing skid to end the 1999-2000 season. The Panthers terminated their first official season in the Big South Conference with a record of 6-22 overall and a conference record of 3-12.

The women's season came to a close in the first round of the Big South Tournament with a loss to the top-seeded Flames from Liberty University. The Panthers went down by a score of 67-46. The Liberty attack of Elena Lisseleva and Michelle Fricke, Big South Rookie of the Year, was just too much for the Panthers as they scored 16 and 13 points respectively.

Leading the way for the Panthers was senior guard Annie Miller who

scored 16 points and senior Kelly Goode who threw in 12 points.

The women lost a heart-breaker in the final regular season contest as they lost to rival Elon College in an overtime game on the road. The Panthers fell 70-62, after getting outscored eleven to three in overtime. Seniors Goode and Miller were the top scorers for the Panthers.

The women dropped another close contest to Radford University on senior night at the Millis Center 61-58. All four of High Point's seniors had good performances in their last game in front of the familiar Millis Center crowd. Guard Keisha Boyd scored a career-high 14 points, and center Goode also threw in 14 points and collected 8 rebounds. Miller was right behind with 11 points,

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## Track teams open in Conway, SC

From Staff Reports

The men's track team participated in the Coastal Carolina Spring Break Classic in Conway, S.C. on March 10 and 11. The team's 4x400 relay team sprinted their way to victory with a time of three-minutes, 20 seconds for the win. The runners participating were Larikus Scott, Anthony Cook, Clayton Lyles and Codi Coverson. Other top finishers for the Panthers included Coverson with a second place finish in the triple jump with a leap of 47-9, Carlton Sanders with a third in the 400 hurdles and a fifth in the 110 hurdles and Coverson, Sanders, Travis Harvey and Scott with a third place finish in the 4x100 relay in 41.62.

In the same meet at Coastal Carolina, the women also had some success. Amanda Hanley participated in the 1,500M run with a time of 4:50.61, and a second place finish to go along with it. The 4x400 relay team also posted a second place finish with Melissa Henderson, Porsche Jackson, Roxie Stennett and Brandilyn Price racing to a time of 4:15.37. The women also got eighth place in the 4x100 relay. The team consisted of Stennett, Lindy Maness, Jackson and Price and had a time of 50.67.

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## SPORTS EDITORIAL

## Marino's career unprecedented

The most prolific passer that the National Football League has ever seen put an end to his illustrious 17-year career with the Miami Dolphins and ended his quest for the Super Bowl ring he never received. Dan Marino announced his retirement March 13, which is a fitting date, because he will be the last Dolphin to ever wear the number 13.

Marino retired at 38, leaving the game as the leading passer in attempts, completions, passing yardage and touchdown passes. He puts other quarterbacks' passing marks to shame as he passed for over 61,000 yards, which is almost 10,000 more yards than the nearest QB. Marino also has the record for passing touchdowns in a season with 48 and the record for career touchdown passes with 420.

In Marino's retirement speech, he said of winning a Super Bowl, "It was a dream of mine my whole career. I'm not going to have that chance, but it doesn't take away from what I did personally." Some people may judge an athlete's success in sports by the number of championships he or she has won, but it is indisput-

able that Marino is one of the greatest if not the greatest quarterback of all time.

Don Shula, Marino's coach of many years, praised his former player at the retirement ceremony. He commented, "I don't believe that there is anyone who has made more of an impact on the NFL than Dan Marino in his 17-year career. He has all the passing records and is one of the winningest quarterbacks in the history of the league, and those accomplishments are how players should be judged."

Marino's poise and determination are what made him the quarterback that he was. When it came down to crunch time, Marino always had the same look of confidence, signifying that he knew he was going to get the job done. This more than the records defined who Dan Marino was.

It was with the same assurance that Marino announced his retirement. In a time of great emotion for him, there was barely a crack in his voice or sign of a tear. Instead, Marino knew it was his time to say farewell to the NFL, and he did it with a smile.



== Jon Hentz ==  
Sports Editor

## Men's bball finishes season with loss at conference rival Elon

By Todd James  
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team completed its season on Feb. 26 by dropping an 88-79 decision at Elon. Derek Van Weerdhuizen led the visitors with 15 points. Senior Myron Stewart scored 14 in his final college game, while junior Jimmy Bennett added 10.

The Panthers finished their first year as an official member of the Big South Conference with a 5-9 record. HPU's final overall mark was 11-17.

On Feb. 24, High Point played its last home game, losing to Radford, 74-65. Stewart and Billy Anderson, HPU's only two seniors, were honored before the game. Geordie Cullen, the Panthers' sophomore center, battled hard in the paint, putting up 20 points and grabbing seven rebounds. Mantas Ignatavicius and Stewart also got into double figures in the scoring column, with 14 and 10 respectively.

High Point finished the season with an 8-3 mark at home. The Panthers went 4-0 against non-conference teams in the Millis Center and 4-3 against the Big South. High Point coach Jerry Steele said his team had plenty of help at home: "The students, the pep band, the cheerleaders and the dance team were all outstanding. We were competitive at home and I think they

deserve a lot of credit for that."

High Point didn't fare nearly as well on the road, going 2-13, with the two wins coming against Campbell and Charleston Southern.

On Feb. 18, the Panthers lost at UNC-Asheville, 72-57. The game was televised regionally by Fox Sports South. Ignatavicius led High Point with 14 points, while Cullen chipped in 13.

On Feb. 16, High Point recorded a 74-65 home victory against the Liberty Flames. That win avenged an earlier 25-point loss at Liberty. Cullen led four Panthers in double figures with 19 points.

Ignatavicius scored 14, with both Brooks Lee and Anthony Jackson added 11.

Steele said HPU had both some highs and some lows this season: "On some nights we had everybody playing as good or better than they were capable of playing, but then there were some other nights that I think we played below what we should have."

The Panthers played against four teams that made the NCAA Tournament - Florida, UNLV,

Fresno State and Winthrop (the Big South Champions). Florida, after wins over Butler and Illinois, will play Duke tomorrow in the Sweet 16. High Point will not be eligible to compete in the Big South Conference Tournament until 2001-2002.

On some nights we had everybody play as good or better than they were capable of playing, but then there were some other nights that I think we played below what we should have.  
- Jerry Steele

## Women complete season with loss in Big South Tournament

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and guard Kelly Thomas hit a three pointer with eleven seconds remaining to pull the Panthers within two points.

In a previous game with Liberty, the Panthers again fell to the top team in the conference. This time around the women lost 74-55. Turnovers killed the Panthers as they committed 34 of them due to the Liberty press.

Freshman forward Stephanie Scott led the Pan-

thers with 13 points.

The Panthers got their final win of the season against UNC-Asheville on the road with a 61-54 victory.

The Panthers had three players in double figures and shot 61 percent in the first half. HPU was led by Miller who had 14 points and 5 assists.

Scott came off the bench to provide a spark and throw in 12 points and 2 blocked shots.

## Upsets cause bracket havoc

By Mike Graff  
Editor

If you're like me, you looked at your NCAA tournament bracket on Saturday and thought you were in great shape to win your pool.

And by Sunday night, you wanted to put it through a paper shredder.

Saturday and Sunday were the biggest bracket-busting days in tournament history, at least for me. This whole March Madness thing has turned into another year of March Sadness.

For starters, I picked Texas to go to the Final Four, because everybody needs a sleeper pick. And I thought Chris Mihm would help me out a little. Wrong. The Longhorns fell to LSU on Saturday by five points. With the West's No. 1 seed Arizona losing to Wisconsin and Gonzaga knocking off No. 2-seeded St. John's, it looks like Texas would have made it into the Final Four. That is, if it could have beaten the Tigers.

So, I conceded my hopes of winning my pool and turned into a fan.

For about three hours.

My beloved Maryland Terrapins dropped a real nailbiter to UCLA, 105-70, later that night. I wish somebody would have let the Tournament Selection Committee know that the Bruins might have the talent to beat the Lakers. I've never seen so many alley-oops.

OK, one more chance. I could pull for Ohio State. I have relatives in Ohio and I get more Buckeyes attire for Christmas than most die-hard OSU fans do. So, for one whole day, I had someone to pull for. Then Miami thwarted any positive hopes I had by handing Ohio State a 75-62 loss. -

So much for being a fan of my favorite teams. At least I could root *against* some teams, right?

Whatever happened, I didn't think I could stand to see Duke or North Carolina win any more games. The ACC is my favorite conference, but when I turn into a fan, it's hard to pull for teams that are always a nemesis to Maryland.

I should have known.

Around the same time Ohio State lost, Carolina pulled off one of the biggest upsets of the tournament, knocking off the South's No. 1 seed, Stanford, 60-53. And I'll have to see the teal-shirted ones play another weekend.

Then I remembered I had a Pepsi cap with Connecticut on it. The tournament was wide-open, so I thought, "Maybe. Just maybe." Tennessee fixed that hope by beating the Huskies 65-51.

It's back to rooting against Duke. On a weekend when all of the juggernauts (aside from Michigan State and Iowa State) went down, surely Kansas could upset the Blue Devils (whom I only dislike because they are always good).

And for a while, things were looking up. The Jayhawks played with Duke the entire game, but the Blue Devils fought them off, 69-64.

So, with only two of my Final Four picks (Duke and Michigan State) left, and all of my favorite teams gone, where do I go from here?

Well, it would be easy to boycott the rest of the tournament and look forward to Cal Ripken picking up his 3,000th hit. But I won't.

I'm going to pull for Tulsa, the seventh seed in the South. The Hurricanes came into the tournament with a 29-4 record, but the Selection Committee wasn't impressed and slapped them with the low seed.

I just feel sorry for the Tulsa faithful, because since I am pulling for them, they'll probably watch their Golden Hurricanes fall to Miami in the next round.

I hope all of you other bracket-busters had more success this March than I did.

But, then again, I don't see how it's possible with so many upsets in the second round.



## BASEBALL NOTEBOOK

# The baseball season: an inside perspective

By Jason Brennan  
Staff Writer

## • A baseball diary

Feb. 19 vs. UNCG, 22-8 L  
We played bad baseball today. It is one thing to lose, but another to not play the game the way it is supposed to be played. We gave UNCG at least six runs because we did not properly execute the fundamentals. Our ace pitcher, Chris Chandler (0-2), suffered the loss. Our lone bright spots came on homeruns from Buddy Webb (2) and Jed Thomas (1). UNCG came in ranked in the top 35 in the country in "Baseball America."

Feb. 20 vs UNCG, 11-5 W

We showed the most important thing a team can possess today - heart. After getting embarrassed yesterday, we came out today as the aggressor. It looked to me as if UNCG came out overconfident and we took advantage. Brian Meadows (1-1) earned his first win of the year by going six strong innings. The offense was led by John Cavanaugh's two homeruns (1, 2). We improve to 3-5, and I fantasize about our success if our hitting continues in key situations and we get strong pitching.

Feb. 21 vs Wake Forest, 19-4 L

So much for my fantasies. At least against a top 25 team in the Demon Deacons. We have the heart but just do not have the manpower and talent to compete with a team of this caliber. However, we are already at somewhat of a disadvantage against most teams because we are not allowed the NCAA maximum 11.7 scholarships; we are only allowed about seven. Kemp Smith hit his second homerun of the year and Cavanaugh added two more hits. David White (1-2) suffered his second loss of the season.

Feb. 25 vs Virginia Tech, 8-1 L

This score is not indicative of how much better Virginia Tech is than we are. Simply put, we played bad baseball. Freshman Kevin Burch (1-1) did well in his first start of the year. He went six innings and gave up six earned runs; however, I disagree that all of those runs should have been earned. Rich Zellers, another freshman, threw the last three innings well, giving up only one run. Mike Lowman led the offense with two hits today. We drop to 3-7 and we need to win all three against A&T this weekend.

Feb. 26 vs North Carolina A&T, 8-2 L, 6-4 W

A very disappointing day. We came out flat, maybe a bit overconfident since A&T is typically not a good ballclub, and it showed. We were thinking we could just show up and win this weekend, but the next thing we knew we lost the first

game today and about blew the second. Granted, A&T probably has the best team they have had in years, but that still does not give us the excuse to play bad baseball. I hate to keep harping that we are not doing the little things to win ballgames, but a team like us especially has to execute properly if we want to win. The story of our season has not been getting hits in clutch situations and it happened again today. Meadows suffered the loss (1-2) in the first game although he did not pitch badly.



Jason Brennan

Chris Hyatt got his first start of the year in the second game and went three innings. I came in and got the win (1-0), although it was not an easy win. We were up 4-1, and after a few errors and bad pitches, they tied it up before Marcus Rupert knocked in the go-ahead run in the sixth inning. Buddy Webb hit his third homerun of the year.

Feb. 27 vs North Carolina A&T, 4-1 L

Today was the rubber match, and if we won today, we could have started a mini-win streak. However, once again we spoiled a good pitching performance by White by not getting clutch hits. White (1-3) threw 6 and two-thirds innings, his longest outing of the year, and gave up only three runs. We drop to 4-9. We need to win at least two out of three this week to build some momentum going into spring break.

Feb. 28 vs Duke, 8-4 W

Thank you, Buddy Webb and Chris Chandler. Buddy and Chris made us feel good about ourselves again and showed us how good we can be. Buddy hit two homeruns (4, 5) and drove in five runs while Chandler (1-3) went six strong innings, baffling the Blue Devils to pick up his first win of the season. Lowman and Cavanaugh also chipped in two hits apiece. I realized today that whenever Cavanaugh or Buddy have big games, we win.

Feb. 29 vs Campbell, 15-7 L

We played a good team in Campbell, but we held our own. We gave up at least six unearned runs today, but we hit the ball well. Lowman had three hits and Cavanaugh, Smith and Dave Grof each had two hits. Burch suffered the loss (1-2). We drop to 5-10.

March 1 vs Appalachian State, 5-2 W

Another big game by Cavanaugh as he hammered two homeruns (3, 4) to pace our offense. We played good ball because we executed well defensively and got enough offense to top the Mountaineers. We took advantage of two errors by App. St. in the third inning to score two runs and hold the lead for the rest of the game. Meadows (2-2) threw six and one-third strong innings to pick up the win.

Grof added two hits to help us improve to 6-10.

March 8 vs Virginia Tech, 11-11 T

We came back from a six run deficit to tie the game at 7-7; then we went down 11-8 before we tied the game at 11-11 when darkness fell. Oh, man, what a fun game this was. This was a game where everyone had a part, a true team victory. Smith roped his third homerun to tie the game in the sixth, and Adam Beck could not have picked a better time to get his first hit of the year. He smacked a double into left-center with two outs in the ninth inning to knock in the game-tying runs. Some people may say that ties are no better than losses, but for us this was a true moral victory. We showed that we have the ability to come from behind, and this was a confidence-builder in itself.

March 10 vs Liberty, 5-4 L

Our first Big South Conference series resulted in a tough loss. It was a great game even though we did not come out on the winning end. We played solid ball today, and Chandler (1-4) threw a great game although he suffered the loss. We were down 4-0 and tied it up 4-4 before Kelly Knouse for Liberty hit a homerun in the top of ninth to beat us 5-4. Liberty is a good ballclub, but there is no reason we should not beat them this weekend. Cavanaugh belted two more homeruns (5, 6), and Lowman added two hits in a losing effort. We now drop to 6-11-1 (0-1).

March 11 vs Liberty, 8-6 L

Another tough loss to the Flames. We were tied 6-6 in the sixth inning before 1 (1-1) came in and gave up two runs in the eighth. Lowman had another big game, going 4-5 to put his batting average over .400.

March 12 vs Liberty, 10-6 L

Liberty outplayed us today and swept us in our first conference series. Hyatt (0-1) suffered the loss today. Webb and Brian Yohn each had two hits with Webb hitting his sixth homerun of the season in the ninth inning. We ran into a tough team this weekend. Liberty was ranked 47th in the country coming into the series and they play good baseball. I hate to lose, but when we lose playing good baseball, it is a little easier to swallow. Liberty exposed some glaring weaknesses in our game that we must address in order to be competitive in the conference. I have confidence that we will turn things around soon and open the eyes of the teams in the conference. We like the underdog status. We are a rag-tag, scrappy team and if we continue to give our heart in each game, then we could be a surprise team in the conference tournament.

We drop to 6-13-1 (0-3) on the season, which is very disappointing. We have been very competitive in a lot of ballgames and have gotten some good



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

## Baseball team warms up before practice.

pitching, but if we had just gotten a few clutch hits, we could easily be a .500 team. I have been impressed with the attendance at our home games this season and hope that we will continue to be well supported throughout the season.

March 18 vs. Elon, 6-5 W, 8-0 L

Elon versus High Point is, at least to us, on the same rivalry scale as the Red Sox and Yankees meeting in September. If you cannot get pumped up to play Elon, then you have no right to play for us. Elon has owned us the past four years. I can only remember winning two or three games from them since I have been here, making this series all that more important. We played good ball in the first game today and came out the victor, thanks to Webb's solo homer in the top of the tenth inning to put us ahead 6-5. Chris Chandler started and went six and one-third strong innings before I (2-1) came in and eventually earned the win. Cavanaugh and Harney both added solo homeruns to get our scoring started, and Lowman contributed two hits en route to our first conference victory. So the monkey is off our backs; let's just hope we keep it rolling.

We did not fare as well in the second game and were shut out 8-0. I think that we may have come out a bit complacent after winning the first game of the twinbill and we got down early. Grof (0-1) suffered the loss, dropping us to 7-14-1 and 1-4 in the conference. Rubber match tomorrow and it would be a major boost of confidence for us to take this series from Elon.

March 19 vs. Elon, 8-4 L

We dropped an absolute heartbreaker today. We scored four runs during the first three innings but were held scoreless the rest of the way as we watched Elon score five runs in the bottom of the eighth for the final margin. Meadows (2-3) suffered another tough defeat. He is an absolute warrior on the mound and a joy to watch pitch because he truly defines what a pitcher should be. Smith hit a homerun (4) and collected two runs batted in, and Webb continued to swing a hot bat, adding two doubles. I had such a good feeling going in to today's game and was sure we were gonna hold our lead; however, the tides turned against us and we lost one I thought we should have won. These types of losses are much tougher to take, but they are exciting and we are playing good, consistent baseball right now.





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## Column One News

### Activities planned for graduating class

As the year ends, seniors are feeling the crunch, but there are still a few things left to do. Though some activities are required, there are a few things planned to alleviate the stress graduating brings.

On April 26, the final chapel service will be held at 5:30 p.m. It will recognize the Class of 2000 and give them one last time to worship with their peers.

A trip to Carowinds is planned for April 30. The cost is \$28 and includes benefits like admission to both the amusement and water parks, lunch and rides. Sign up in the Student Life office.

The senior picnic will be held on May 3. Take the chance to get something to eat and have a good time with your classmates.

The Office of Alumni Relations is holding its annual Senior Luncheon May 5 at 11:30 a.m. The Alumni Association will welcome the class of 2000 as new members. If you are interested in attending, RSVP by April 24.

Finally, a continental breakfast will be served on May 6 from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. All seniors and their families are welcome.

### Commencement offers final farewell

Are you interested in supporting your senior friends as they take that final walk? There are two opportunities to do that.

On May 5, the Baccalaureate service will be held at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church at 8 p.m. See your friends and your professors decked out in academic regalia as they celebrate this momentous occasion.

Graduation begins at 9 a.m. on May 6 outside of the Wrenn Admissions building. If it rains, the ceremony will be held in the Millis Center. Tickets are required in case of inclement weather.

### Student gains first racing victory

While many students were hurrying to get last-minute homework finished, junior Nick Woodward was rushing to win at Southhampton Speedway on April 5.

He started out in 8th place out of 22 cars and took the lead on the 47th lap of the 100-lap race.

Woodward will be listed as the front-runner at the track championship and will race in the regionals.

- by Kelly Gilfillan

## SGA seniors sign off

By Kelly Gilfillan  
Assistant Editor

Another year of political triumph and hardship is coming to an end on April 13 as the Student Government Association has its final meeting of the year.

It will be a bittersweet farewell because five of the eight Executive Council members will be graduating in May. They are President Matt McLendon, Executive Vice President Kat Hoffman, Social Vice President Chris Huff, Judicial Vice President Brandon Kuebler and Attorney General Don Dunphy.

In the last year, EC members accomplished many of their goals and are happy to be leaving with that knowledge.

Overall, they are pleased with the increased professionalism of the group. "SGA is more organized and it has a better idea of where it is going. There's more leadership now," said Hoffman.

Many of the senior members have their own personal victories as well. McLendon believes he has achieved many of the goals he set for SGA in his

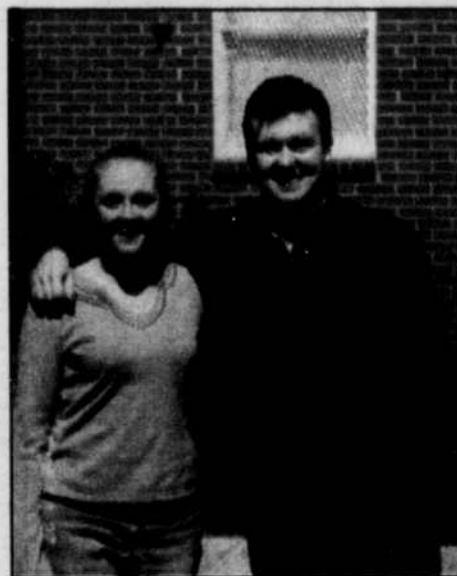


PHOTO BY JON HENTZ

Jenny May and Tim Hassett will hold two highest offices.

two years on the EC. "We're now a bigger and stronger voice than we were two years ago," said McLendon. He's very proud of the increased communication, capital improvements like channel 8 and a better relationship with administration.

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## New careers beckon seniors

By Kelly Ivey  
Staff Writer

As another academic year ends, many seniors are caught in the often rocky transition into the "real world." But with the help of Sam Beck, director of career development, some graduating seniors have thoroughly prepared for life after HPU. They are eager to begin careers or continue their education at advanced levels.

Brandon Kuebler was always set on going to medical school after graduation. He will be attending West Virginia University Medical School in the fall. As a biology major and West Virginia resident, Brandon was excited to be accepted by the selective med school. An agonizing step included the MCAT, an eight-hour test. The application process began in August, and acceptance was based on a personal statement, experience, grades and community service. "They

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## Athletic fields to undergo change

By Mike Graff  
Editor

The transition to Division I continues.

Dr. Donald Scarborough, vice-president of the office for external affairs, and Chris Dudley, director of athletic development and marketing, are heading an operation to overhaul the athletic fields.

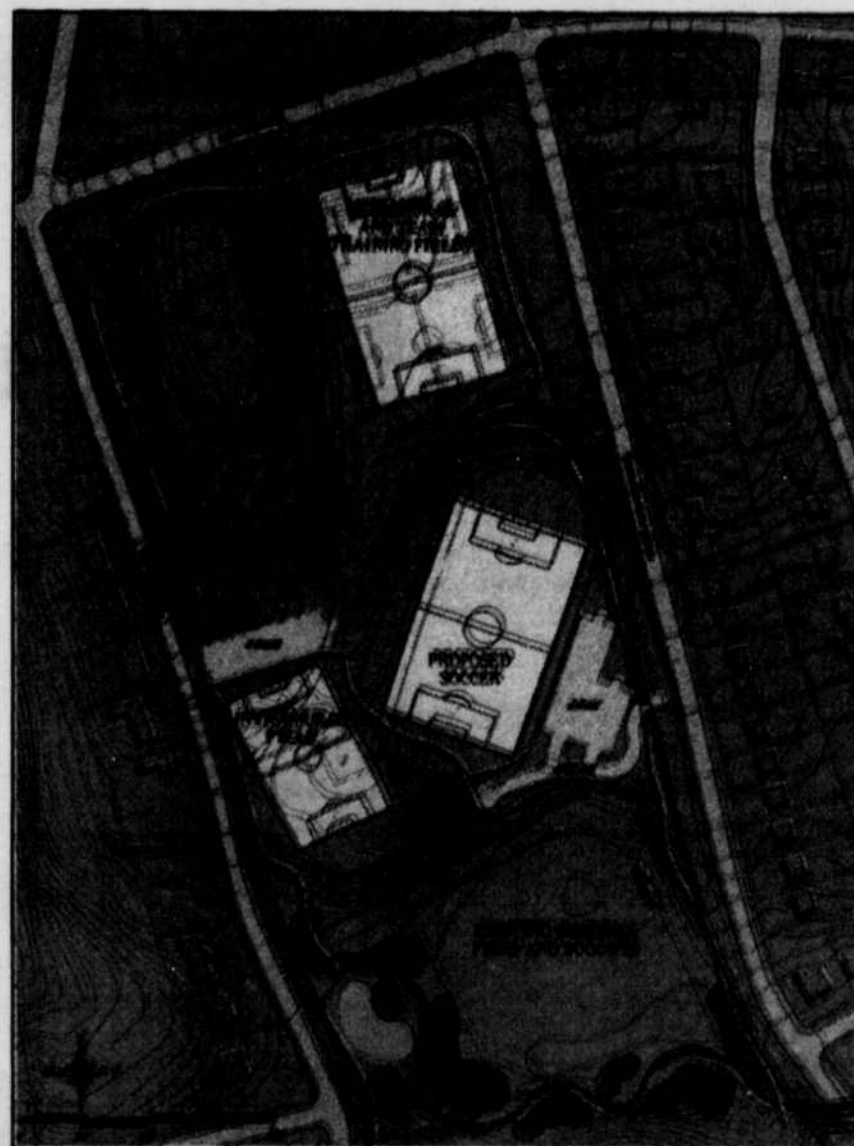
"What we're trying to do in this project is bring all of our outdoor athletic facilities up to Division I status," Scarborough said. "Right now the soccer field isn't full size, and the track isn't up to standards. The only way to enlarge the soccer field is to remove the track, and we need a new track anyway."

The plan would involve removing the existing track and demolishing Stadium Drive. The new track would be located parallel to West College Drive and would sit on what is now Stadium Drive.

Another facet of the proposal is the revamped intramural field. There will be an softball field on the intramural field, and games could be played at night after the installation of lights.

Scarborough and Dudley also said

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## University making proper strides to becoming D-I

The time has come, and the university is fulfilling its commitment.

When I first came to High Point in the fall of 1997, I'd heard that the school had just announced it would be a member of Division I athletics.

But I didn't think I would ever see any change in my time here.

My first beat for the Chronicle was the men's soccer team. I saw them play the likes of Longwood, Lees-McRae and other schools of which I had no knowledge. The biggest game came against East Carolina.

To say the least, I didn't think that this whole Division I thing would ever happen.

The same winter, I covered the men's basketball team, and they battled the same competition with

crowds that were considerably smaller than what I expected from a Division I school.

The scorer's table was a long table that looked like it came from the cafeteria. Impressed, I was not.

The same year, I checked out our athletic web page, and nothing changed. The page contained a simple list of intercollegiate sports at High Point and their respective coaches.

Take a look at the web page now, and it's easy to see how much has changed.

Every game or match has its own summary, and it's easy to follow our teams without having to attend every game and take notes.

Much of the credit should be given to the administration for making good on its promise to bring this school to a Division I level.

We now have a full-time sports information director in Joe Christy.

There is a director of athletic development and marketing in Chris Dudley.

And Dr. Morris Wray always has his hand in improving the athletic image.

The latest announcement that High Point will renovate its outdoor athletic facilities is another step in the right direction.

Two years ago, lights on the track, soccer field, baseball field and intramural field were a dream.

But now, through the work of Donald

Scarborough (vice-president of the office for external affairs) and Dudley, this dream will probably come true within the next five years.

We will have teams from bigger conferences come to play at High Point.

Most of our athletic teams are performing relatively well in Division I, and it is not a stretch to say that we could have a team win the Big South Conference tournament not too long from now.

And what I thought would never happen will probably take place - High Point will, eventually, be recognized around the country.

My, how things have changed.



**Mike Graff**  
Editor

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## Please remove flag

By Terence Houston  
Staff Writer

Why was the Confederate flag raised above the South Carolina statehouse in 1962 by an all-white general assembly?

Some would say it was hoisted in a centennial celebration to honor South Carolinians who died in the Civil War. Others would argue that the flag was flown in defiance of racial integration. Though the decision to raise the flag may have been debatable then, the reasons it should be taken down now are clear-cut.

This is America, a supposedly united land. The Confederate flag does nothing but divide. Its continued presence fully reopens an American wound which has never completely healed. The flag flying above the statehouse divides the country and deserves to be removed.

The reason the vast majority of black Americans want the flag down should be quite understandable. It was flown by a people who supported the continuation of slavery. Since then, it has been used to symbolize the segregation and oppression of blacks. A flag that can represent such bitter hatred of fellow Americans should not be hailed in public beside the American flag to represent a "united" state.

If South Carolinians are allowed to wave the Confederate flag in honor of their heritage, then why not have New Mexico's statehouse wave a Mexican flag to honor the heritage of many of its citizens? Why not have a black pride flag hang beside the Confederate flag or, for fairness, allow the citizens of every state to hang their ethnic banners at their statehouses? Many would agree that this would be a

ridiculous idea leading to nothing more than many cluttered flag poles. The best solution is the simplest. Take down the Confederate flag.

The consequences of removing the flag are smaller than the consequences of leaving it up. It is unlikely that the flag's departure will lead to continuous protests by organizations to put it back up. Polls have shown that seven out of 10 South Carolinians are in favor of the flag's removal.

To flag proponents: I agree that it is a part of American heritage and there is much to learn from our history. However, it is an historic symbol and should be treated solely as such. Therefore, it belongs in a museum or in the homes of families who remember their ancestors who honorably fought for what they believed in.

We must remember that these ancestors should be celebrated for their bravery, not their beliefs. They supported a situation that today is considered unlawful, immoral and unchristian.

How much difference exists between the Confederate flag and the Nazi swastika? Each symbol represented a government which allowed the suffering of a large group of people. Both emblems represent governments which are extinct today and should remain so. Do the descendants of Hitler's soldiers honor Nazi banners like diehards worship the Confederate flag?

The Confederate flag is the symbol of a government which opposed the ideals represented by the American flag. In a way, Confederate flag supporters are declaring allegiance to another country.

The bottom line: the Confederacy lost the war, so its flag goes down.

### Word on the street:

*"If you could decide how to spend your last day alive, what would you do?"*



"I would spend it on a tropical beach with Neriah Davis, whispering sweet nothings into her ear."

- Matt Marth, Freshman

"I would do something really mischievous, like rob a bank."

- Michele Eckes, Sophomore



"I would spend my last day with my family and my closest friends."

- Vicki Hoots, Freshman

"I would spend my last day in the mountains on top of a waterfall with the girl of my dreams. (Girl yet to be announced)."

- Chris Fundaburk, Senior





# Senior candidly recalls four unforgettable years

If you think writing your first newspaper article is hard, try writing your last.

After three years and who knows how many articles, the time has come for me to write my farewell piece. It's not as easy as I thought it would be, but I'll do my best.

I remember sitting at my high school graduation and thinking, "Thank God I'll never have to see any of these people again."

Now, as my college graduation approaches, I'm thinking, "How can I leave these people?"

You can tell that my high school years weren't my favorite. I came to college believing it would be similar to high school. Little did I know how wrong I would be.

There are no words I can use to explain my college years. I would say that I'm speechless, which will shock anyone who knows me. But how can you describe the indescribable?

What do you say when the four most influential years of your life are almost over? I've spent the last year trying to figure that out. I've come up with nothing. I've even tried to be flippant about it, but it just didn't work. You can't blame me for trying,

though.

Three senior Chronicle editors left last year and they took all of the good farewell ideas. Brent Ayers retold his life story, Jackie Broy praised her Greek family and Mountain Mama, Megan Morgan, did a top 10 list.

What the heck is left?

As the only senior editor this year, I'm left to my own devices. Most people know that this can be dangerous.

So, I'm going with the easiest approach, which is speaking from the heart.

I remember that day in high school when I skipped American history (I can see my history professors cringing already) to meet the admissions counselor from HPU. I wish I could say that I did it because I was interested in the school, but truthfully, I just couldn't hear about labor unions anymore. To think that those first 50 minutes led to the life

I have now. Now, who wants to say that skipping class is a bad thing? If I hadn't done it, I wouldn't be here.

But so much has happened since that one day. I've done a lot more than I ever thought possible. I've done some truly wonderful things that got me some recognition. I've done some stupid things that

have gotten me an earful. I don't want to shock you (note the sarcasm), but the Chronicle was the reason for a lot of that. Seriously, though, there isn't one experience I've had that I would change. That's what I consider the mark of an excellent college career.

So, I'm leaving HPU with the knowledge that I made the right choice by coming here. Even after I leave, it will still be very much a part of my life. While I would love to know what the future holds, it's still kind of hard to picture without HPU.

I only have one thing to say to my fellow seniors. We have all left our legacy here whether you know it or not. While I've left mine in print, you have left yours in other ways. Now it's time to let those coming behind us continue where we left off.

Well, folks, it's been fun, but it's time to go. That degree is calling my name, and I'm not about to ignore it.

The Chronicle will be short one editor next year, but with Mike, Robin, Jon and Justin in charge, the absence will hardly be noticed. They'll make sure news is covered and that the theater department gets its recognition. If not, I'm sure I'll get a nasty phone call from someone. Oh, well.

I'll leave you with this last thought. There's an Italian proverb that says, "He who leaves the old behind knows what he loses, but not what he'll find."

Here's hoping that I find the same happiness and success in the real world that I found here.



== Kelly Gilfillan ==  
Assistant Editor

## So long to a trio that kept the record straight

By Michael Gaspeny  
Adviser

College students eager to write straight news stories are rare. Those skilled at the craft are even rarer.

News writing lacks glamour. It requires research and self-denial. You actually have to listen to what other people say, and you have to leave your opinion out.

Nowadays in America, withholding or repressing an opinion is a crime against self-esteem. Opinion is cherished, and it abounds. Therefore, along with the voices of angels, we are bound to hear the squeaking of every mouse and the screeching of each baboon.

But if a nation or a community is to understand itself, it must have facts, clearly and fairly presented. In recent years, this campus has acquired a greater sense of itself through the news writing of three seniors who attended the meetings others avoided, covered the events their peers snoozed through and asked the questions that demanded answers.

Before they graduate, let's pause and give them some of the attention they denied themselves.

In three years with the Chronicle, assistant editor Kelly Gilfillan covered everything from the inspiring visit of execution opponent Sister Helen Prejean to SGA talkathons. She brought the same insight to her reporting that enlivened her presentations on Jack Kerouac and George Orwell at honors symposiums.

Courtney Mueller was a sharp listener. Her stories made sense of lectures and orations that varied in clarity. When she strayed onto the editorial page, her

### The faces behind the names



PHOTOS BY LAURA CASEY

Courtney Mueller (left) and Kelly Ivey served as newswriters for the Chronicle.

column on acquaintance rape and a woman's need to control her life was one of our most memorable pieces. She's now writing front page stories for The Thomasville Times.

Kelly Ivey's versatility has been dazzling. Her

commendable stories have appeared from the front page to the back page and roved from a coffee house to the Dog House to a detective's imagination to track meets.

Hail and farewell to three exceptional fact-finders.

## Seniors: stop fretting, start getting resumes out

By Courtney Mueller  
Staff Writer

It's that time of the semester when it seems as if your professors have conspired against you. You have two papers, a project and a test due all in the same week, perhaps on the same day, and all you want to do is lie in bed and throw the covers over your head, wishing it all away. Your motivation meter is running low, the days are getting longer and warmer, and you can't help but daydream about reclining on the beach all summer, or working and making money - anything but class.

For seniors, the stress level around this time of the school year hits the roof. We're thinking about finding a job, locating a place to live and getting through the next three weeks without pulling out our hair and

scratching out our eyeballs. Let's not forget about constantly getting harped on by our parents.

My past two weeks have been crazy. My car decided to break down; I have had an obscene amount of school work to complete; I'm trying to organize a vacation for a few friends after graduation; and I'm in the process of moving to Greensboro (not far, I know, but when you've acquired as much junk as I have, it's a huge project).

I still haven't found a full-time job, but there are promising opportunities. My philosophy all semester has been: "I have the rest of my life to find a full-time job." I believed that until I found out that my insurance policy and benefits are squashed once I walk across the stage and receive my diploma.

Congratulations to those seniors who have already

found a job, know where you're going to live or attend graduate school. The majority of us envy you. For the rest, you better get on it and fast. There are only 23 days left until graduation. Maybe you think you will move back home and mooch off of your parents, but really, do you want to do that after four years of living on your own? I also strongly doubt your parents want to rear-range their lives after getting used to an empty nest.

The job market seems promising for us, so why not take advantage of it? The key is to stay focused and motivated. It doesn't take that long to put a resume together, pick up an employment guide and stick a stamp on an envelope. There is nothing to lose by being prepared.

Good luck and best wishes to HPU's Class of 2000!



# Seniors set to excel in life after graduation

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were more than happy to help me out," Brandon states of HPU faculty and staff, which made the hectic process a little less stressful.

Susan Swallow advises that the best way to land a job is to be yourself in the tedious interview process. A computer information systems major, Susan was hired as a systems integration analyst for Lockheed Martin in Orlando, Fla. She completed her resume in early October of '99, sent it out to various companies and posted it on monster.com. This led to two job offers from two separate divisions of Lockheed Martin in late October. After consulting with her CIS professors, Susan chose the more technical route of web page design and development. She fell in love with the web developing team and liked the flexible hours of the position.

Christian Brandyberry will be attending one of the top five dental schools in the country, Temple University. A biology major and chemistry minor with a 3.9 GPA, Christian began applying to dental schools in November and was accepted by Temple in late January. The biggest challenge for him was getting the numerous applications in to the schools on time. He says it was smooth sailing once all the paper work was into the schools. Although Christian looked at other big name schools such as UNC Chapel Hill, Ohio State and the University of Tennessee, he preferred Temple for its thorough schooling and hands-on approach.

Kerrie Foss wanted she wanted to work for a large banking corporation after interning with a smaller mortgage company for three summers. She soon met with Wachovia Bank at a Job Fair in November and was



Susan Swallow



Kerrie Foss

PHOTOS BY JON HENTZ

offered a position in the finance and treasury department. She wanted a job with a little bit of everything and will receive just that on the 13 week job rotation at the corporate headquarters in Winston-Salem. Kerrie found searching for a job mentally demanding, especially as an accounting and business major with a computer information systems minor.

Tara Ebner is torn between two excellent graduate schools, one 30 minutes from her home in Kentucky and the other an Ivy League institution. A religion

major and psychology minor, Tara hopes to gain a master of divinity degree at either Asbury or Princeton Theological seminaries. Each has a three year program and is holding a spot for her until she comes to a decision at the end of May. While Princeton has offered her a full academic scholarship, Asbury has been keeping in constant contact.

Whether undecided on future plans or set on grad school or job placement, graduating seniors will have exciting experiences in the next few months.

## SGA seniors review accomplishments of last year

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Hoffman had a tough job ahead of her with Orientation and the 75th Anniversary Homecoming Gala. Though senior year is stressful anyway, Hoffman thinks her job was the extra stress and she would do it all over again. She is also pleased that the Community Affairs Board chose Communities in Schools as its campus-wide service project for this fall.

Huff made two key contributions that will affect SGA policy for years to come. He changed the format of the bills so they could be clearer and more consistent. Also, he made sure that the current social vice president could choose his successor.

Kuebler and Dunphey succeeded in creating a committee to rewrite the judiciary guidelines. Though there was some tension, Dunphey felt it needed to be done. "You need to look at the system and see what needs revamping. Don't be afraid to change things if you think they're wrong," he said.

With every goal accomplished, however, the seniors felt there were things left undone.

Attendance was down at SGA meetings this year. The senate only had a problem with quorum once, but once was enough. "We've done a lot to decrease student apathy towards SGA, but we still have a ways to go," said McLendon.

Some students wondered about McLendon's tendency to stay quiet during debates. He often remained

silent due to his power of veto, not because he had nothing to say. "It was always an internal struggle for me whether or not to speak up because I didn't want people to say 'Well, Matt doesn't approve of it anyway, so we might as well not debate it,'" he said.

So, it's been a challenging year, and the seniors have lots of advice to offer to new SGA participants.

"Come into it with an open mind and listen to the legislators because they know what's going on," said Hoffman. Above all, she suggests being as assertive as possible and willing to ask questions. "If you don't know what's going on, make somebody tell you."

At the last meeting, the departing EC will have a chance to say goodbye; then the new officers will be sworn in. This leaves the new EC with some slots to fill. Some senior members in appointed positions feel the new officers will choose the right people to replace them. "With the people who ran, they will make the right decision," said Dunphey.



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

Matt McLendon (left), Chris Huff, Brandon Kuebler and Don Dunphey are four of the five graduating EC members of SGA. Kat Hoffman (not pictured) is the fifth.

Junior Jenny May will ascend the political ladder from legislative vice president to SGA president. Returning to the EC after a year's absence is junior Tim Hassett as he becomes executive vice president. Finally, two newcomers to the EC, junior Mindy Wanzie and sophomore David Gouge, will be treasurer and secretary, respectively.

## Scarborough and Dudley propose new fields

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that the baseball stands would wrap around the field from dugout to dugout and a press box would likely be added.

All of the proposed fields would be under lights, including the track. The plans also include a fieldhouse with a weight room for the athletes, meeting rooms and hospitality rooms. The seating at each outdoor arena will be improved as well.

"Our priority is to concentrate on the sports we have," Scarborough said.

Said Dudley: "This construction would allow us to do many things. In basketball, it's tough to get big name schools, like ACC schools, to come here and play, but in soccer and baseball, it's possible to get a Wake Forest

or Duke to come here with some work to the fields."

Dudley and Scarborough said the project would cost \$10 million and, thus far, they have raised \$400,000. Therefore, this is not a one-year plan.

"This project will be done in phases as the dollars are available," Dudley said. "It will probably be a five-year project."

The first phase of work will begin on the soccer field. Soil tests for this will be done in the next week, and Scarborough and Dudley said construction could take place over the summer. The \$400,000 the two already have is enough to complete this project.

This year's construction will not take place solely outdoors, though. Dudley and Scarborough said they

also hope to have the lighting in the Millis Center up to standards that would support a television broadcast of Panther basketball games.

According to the two, there is not enough "candle power" in the Millis Center to support a broadcast now. Dudley said that, with this change, High Point's basketball team could be on local or regional television at least once a year. This renovation could be done by next basketball season.

But most of these projects in the five-year plan are tentative and are on what Dudley called a "wish list." The soccer construction is the closest thing to a sure bet.

"We are on the verge of commitment to do the soccer field," Scarborough said.



## HEALTH CORNER

## Increase in protein enhances your health

An increasing number of health-conscious individuals are realizing the importance of protein.

Whether your goal is to lose body fat, gain muscle, improve athletic performance or prevent injury, protein can be a very beneficial addition to your diet.

It's not a difficult food to add, either. According to a recent study conducted in Milan, Italy, subjects were asked to rate a high protein meal and high carbohydrate meal based strictly on taste. The subjects chose the high protein meal as their favorite, and in addition, they also felt more satisfied and ultimately consumed less food throughout the day. This experiment helps to explain why the new varieties of high protein/fat, no carbohydrate diets are successful.

The dieters like their meals and feel satisfied;

therefore, they stick to them and drop pounds.

However, it isn't necessary to go to the extreme of such a strict diet regimen. Simply replacing a few carbohydrates with protein can result in a significant amount of fat loss. However, if your goal is to build mass, protein can also help create substantial muscle gains.



**Courtney Hurley**

**Health**

How is protein proving to be such a miracle food? It's all in the effects it has on the metabolism. According to Dr. Kalman of Peak Wellness in Greenwich, Conn., about 20-25 percent more energy is required to break down protein foods as opposed to a carbohydrate or fat. This means that if you eat more protein, you will burn more

calories. However, not all proteins are created equal. It is important to realize that some choices are better than others based on their fat content,

quality and enrichment of amino acids. The best types of protein are animal sources, whey and eggs with the best sources coming from chicken, turkey, tuna, protein powders and egg whites. These protein-enriched foods are considered to be complete, meaning they are fortified with amino acids to aid in tissue repair. This is especially important for serious athletes and those recovering from athletic or exercise injuries.

Protein should be considered an important part of any healthy diet. However, not all of us are always healthy, and some of us don't have the time or energy to exercise. That's why protein is so remarkable. You can reduce your amount of daily carbohydrates and add a moderate intake of protein to lose fat. So, whether you are a person seeking fat loss, muscle gains or athletic improvement, don't be afraid to throw in a few egg whites with your breakfast or extra meat on your sandwiches at lunch. You will not only feel satisfied, but you will also be enhancing your physique to its fullest potential.

## Internet site makes a mockery of the dead

By Heather Cheek  
Staff Writer

Freedom of speech is a right that I cherish. But, while browsing on the Internet, I discovered a web site that made me question how far is too far to take this privilege.

The site description of the Official Darwin Awards reads, "In the spirit of Charles Darwin, the Darwin Awards commemorate individuals who protect our gene pool by making the ultimate sacrifice of their own lives. Darwin award winners eliminate themselves in an extraordinarily idiotic manner, thereby improving our species' chances of long-term survival."

This web site makes fun of factual accounts of people's deaths, and, after reading about an incident, visitors are asked to rate how they liked the story on a 10-point scale. There are even opportunities to win t-

shirts with these appalling tales written on the backs!

To explain how vulgar these tales are, I will summarize a few of the recent ones. In a Darwin Award winner titled "What's That Ringing," a woman was hit by a train and killed on March 4 after trying to dash past the crossing gates before it got there. The last line states, "Luckily, these deterrents that normally stop people were not enough for Sivaenga, or we would still be stuck with her."

Another story, "The Daily Grind," tells of an owner of Carrier Chipping Company who forgot to turn off a jammed woodchipper he was fixing. The conveyor belt pulled him through the chute, leaving DNA analysis as the best possible means for his identification. My last "humorous" tale is about a recent graduate who climbed up a street light to wave at the crowd during New Year's festivities. At midnight, he slipped and grabbed onto the live wires for support. After he was electrocuted in front of everyone, he fell headfirst

to the street. The story draws this conclusion: "Clearly, a sterling academic pedigree is no indication of common sense."

Under the "FAQ" link, the site answers commonly asked questions. When talking about censorship, it says that some stories are so upsetting, such as the Texas A&M tragedy and the JFK Jr. plane crash, that the site takes them off. I want to know who deems what is upsetting and what isn't! As an answer to how these tragic stories can be funny, it reads, "It's just one of the mysteries of life. Some people find black humor entertaining, and some do not."

Even though we have the freedom of speech, since when did it become OK to allow a mockery of the deaths of our fellow citizens to be publicized on a subscription to "Fun Sites" that I have? How far is too far? Does free speech justify such atrocities? I believe that there should be limits, and I bet that the mourning friends and families of the victims feel the same way.

## Experts verify career value of English major

From Staff Reports

What can you do with a degree in English?

Plenty and it's all good, said nine former majors from this school who provided the voice of experience at the career information luncheon held by the English department April 6.

Doug Hall, class of '80, parlayed the major into an MBA, a career as a financier and a lucrative sideline as a screenwriter.

"I always felt that I had a leg up on other people in the world of finance," said Hall, who lives in Culver City, Calif. "Even when they had better ideas than I did, they just couldn't articulate them as well."

Reading a friend's script, Hall realized that he had the skill to compose a better one. "He had a good idea, but the writing was horrible."

One of Hall's screenplays was recently made into the comedy/horror picture "Leprechaun in the Hood." Now he's polishing a script that is a contemporary adaptation of Shakespeare's "Othello."

Paul Lessard oversees a budget of \$15.2 million. He's executive director of the High Point Community Foundation. "Wherever you work, they're going to teach you what they want you to know anyway," he said. But employers can't teach communication. "If you can write and speak, you'll conquer the world," he insisted.

An attorney also touted the power of the English major. "You can't get remotely close to law school unless you love and understand the English language," said Jan Samet, a partner in the firm Keziah, Gates & Samet.

A corporate lawyer argued that the English major



PHOTO BY LAURA CASEY

Shannon Moxley (left) eats with alumna Heidi Coryell and Director of Career Development Sam Beck at the English Department luncheon last Thursday.

is good for the career and the soul. Joseph McNulty edited this paper when it was The Hi-Po in the '60s. His legal work has taken him to board rooms around the world.

Despite his success, he urges people not to mistake a profession for a life.

"What you really are is what you are on the inside, and literature helps you discover that," he said.

The luncheon was coordinated by Ms. Georgeanna

Sellers, assistant professor of English; Ms. Shirley Rawley, department chair; and Mrs. Sam Beck, director of career development.

Other alums included a banker, a marketing expert, a TV sports anchor and Heidi Coryell, former news editor for this paper and now a general assignments reporter for The Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle.

She had just filed a story on the Masters Golf Tournament before attending the luncheon.



# Tower Players present 'All in the Timing'



By **Kelly Gilfillan**  
Assistant Editor

Welcome to the world of playwright David Ives where monkeys write "Hamlet," Unamunda is the universal language and a guy thinks he's a portable typewriter.

These are just a few of the plots in a set of one-act comedies called "All in the Timing" presented by the Tower Players April 5-9. I saw this show twice and I have to say it's a show you have to see more than once to appreciate. The first time I saw it, some of the timing was off, and it was not as funny as it could have been, but the second time, when the Tower Players nailed it, you knew it.

Junior Doug Herring pulled a triple threat as a guy trying to score a date in "Sure Thing," a human typewriter in "A Singular Kinda Guy" and as Leon Trotsky in "Variations on the Death of Trotsky." It's hard enough to learn lines for one character, so I can imagine what it's like to learn for three. Herring didn't have a problem as he changed from one character to another. He definitely has a flair for comedy.

Also excelling in multiple roles was junior Hilde Christensen. As Dawn, a shy girl wanting to learn "The Universal Language" and as Mrs. Trotsky,

Christensen becomes these characters. You thought of her as Dawn or as Mrs. Trotsky, but not as herself. She played off her co-stars well, and it was obvious she was having fun.

In his last show with HPU theater, Hardy Koenig stepped out of the director's role into that of Don, a con man trying to make money off the "Universal Language." I knew he's a great director, but he's also a fine actor. Much of the scene is in a nonsense language, so it's hard to understand. But, after a while, you realize you're beginning to understand Unamunda with Koenig as your professor. So, as in real life, Koenig is a great teacher onstage. It was a pleasure to see his talent one last time.

Several students had only one role, but they performed it well. Sophomore Rasha Zamamiri was suspicious and sweet at all the right times as she played the girl getting picked up in "Sure Thing." Freshmen Danielle Beazley and Christy Brown, as well as junior Ed Hickey, took primate behavior to the extreme as three literary monkeys in "Words Words Words." Their actions were enough to send the audience rolling and to rouse Milton, Kafka and Swift in their graves.

North Carolina School of the Arts student Christian Michael appeared as Trotsky's murderer. He was funny, evil and perfect. He proved death is hilari-

ous when put in the right context.

In "The Philadelphia," Kenneth Fisher and junior Daniel Christian shifted in and out of neurotic behavior as characters caught in a world where you have to ask for the opposite of what you want. It was great to watch them act so stressed. Freshman Juli Docimo did a decent job playing a waitress, but the part seemed too small since most of the scene focused on Fisher and Christian.

The set was simple, and the scenes took place in three different areas. One minute you're in a coffeehouse and then you're in Leon Trotsky's house. Set and lighting designer Brad Archer managed to incorporate a disco ball into one scene and made cigarettes fall from the sky in another. Aside from a few small problems, this was a good technical show, so applause goes out to Archer and his crew.

Though this was not the best show I have seen the Tower Players do, it was



PHOTO FROM THEATER DEPARTMENT

**Doug Herring and Hilde Christensen create comedy in David Ives's twisted version of the death of Trotsky.**

as funny as I expected it to be. The humor depends a lot on the timing, so the actors had a hard job getting it just right. But, as I said, when they nailed it, they were rewarded with the laughter they deserved.

Either way, the Tower Players had a successful run and a great year. I hope next year goes just as well for them. With the talent returning, they shouldn't have a problem.

## Students bid adieu to talented director

By **Kelly Gilfillan**  
Assistant Editor

As the curtain falls on the Class of 2000, Assistant Professor of Theater Arts Hardy Koenig will also be taking his final bow at HPU.

Koenig is leaving to teach at St. John's University in Collegeville, Minn. He'll be teaching only acting classes, which is a huge change from teaching both acting and general education courses here. Though he is looking forward to this new opportunity, there are things he'll miss.

"I'll miss seeing some of these students that I started with

graduate. There's a few that have come in since I've been here, and I've become attached to them," he said.

He has gotten so attached that he is able to note differences between HPU students and others. Koenig said, "There's a feeling of family that happens with HPU students that I haven't seen in the past. There is also a feeling of place for everyone, which I feel good about."

So, while he's leaving the students he loves, the future looks bright for Koenig. But the reality of his departure is hitting students hard.

Sophomore Rasha

Zamamiri said, "I'll miss his open door, because whenever you have a problem, his door is always open no matter what you need."

Junior Heather Dodd had Koenig for two classes, and she always saw him as more of a friend than a teacher. "You don't call him

Mr. Koenig. You call him Hardy, and I like that," she said. Dodd will miss his sense of humor most of all. "What other professor do you know that will walk into a 2 p.m. class and say, 'Good Morning?' You can't be in his class and not laugh."

Hardy Koenig

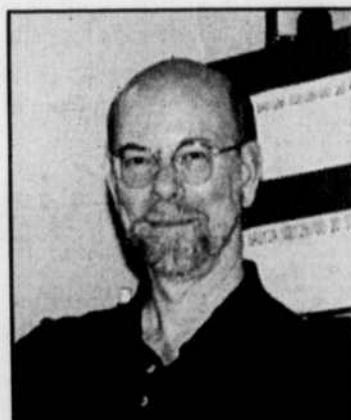


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Mr. Koenig. You Herring was joking with former

technical director Steve Koppenhaver about the superstition of saying, "Macbeth" in a theater. Koenig jumped up and said, "Hey, some people take that superstition very seriously. Now I have to walk around the theater and spit as I walk." "He was walking around the theater and Megan Morgan was running with him for the hell of it," said Herring.

While the students all have different things they'll recall about him, they want him to remember one thing. Zamamiri summed it up best by saying, "We want him to remember that we love him. And that he will be missed."

## Don't Forget...

### Final Exam Schedule

	Exam Time	Course Meeting Time
Saturday, April 29	8:30 all classes 1:30 all classes	9:30 TTh 8:00 MWF
Monday, May 1	8:30 all classes 1:30 all classes	12:30 TTh 1:00 MWF
Tuesday, May 2	8:30 all classes 1:30 all classes	9:00 MWF 10:00 MWF
Wednesday, May 3	8:30 all classes 1:30 all classes	11:00 MWF 2:00 TTh
Thursday, May 4	8:30 all classes 1:30 all classes	8:00 TTh 2:00 MWF
Friday, May 5	8:30 all classes 1:30 all classes	12:00 MWF all other times

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# Book offers break from John Grisham Mob show provides good entertainment

By Tyisha Clarke  
Staff Writer

Tired of the same old John Grisham books? Then you might try "Moment of Truth" by Lisa Scottoline. It's a nice break from Grisham, but you could probably find something a little better to entertain you.

This story has surprises around every corner, but you generally can guess what's coming. The novel begins with the main character, Jack Newlin, finding his wife murdered at their home. He thinks he knows who did it: his emancipated, 16-year-old, fashion model daughter, Paige. He makes the crime scene appear as if he did it by putting his fingerprints on the knife and getting his wife's blood on his clothes. For the time being, he wants to take the blame to figure out a way to save his daughter.

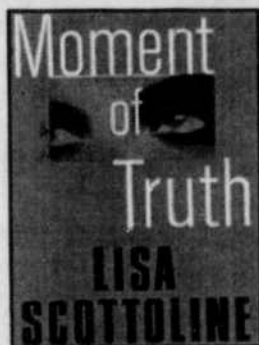
The factors that Jack does not count on are a persistent detective, Reginald

Brinkley, who has a gut feeling that something is wrong with this clear-cut case, and the inexperienced lawyer, Mary DiNunzio, who is trying to prove the innocence of her client.

Unfortunately, Jack and Mary appear silly and insensitive. How can Jack begin to look at another woman days after his wife is supposedly murdered by their daughter?

This novel is weakened by underdeveloped characters. Paige is confusing in her thoughts and emotions, struggling between being an adult and a child. At times, her dialogue is too simple. Detective Brinkley is a complicated man to figure out. Towards the end, I got confused because I couldn't tell if he was really falling in love with Mary.

Overall, this book is a change from John Grisham. Lisa Scottoline gives it a good try, but it's pretty easy to figure out the ending of the book. However, there are better books to choose from out there.



By Robin Kester  
A&E Editor

A brand new series has emerged in the ratings competition. On Tuesday, April 4, CBS introduced the mob drama "Falcone." The series ran for eight consecutive nights with the exception of Sunday.

The main character, Joe Pistone (undercover name Falcone), is played by actor Jason Gedrick. He is an undercover FBI agent who tries to gather evidence on a notorious mob family. Gedrick pretends to be a jewel thief to get into the circle of the mob. Pistone leaves his wife everyday to take care of their two daughters. But his wife doesn't know exactly what her husband does because he can't tell her nor does she know how dangerous his work is. Falcone constantly proves his worth so he can stay within the mob.

Other cast members include Titus Welliver, Patti Lupone and Eric Roberts. Welliver plays Sonny Napoli who tries to move up in status to be in control his

family and business affairs.

The series offers lots of suspense and tries to reveal how brutal the world of crime can really be. Anyone can watch the show because it's easy to follow. Audiences get a glimpse of how a real mob family operates. Of course, there's violence. The show is interesting because the audience is not sure if Pistone's cover will be blown or not, and a few times he does come close to losing it.

"Falcone" is based on the real-life FBI agent Joe Pistone's book "Donnie Brasco," which was also made into a movie. Pistone spent six years out of 28 with the FBI with the mob, gathering evidence. Now, Pistone works as a technical consultant on the show.

Gedrick is fully qualified for playing this role after being in "EZ Streets" and "The Last Don," I and II mini series.

This is a great new series, which will hopefully continue to air on CBS. Anyone who likes mob drama should tune in to "Falcone." Look for the time that "Falcone" will be airing next.

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## 'Erin Brockovich' hits big on screen

By Becca Davis  
Staff Writer

In a world where heroes are hard to find, the story of Erin Brockovich is a classic. This funny, heart-warming drama stars Julia Roberts as a twice-divorced, unemployed mother of three who defies the odds by taking on, and defeating, a major utilities company.

By using her undeniable wit and fierce intensity, Erin gets a job working for her ex-lawyer Ed Masry (Albert Finney) at a small law firm. Employed as a file clerk, Erin stumbles upon a cover-up involving contaminated water in Hinkley, Calif., a small desert town. The bad water has caused many devastating, life-long illnesses to residents of Hinkley.

Outraged by the cover-up, Erin dutifully investigates the case. Although the citizens of the town are wary of becoming

involved, Erin's brash manner and apparent ability to talk honestly and compassionately to them inevitably earn her their trust.

With over 600 plaintiffs signed up, Brockovich and Masry go on to win the largest settlement ever paid in a direct action suit.

Topping the charts at No. 1 for three weeks, "Erin Brockovich" is a fabulous rendition of true events. The cast makes the story that much more real, as Roberts, who has been nominated twice for Academy Awards, turns in her best role since "Pretty Woman." Surprisingly enough, the film also includes a cameo by the real Erin Brockovich as a waitress in a diner.

With a fantastic cast and an timely tale of heroic effort, "Erin Brockovich" is a movie well worth your time and money.

## Our staff recommends...

### Book:

"I Know This Much is True" by Wally Lamb is a brilliantly written story about a man and his schizophrenic twin brother. If you loved Lamb's first book, "She's Come Undone," you'll see that his genius proves that lightning does strike the same place twice.

-Oriole

### CD:

*Human Clay* by Creed is great and it features songs like "What If" and "Higher." I highly recommend this CD to everyone.

-Xena

### TV Show:

"The West Wing." Martin Sheen plays the president of the United States. It's a great insight into how the government is really run. This comedy/drama airs on Wednesday at 9 p.m. on channel 12.

-Xena



# Death chases victims in new thriller

By **Dave Kerr**  
Staff Writer

"Final Destination" is the newest thriller to hit theaters. The film asks these intriguing questions: What if death has a design for everybody and a clairvoyant person can see the plan? Then could there be a way to cheat death?

Alex (Devon Sawa) is an everyday teenager, who is flying to Paris with his classmates for their senior trip. Before take-off, Alex has a terrifying, but very

realistic vision of the plane exploding in the air. Because his dream scares him so much, he and six of the other passengers from his school (Ali Larter, Kerr Smith, Seann William Scott, Chad E. Donella, Amanda Detmer, and Kristen Cloke) get off the plane.

After the plane takes off, the one teacher and five students that got off the plane are curious to know why Alex thinks the plane is going to blow up. As Alex tries to explain the horrible vision he had and they all watch the plane fly

away to Paris, it explodes. From that point on, Alex realizes that he has the power to see what death's plan has in store for him and his friends. Because Alex, his friends and his teacher were able to cheat death once, it becomes very unlikely that they will be able to do it again.

"Final Destination" is the surprise thriller of the year. The film's captivating and eerie plot about swindling death once and then having it come back for you is a brilliant and original idea. The

script, written by Jeffrey Reddick, Olen Morgan and James Wong (also the film's director), explores the idea that everything happens for a reason and that there are no coincidences in life. The film moves extremely fast and keeps you way on the edge of your seat wondering what could possibly happen next.

This picture expresses a very important message: Live your life to the fullest and don't take anything for granted, because you never know what fate has in store for you.

## Movie Mania: A guide to the movies which will be released this summer to a theater near you

By **Robin Kester**  
A&E Editor

### "U-371"

Actors: Matthew McConaughey, Jon Bon Jovi, Bill Paxton  
Genre: Drama and Thriller  
Plot: Set during WWII, an American submarine crew battles against time while on a mission to capture an encrypting device from a Nazi U-boat.

Release Date: April 21

### "Committed"

Actors: Heather Graham, Casey Affleck  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: A devoted wife tries to save her marriage by traveling thousands of miles to get to her husband. Traveling with her brother, she stakes out her husband's new life and discovers the ups and downs of being the most committed woman in America.

Release Date: April 28

### "Frequency"

Actors: Dennis Quaid, Andre Braugher  
Genre: Science Fiction and Thriller  
Plot: A New York homicide detective makes contact with his dead father through a time warp. With the help of talking to his father, he is able to prevent his father's death and capture his mother's killer.

Release Date: April 28

### "I Dreamed of Africa"

Actors: Kim Basinger  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: "I Dreamed of Africa" is based on a true story of a woman who left Italy to start a new life in Africa with her son and her husband. She encounters powerful storms, wild animals and poachers who brutally murder endangered animals. But she remains a strong and fearless woman.

Release Date: May 5

### "Scary Movie"

Actors: Marlon Wayans, Cheri Oteri, Shawn Wayans  
Genre: Comedy and Suspense/Horror  
Plot: "Scary Movie" is a parody of the teen horror genre such as the "Scream" movies.

Release Date: July 7

### "Hamlet"

Actors: Ethan Hawke, Liev Schreiber, Julia Stiles  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: This new version of "Hamlet" is set in New York City during the year 2000. Denmark is not a kingdom but a large corporation. This version still contains the same themes as the play. Release Date: May 12

### "The Opportunists"

Actors: Christopher Walken, Cyndi Lauper  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: A young Irish immigrant living in New York tries to seduce a former gangster into a life of crime again.

Release Date: June 2

### "Boys and Girls"

Actors: Freddie Prinze Jr.  
Genre: Romance and Comedy  
Plot: A relationship is tested between a teenage boy and girl who are best friends.

Release Date: June 2

### "Gone in 60 Seconds"

Actors: Nicolas Cage, Giovanni Ribisi, Robert Duvall  
Genre: Action and Adventure  
Plot: A car thief leads his gang one last time to try and steal 50 cars in one night. But another gang is planning the same heist, and the police are after them both.

Release Date: June 9

### "Numbers"

Genre: Romance and Comedy  
Plot: A weatherman who owns a snowmobile dealership which is failing tries to make fast money by scamming the local lottery.

Release Date: July 14

### "Shaft"

Actors: Samuel L. Jackson, Busta Rhymes, Vanessa Williams, Christian Bale  
Genre: Action and Adventure  
Plot: P.I. John Shaft tries to find a large amount of money which vanished after the death of a community leader who was involved with the black mob.

Release Date: June 16

### "The Perfect Storm"

Actors: George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg, Diane Lane, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio  
Genre: Drama  
Plot: Based on a true story, six fishermen are stranded at sea 200 miles away from the Massachusetts shore. Release Date: June 30

### "The Hollow Man"

Actors: Elizabeth Shue, Kevin Bacon, Josh Brolin  
Genre: Thriller  
Plot: A group of young scientists at a top-secret military lab discover the secret of invisibility. Their team leader ignores the risks and tests the procedure on himself but finds out that it can't be reversed. The team tries to discover an antidote, but the leader realizes that his power is growing, and his co-workers could be a threat to him.

Release Date: July 28

### "Nutty Professor II"

Actors: Eddie Murphy, Janet Jackson  
Genre: Comedy  
Plot: After suppressing Buddy in his subconscious, the professor, finds him emerging again. Uncontrollable outbursts from Buddy threaten the professor's plans of marrying his colleague who is an expert in DNA. Using her research, the professor tries to get rid of Buddy by extracting his DNA. But Buddy will not leave without a fight. Release Date: July 28

### "X-Men"

Actors: Patrick Stuart, Anna Paquin  
Genre: Action and Adventure  
Plot: Based on the Marvel comics of the 1990s, the X-Men are a group of genetic mutants with supernatural powers who are brought together and trained by Professor Charles Xavier (Stuart) to fight for a world where mutant minority and human majority can live peacefully together. But one of the mutants, Magneto, has been scarred by humans and believes that the mutant race is superior to humanity. The X-Men try to protect the humans that fear and hate them. Release Date: July 14

Don't forget to see the highly anticipated movie "Mission Impossible 2." It will be released May 24 (the day before Memorial Day). Tom Cruise plays Ethan Hunt who leads the IMF team to recapture and destroy a deadly German-manufactured virus before it falls into the wrong hands. The movie is directed by John Woo, and the cast includes Ving Rhames (Luther Stickell) and Anthony Hopkins. Don't miss it. The soundtrack is also highly anticipated.



The Campus Chronicle  
would like to wish all  
graduating seniors  
good luck. We hope  
you succeed in all that  
you do.







Phi Mus gather on the hall in Millis before their formal.

### Zeta Tau Alpha ΔΓ Chapter

The sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha had a very eventful semester. We attended our annual 100th Link/Scholarship dinner on April 1. We had a good time and gave out a lot of awards. Congratulations to all the sisters who received awards!

On April Fool's Day, we kicked off our "Don't Be A Fool" campaign where we went to various locations in the community and on campus to distribute shower caps to make women aware of the importance of early detection of breast cancer.

We held our annual "Golf for a Cause" tournament at Tanglewood Golf Course. It was a great success and we raised a lot of money for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. We would like to extend our thanks to all of the students who came out to play and to all of our sponsors. Your help for a worthy cause was greatly appreciated. We want to thank the Lambda Chis for attending an Etiquette standard with us. We hope it was very informative.

On April 26, we are holding our annual Band party. More information will be announced.

Sister Jana Craven was accepted into the Education program. Sister Jackie Bailey was accepted into the Study Abroad program in England. Congratulations, girls! We will miss you, Jackie.

Last and certainly not least, the sisters of ZTA would like to congratulate our senior sisters on graduation. We will be having our Senior Sendoff April 26. All of you will be missed, and we wish you the best of luck in the future.

### Phi Mu ΓΖ Chapter

The sisters of Phi Mu would like to wish everyone good luck on their upcoming finals. We also congratulate all the graduating seniors and wish everyone a relaxing, stress-free summer. Regretfully, on April 9, 15 of our senior sisters assumed alum status. We are going to miss Karen Bouldin, JoAnne D'Angelo, Tara Ebner, Rachel Eckert, Michelle Holland, Jennie Holmes, Amanda Isaac, Leana Layfield, Stacy McCall, Jen Taylor, Lindsay Weldin, Lorianne White and Beth Watts. The chapter wishes you well and LIOB forever!

On April 8, the Gamma Zeta chapter celebrated our 46th anniversary Carnation Ball at the Greensboro Hilton. The theme of the Ball was a masquerade in which sisters and their dates wore masks and celebrated Mardi Gras style.

A big thanks goes out to everyone

who played Giant Twister on April 5. All the proceeds of this event go to Children's Miracle Network. We can't wait to see everyone again next year.

### Theta Chi EA Chapter

The brothers of Theta Chi would like to congratulate all of our newly initiated brothers: Sean White, Matt Howell, Kevin Harrison, Tim Hassett, Matt Boggs, MJ Gimbar, Mario Nicito and Mike Miller. We would also like to congratulate all of the other newly initiated members of the Greek community.

A special congratulations goes out to Brother Tim Hassett for being elected executive vice-president of SGA. Also, congratulations to Alpha Gamma Delta's Jenny May for being elected president and Phi Mu Mindy Wanzie for being elected treasurer.

We would like to thank everyone that came out and supported us during our 2nd annual See-Saw-Athon for the American Diabetes Association. We raised an unbelievable \$3,000 which was three times as much as we raised last year. We hope everyone enjoyed the afternoon concert with Nashville recording artists Dakkota, as well as all of the free food and drinks throughout the weekend. We certainly hope to see all of you again next year, as we try to beat the \$3,000 mark. If anyone is interested in buying a shirt, we still have some available for \$5. Please call Justin Wood at 841-9169 to purchase one.

We would like to congratulate the following people who received awards during the Student Life awards ceremony on Honors Day: Chris Kirk, who received the Theta Chi Helping Hand Award, and Mike Graff, who was voted our Brother of the Year.

We are awaiting our annual Dream Girl weekend in Myrtle Beach. It takes place over Easter weekend, and that is when we will announce the 1999-2000 Theta Chi Dreamgirl.

Finally we will be hosting our Senior Sendoff on April 29. We would like to wish all of our seniors the best of luck in the future. You have all been an asset to our chapter.

### Alpha Phi Omega

Congratulations Mu Xi on getting the bid to host the sectional conference next spring! That's right HPU, APO's from this section of North Carolina will congregate here for APO 2001: A Sheetload of Fun. Watch out for upcoming fundraisers and events to prepare us for a weekend of fun next spring and please support us! We would like to

### GREEK COLUMN

## What a year it's been

By Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

Throughout this year, we have experienced many changes, some good, some not. Let's take a look back at the events that highlighted this academic year.

In the fall, Sixth Street residents worried about their lack of Ethernet. Most students believed the cost wouldn't be too great for them to have this service. I researched the problem and consulted many people on campus about a solution. The conclusion was that the university will add Ethernet accessibility once new Greek houses are constructed. Let's hope the houses materialize soon. They were once part of the five-year plan for construction, along with the new fine arts building and home furnishings buildings.

We all remember the dispute about the deadline for the closing of the fraternity houses on weekends. It did seem as if our world had ended. However, I believe that it was beneficial to all fraternities. When the news arrived to fraternities about this time change, everyone banded together to meet with Student Life and Security officials to discuss the situation. Even though the shut-down time of years past was not restored, many people saw that fraternities were able to unite to deal with issues related to us.

Once the spring semester arrived, the campus found itself buried under a foot of snow. After our day out of

classes, we found ourselves slipping and sliding to and from classes and our cars. Some of the back walkways around the apartments and Millis were impassable. It took a drawn-out melting process before residents in the area were able to walk to classes safely.

We also found ourselves with closed houses toward the middle of this semester. No, not because they were finally condemned, but because fights occurred. To restore safety, university officials decided it would be best to shut down the houses for the remainder of the school year. I believe that the decision was made properly, even though it caused more off-campus parties. It seemed that things were just getting worse, and we all needed a little time to cool off. Let's hope that come fall, things will get back to normal.

Finally, the latest news of the semester is that the SGA election results have given the Greek community a little more encouragement for a successful future. Three Greeks were winners - Jenny May (Alpha Gamma Delta), president; Tim Hassett (Theta Chi), executive vice president; and Mindy Wanzie (Phi Mu), treasurer. Congratulations to this trio. We hope that with your help we will see many improvements over the next year for all Greeks.

It has definitely been a whirlwind of a year, but we have managed to survive the changes.



Justin Wood  
Greek Editor

thank Jenn Roddy for chairing the conference!

We would like to welcome our new brothers who were inducted April 11. Congrats to Amy Rodgers, Cat Bush, Ava Roddy, Gene Liauw, Laura Cossart, Allyson Wood and Jessica Seitz. You all did a great job! The brothers and your pledge masters are proud of you! Also, congratulations to all those who won awards on honors day! One more congrats to the entire brotherhood on receiving the Chapter of the Year Award at this year's sectional conference! Thanks to everyone for helping out!

### Pi Kappa Alpha ΔΩ Chapter

The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity is pleased to introduce Rich Mossman, Zach Prisco, Joe Haubenhofer, Bobby Pray and Gray Booker as the newly inducted brothers from the Spring 2000 pledge class.

Our chapter celebrated its 47th Dreamgirl at the Radisson hotel in Greensboro on Feb. 5. This year's Dreamgirl award went to Emily Eschedor while first and second runners-up were Kim Penrose and Tiffany Impson, respectively.

Other awards given were Athlete of the Year (Derek Montaner), Most Im-

proved Brother (Dave Dawson), Pledge of the Year (Matt Cull), Brother of the Year (Sean Carroll) and President's Award (John Daly).

Our Gangsters' weekend is planned for April 14-15 in Myrtle Beach. Two of our seniors, Sean Carroll and Derek Montaner, are coaching the Piedmont Triad Warriors, a youth lacrosse team out of Greensboro.

We would like to acknowledge Dave Bagshaw, Sean Carroll, John Cutler, John Daly, Erich Hoffman, Derek Montaner and Bo Nielsen as our graduating seniors. Good luck with your future endeavors.

Good luck on exams and have a safe summer.

### Alpha Gamma Delta ΓΗ Chapter

Congratulations to the 12 new sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta. You girls are awesome!

With the arrival of 12 new sisters, it is time to say good-bye to 18 seniors. A wise friend once said, "Who knows us better than our friends? When we make mistakes, friends forgive us. Friends share with us, count on us and comfort us. They improve the quality of our lives. When we're down, they lift us up. And if we move away, they keep a part of us back home." Best of luck in the future.



# Tennis teams continue successful season

From Staff Reports

## • Men's Tennis:

The men's tennis team has had arguably the best season of any High Point sports teams in this inaugural year in the Big South, despite a recent lapse in which the men have only managed to win two of six matches.

The Panthers boast a lofty 11-6 record and have performed well against some of the top teams in the country.

On April 5, the men narrowly defeated Radford, 4-3. Singles winners were Jakob Widange, Janne Leino and Erik Pettersson. Doubles winners were the teams of Widange/Peter Greberg and Leino/Bob Ferguson. The win upped the Panthers' conference mark to 4-2.

The match was a makeup for a scheduled March 30 match with the Highlanders that was cancelled due to rain.

The win came at an opportune time as High Point had just come off of two close losses to Appalachian State and North Carolina State.

On March 27, the Panthers fell to Appalachian State, 4-3. The bottom of the High Point lineup performed well as the No. 4 through No. 6 singles were winners. Leino won at No. 4, Greberg was victorious at No. 5 and Ferguson won at No. 6.

The Wolfpack also proved to be one match better than the Panthers, winning 4-3 as well.

Joakim Peterson, Peter Mellstrom and Leino were the singles winners for High Point.

Prior to the N.C. State match, High Point picked up its third conference victory by thwarting visiting Liberty, 6-1.

Peterson, Mellstrom, Pettersson, Leino and Greberg all won in singles competition. The teams of Widange/Greberg and Mellstrom/Ferguson won in doubles competition.

A match against Winthrop helped continue the start of High Point's recent lull.

The men lost 4-3 to the Eagles to give them back-to-back losses. High Point fell to Coastal Carolina on March 18.

## • Women's Tennis:

The women's tennis team has hovered around the .500 mark in recent weeks.

After a victory over Queens – a 9-0 thrashing – High Point's overall record stood at 9-9.

In the match against the Royals, Mirva Maenpaa, Inga Muller, Elisabet Ericson, Maya Latinovic, Andrea Avello and Megan Hofmann all won in singles competition.

All three doubles teams were also victorious to secure the sweep.

The win over Queens was High Point's second in as many days.

A day earlier, the Panthers upended conference foe Radford, 6-3. The win upped their conference record to 3-2.

Winning in singles competition were Maenpaa, Muller, Avello and Hofmann. Doubles winners were the teams of Muller/Avello and Maenpaa/Ericson.

Prior to the win over Radford, the women hit a wall when they faced Appalachian State.

The Mountaineers handed the Panthers a hard-to-swallow 7-2 loss.

The only singles winner for High Point was Muller.

The women showed flashes of brilliance, though, a week earlier in a match against UNC-Charlotte. High Point won

6-3 in a match dominated by singles victories.

Maenpaa, Muller, Ericson, Latinovic and Hofmann all won for the Panthers. The lone doubles team to win was the

team of Muller/Avello.

High Point dropped another 7-2 decision to Winthrop on March 21.

The only singles winner for the Panthers was Maenpaa. Muller/Avello won

in doubles competition.

Both the men and women will participate in their first Big South Conference Tournament on April 17 at Elon College.

## Track teams post record times

From Staff Reports

It's no April Fool's joke.

On April 1 at the Lynchburg Invitational, the relay teams of men's and women's track squads both set school records.

In men's competition, the 4x400 team of Larikus Scott, Jobe Beckham, Anthony Cook and Codi Coverson finished first with a time of 3:14.64.

The men also set another school mark in the 4x100 relay with a time of 41.98 seconds. The time was good enough for second.

Cook also finished first in the 400-meter dash, running it in 48.86 seconds.

The men had a barrage of individual second-place finishers as well.

Derico Cooper finished second in the 400-meter int. hurdles, Coverson took second in the long jump, Carlton Sanders was runner-up in the 110-meter high hurdles and Scott placed second in the 100-meter dash.

On the same day, the women set school records of their own.

In the 4x400 relay, High Point placed third with a time of 4:09.09. The Panther 4x100 relay

team of Roxie Stennett, Melissa Henderson, Lindy Maness and Brandilyn Price finished second with a

mark of 49.71. Both were school bests.

In individual competition for the women, Amanda Hanley placed first in the 1500-meter run (4:49.30), Stennett finished second in the long jump (5.34 meters) and Porsche Jackson took third in the triple jump with a leap of 5.34 meters.

At the Emory Invitational on March 24-25, both the men and women placed in the top six in Atlanta, Ga.

The men placed second in the field. Coverson won the long jump with a leap of 7.91 meters, and Cook took the top spot in the 400-meter dash with a time of 48.67 seconds.

The 4x100 and 4x400 relay teams both won with times of 41.82 seconds and 3:19.09, respectively.

The record-setting actually started in a meet held in Wilmington on March 17-18.

The 4x100 meter women's team set a then school record of 50.55 seconds.

The men's 4x400 relay team ran for a time of 3:15.56.

This was a school record until the race in Lynchburg.

Next up for both teams is the Big South Conference Tournament in Conway, S.C. over Easter weekend.

### New school records in track

#### Men

4x400 relay – 3:14.64

4x100 relay – 41.98

#### Women

4x400 relay – 4:09.09

4x100 relay – 49.71

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BASEBALL NOTEBOOK

# The baseball season: an inside perspective

By Jason Brennan  
Staff Writer

## March 22 vs. Campbell, 12-2 L

This was a loss that we entirely deserved. We came out flat, and I don't think we were focused on the game. We may have been, but it sure didn't look like it to me. I know that physically every person gives 100 percent when they are in the midst of their own battle, at bat, pitching or fielding a groundball. However, it seems to me that mentally some people are not giving as much as they should when they are not directly involved with the play. You should always be thinking a play ahead and know what to do if the ball is hit to you. We are having a tough time meshing as a team. David White (1-4) suffered the loss. Kevin Burch relieved White and threw well out of the pen to keep us in the game for a few innings, but things fell apart in the sixth, and we could not mount a comeback. I hope we come ready to play tomorrow. We drop to 7-16-1.

## March 23 vs. Towson, 8-0 L, 6-5 W

A rare weekday doubleheader against Towson. This may have come at an inopportune time after not getting home until after midnight last night from Campbell. But is that an excuse to get shut out by a team that is, at best, on the same level as we are? I hope not. I think we came out a little tired for the first game today. Chris Chandler (1-5) suffered the loss. Our attendance at home games has dropped significantly lately, and I hope that it will improve. I am not just directing this at the students to come support us, but to the faculty and administrators as well. We are just as important to this university as the smartest student, and I feel we deserve some of their attention as well.

We managed to salvage a split after we won the second game of the twinbill 6-5 in dramatic fashion. Adam Beck got down a suicide squeeze in the bottom of the seventh (we only play seven innings in weekday doubleheaders) to plate Andy Harney. This was not just a normal squeeze; Beck got the bunt down after the ball had bounced before the plate. Total concentration. Beck is our sparkplug; he does everything needed of him even though he does not get that much playing time. Once again, we won after Buddy Webb and John Cavanaugh had big games. Each hit their Big South Conference-leading eighth homeruns to pace our offense. Brian Meadows relieved Chris Hyatt and got his third win of the season, throwing 3 1/3 innings. He pitched well, although it wasn't pretty because he did not have his best stuff, but that is the mark of a good pitcher. Anybody can pitch when he is able to use all his pitches, but those that are the best win when they don't have their best stuff. Meadows is a true competitor. He is a bulldog on the mound and does what needs to be done. He is everything you look for in a nitcher.

## March 28 vs. UNC-Wilmington, 5-1 L

It is starting to become like clockwork for us. We get guys on base in the early innings, then we fail to drive them in. We out-hit them tonight, but we could not come through with a clutch hit to turn the game our way. Meadows (3-4) suffered the loss. I relieved Meadows in the fifth with the bases loaded and the game still tied at 1-1, but I gave up a bases-clearing triple to put us down and out. Mike Lowman had two hits and our only run batted in. I will not go into detail because I do not have the energy to express my disappointment. We have now lost eight of our last 11 and drop to 8-18-1, 1-5 in conference.

## March 29 vs. North Carolina A&T State University, 6-5 L

We can't get a clutch hit. It's so frustrating to see us hit balls hard right at people and not get the breaks that other teams seem to get. This was one of the ugliest games I have ever seen. There were six errors between the us and A&T, and each team tried to give the other the opportunity to win. We made the last key mistake when we messed up a rundown in the eighth inning, scoring their sixth run. However, we had our opportunity to at least tie or go-ahead in the ninth, but we could not come through with a key hit with the bases loaded. We made mental errors, physical errors and bad pitches. This does not make for an attractive ballgame. Chas Welch (0-1) suffered the defeat in his first start of the year, but he threw seven relatively good innings. Buck Hamrick had three hits, and Beck hit his first homerun of the year. Three of A&T's wins have come against us this year.

## March 30 vs. Charleston Southern 13-2 L

An ugly game from our side, too ugly to even go into detail about. Therefore, I will just give you the facts. Chandler (1-6) threw the ball well, but he struggled in the sixth and seventh innings and suffered the loss. Cavanaugh hit his ninth homerun of the year to get us on the board, and we tacked on another run in the ninth inning after a couple of hits. Charleston Southern was riding a 10-game losing streak coming into the game, so I am sure their eyes lit up when they saw us on the schedule. And we did not let them down; we played one of our worst games of the year. We seem to be going in the opposite direction we should be going in. Most teams tend to get better as the season wears on; we aren't. I think that we are stalling right now; we are stuck in a rut. After starting out 6-10, by no means impressive, we were at least playing good baseball. We have gone 2-10-1 since. Everything gets blown out of proportion when you are on a losing streak. I hope things begin to change because at the rate that we are going right now, I will have an ulcer and high blood pressure by the end of the season. I hope we turn things around. We drop to 8-20-1, 1-6 in Big South Con-

## April 1 vs. Charleston Southern, 5-0 L, 6-1 L

Although overnight, things did not change from yesterday. Meadows (3-5) threw a great game giving up only three earned runs in 7 1/3 innings. The first five innings of the game were the best five innings any of our pitchers have thrown all year, but we fell apart in the sixth inning and did not recover. Once again, we had plenty of runners in scoring position but could not get the key hit to knock them in. Thus, we lost. In game two it was more of the same, but our pitching was to blame, not our hitting. Burch (1-3) started and suffered the loss. I threw the last two innings and came in when we were only down 3-1, but I could not keep it that close because I gave up three in the sixth inning for the final margin. Cavanaugh had our only run batted in with a single to centerfield. We are now at 8-22-1, 1-8 and last in the conference. This was our toughest weekend of the year; we just did not click as a team. I have a feeling that we are going to drive out of this rut and really make something happen in the latter part of the season.

## April 5 vs. A&T, 6-5 W (13 innings)

Although the game was not pretty, it was the best type of game to be involved in. This was a 13-inning battle that included extensive strategies on both sides. Today, baseball, although it is always fun, took a turn for the better. After we went up 3-0 for the first sixth innings, they tied it 3-3 in the seventh and had the momentum. Our heart was exemplified today by Lowman's clutch at-bat in the bottom of the 13th. With two on and two out and an 0-2 count, Lowman fouled off three pitches before singling through the right side of the infield to score Tim Dixon with the game-tying run. That was a battle within the war and one of our best at-bats of the season. Hamrick then hit a ball in the hole to the shortstop who promptly threw it away, and Beck scored the winning run. Chandler started and threw five scoreless frames before his arm tired. Burch threw the sixth and into the sev-

enth, leaving with the bases loaded. I (3-1) came in and gave up those runs and eventually finished the game seven innings later. Webb had got us on the board early with a 2-run double in the first and an RBI single in the third to put us up 3-0. Lowman had three hits, and Hamrick had two hits. We improve to 9-22-1, and I hope we can build off this sensational victory.

## April 6 vs. Wofford, 8-0 W

Along with our first shutout of the season came our first winning streak, albeit a two-game streak; you have to start somewhere. Welch (1-1) went seven strong innings, allowing only three hits, and Meadows closed the door, throwing the eighth and ninth. We took advantage of some early mistakes by the Terriers to put us on the board. Hamrick had three hits, and Cavanaugh and Grof each added two. It was good to see us get a key hit today when Grof singled in our first run of the game with a two-out, two-strike single to center. We are now 10-22-1.

Everything is so much better when you win. You can forget about some of the little things that didn't go right, because in the end we came out on top. I hope to continue this trend right through the conference tournament. I would like to thank Buddy Webb, Tim Dixon and Chas Welch for their efforts. All three are playing their senior seasons, and Webb and Dixon have been here all four years while Welch transferred in this year. I have truly enjoyed playing with the three of them, and much of the success of our team can be derived from their performances. Our season has not been anything to brag about. We have had some ups, but mostly it has been disappointing. Tough losses have defined our season thus far. We have lost nine games when we have only given up six runs or less. If we start to get a few clutch hits, then these types of games from here on out will slowly turn into victories. I hope that we keep driving ourselves out of the hole we were in so deep in Charleston and continue to take the right steps to make us the best that we possibly can be.

## Remaining baseball schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
April 15	UNC-Asheville (DH)	noon
April 16	UNC-Asheville	1 p.m.
April 18	@ UNC-Charlotte	6 p.m.
April 19	@ Appalachian St.	TBA
April 22	@ Coastal Carolina (DH)	noon
April 23	@ Coastal Carolina	1 p.m.
April 29	Radford (DH)	noon
April 30	Radford	1 p.m.
May 7	UNC-Wilmington	1 p.m.
May 8	@ Wake Forest	1 p.m.
May 9	@ Wake Forest	1 p.m.
May 10	@ Furman	3 p.m.
May 13	@ Winthrop (DH)	noon
May 14	@ Winthrop	1 p.m.
May 18-21	Big South Tournament	TBA



## SPORTS EDITORIAL

# NASCAR delivers excitement people are missing

Stock car racing isn't respected by many of my fellow students. On most Sunday afternoons, when I say to my friends, "It's time to go watch the race," they say, "What race?" or "That isn't a sport. It's just a bunch of hicks driving around in a circle." Up until about five years ago, I would have given a similar reply.

This is because most of my peers have never sat down and watched a race, and those who have haven't really given it a chance. I started to think about how little respect NASCAR gets after I heard about the death of legendary racer Lee Petty. He was one of the first great NASCAR drivers, and most people on this campus didn't give his death a second thought. Petty won the first ever Daytona 500 in 1959 and started the tradition of a racing family as his son Richard became the greatest driver of all time and his grandson Kyle has also starred on the circuit.

NASCAR is a bit more popular in this area than elsewhere, with the Petty museum at Level Cross only a rolling hubcap away from High Point and with Terry Labonte building a house out in Thomasville, but racing should be of greater interest on this campus because we have our own possible future Winston Cup racer in junior Nick Woodward.

Woodward competes in the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series, which is only two steps below

Winston Cup. This is the equivalent of playing Double-A baseball.

Woodward got his first victory of the season on April 5 in a race at Southhampton Speedway. This is Woodward's rookie season at this level, and to win a race is quite impressive. The victory means that Woodward will be mentioned as the front-runner for the track championship at Southhampton and the regional championship. He will also get a chance for the track championship at South Boston Speedway in Virginia. Nick has been racing since he was 9. He was the World Karting

Association National Champion in 1994.

This has been a great year so far for the Winston Cup Series, because there have been eight different winners in eight races, none of whom have been Jeff Gordon, which makes it all the better. Sorry, Gordon fans, but it makes the rest of us sick to see Gordon get out his car, bang on his roof and drink a Pepsi. The season began with a win by the defending Winston Cup points champion Dale Jarrett in the Ford Quality Care car, and we all know Ford stands for First On Race Day. All right, I know I'm asking for it. I'll be waiting for all of you to attack me with



**Jon Hentz**  
Sports Editor



Nick Woodward, a student, races his No. 90 car.

your acronyms for what Ford stands for.

The winners of the other races this season have been Bobby Labonte, who is the points leader, Jeff Burton, Dale Earnhardt, Ward Burton, Rusty Wallace, Dale Earnhardt Jr., and the winner of this past week's race at Martinsville Speedway, Mark Martin, who is second in the points. It's been a fairly even season all around, with different drivers winning races and the manufacturers' breakdown also being close as there have been four wins by drivers of Fords and two wins each by drivers of Pontiacs and Chevrolets.

Whatever the statistics may be, college students should give the sport of NASCAR a chance. This week, the race is at Talladega Superspeedway, a high-drama track. So if you're flipping through the channels around 1 p.m., stop at the race and give it a chance.

## MLB season will differ from those of years past

By Mike Graff  
Editor

When the spring brought back our national pastime for another season, it changed it a little bit.

But this should have been easy to figure out after Opening Day in Japan brought us baseball at 4 a.m. here on the east coast.

The first few days of the baseball season did not pan out the way most figured they would. Some freakish occurrences caused many fans to shake their heads in amazement.

For starters, can anybody explain the start of Ken Griffey's season? The Kid began with a whopping 1-18 hitting barrage and was called out on more pitches down the heart of the plate than he has been in his entire career.

Griffey is also part of another fiasco. Last year he, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa combined for almost 180 home runs. This season, home run threats like Mike Bordick and Tom Goodwin homered before any of the big three. McGwire was the first to get off the schneid, homering five days into the season.

Another streak that stopped was the impressive one Mariano Rivera had going. The Yankee closer finished last season by throwing 40 consecutive innings of shutout relief. This year, it took him two-thirds of an inning to watch someone cross the plate.

As an Astro, Mike Hampton lost only two of his last 23 starts last year. This year, as a Met, he dropped his first two. Sean Casey was the first Cincinnati Red to be placed on the disabled list since 1998.

Oh yeah, last Sunday, the Mets game was postponed due to snow.

The point here: this is not going

to be a normal season.

And thank God, because I think everybody outside of New York is rooting for a little change. One more year with the Pinstripes holding up the trophy could turn any passive fan away from the game forever.

If the first week was any indication, there are a few teams that may need to be reckoned with before the Yanks can secure their third straight World Series crown.

The Kansas City Royals are not the doormats they have usually been. Jermaine Dye, Mark Quinn and company are hardly the pushovers of old.

The Toronto Blue Jays have a pitching staff that is hard to match. The ace, David Wells, has already proven what he's capable of, but the 2 through 4 starters are up-and-comers that can really hurl the ball. Roy Halladay, Chris Carpenter and Kelvim Escobar are hardly your normal trio of young pitchers.

The Oakland A's went on a run last year that almost put them in the playoffs for the first time in nearly a decade.

The Milwaukee Brewers have new uniforms and an added punch with Jeromy Burnitz. The Brew crew could make some noise in 2000.

In the National League, the up-and-coming team with the best chance of making the playoffs is St. Louis. The Cardinals have that McGwire guy and Darryl Kile playing in Busch Stadium, a park much more pitcher-friendly than Kile's old home, Coors Field. Rick Ankiel is a 20-year-old phenom that can throw hard and he has a good breaking ball. And if J.D. Drew ever gets off his ego kick, this Cardinal team could be bound for the playoffs.

I'm not saying that any of these teams will be taking home a pennant

for sure, but they will mix some things up in the middle this year, making trouble for the Braves and the Yanks.

But then there are some teams that probably won't be doing much of anything.

Kirby Puckett and Kent Hrbek are probably frowning over the situation in Minnesota. One look at the Twins lineup will make you say, "Who?" more than twice.

The Detroit Tigers' hope was to be .500 after the first week of the season - a lofty goal they couldn't accomplish. Maybe they should have kept some of

the players they traded for slugger Juan Gonzalez, who is just waiting for free agency at the end of the year.

The Philadelphia Phillies and Montreal Expos are the best of the bottom, but let's face it, they are the Philadelphia Phillies and the Montreal Expos.

The juggernauts will be the Yankees and Braves, but the middle of the pack is as tight as ever. Wildcards are up in the air, and this should be one of the most closely watched seasons.

That is, if most of the teams steer away from games in Japan at 4 a.m.

## Baughman places 25th as golf team finishes 11th in Florida

From Staff Reports

### • Golf Notebook

The golf team finished 11th out of 17 teams in Jacksonville, Fla. last weekend. The Panthers compiled a score of 315. Tyler Baughman led the way with a round of 77. The score left him tied for 25th overall. Gordon Hughes and Graham Ewart both shot 79. Mike Rasmussen finished with an

80, while Andrew Smith shot an 81.

On March 24-25, High Point placed 15th out of 18 teams in the Pirate Spring Intercollegiate Tournament at East Carolina University. Baughman and Hughes headed the Panthers' performances, finishing tied for 54th with a combined score of 226. Ewart shot a 230, Rasmussen scored a 234 and Ross Miller concluded with a score of 237.

## Upcoming Big South Conference Tournaments

- Golf – April 17-19, Greenwood, S.C.
- Men's Tennis – April 20-22, Elon College
- Women's Tennis – April 20-22, Elon College
- Men's Track – April 21-22, Conway, S.C.
- Women's Track – April 21-22, Conway, S.C.