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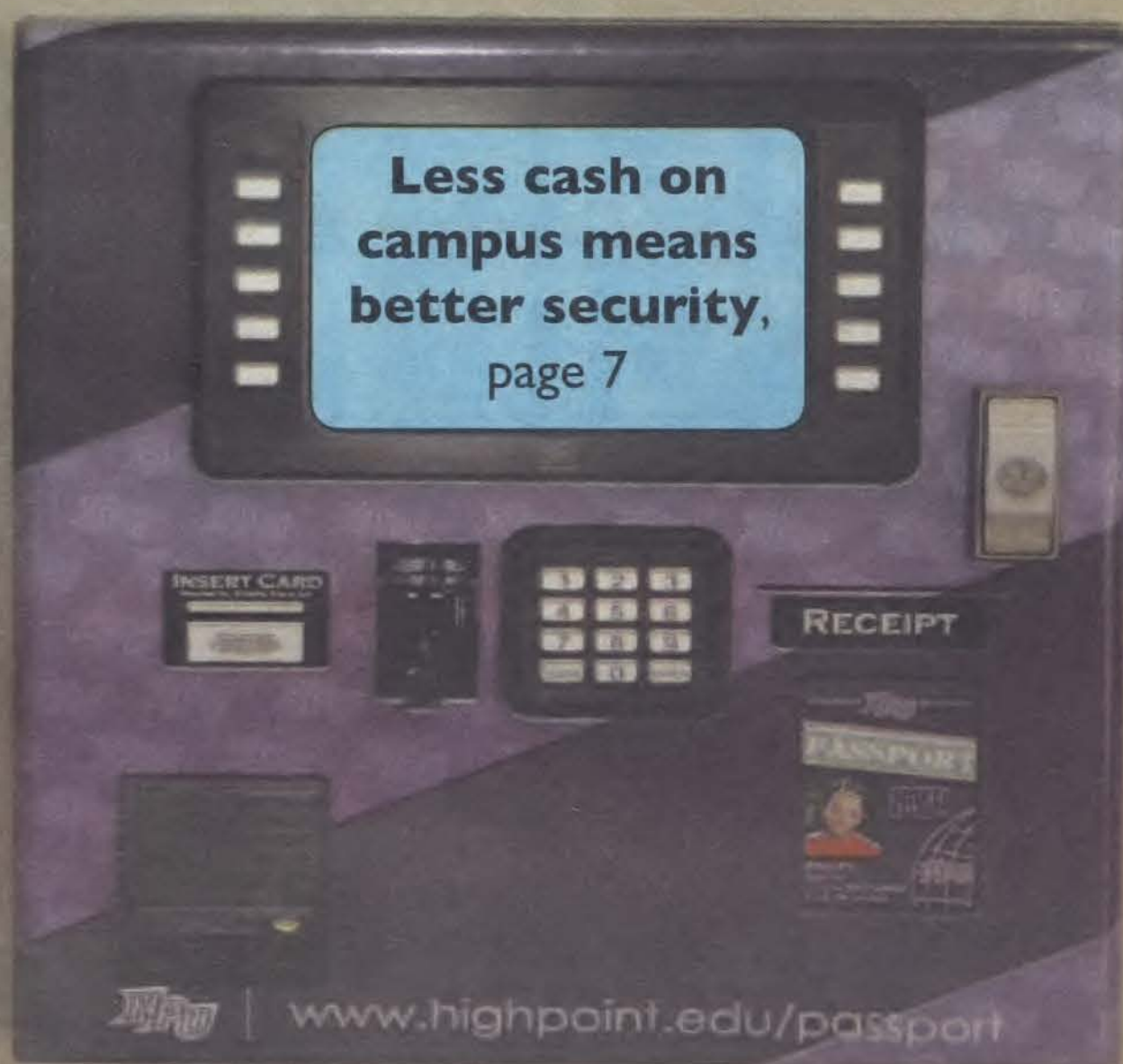
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“The campus is really pretty and relaxed.”

Meredith Yusko

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Chris Keane

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Carolyn Gladd

“It was far away from home and I liked the campus.”

Billy Finnen

“High Point catered to my major in a way that other schools did not.”

Alyssa Hunt

“The beautiful views.”

Ryan Hughes

“I liked the campus and the food was good.”

Richard McMullen

“I visited a lot of schools in North Carolina and I liked this one the best.”

Jimmy Kenny

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“Dream Big” chairs: Inspiration or eyesore?

By Nicole White
Staff Writer



Controversial, extraordinary, inspiring and tacky are among the many adjectives describing High Point University's latest addition to campus, the “Dream Big”

rocking chairs.

Inspired by a letter from a former HPU student, these overly large chairs serve as the new focal point of the David R. Hayworth University Park.

While the inspiration behind the chairs' existence is full of good intentions, the chairs may prove to be more of a liability than an asset.

One key concern with the chairs is the safety hazard they pose for students. The chairs serve as a photo opportunity during the day, but a playground for students at night and compromise the safety of intoxicated students who may decide to climb them.

While some believe these chairs add to the beauty of campus, others believe they detract from it. There is a harsh contrast between the bright white chairs and their earthy surroundings.

However, the largest issue with the “Dream Big” rocking chairs is wasteful spending. These chairs were a superfluous purchase, and the funds should have been allocated elsewhere for campus enhancements that are genuinely needed.

Of course, true inspiration to dream big comes from within. If we do not realize our own potential to succeed, then no chair, however large, will be able to inspire us.

By Jordan Oliver
Staff Writer



HPU's continuous growth is not only evident in the large size of the new freshman class, but can also be seen in the larger-than-life additions to campus,

such as the “Dream Big” rocking chairs towering over David Hayworth University Park.

These chairs were inspired by a letter written from alumnus Christine DiFerdinando, thanking President Qubein and High Point University for “giving her the positive outlook [she] needed to dream big dreams.”

Qubein and all of those who work to make HPU a unique place of higher learning—and even higher living—have instilled in this campus a permeating feeling of positivity.

While stealing a glance at the impossible-to-miss rocking chair replicas, a passerby may be quick to label them as merely a photo-op of wasted space. What he or she doesn't know is that behind them exists a story, and even more importantly, a purpose.

HPU strives to surround its students, faculty and staff with objects of motivation and inspiration. Whether you know it or not, something that may seem as silly as a gigantic rocking chair could, in fact, be a motivating spark to empower the conscious or even subconscious mind.

A rocking chair is not just a rocking chair on this campus; for when super-sized beyond our standards of reality, it can enlighten us to a power we hold within ourselves. We must envision our own success, for that is the foundation to our becoming successful.

Are we spoiled?

Staff Editorial

Each August, students from around the country move back into their homes on college campuses. What is not the norm is to receive a gift upon returning—as well as throughout the year.

How many college kids can say they received an American Apparel T-shirt, sunglasses, a bag and Croakies? Not many.

Can others boast a steakhouse where they can use a meal swipe and get a three-course meal for the same price as a meal from the café? Probably none.

High Point University students have come under fire as being spoiled. The blog www.collegeotr.com lists HPU as one of the seven universities with the most spoiled students. They say our amenities are second to none.

And well, we are spoiled. That's a simple fact.

Being spoiled is fine. We spend thousands of dollars to receive an education at this institution and for the administration to recognize this and show us kindness—that is just plain nice.

What isn't so nice is the fact the some students lose appreciation for this kindness.

Many of us feel that long lines for The Point are the end of the world. Brand new dorms are trashed in a weekend of “fun.”

Yes, it's frustrating that the kiosks are not open every day; however, when they run out of Sprite, this is not the time to berate the kiosk attendant.

Somewhere during our time here our gratitude can fall to the wayside. While many of us feel lucky to attend our school, our voices seem to be lost in a roiling sea of negativity.

We all chose High Point University for different reasons. Maybe one of the attractions was the specialized attention we receive here. But that hasn't been lost. We still have all of the comforts.

Pushing for change should not be confused with complaining. It is one thing to bring up a legitimate issue one may have with the university, like having a wider variety of vegetarian options. But to complain about waiting in line or not being able to get a certain shirt color - spoiled takes on another, more horrifying meaning.

We are all guilty of complaining. Slip-ups will happen. Just take a second to look at and appreciate what has been given to us and hopefully that will push back the nagging annoyance as we wait in yet another line that seems endless.

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(Insert Elephant Noise Here)
By Alaina Farrish



Big changes around the HPU campus: growing well or growing pains?

By **Steph Duhaime**
Staff Writer



From new students to new buildings, HPU has been welcoming change with open arms. Despite complaints from students about the consequences of expansion, most people haven't thought about the many good things that accompany it. As campus has grown, so have our opportunities. With more students, there has been a growing number of clubs and activities. Last year we added debate team, a badminton intramural club, and a new sorority and fraternity.

The new freshman class has upped our status as an institution. This year, 80 percent of them ranked in the top half of their class. With acceptance more selective, it will reflect better upon those who graduate.

"It's frustrating sometimes when there are long lines or no parking spots, but in the end, when I graduate, people are going to know how good of a school High Point is because we're doing this major expansion," said senior Janine Mooney.

As we continue expansion, we will also attract better faculty. There will be more choices for majors, classes and internships.

Due to this expansion, HPU will offer a better education and not simply charming luxuries.

In addition to maintaining our sense of community, let's also focus on doing what we can to improve ourselves as a university and welcome these changes.

By **Lindsay Wolf**
Staff Writer



This year, student growth has surpassed expectations, causing a more crowded campus and taking away from the luxuries offered to students. At enrollment

a few years ago, the current administration promised entering classes would reach no more than 1,000 students.

However, this year's current freshman class is bordering 1,300 students. Higher SAT scores and rankings do not justify the overcrowding of our campus.

Some students are disappointed at the campus growth because they came here to attend a smaller university.

Even privileges like having a car on campus have become more of a hassle than a benefit. An endless search for parking can cause tardiness and frustration.

"Parking near my dorm is a problem," said sophomore Sarah Cavanaugh. "I end up being late when I have to park at the University Center when I live in Wilson Hall."

Living on campus is also now a problem. Growth is occurring too quickly to keep up with the building. No student wants to be in squished living conditions.

Increasingly lengthy lines at campus restaurants also cause problems. They can become frustrating around the prime time to eat.

"The Point is one of my favorite places to eat," said sophomore Carolyn Rohrbaugh. "I was really disappointed with my food on my first visit back."

The pool and movie theater are some of the most popular spots to hang out on campus. Running out of seats at either of these locations may lessen the appeal of these laid-back areas.

The increase in student population is likely to continue each year in an attempt to expand the university. Hopefully as this continues, the campus, education and luxuries will not lose their quality.

Cashless Campus complicates student consumption

By **Natalie Barrett**
Staff Writer



Cashless Campus is the newest addition to our constantly changing campus.

By adding this system, HPU is hoping to make campus more secure by

preventing others in the local area from coming and using our facilities.

While administrators find this new

method to be useful in providing a safer environment for students, it is nothing more than a hassle for students.

The idea of not being able to use cash on campus is unrealistic.

Despite several ATMs and computer kiosks on the campus, they are inconveniently located and lacking in numbers.

Even though there is the online option of transferring money, depositing cash is unavailable to those who do not own a debit or credit card.

Instead, visitors must go out of their way to put their money on their host's card.

What if visitors do not use all the

money they added? What happens to their unused money?

Their money remains on the card and they do not get it back. Any unused money on cards is not refundable. Putting too much money on the passport results in a loss of money and not putting enough on results in multiple trips to the ATM. These scenarios are both unbeneficial and unreasonable.

Cashless Campus is impractical and the concept was not thought out well enough. However, with some moderations it could potentially be successful.

Cash should still be an option

for payment at certain locations on campus such as food locations in the Slane Student Center, which are popular locations that guests visit.

ATMs and kiosks should also be placed in several different off-campus residences, like the Village and North College Terrace so that students do not need to travel all the way to main campus.

By making small changes like this, the Cashless Campus could be more successful and favored by more students.

Armstrong: Inspirational until proven guilty

By **Tierney Gallagher**
Opinion Editor



Each year, HPU administrators attempt to out-do themselves in the search for a commencement speaker. For 2011 they have scheduled Lance Armstrong,

and despite some bubbling controversy, I wholeheartedly approve of this choice.

As a cyclist, Armstrong is a star in a sport not followed by the majority of Americans, but is still one of the most well known athletes in our society.

Armstrong will make an inspiring and interesting speaker because of his feats not only on, but also off the course.

After being diagnosed with testicular cancer, which spread to his lungs and brain, Armstrong managed to not only beat the disease, but return to competitive cycling and win the Tour de France not only once, but seven times.

His involvement and passion in the fight against cancer make him one of the most recognizable athletes in our nation, and I believe one of the most admirable.

In a press release, President Qubein stated "Lance Armstrong is a shining example of hard work and dedication - and what it really means to work toward a goal. He is a champion who stays at the top of his game through his positive outlook and determination to make a

difference."

However, recent allegations against Armstrong have made some people question the influence he might have on our students.

A former teammate accused him of using performance-enhancing drugs, yet there is no hard evidence to confirm this. In addition, several sources, including members of the medical staff of Armstrong's former team, stand behind him in denying the accusations.

Now, if there were a "smoking gun" in the case against Armstrong, I may be more inclined to believe the allegations and reconsider my excitement about our speaker. Yet there are no positive drug tests, records, e-mails or anything to confirm this. With no hard evidence, I have nothing to hold against this courageous man.

HPU chooses its speakers to help set positive examples and inspire our students. Armstrong is a great choice as a role model. Determined and hard working, Armstrong and his previous successes and achievements should not be discounted for something that is possibly untrue and not yet verified.

We must look ahead of these allegations and not disregard the validity of the choice for him as our speaker. Armstrong is still inspirational. We should recognize and appreciate all of the good qualities he was chosen for and enjoy what is sure to be a riveting experience.

Passion brings more reward than income

By **Amanda Mayes**
Staff Writer



Clutching a cup of coffee from Starbucks as I stumble from class to class, I often wonder "Why do I do this to myself?" I sit down and dig my notebook out of my bag, praying

that I do not fall asleep in the middle of class. I cram homework into spare minutes of the day, though this is an exercise in futility - I could not possibly make a dent in the work. Yet every evening I hurry over to the theatre, ready for another night of rehearsal.

My friend stares at me as I wearily take notes and concentrate on staying in an upright position. A hesitation, then: "I really don't understand. You spend, like, 30 hours a week in the theatre. And then you never sleep because of the homework after rehearsal. I don't love anything enough to put myself through that nightmare."

I have heard this charming statement from several people in my life. And it never ceases to confuse me and make me mourn for the state of humanity. A lack of passion for something, anything plagues so many individuals. Why do we refuse to recognize our passions? No one seems

to seek out a unique passion, and instead opts for following the crowd.

A passion is never a burden, and it is so much more than a hobby. No matter how much of our energies and soul we pour into it, a true passion will always pay us back tenfold. A passion is whatever keeps you alive, keeps you going, keeps you sane. That something has a piece of your heart that you will never recover, and without it, you feel incomplete.

I have found my passion, but it took me awhile because it is sometimes difficult to accept that something has such a strong hold on you. Like a complete idiot, I tried to cut it out of my life because I was under the impression that theatre would interfere with my other chosen career.

We are encouraged to find a career that will feed our wallet rather than feed our soul. It took complete deprivation to smack me awake to the reality that I am in love with theatre and that there is absolutely nothing wrong with this.

No one else can control what you have passion for, and though some may try, never let them. Your passion is the one thing that no individual can touch, take away from you, destroy. It lives within you, whether you want it to or not. Stop considering it a weakness to be utterly in love with something. Do a little soul-searching and bring yourself to life, because a life without a passion is not a life at all.

A summer of so many games, yet so little time

By Trent Schneider
Staff Writer

For those who own an Xbox 360, this summer was a great time to grab some downloadable Xbox LIVE arcade games. There was a full spectrum of different games, but highlights of the summer were *Blacklight: Tango Down* and *DeathSpank*.

If you took *Call of Duty: Modern Warfare*, removed the single player game, and turned down the brightness, you would get *Blacklight: Tango Down*. It is a game that follows the idea of "if people are going to spend most of their time playing the multiplayer, then let's just do that." The result is a great looking sci-fi multiplayer game that makes you wonder how it could possibly

be sold for only \$15.

Though for the most part it can seem like most other multiplayer shooter games, what makes *Blacklight* different is a few unique additions to the gameplay such as the HRV (hyper reality visor) and the digi grenade. The HRV allows the player to momentarily see where all the other players are at the time, where all of the ammo can be found, and where all the health stations are located. This may sound unfair, but the fact that it only lasts for a few seconds and then takes a while to recharge balances out that there is no mini map to tell players where things are.

The digi grenade is a unique type of grenade. Instead of exploding and damaging opponents, it creates a bubble that looks almost like television static,

making it hard for your opponent to see. With all of this greatness there had to be at least one downside. This comes in the form of co-op missions. This puts a group of players in objective based missions that don't really give a player enough context to understand what is going on or why, which leaves a feeling of confusion rather than entertainment. Luckily, this is a very small part of the game and doesn't turn into too big of a problem.

DeathSpank is a unique game that combines interesting sword-and-magic-based gameplay with a great sense of humor. Without going too deep into the storyline, the game puts the hero, actually named *DeathSpank*, in a quest to find "the artifact." What entails is an adventure of battling monsters, demons and evil chickens while helping innocent

bystanders in standard heroic fashion.

What makes this even more fun is a great spread of weapons including swords, axes, shoes on a stick and even the "Fist of Super Bashing." With all this fun comes a minor flaw or two. The biggest of these is that though the quests are fun and entertaining, it can be a little repetitive when you constantly are told to "go slay (insert monster name) and get (insert item name)." Aside from that it is a funny and entertaining gaming experience.

It's hard to believe that this is only a fraction of the great games that were released for the Xbox 360 this summer. Are you jealous PlayStation 3 owners? Don't worry. Both *Blacklight: Tango Down* and *DeathSpank* are available for the PlayStation 3.

Blade Runner: The Final Cut is better than the original

By Eric Lawrence
Staff Writer

When *Blade Runner* first hit theaters, it was a box office flop. Years after its release, director Ridley Scott made several edits to the original film and re-released it to the public. The movie became a cult sensation over time, generating more and more popularity. The Extrordinaire Cinema will play *Blade Runner: The Final Cut* this week.

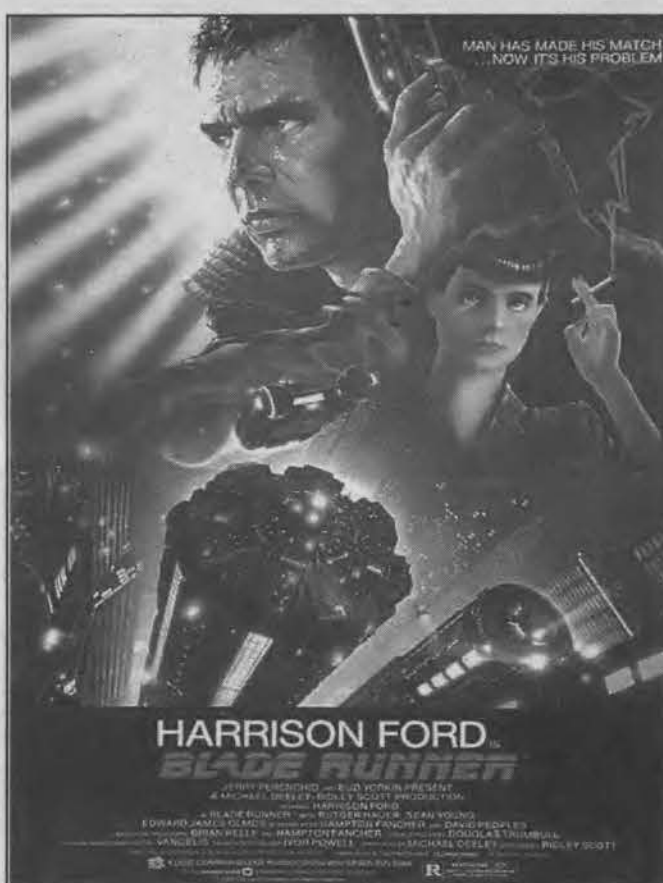
The film has gone a long way since its release in 1982. The movie follows Rick Deckard (Harrison Ford), who is a bounty hunter in the year 2019. The setting is Los Angeles: a rain soaked and congested city full of different ethnicities and languages. Deckard is blackmailed by the police into tracking down and killing four fugitive replicants, which are genetically engineered humanoids that are superior to regular humans in every way. The replicants have one flaw: they are made to have a four-year lifespan. Deckard hunts the rebel replicants, who are seeking a way to extend their lives.

The film raises moral, social and ethical issues through Deckard's assignment and questions the qualities

that define humanity. The new edition is greatly improved from the first release of the film. Harrison Ford delivers some terrible narration, which was removed for a 1992 director's cut.

The futuristic cop thriller has since been seen as one of the best and most influential American films from the latter half of the 20th century. Unfortunately, the film never felt truly complete until the release of *Blade Runner: The Final Cut* in 2007. The movie is now visually brighter and better paced than its predecessor.

If you come into this movie hoping to see lots of explosions, action and a large body count, than you'll most likely leave disappointed. This film is based around a



The original "Blade Runner" movie poster.
Photo courtesy of Warner Bros.

science fiction heavy plot and setting, but focuses more on being a detective movie instead of an action flick. I found it interesting to see what technologies they put in the movie, since it is set in a time period that is 37 years ahead of the film's creation. I feel positive that we will not have flying cars in nine years, and our televisions are already far better than *Blade Runner's* depiction. That being said, Scott does a great job at creating a futuristic world, especially for a film that came out in the early 1980's.

Understandably, we have sci-fi movies with better visuals nowadays, but *Blade Runner's* visuals hold their own against present day films. *Blade Runner* has plenty of symbolism and mood throughout, which make it a very artistic film. I enjoyed the movie, but it is understandable if some viewers overlook this film because of the slow pacing. The new edition of the film helps mask the flaws of the original movie's tempo, which is helpful for all of us who have small attention spans. If you plan to see *Blade Runner: The Final Cut*, be sure to go in expecting a great science-fiction detective film that is light on explosions, but heavy on scenery and emotional value.

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Try graphic novels: experience Scott Pilgrim

By Dianna Bell
A&E Editor

Graphic novels are an under-appreciated form of literature. The common misconception is that they are one in the same with comics. Before getting my hands on my first one, I falsely assumed the same, but this is not the case at all.

To put it simply, graphic novels are like any typical book, but told through pictures and dialogue bubbles and are not part of a serial, like comics. When reading comics, a reader cannot get the whole story by reading just a single book. As I said, graphic novels are similar to stories in that the entirety of the story can be within that novel. Of course there may be sequels, as is common with regular novels.

A great margin of talent is involved as well. Re-drawing the characters over and over again and having to make sure that they remain the same takes work and attention to detail.

If you are a novice to this image-filled world, I would suggest picking up Bryan Lee O'Malley's *Scott Pilgrim's Precious Little Life*. This is the first volume in a series of six. The novel provides an easy way to slide into reading a medium that might be rather unfamiliar. It's also a fun and enjoyable read.

Scott Pilgrim is a plucky, unmotivated, 23-year-old living in Toronto, playing in a crappy band and dating a high-schooler. That is literally how the



Cover of volume one in the *Scott Pilgrim* series.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

reader is introduced to him within the first few pages of the novel. When the mysterious Ramona Flowers appears, Pilgrim's life is thrown into action as he faces off against her seven evil exes.

O'Malley pulls heavily on pop-culture references that appeal to those with the most basic knowledge of video games (do you know what K.O. stands for?) and to those with a sense of humor (do you laugh?). The jokes are at times blatantly obvious and at other times subtle. This keeps the pace moving swiftly along

with the various action scenes mixed in.

Scott Pilgrim has most recently been adapted into Edgar Wright's *Scott Pilgrim vs. The World*, starring Michael Cera (*Youth in Revolt*) as the infamous Scott and Mary Elizabeth Winstead (*Live Free or Die Hard*) as Ramona Flowers, along with a number of others who bring the novels to life charmingly.

Wright did a great job of transferring the fast-paced wit of the novels onto the silver screen. The action scenes are spectacularly entertaining, just as they are in the books, and the characters even look like the cartoon versions O'Malley created. The music in the movie was largely written by Beck, except for those songs by other bands and performed by the actors.

I really cannot say anything else about how awesome and cool the *Scott Pilgrim* series is. I urge everyone to give the novel a chance. Those out there who refuse to read the hilariously amazing novels should try out the movie while it remains in theaters.

Feeney's fantastic frozen yogurt

By Elizabeth Ellis
Staff Writer

I was recently introduced to a place that I believe deserves special recognition. Located on Skeet Club Road in the Harris Teeter shopping center, a new local business is booming called Feeney's. It is North Carolina's first self-serve frozen yogurt bar.

I was enthralled from the moment I stepped in. Five soft-serve machines lined the wall for a total of 10 flavors, ranging from vanilla to berry tart to cake batter. Another new experience was Feeney's pay-per-ounce concept. It's simple: pick a cup (size doesn't matter), pick your flavor(s) and toppings, which include freshly diced fruit, gummy bears, sprinkles, cookie crumbles, chocolate sauce, and pretty much anything else one could imagine. They then weigh it and charge 43 cents per ounce. Dogs can also satisfy their sweet tooth at Feeney's. Cups of dog-friendly yogurt are available for \$1.

The High Point location of Feeney's has been open for business only since August 15 of this year. Owner Colleen Hodges confessed that her love of frozen yogurt began at a young age. Inspiration for opening a self-serve store came from a trip she made to California where frozen yogurt bars like Pinkberry and Yogurtland are common.

Hodges returned home and began researching for the project in April 2009 and, less than a year later, opened a store in Greensboro on February 1 of this year. Having had experience in interior design as a furniture showroom designer, Hodges was able to plan the interior for both stores, which are named after her grandmother.

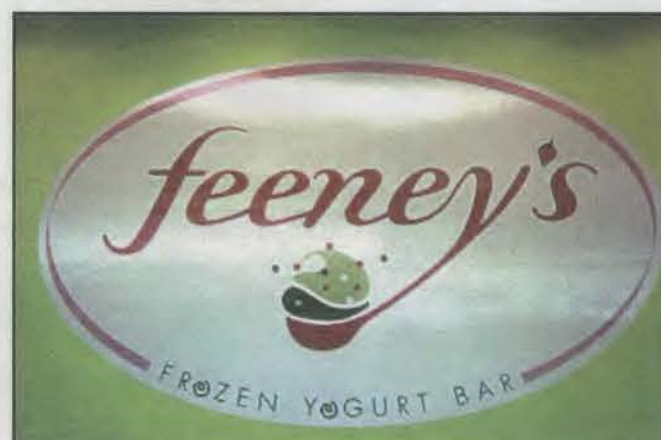
I have had Feeney's fro-yo three times this week and have absolutely no post-consumption guilt. That's because each half-cup of Feeney's frozen yogurt has only 100 calories. Feeney's frozen yogurt is also Gluten free, with the exception of Cookies N Cream, and certified kosher. They also have sugar-free and non-dairy options to include

everyone in the fun.

Just in case you need more motivation to visit, the delicious desserts contain live probiotic cultures that have been proven to help aid digestion, a fun alternative to laxatives for those post-café stomach issues. Most of the ingredients used to make Feeney's frozen yogurt are locally grown, as Hodges does a lot of shopping in the area's fresh food markets.

Feeney's enthusiasts can "Like" the store on Facebook to keep up with special promotions, new additions and to see which flavors will be available in the store that day. Photos of special events are also posted on Facebook, which include a "Hawaiian Happy Hour" and

"Blackout" party, as well as snapshots of new Feeney's t-shirts, on sale for \$12. The shirts feature three pictures on the front: a peace sign, a heart and, of course, a drawing of the Feeney's frozen yogurt logo.



Logo inside of Feeney's yogurt bar.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

A moment with the Campus Chronicle editors...

FBI or CIA?
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Favorite decoration
in your dorm room

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mushroom cloud

Burn Notice

Blue

Freshman Gdovic has a need for speed (racing)

By Katie Nelson
Editor-in-Chief

This year HPU admitted 1220 new students to the freshman class. With so many new students, there are bound to be ones who stick out of the crowd and really make you take notice.

One of those students is Virginia native Brandon Gdovic. Gdovic is a driver in the NASCAR Whelen All-American series and the USAR Pro-Cup series.

For people not familiar with racing, Gdovic describes it as "the pool of drivers where top guys (like Jeff Gordon and Dale Earnhardt Jr.) look for younger talent."

The 18-year-old Gdovic has been racing for about two years and racing is almost literally in his blood. His cousin and father also race.

Gdovic drives the #46 black Chevy, sponsored by Aquis Communications and ComServe at his home track of Langley Speedway in Hampton, Va. His father, Rick, drives the #64 Aquis Communications Chevrolet.

Gdovic's father got his first car when Gdovic was 10 and after that he "followed him [his father] around." Racing alongside his father doesn't faze him though. "When you race you don't really think about it."

In preparation for his races, Gdovic goes to a sponsor gym twice a week and maintains a good diet for someone his age. He also has a few pre-race rituals that he always follows. For every race, he wears the same pair of boxers, washed of course. He also wears five pieces of yellow tape on his left leg and there is a

penny taped heads up on his dashboard.

On the track, Gdovic races to speeds up to 100 miles per hour. A racing car is different from most people's cars in the sense that many things are missing. A racing car doesn't have things like a speedometer because they are "unnecessary" for racing according to Gdovic.

When he is not on the track, Gdovic drives a 2010 Audi A4. However, he feels more comfortable racing than on the street. "I feel safer inside a race car than on the road."

According to his website, in 2009 Gdovic had "one win, 11 top fives, won the Martinsville Speedway Pole Award and track record."

He has been selected by Two Pepper Productions to be in a "reality show centered on the challenges of preparing and racing in two of the premier racing series on the East Coast."

The racing season is generally in the summer, with only a few races going into November, so Gdovic will be able to pursue his education here at HPU. Gdovic is majoring in "business administration but I've always been interested in photography and video design."

Brandon has only a few more races between now and November, one of which will be at Martinsville Speedway, which is one of the best tracks in his league.

Freshman Feature:
Brandon Gdovic
races in NASCAR Whelen
All-American series and
USAR Pro-Cup series



Gdovic poses with trophy after a race at South Boston Speedway.
Photo courtesy of Rick Gdovic



Gdovic in front of his #46 Chevy race car.
Photo courtesy of Rick Gdovic

Freshman starts first year with Hawaiian horse in tow

By Sam Kates
Staff Writer

Distance does not seem to be an issue for students who choose to call High Point University their home. With students flocking from Florida, moving from Maine, and whisking in from Washington, HPU attracts people from across the country.

However, one freshman journeyed farther than any other American student in the class of 2014. Alexandra Murdoch-Haig said goodbye to Hawaii and aloha to High Point.

The fact that Murdoch-Haig traveled almost 5,000 miles to become a High Point Panther is impressive. What is perhaps more astonishing is the fact that she brought her horse to High Point

with her.

The horse was flown to the West Coast and then driven across the country in order to accompany its loving owner. Currently residing in a local stable, the horse is visited often by Murdoch-Haig.

When trying to decide which college to go to, HPU rose to the top for its excellent communication. "I had e-mailed a bunch of colleges asking questions, but HPU was the only college that responded every time," explained Murdoch-Haig. "Even when I asked about arrangements for my horse, someone at High Point would find an answer for me."

In order to become well acquainted with the area, Murdoch-Haig moved into her dorm about three weeks earlier than most students on campus.

"I've had plenty of time to look around," commented Murdoch-Haig. "I've realized that this area truly is the furniture capital. Everything downtown has to do with furniture!"

Although she is well acquainted with the area, meeting vast amounts of new people and making new friends sometimes proves to be a daunting task.

"Some people treat me as if I'm from a foreign country," stated Murdoch-Haig. "I'm really not that different from everyone else; I just traveled farther to get here."

Being a student in a smaller university, "the girl from Hawaii" is talked about and fairly well known, regardless of whether or not she likes it.

"I've had people come up to me who know my name and know information about me," explained Murdoch-Haig.

"I've never met them, but apparently they've heard about me."

This could be intimidating, but Murdoch-Haig has the personality to handle the situation. "It is a little strange that people know a lot about me, but I don't really mind," stated Murdoch-Haig. "You couldn't really travel all the way from Hawaii and be a shy person."

Murdoch-Haig is currently undecided on her major. She plans to return to Hawaii after college and says she misses her tropical island already. With her sense of independence and ambitious attitude, Murdoch-Haig has the potential to bring positive, forward thinking ideas to High Point.

"If you want something, you should go for it," proclaimed Murdoch-Haig. "Never let anything hold you back from your dreams."

Less cash on campus means better security

By Matt Wells
Organizations Editor

Security has been a focus of High Point University this year. With a growing student body university officials believe that students need a safer campus. That is where the idea of having a Cashless Campus came from.

"We want to know who is here," says director of WOW, Roger Clodfelter. "With cash being used at HPU, anyone can come in and spend money. With the Passport card we can be sure it is one of our students who are here," explained Clodfelter.

As listed on highpoint.edu/cashless, "The 'HPU Cashless Campus' model ensures that our students, faculty and staff are able to enjoy the extraordinary services we provide for their exclusive use in a safe and secure environment."

The cashless model gives HPU students the "exclusive" currency accepted at High Point University. This will keep anyone who is not a student or faculty member from having priority at any of the facilities at HPU.

Students who will have friends visiting will be responsible for using his or her passport to pay for the friend to eat. There is no system in place that will give a non-student a temporary card to use.

Once money has been placed on the card, it is non-refundable, meaning once it is on the passport it will stay there until it is spent. The money on the card rolls over and is on a student's card from the time a student arrives as a freshman until the student graduates, unlike the declining

balance used for food.

Money can be added to the passport card three different ways. A student can go online and make a transfer of funds with a debit or credit card, add cash or use a credit or debit card to add funds with one of the three passport ATMs located in the security office, under the elevators in the University Center, or next to the Concierge desk in Slane. A student can also add funds with a check at the business office during office hours. There are also now computer kiosks at the Grille and at the North College Town homes so students can sign onto the community blackboard site and make a deposit.

"The response from students and their families has been positive so far. During move in weekend we had lots of deposits made," continued Clodfelter. "It is also making things easier for our students," with having a universal passport card giving students "unrestricted access to our facilities here and our passport partners."

Barnes and Nobles is, however, not cashless, and will continue to accept passports, cash, or cards, allowing families who come visit and alumni to come get an HPU souvenir with ease. Campus will also revert back to accepting cash or credit/debit cards during event weekends, such as Family/Alumni Weekend, Presidential Scholarship Weekend, and weekends the admissions office hosts events, when many non-students will be on campus. Students will be allowed to use cash during these weekends as well.

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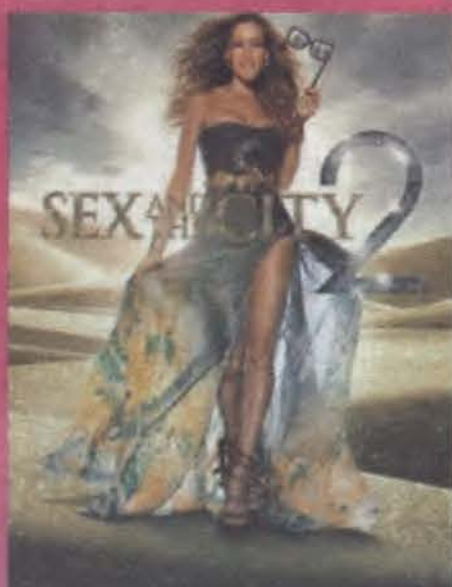
The screen on one of several ATM kiosks on campus.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

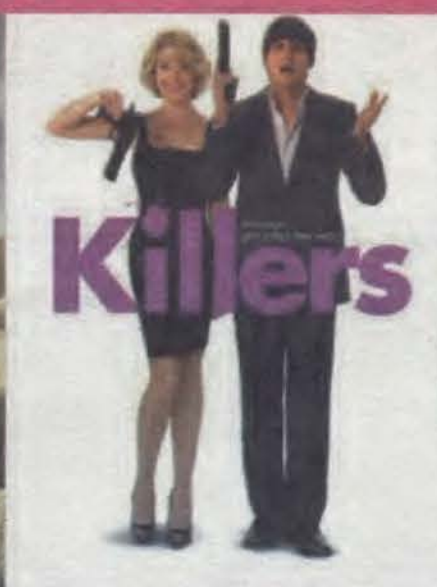
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Panther's Den is pumped for upcoming basketball season

By Matt Wells
Organizations Editor

The Campus Chronicle recently sat down with last year's Panther's Den President, Chris Terzigni. He was asked about the upcoming year with Panther's Den and what can be expected from the most energetic student section in the Big South.

CC: How many members are you looking for to join this year?

CT: We are looking to sellout again this year. We had 880 memberships sold between Panther's Den and Greek Panthers, and this year we are looking to break the 1000 member mark! We will start registration during the beginning of the year again like last year and it will cover you for all sports, including basketball, during the 2010-2011 school year.

CC: How can students join the Panther's Den?

CT: You can sign up at the Activities Fair at the Panther's Den Table or at any home Men's or Women's Soccer game or at any home Volleyball Game. Sign up is \$20 and it will include invitations to pregame cookouts, priority seating, access to all Panther's Den Giveaways, as well as your official Panther's Den T-shirt, which is your ticket into every home basketball game this year.

CC: Are there any big games you are looking forward to this year?

CT: All the sports teams have done a great job scheduling quality games both home and on the road and it will be exciting to watch and see how High Point does this year. It will be especially interesting to cheer on the Women's Soccer team as they come off their Big South Championship from last year. We encourage all students to come out and support all HPU Athletics Teams

CC: What is the biggest perk for joining?

CT: The biggest perk is guaranteed seating at all home Men's Basketball games as well as it will help you to gain points for better seats next year when the Demon Deacons of Wake Forest University visit the High Point University Panthers in the the Millis Athletic and Convocation Center for the first time ever!



Students in Panther's Den distract the opposing team during a basketball game.

Photo by Bridget Donahue



Panther's Den supporting the Panthers during the Black Out game.

Photo by Johnathan Jones

Look for future issues of the
Campus Chronicle on these
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In the meantime, check out
www.campuschronicle.org for
exclusive stories, including
Casey Pantalone's fashion story!

Debate team chartered in record time

By Courtney Gacona
Staff Writer

Students have all been told that if High Point does not have an organization already in place, they have the power to create the program themselves. One student took administrators at their word.

Coty-Jon Jump, as an incoming freshman last fall, had the drive and originality to start High Point University's first Debate Team. He had formerly started a program at his high school and wanted to continue with his passion and enthusiasm for debate.

Jump explained that it was not an easy process to starting this program at HPU. Before school even began last fall, he had to meet with the Director of Student Activities, Hillary Kokajko, and former Student Government President Andrew Realon to approve this new organization.

He also had to make a constitution for the program, have a list of at least 15 signatures of students who had interest in participating in a debate team, and go before a council to approve his plan.

It was only after all of this was accomplished that HPU recognized the Debate Team as an organization on campus. The Debate Team was among the quickest programs in school history to get chartered and recognized on campus.

The team had about 30 members last

year; however, with the Activity Fair that took place on Aug. 23, there are an additional 60 members who showed interest and signed up for the team.

Jump said that he has tried to make the program as easy and adaptive as possible. He starts the program off by teaching the different styles of debating and having the team practice casually against one another. He then makes competition teams and conducts more formal debates.

Jump explained his team's topics, "We cover everything from pop culture to politics; from the best place to eat on campus to the best form of government for a nation."

After having a year of practice, the Debate Team is in hopes for some real competition. This year, for the first time ever, High Point University will hold intercollegiate debates. The HPU debate team has sent invitations to UNC-Chapel Hill, Appalachian State University, and many other area colleges and universities.

When asked what he has taken from the program, Jump said, "The Debate Team has made me a better student. I know what it takes to make a compelling argument. If you know how to speak to people, you know how to communicate, and that's what it's all about."

Students who are interested in participating can contact Coty-Jon Jump at jumpc09@highpoint.edu.

Student remembers Hurricane Katrina five years later

By Sebastien Bonnot
Staff Writer

This month is very important to a New Orleans native like me. No it's not Mardi Gras; it's the five year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina.

Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans during my sophomore year of high school. I had already been in school for a month when we got the word that a hurricane was coming and had to take off school.

This is nothing new for a New Orleans student; we would always have "hurricane days" that would usually last one or two days. My mom was out of town at the time working, so it was just my sister, grandmother and I getting ready to fight off the storm.

As we followed the storm's path and saw it getting worse and worse, our confidence in taking on the storm began to grow less and less. We got the phone call from my mom telling us to drive to meet her in Atlanta and to pack like we were never coming home.

When my sister and I heard this we thought she was crazy; why would we not be coming home? It's was going to be just like any other hurricane, right? Being the know-it-all teens that we were, we disobeyed our mother and packed some photo albums and an overnight bag. We drove first to my dad's house

to check in with him. When he told us that he was staying, we thought our mother was crazy for making us leave. We finally set out on the road and began our drive to meet up with our mother in Atlanta. We were following the hurricane's path on the radio the entire drive. The hurricane kept getting worse and worse, going from a category two to a category five. We knew that if a category five hurricane hit us directly that our city would be in big trouble. We arrived in Atlanta to meet up with our mom, and we went right to the closest television to watch what was going on back home. Because the cell phone lines were jammed, we had no way of contacting our dad who lives right in the heart of New Orleans where all the shootings and looting were going on.

As we watched our city fall apart right in front of our eyes, I suddenly realized; I may never be going home. Days passed and things weren't getting any better. Crime was at an all time high, and the water was still rising.

We finally received word from our dad who was in Houston because a cop saw that he hadn't left and handed my dad a gun and told him to leave and use the gun if he needed to.

We were lucky enough that our family was safe, and luckily our neighborhood had minimal flooding. Even

though our belongings weren't destroyed, the city we lived in was changed forever.

Since my high school was flooded by 14 feet of water that sat there for days, I had no school or city to go back to. My mom immediately came to a decision that boarding school would be the only option.

So there I was, a sophomore at boarding school in New England with none of my friends. As the city slowly, and I do mean slowly, started to recover from the damage, my family moved back home.

Things in New Orleans were not the same. Although Katrina brought much damage and pain, it brought a lot of change to New Orleanians. People post-Katrina have much more spirit and love for their city.

Everywhere you go you see New Orleans pride and love. Five years later our city has made a big turn around. The restaurant industry is stronger than it was pre-Katrina, we have a Super Bowl championship, and we have a local spirit that is indescribable.

Although people tend to forget about the hurricane, it is something that will always be remembered by the locals as the storm that almost defeated us. But nothing can destroy a city of people who will do anything to protect it.

Sept. 14 international career speaker is 'interested in helping others find out what drives them'

By Gemarie Gagnon
Staff Writer

Sherry L. Mueller will present "Preparing for Your International Career," on Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. in Phillips.

In the presentation, Mueller plans to briefly cover the contents of her book "Working World: Careers in International Education, Exchange and Development." She will also discuss the philosophy of planning for a career and the art of networking. There will also be time for a question and answer session; in fact, Mueller says, "I want people to react; the questions will drive the presentation."

Those who attend will learn general tips on how to be successful when interacting with potential employers and what these employers seek in employees. As for the main topic, Mueller will discuss the building blocks for an international career.

Having an international career doesn't always mean that you will be living overseas according to Mueller. Several international job opportunities are based in the United States and only travel abroad briefly if at all.

Traveling and studying abroad is such an important building block for an international career, according to Mueller. Some of her most influential experiences include an era when she served as a speaker for the U.S. State Department in Saudi Arabia. Mueller says, "Encountering the culture, that's where you grow the most. Although they [cultural experiences] aren't the most comfortable, it's important to do them nonetheless."

As an employer, Mueller looks for the individual's usefulness. She says, "[people] don't always realize how much emphasis one puts on writing and editing skills." Being a manager and hiring people herself for 28 years, she hopes to give helpful tips and information

about what managers are searching for in potential employees.

Other than hiring employees, Mueller is especially interested in helping others find out what drives them. Her favorite definition for one's "calling" is, "that place where your greatest passion and the world's greatest need intersect." Mueller's passion is non-profit organizations and efforts.

If limited to a brief statement to give to students about the importance of international career and learning opportunities, Mueller would like to convey how limited the division between domestic and international really is. "Everyone is so dependent on each other" and working together globally is an excellent "source for goodness," says Mueller. Her mission is to promote citizen diplomacy so people around the world can come together and connect for a common aspiration.

Staff Profile: Tori Mashore, Starbucks



Tori Mashore is one of the newest employees at Starbucks. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

By Christine Reinicker
Staff Writer

Job Title: Starbucks

Hometown: Thomasville, NC

How long have you worked at HPU? a week and two days

What is the most enjoyable part about working at HPU so far?
I get to meet cool people and make smoothies

What was your first job? I worked at the YMCA

What do you like to do outside of work? I like to chill with my friends and go to the club.

What are your interests/hobbies?
Swimming, BMX, Skydiving... I guess you can say I'm a daredevil

If you could describe yourself in one word...? Funny, I guess. I'm a cheerful person too

What's your favorite movie:?
Loose Change and October Sky

What's your favorite music artist? Coldplay

What's your favorite restaurant?
Arby's

Who is your celebrity crush?
Halle Berry

Volleyball serves up the second year of Coach Oliver

By **Steven Haller**
Sports Editor

The volleyball team opened up the season with a home tournament. The HPU Classic was held Aug. 27-28 in the Millis Athletic Center where the Panthers earned two wins and one heartbreaking loss, which earned them a second place finish for the classic. Looking ahead, the Panthers have a challenging non-conference schedule, but it will no doubt prepare them for conference play where the Panthers will battle their usual foes.

The HPU Classic was a great way for the Panthers to start the season at home. HPU got its first win in four sets against UNC-Wilmington, followed by a decisive straight-sets win against a rebuilding team sporting nine freshmen in N.C. A&T, and then finally a loss to Appalachian State, in which the Panthers were up two sets to none to start the match but allowed the Mountaineers to win the final three sets.

On the first two games, Coach Jason Oliver says, "In that first match I thought we handled our nerves pretty well. We were a bit inconsistent, but for getting our first match under our belt, we did what we needed to do. We improved in the second match. Having a second match against A&T was good because I was able to play every single person. We got a lot of experience in there for some of those younger players, and the cool part about it was that our level of play did not drop at all."

Those first two matches were solid for the Panthers and, initially, the third match looked like it would go the same. However, Appalachian State proved to be a team that would not go down easy. By the time set five came around, Coach Oliver observed that his players seemed to have, if only temporarily, stopped playing with commitment.

Coach Oliver recounts, "I feel like our team was really good for two sets. We were mediocre in the third set and we battled in the fourth set, but we lost our commitment level to actually going out there and making plays. I think a lot of what it came down to was momentum and our commitment factor. I think the momentum shift zapped some of our commitment."

Coach Oliver's idea of commitment seems to be an ongoing mental process players have during a game that can sometimes be observed in a matter of seconds. Coach Oliver cites an example of players who want to hit a ball through the angle. If they jump up toward the ball and do it, the ball is going to hit some defender. However, if they jump up toward the ball and are committed to doing it, they are going to get a kill. Having commitment allows players to know exactly where they want to hit the ball and they are going to hit it in that exact spot.

"It needs to be a committed play,"

Coach Oliver says, and that the reason for the loss was, "hands down more mental than it was physical. With our conditioning level, we could have played all day."

Conditioning is a big part of playing volleyball, especially in the off-season, and in this off-season, the Panthers went through quite a few roster changes.

The HPU volleyball program graduated four seniors last season, but four new freshmen came to High Point in the 2010 recruiting class, and outside hitter Audie

hitter, and Marin Seifert is a defensive specialist. Chakirelis actually started at middle blocker for HPU in all three of the first games.

"Michelle [Chakirelis] has good knowledge and a great volleyball IQ. I think that she really fits into our system perfectly."

In addition to Chakirelis, Simpson will get a chance to play early in her college career as well. The current starting setter is sophomore Stephanie Kaminskas. It is

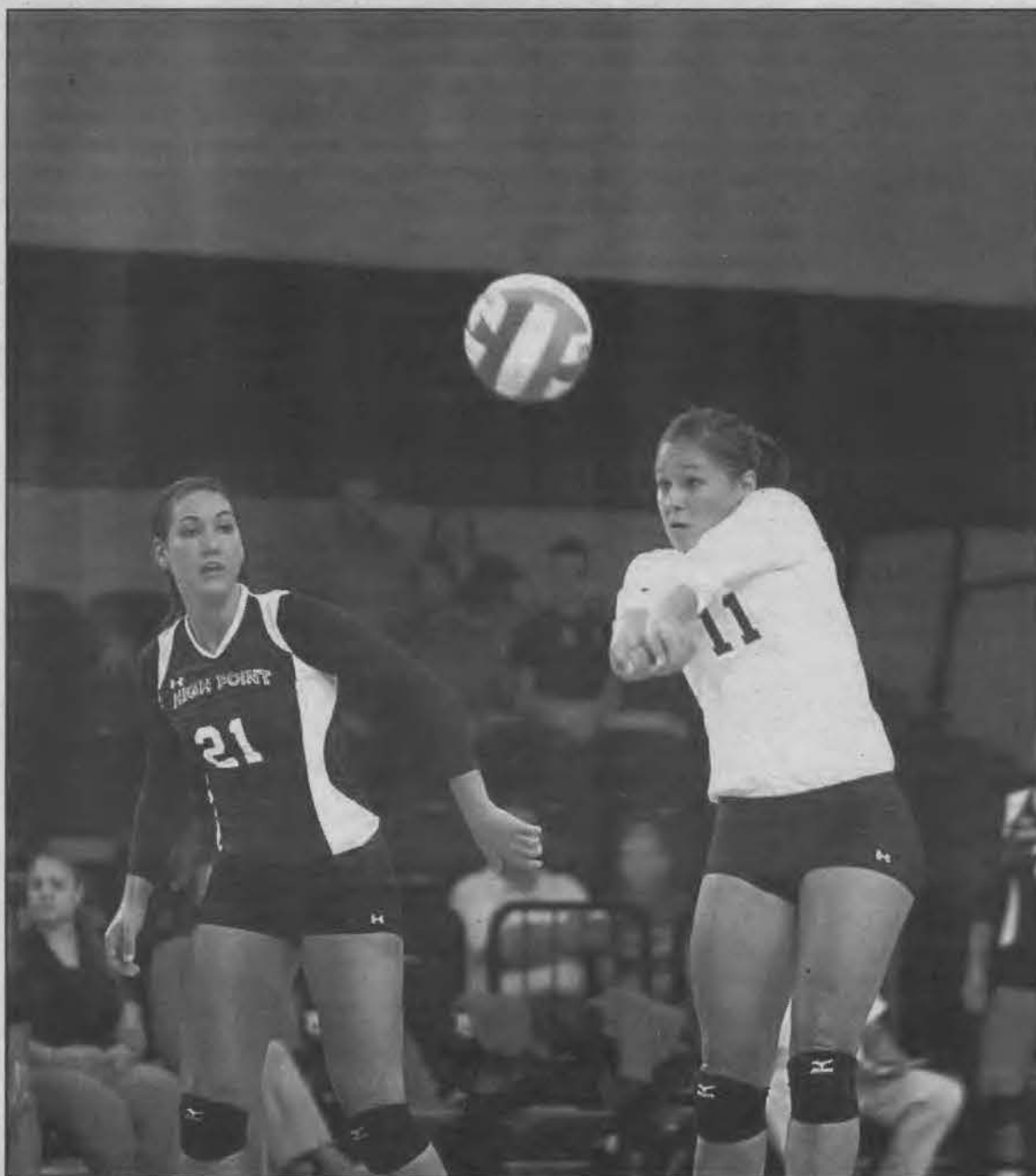
long. Stephanie [Kaminskas] brings a lot of great things to our team. She is really athletic, quick, makes a ton of scrappy plays, and plays great defense. When she is aggressive, she is a very effective player for us. But, Maddie [Simpson] is a very consistent setter who got a chance to play some minutes against Appalachian State where she came in and did a really good job. So, I think there are a lot of good qualities about both of them. But I think that it is going to be a battle all year long and I really hope that both of them embrace it and bring the best out of each other."

This battle at setter will be a theme all season. Besides setter, Coach Oliver thinks the rest of his roster and the starters are firm. He says, "I am solid and comfortable with who we have on the floor. It comes down to execution, confidence, and making shots to win matches."

The roster will be something of interest to HPU fans all season long, but so will the Panthers schedule. Coach Oliver scheduled three more away tournaments before conference play begins, but there was a method to selecting these three tournaments. The tournament at Marshall is a return because Marshall came to the HPU tournament last season. The Panthers are going to Davidson for a tournament because they wanted to play in a tournament close to home. The tournament at Arizona State seems at first to be a bit out of the way. However, a good HPU volleyball fan knows that four of the Panther players hail from The Grand Canyon State, and that four more are from the West Coast. Oliver cited this as a reason for choosing the Arizona State tournament. That will allow those players families to see them play. Oliver also took the teams' RPI's into consideration when scheduling to play against them. Making the schedule more challenging can only help a team, but making it weaker has next to no value, according to Oliver.

The schedule is a challenge, but the HPU volleyball program is accepting the call of that challenge. Coach Oliver voices his thinking on what it really

takes to win matches, saying, "It all comes down to passion, heart, determination, focus, and all of those intangible things we talk about. I think our program really embraces a lot of that. I am the type of coach that really puts a lot of emphasis on those things."



Julie Hershkowitz, senior, sets the ball during HPU's opening tournament against UNC-Wilmington/NC A&T/Appalachian State on Aug. 27/28.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Gonzalez returned this year as a redshirt senior after an injury to her ACL sidelined her for the entirety of the previous season. The new recruiting class was very diverse regarding position: Michelle Chakirelis is a middle blocker, Maddie Simpson is a setter, Brittany Durham is an outside

the first season that Kaminskas steps into the starting role, and her play has looked promising thus far. However, Coach Oliver indicates that the setter position is in a sort of flexible area.

On the situation at setter, Coach Oliver says, "It is going to be a battle all season

Cross country runners believe commitment is of utmost importance

By **Emma Nichols**
Staff Writer

Despite losing key runners in the class of 2010, the High Point University women's and men's cross country teams return to the course this season with high hopes.

"Last season, we finished fourth at Conferences, so we are really fired up for this year," says senior Monica Delizo. "I want to be there to help the team at Conferences."

The women's team is picked to finish fourth in the Big South Preseason Poll, but finishing in the top three is their goal. The team returned to campus on Aug. 14 with positive attitudes. Together, they made

a trip to Radford to practice on the hilly course that they will be taking on at the conference championship in October.

The women are seeking strong performances across the board in hopes of advancing individually and as a team. Joining the Panthers this year is a strong freshman class including Colleen Hollowood, Audrey Malloy and Kayleigh Perry.

"We lost two of our top runners, but gained three freshmen who have a lot of talent and are very dedicated. They are focused on their running as well as their academics. They are adapting to joining the family," says Delizo.

The combined talent of new runners and returning veterans forecasts a successful

season for the women's team.

The men's team is picked to finish second in the Big South Preseason Poll and are returning five of their top eight runners. Last season, the men placed second at the conference championship and are pushing each other to help have another successful finish. Along with placing high at the conference championship, junior Neal Darmody hopes to finish in the top 25 in the Region.

"Winning the Blue Ridge Invitational was a big accomplishment last season," says Darmody, who placed seventh overall to help the Panthers defeat Davidson by one point. "The Roy Griak Invitational at the University of Minnesota is a big meet for us to get ready for conferences," adds

Darmody.

Joining the men's team this season is freshmen Patrick Crawford, Jacob Roach, and John Yankello. All three are strong additions to the Panthers' roster. All three men have proven themselves so far this season with strong runs at Virginia Tech.

Darmody explains, "We have been talking more about our goals this year. We push each other and motivate one another."

As students walk through campus, they should look out for the rock that the women's team has painted with one of the team's mottos: "Cross Country 2010 Believe." Another slogan is "Commitment." The men and women's teams hope the slogans represent the ingredients for another successful season.

Women's soccer kicks off its title-defending season

By **Brian Brennan**
Staff Writer

The women's soccer team, led by head coach Marty Beale, has taken the field for their 2010 season looking to improve off of last season's 7-15-2 mark. However, their final record doesn't show the team's ultimate success. The team stunned the Big South Conference last season on its way to winning the conference title in an upset-laden tournament. As the No. 7 seed, the Panthers won a tournament that saw the top three seeds all eliminated in the first round. Their championship game victory came at Blackbaud Stadium on penalty kicks behind MVP Marissa Abbott's phenomenal goalkeeping.

The 2009 team went on to lose in the first round of the NCAA Tournament to ACC Champion North Carolina 1-0. It was still a season to remember and despite losing seven seniors (including Abbott), Beal's team gained 11 freshmen this season, many of whom have already had an immediate impact on the team.

In the team's first victory, a 1-0 decision over Francis Marion, the only goal was scored by freshman forward Becca Hemby of Fredrick, Md. At this moment that goal remains the only one scored by the team so far this season.

"I was shocked," Hemby told Highpointpanthers.com. "I had no idea I would score in the game. I wasn't even sure I would play in the game. That play was great; it was the perfect header from Jillie Johnston and the first time I have ever scored on a diving header like that. I was really happy it went in."

Hemby hasn't been the only impressive freshman on offense. Kellie Joline of Lancaster, Pa. has led the team in shots with six through four games.

Even though they have lost three games in a row to Campbell, N.C. State and Davidson since the opener, solid second half play has helped keep the Panthers in their games so far. Despite being outscored 5-0 in the first half of games, the team has yet to concede a goal in the second half of any game (as of Sept. 4).

A big part of the team's solid start has been the stellar goal keeping of junior Andrea Ritchie and of freshman Jessie May. While the more experienced Ritchie has gotten the majority of the playing time, recording a shutout and making 10 saves, May has shown that the future is bright for the Panthers. In 61 minutes of playing time May has yet to allow a goal and recorded five saves.

The schedule ahead for the Panthers will be a challenge as they take on teams from one of the toughest conferences in the NCAA: the ACC. Wake Forest, Clemson, and Duke will be taking aim at the Panthers. All three teams were quarterfinalists in the conference tournament last season and Wake Forest was a semifinalist. Then, their conference schedule begins. The Panthers will take on every school from the Big South including a Big South Championship rematch against Winthrop on Oct. 11.



Katie Taber, junior forward, corraling the ball during HPU's home game against Campbell on Aug. 23.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins.

Panther Profile

Stephanie Kaminskas Volleyball, Setter

Hometown:
Flagstaff, Arizona

Year in school:
Sophomore

Major and career plans:
Communications Electronic Media Major, I am hoping to get into the film industry and maybe do previews for movies

Other campus activities you are involved in besides volleyball: Big Brothers Big Sisters, I have a Little who goes to Kirkman Elementary I see once a week

Music you listen to before a match: Rap; "Big Pappa" by The Notorious B.I.G. gets me pumped



Sophomore Stephanie Kaminskas.

Photo by Steven Haller.

Hobbies:
Wakeboarding and water skiing, I love being on the lake

Favorite Quote:
"Go confidently in the directions of your dreams! Live the life you have imagined." -Henry David Thoreau

Favorite Celebrity:
Misty May

One thing you could never live without: Mac & Cheese, preferably Kraft

Greatest motivation when playing a game:
Knowing my teammates

are working hard for me and that I should do the same for them. And also, I hate losing

Best advice you have ever received: "Don't dwell on your mistakes."

- Kaminskas' parents



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30 HPU Theatre-Love/Sick
7:30pm - Old Student Center



1 Workshop Service
Hayworth Chapel
3:20pm
Men's vs. Elon
7pm
Flag Football
Captain's Meeting
5pm Phillips 217
HPUREC

2 SGA
SGA Community Affairs
Board Meeting
Phillips 120
7pm

3 MOVIE
TOY STORY 3
9PM

4 CAT BOWLING NIGHT
8PM
sign up at the Campus Concierge

5 Don't Forget!
Intramural Tennis
Captain's Meeting
on Wednesday!
Slone Conference
Room A
HPUREC

6 LABOR DAY
MONDAY MOVIE
EXTRAORDINARY CINEMA
8PM

7 MONDAY
Film Series
From Page to Picture
Blade Runner

8 HPUREC
Tennis Captain's
Meeting 5:00pm
Workshop Service
Hayworth Chapel
5:30pm
NIGHT LIVE
Open Mic Night

9 check out an iPad
at the Campus
Concierge

10 CATFLIX
EXTRAORDINARY CINEMA
9PM
Men's vs. GA. Southern
7pm

11 LIVE GAMESHOW!
BEAT THE BANKER
8:00PM in The Cafe

✓ SGA Campaign Week

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12 Men's vs. Mercer
3:30pm
Party
Grandparents
Day

13 MONDAY MOVIE
EXTRAORDINARY CINEMA
8PM

14 FOUNDERS DAY
vs. Campbell
7PM
Cuisine & Culture Series:
Heritage of HPU

15 Workshop Service
Hayworth Chapel
5:30pm
WEDNESDAY
NIGHT LIVE
8PM

16 SGA
SGA Meeting
Phillips 120
7pm

17 Women's vs. Wake Forest
7pm
GLOW GOLF
9pm-12am
Slone Center Gym

18 IDS Event: The Tempest
High Point Theatre, Downtown
8pm
CAT ICE SKATING
8:00pm-10:00pm
Slone Center Gym

✓ VOTE

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19 IDS Event: The Tempest
High Point Theatre, Downtown
8pm
Tasting while
Dining Experiences
THIS FRIDAY!

20 IDS Event: Karl Rove
Hayworth Fine Arts 8pm
MONDAY MOVIE
EXTRAORDINARY CINEMA
8PM

21 3 DAYS UNTIL
LIFE STAYS WILD

22 Workshop Service
Hayworth Chapel
5:30pm
WEDNESDAY
NIGHT LIVE
8PM

23 IDS Event: The Tempest
High Point Theatre, Downtown
7:30pm
First day of Fall
Cuisine & Culture Series:
John Coltrane Jazz

24 FALL CONCERT
LIFE STAYS WILD

25 IDS Event: The Tempest
High Point Theatre, Downtown
8pm
Men's vs. Gardner Webb
7pm
LIP SYNC
GREEN WEEK

✓ VOTE

✓ VOTE

✓ VOTE

26 IDS Event: The Tempest
High Point Theatre, Downtown
8pm
ADMIT ONE
Need tickets to
an IDS EVENT?
Stop by any of the
Campus Concierge
locations.

27 MONDAY MOVIE
EXTRAORDINARY CINEMA
8PM

28 Brooks Brothers
Dress for Success
vs. Liberty
TBA
Men's Soccer
vs. UNCG
TBA

29 Workshop Service
Hayworth Chapel
5:30pm
WEDNESDAY
NIGHT LIVE
Karaoke
Night
8 PM

30 IDS Event: The Tempest
High Point Theatre, Downtown
7:30pm
IDS Event: HPU Theatre/Love/Sick
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• September 23: John Coltrane Jazz



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Here we grow again!

By Katie Nelson
Editor-in-Chief

On September 15, President Nido Qubein unveiled the university's \$2.1 billion expansion plan for the next 10 years. President Qubein plans to accomplish this without taking on any new debt. "The casual observer will be surprised and maybe astonished [by the plan]," the president declared at a luncheon for university and community leaders held in the ballroom of Wilson School of Commerce.

Construction of new buildings is nothing new to students at HPU. Over the next 10 years, students can expect new housing facilities such as lofts on Fifth Street (pending city council meetings), a 14 house Greek Village that is currently under construction, and two other residential communities that may be satellite communities.

The Georgian-like houses in the Greek Village (pictured above) will be two

stories. Each home will have a chapter lounge, kitchen, laundry room, study area, outdoor patio and grand staircase to the second story residents' bedrooms and baths. The community will be self-contained and include 200 parking spaces for residents.

In April 2011, students will see the beginning of the long awaited School of Education, which will house the education and psychology departments. The building will have its own resource center, library and study lounge. It will also be LEED (Land Environment Economics and Development) certified, which means the building will meet certain "green" standards.

Another planned academic building will be the School of Health Sciences that will cost \$50 million. This facility will offer new academic programs to HPU such as physician assistant studies, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and a college of pharmacy, including a cadaver lab. The director of the physical therapy program and the dean of the college of pharmacy have been hired from Duke University.

Other new buildings include an athletic arena seating 5,500 people (pictured below). Men's lacrosse will be added as a Division I varsity sport. The soccer field will be turfed in preparation of the team.

A new health clinic, library and three new dining facilities will also be added. These dining facilities include a hibachi steakhouse, sushi bar and a fast food chain.

A two-story admission center will be built in the next 18 months. This construction will require the demolition of two buildings on campus, although the specifics have not been revealed.

All of these changes are made not only to make HPU "a very successful institute of higher learning," according to Qubein, but also to prepare for the 1350 freshmen who are expected to be enrolled in 2011. President Qubein said that 5,000 undergraduate students are going to be "our ceiling."

The campus will go from 91 acres in 2005 to 330 acres in 2017, according to Qubein.



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The staff reserves the right to edit letters for length, clarity and grammar, in addition to the right to reject a letter based on the judgment of the editors and adviser.

Campus Voices: What is your favorite part of HPU this year?

"Seeing the progress the school is making with the Greek community and the progress of the Greek Village. It'll be exciting to watch it be built over the next year!"

Danay Krenshaw, junior

"The new addition of student campus. The new security poses help make our campus a safer environment."

Diana Marshall, senior

"Being a senior. This year has been interesting so far and I'm going to enjoy every minute I have left here. The activities calendar is full and I plan on doing as many events as possible before all of the free time ends."

Alyssa Komoc, senior

"Meeting new friends and adjusting to college life!"

Rob Hall, freshman

"Working with some of the most professional"

Andrew Faust, junior

"Getting back with all of my working sisters and having fun working on Greek Week things! It's going to be great!"

Crystal Moore, sophomore

"All the great movies the Extravaganza Cinema is playing. I was really excited to watch *Saw* and the *City 2*."

Laken Hince, rising senior

Is the press free at a private institution?

Staff Editorial

The combination of journalism, politics and the law is always a tricky thing. There are many laws that govern what journalists can write about, but there are also those set aside for their protection. Even on the micro scale at HPU, those who work on the Campus Chronicle follow these guidelines.

We cannot print slanderous or libelous statements, and vulgarity like swear words and sexual references are kept to a minimum, as dictated by the Associated Press Stylebook, which the Campus Chronicle uses as a reference point for all stories. Past these basic limits, we have license to write about anything. Well, we would if we were at a public university.

The Campus Chronicle is printed with funds from the university and our office is located on campus. This means we are at the mercy of HPU's administration. They could shut us

down tomorrow if they wanted. Clearly there is something at stake, though, that keeps us in print. The administration values the newspaper, whether it is because the Campus Chronicle staff gains journalism experience by working on it, it helps future accreditation of the School of Communication, or because we strive to represent the student population with the stories we write.

Keeping this in mind, we at the Campus Chronicle return this respect by practicing self-censorship. Before each issue is sent to the printer, the editors and adviser review every sentence of every story and try to ensure that what we are saying does not distort the truth or misrepresent the opinions or positions of anyone at the university.

Some students, however, don't seem to appreciate this meticulous process, and understandably so.

Many will probably admit that we are not exactly the provocative and racy *New York Post*. Our criticism of the university

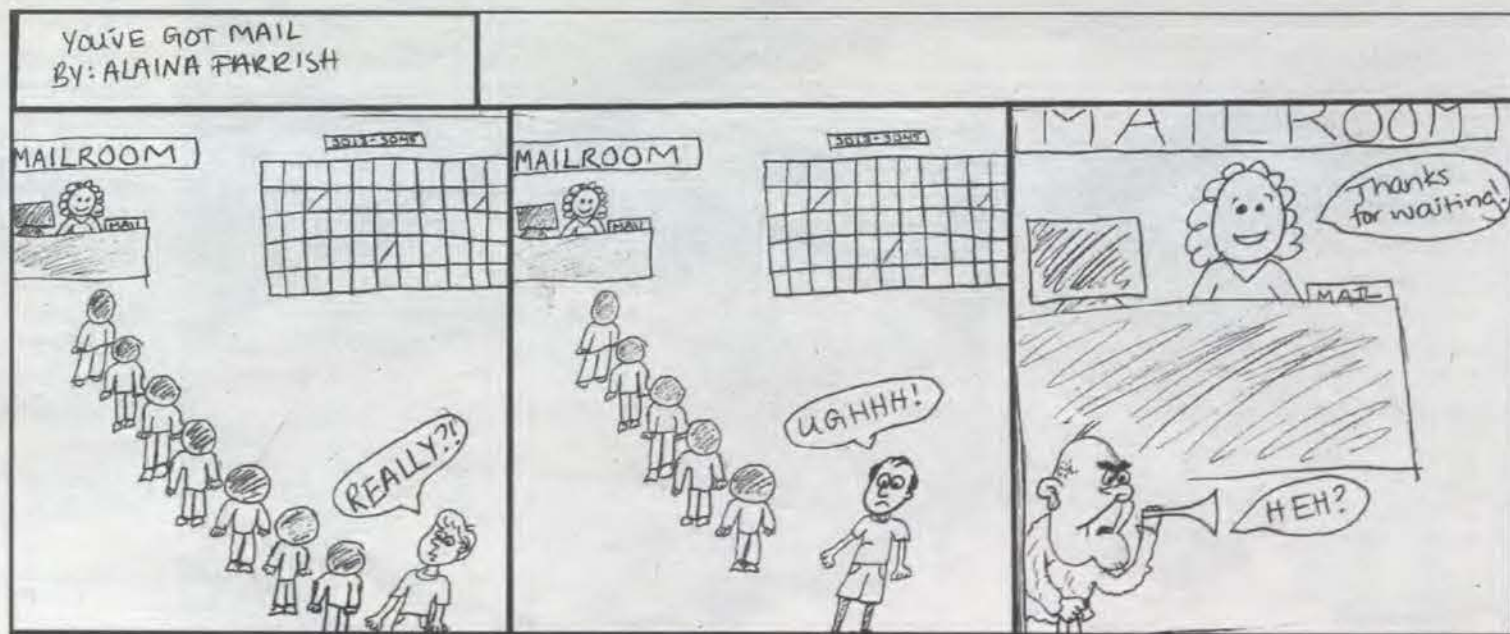
is offered constructively, whether to present a solution or to inform that we feel there is a problem.

And what about stories on topics outside our campus?

Our focus is and always has been the students. We try to write articles the student body would be interested in reading. We have shifted our focus this year to encompass a more global perspective, as reflected in the "Ground Zero Mosque" opinion article last issue. Expect to see more macro-oriented articles in the future, and feel free to suggest story ideas online at www.campuschronicle.org or in person to Campus Chronicle editors.

Keep in mind, though, that we do not seek mud-slinging opinion pieces, but rather stories that affect the lives of students on campus such as their opinions and experiences, the former of which can range from campus to national, as well as global to universal concerns.

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Letter to the Editor: Why we decided to bring Karl Rove to HPU

Dear Editor,

I write to you, as Chairman of the HPU College Republicans, to explain our selection of Karl Rove as a speaker. This event's purpose is to spread a conservative message to the students and faculty of High Point University.

In recent months, there has been a definitive change in the political winds throughout America. With President Obama's poll numbers at new lows and a general disdain toward Washington politics in general, there is a distinct possibility of a shift back to a Republican

controlled House and even Senate.

It is the HPU College Republicans goal to help spread this message and to get students involved. It is our choice that Karl Rove can best spread this conservative message regarding campus activism within the HPU community.

Karl Rove was senior advisor and deputy chief of staff to former President George W. Bush until his resignation on Aug. 31, 2007. He has headed the Office of Political Affairs, the Office of Public Liaison, and the White House Office of

Strategic Initiatives. Since leaving the White House, Rove has worked as a political analyst and contributor for Fox News, Newsweek and The Wall Street Journal.

The conservative message that Karl Rove will deliver to the campus in his visit not only aligns with the missions and goals of the College Republicans, but also of our University.

John Gillespie
Chairman, HPU College Republicans

Don't forsake life for the sake of progress

By Amanda Mayes
Staff Writer

Move forward. Never look back. Always forge ahead. Race the clock. Control time.

If we stop, if we slow down for one moment to take a deep breath and gather our bearings, too much precious time is lost that will never be found again.

This concept of progress has been raised to idolatry as society determines that consequences can easily be ignored if the progress made is worth the price. Progress for the sake of progress.

I do not understand the senseless need to move forward that grips so many people. Maybe this lack of understanding is simply because I am Southern; things will get done when they get done.

I spent a few weeks in Washington D.C. over the summer, and the Metro stations always provided me with endless entertainment and confusion. People were always on the move. Running to something; running away from something. I would stand to the side on the escalator, watching the people move past me. No matter how fast they were going, we would always get to the Metro train at the same time; only I would be significantly less stressed. Progress for the sake of progress.

I have a to-do list. Not one of those crazy ones that schedules lunch and breathing down to the minute, but just something to keep myself on track for the day. Get something done, check it off the list.

However, one day I took a moment to slow down and think about what I was doing. I did something to check it off the list, not for the intellectual benefit I might reap from the assignment. Progress for the sake of progress.

A recent article in The Business Journal for the Triad mentioned High Point University. It detailed a health sciences building will be completed by fall 2012, complete with graduate programs and at least 50 new faculty and staff.

This continuous forward motion of the university is excellent for publicity and wonderful for expanding specialized academic programs.

Yet so many other academic programs are in desperate need of attention. Attention that would improve the education and futures of a majority of students on this campus. For example, renovations and updates in the laboratories in Congdon are desperately needed to strengthen natural science programs.

The continuous desire for progress is a two-edged sword. Without this relentless drive for improvement and innovation, society would stagnate. Great things are discovered and created under immense pressure and against all odds. But so much is lost through blind speed. Small details and delicate ideas are crushed under the weight of eager and careless progress.

Every once in awhile, I urge you to try to slow down and take in all that surrounds you – or you will never see what you are missing.



A moment with the Campus Chronicle editors

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Celebrity crush

Bruce Willis

James Franco

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Favorite Disney movie

Lion King

Ratatouille

Miracle

Pirates of the Caribbean

Favorite superhero(s)

TMNT

Towel Brothers

Ironman

"The Flash" Gordon

My built-in BFF: The pros and cons of having a twin sister at HPU

By Meredith Beck
Staff Writer

To me, college is supposed to be about getting away from your family and friends, and most importantly getting away from your siblings. Well for me, this is a little difficult considering that my twin sister and I are not

only going to school together, we are rooming together.

Now I am not complaining, since Melissa chose this school before I did, but I never pictured myself going to college with her, let alone rooming with her. We have lived together for 18 years; you would think that after living together for all that time, that we would want some breathing room.

Now every story has a happy ending and I am hoping that this one does too, but before I get to that, let's go over some of the pros and cons of coming to High Point University with your identical twin sister.

Melissa, if you are reading this, do not take this the wrong way. This might get a little negative.

To start things off, let's start with the pros: for starters you have a built-in best friend. It's nice not having to walk through campus alone scrolling through my contacts because I do not know anyone. I'm sure that many of you wish you could have had a guaranteed best friend when you ventured off to college.

The best thing about having my sister here, even better than having

her as my best friend, is that we can still help each other with our homework. This is where I find my sister the most resourceful. Since I am not math whiz and she is, she can help me get through the tough subjects in my math courses that I don't quite understand. A+ here I come! The same also goes for her. I am better at English than she is, so helping her is the least I could do. There is no reason that we should not get straight A's; I mean with her math skills and my English skills, we could conquer the academic world at HPU.

Now on the other hand, there are some cons to having your twin sister at college with you. Trust me, there

aren't that many, but a few that come to mind. First off, we see each other every single day. I mean I love spending time with my sister, but I have to admit that I need a little breathing room. Sometimes I feel like we spend a little too much time around each other. We should probably separate before they have to call security on us for having a duel in the hallway!

Along the same line as this is the fact that we are actually rooming together. I do not understand how we promised each other that we would not room together and here we are, at college, as roommates. The idea sounds nice, but I feel like on move in day when everyone was getting to

know new roommates, I already knew everything about mine. Now, I'm not saying that this is only a bad thing, I just wish I had gotten to do the new roommate part of college. The good thing is at least I already know all of her annoying habits, good sense of humor and sleeping patterns.

As you all can tell by now, following your identical twin sister to college actually is not such a bad thing after all despite the few downsides. I am so excited to start this four-year journey with her. Even though I feel a little flustered at times because we are always together, I am just glad that I have the built-in best friend when I need her. But, if I sound nice now, it is only because we haven't been here long enough for her to get on my nerves yet!



Meredith Beck and her sister, Melissa.
Photo provided by Meredith Beck

1924 Prime celebrates life and music of John Coltrane

By Sam Kates
Staff Writer

When we think of famous jazz musicians, people such as Miles Davis, Duke Ellington and Louis Armstrong often come to the forefront of our minds. But we are forgetting an extremely important, highly innovative musician: John Coltrane.

According to the website hunch.com, Coltrane is considered the second most famous classic American jazz musician of all time. He is outranked only by Freddie Hubbard. On Sept. 23, which would have been his 84th birthday, High Point University's own 1924 Prime Steakhouse will feature John Coltrane Jazz as part of the Cuisine & Culture Series.

Born in Hamlet, N.C., Coltrane's first musical influence was his father. He learned to play the E-flat horn, the clarinet and the alto saxophone. Coltrane's main focus was the alto saxophone, which he studied from the time he was in high school through his stint in the military during World War II.

Following his time in the military, Coltrane's musical career took off. He learned to also play the tenor sax and worked with numerous musicians. The most recognizable of these musicians is Miles Davis.

Coltrane released over 25 albums, displaying his amazing talent in innovative manners. In addition to his numerous albums, he was featured on the albums of a vast number of other musicians.

Among his biggest hits was the song "My Favorite Things," which is a rendition of the well known song

from The Sound of Music.

The entire "My Favorite Things" album proved to be a major hit. Other hit albums include "Africa Brass," "Impressions," "Giant Steps," and "A Love Supreme."

Coltrane wanted to do more than simply create beautiful jazz music; he wanted to make a positive change in the world. He believed his music helped to "create positive patterns in the minds of people."

Over 40 years ago, Coltrane established the publishing company Jowcol Music. This company protects the compositions and works created by Coltrane.

Unfortunately, his life was cut short. Coltrane died in 1967 of liver disease at the age of 40.

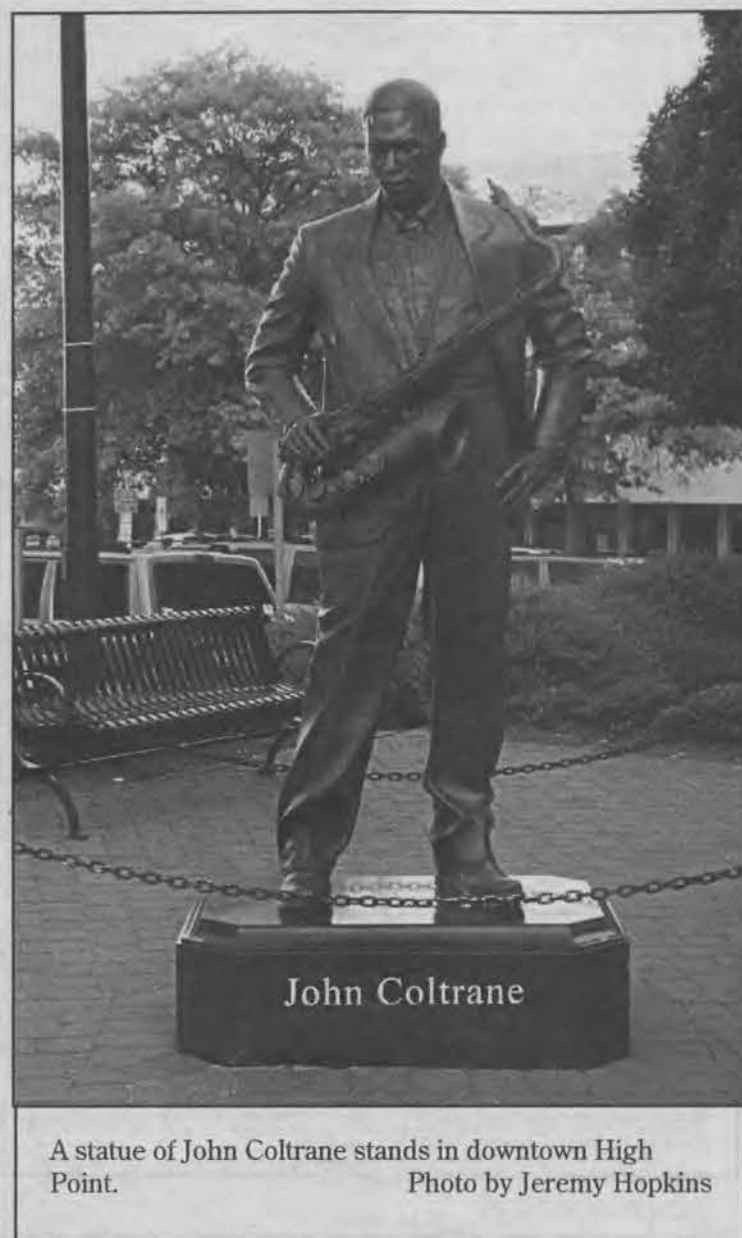
Coltrane has been remembered and honored in a variety of ways. A commemorative U.S. Postal Stamp was made in Coltrane's

honor in 1995. In 1999, Universal Studios named a street on its production lot after Coltrane.

The John and Alice Coltrane Foundation was established as a means to help advance talented musicians. The foundation provides musicians with scholarships as well as a venue in which to perform.

Coltrane has influenced innumerable musicians and remains one of the most significant tenor saxophonists in jazz history.

What: John Coltrane
jazz night
When: Sept. 23
Where: 1924 Prime
Steakhouse



A statue of John Coltrane stands in downtown High Point.
Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Action and destruction save Battlefield: Bad Company 2

By Trenton Schneider
Staff Writer

Calling Battlefield: Bad Company 2 just a regular first-person shooter would be a huge understatement. Though, in certain aspects, it is a little bit weak in its single player mode. Battlefield: Bad Company 2 brings a whole new level to the multiplayer experience. If you love explosions and destruction, then this is the game for you.

The Bad Company series is well known for its use of explosives and destructible environments. Is there a sniper that you just can't seem to get in the top of a building? Blow it up. Most buildings found in both the single-player and multiplayer game modes cannot only be damaged, but can be completely demolished. While this level of destructibility can be found in the single player mode of a few other games, none

bring the same level of destruction over to the multiplayer as well. After hearing this, one might think that there really can't be that much strategy in a game where someone can simply blow everything up, right? Wrong.

Battlefield: Bad Company 2 implements a squad-based system that adds a whole new layer of thought to the game. The squad system takes two to four players who are on the same team and groups them together. These squad mates can easily locate and communicate with one another.

As an added benefit, by assisting your squad mates you can gain experience points more quickly. This will greatly assist players as they progress through the class and level system. Many of you may think that having a class or a leveling system isn't really that big of a deal since many multiplayer first person shooters have decided to add these features. What sets Battlefield:

Bad Company 2 apart in this aspect is the fact that though it does have a class and leveling system that is similar to most games of the genre, it does boast the attribute that you can fully customize different classes mid battle. This means that if you find yourself in the middle of a battle with classes set up to fight against other regular players and then find yourself on the underside of a tank, you can easily reset a class to show that tank that he was messing with the wrong person.

Of course tanks will not be the only vehicle that you will come across in the game. You will be able to both fight against and drive vehicles such as tanks, jeeps with mounted turrets, boats with mounted turrets and even attack helicopters.

The only problem that the game seems to have comes into play during the single player mode. Though the gameplay itself is as fun and the humor

that the Bad Company series is known for is fully intact, the downside comes in the form of the story. Many games of the first person shooter genre suffer from the fact that the single player has a story line that can be thin, boring or overly predictable and Bad Company 2 is no exception. Of course, when you are in the middle of a firefight where you throw a grenade to make a hole in a wall so that you can shoot the sniper in the tower, which lets you plant C4 on a tank in order to destroy it, are you going to think that was awesome or that the plot is a little bit thin?

Overall, Battlefield: Bad Company 2 is a fun game that you will want to come back to again and again. The single player is fun even with its drawbacks and the multiplayer will leave you craving more because who doesn't want to be the guy who took out half of the opposing team by bringing down an entire building around them?

Over the knee boots a must for taller ladies during the fall

By Casey Pantalone
Staff Writer

Ladies, I am always talking clothes, but what if we took a different spin right now and talked about one of the most crucial things a woman can do to improve her look? Yes, I'm talking about the manicure.

Blacks and bright purples are completely last year. This fall, we're talking browns, olive greens, deep reds, and off shades of purple. I mean, honestly girlies, you don't want to be walking around with raggedy, jagged nails like some hippie chick, right? Hippie is out ladies. Time to trim up that shaggy look with something

sweet, bold, and dare I say it, classic.

You can get these awesome colors at a low price by a brand called Essie. If you want to go a little more high-end you can always look into OPI Nail Color or even go to a department store and grab something by Chanel or Mac. Like I said, classic.

Of course, I have to hit on clothes. Bold necklines such as a square neck or cowl neck are very big this year. Grey is a fall must and, in my opinion, MUST be worn with everything. Muted jewel tones are also on the must-list and really set off your summer tan. And, of course, fall's biggie: over the knee boots.

I personally tried on a gorgeous pair of over the knee boots and I must say they were not working for

me. The reason being, I'm just too short! I mean, I stand at 5 foot 1. So for you petite little girls, like me, don't wear high boots above the knee. Wear them below. Please understand the sacrifice I'm making by not wearing them myself because, truth be told, I j'adore over the knee boots. They just don't work for me. So sad. As for all you tall ladies, strut your stuff. Wear them well, and know that I'll be envying all of you for being able to pull them off!

Wear your clothes well and remember to smile. Confidence is the best and most inexpensive way to pull an outfit together.

Greek week hits campus

By **Elizabeth Ellis**
Staff Writer

Over the next week, students may notice large groups of people on campus dressed in the garb of ancient Greece, bearing attitudes of extreme competitiveness, and they may begin to wonder what all of the hubbub is about. Luckily, Greek Life Coordinator Meredith McCrea was able to provide some insight. These happenings on campus are indeed the upshot of a battle of epic proportions— it's Greek Week at High Point University.

Greek Week is a week-long competition composed of various events that the members of High Point University's sororities and fraternities participate in. This year, the 15 Greek chapters are divided into five teams, with each team representing three organizations. Activities include philanthropy, athletic, and performance events (among these are lip-sync and toga bowling) and will conclude on Sunday with a cookout and awards ceremony.

Although non-Greek students can not participate in the competition, there are certain events that everyone is encouraged to attend. Students can get involved in philanthropy events that include a blood drive and a "Canstruction" canned food drive, and are also invited to the Slane patio Saturday afternoon to watch the Greek teams perform their own skits in the "Lip-sync" competition.

High Point University is home to eight sororities and seven fraternities, and each supports a national philanthropy organization. To become Greek, students must have completed at least one semester of coursework and have a minimum 2.5 grade

point average. Recruitment will begin with information sessions in the Fall semester and conclude with new members being selected during the Spring semester. Male students can become a member of a Greek organization in the fall, but must have a sophomore standing or higher. Approximately 30 percent of High Point University students belong to a Greek organization.

McCrea argues that the benefits of being in a Greek organization are invaluable. Each chapter has a system of rituals and set of principals on which they were formed, and McCrea believes that to join a Greek organization is to connect oneself with those values and the history that has made the organization into what it is today. McCrea has also found that friendships formed within a chapter

are unique because while members share a common thread, the organization brings together people of varied talents and perspectives. In addition to the friendships formed, there are also numerous leadership opportunities within a chapter.

In the Spring, the Greek Organizations will hold a new-member education series of events to educate members about such things as alcohol, making responsible choices and how to behave with proper etiquette. McCrea hopes that in the future a cultural component will be added as well.

Students interested in becoming members of Greek organizations can contact McCrea at greek@highpoint.edu or visit the Office of Student Life on the third floor of the Slane Center for more information.

Greek Week Events

All Week: Greek God and Goddess Penny Wars

Monday:

Banner competition in Slane
Greek Olympics on Intramural Fields, 4 p.m.

Tuesday:

Blood Drive in Slane; Pizza, Wings & Pie Eating
Contest at Amphitheater, 6 p.m.

Wednesday:

Toga Bowling at Tar Heel Lanes 7:30 p.m.

Thursday:

Intramural Competition
Finch Volleyball Court/Intramural Fields, 4 p.m.

Saturday:

Lip Sync

College Republicans to host former presidential advisor Karl Rove

By **Amanda Tilley**
Staff Writer

The High Point University College Republicans will be hosting guest speaker Karl Rove tonight at 8 p.m. in the Hayworth Fine Arts Center.

Rove is a controversial conservative political activist most widely known as serving on the George W. Bush Administration as the senior advisor and deputy chief of staff. While serving in the Bush administration Rove oversaw the Offices of Strategic Initiative, Political Affairs, Public Liaison, and Intergovernmental Affairs.

The controversy surrounding Rove involves his association with many political scandals, including the Valerie Plame affair, also known as the CIA leak scandal, the Bush White House e-mail controversy and the related

dismissal of U.S. attorneys.

His political activism began at a young age with an interest in the Republican Party and support for Richard Nixon. He continued to participate in politics throughout his adolescence and attended the University of Utah, University of Texas- Austin and George Mason University.

"Any time people are talking about politics they are taking the first steps towards becoming politically conscious and politically active."

Dr. Mark Setzler, associate professor of political science, believes that Rove's appearance will spark increased political discussion on campus. "Any time you bring such a polarizing figure onto a college campus it

will cause a bit of a stir," Setzler said. "I believe that this is a good thing. Any time people are talking about politics they are taking the first steps towards becoming politically conscious and politically active. Whatever inspires them to start that process is good."

In his younger days, Rove sat as the executive director and chairman of the College Republican National Committee.

The HPU College Republicans came in contact with Rove through the Young Americans Foundation.

College Republican chairman John Gillespie is hoping for a large turnout. "Whether you are a Republican or not you should still go see what he has to say," said Gillespie. "It should be a very interesting night!"

Tickets are available through the Campus Concierge and IDS credit is being given for the event.

SGA Update

When's the next meeting?
Sept. 30 at 7 p.m.

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Freshman v. sophomore: the 'battle' for setter

By **Steven Haller**
Sports Editor

One of the storylines surrounding the High Point volleyball team this season is the battle at the setter position. Sophomore Stephanie Kaminskas and freshman Maddie Simpson are the two players that have been contending for the setter position this year.

"It is going to be a battle all season long," says head coach Jason Oliver. "I really hope that both of them [Kaminskas and Simpson] embrace it and bring the best out in each other."

Upon listening to this, Kaminskas said, "I think that is a very true statement. We are both very talented, but we are young, so we have a lot to learn. I think that having a battle will make us improve."

Simpson added, "It makes me more excited to go out there and I know that I really have to prove myself. I also think that the fight between us really helps the team."

According to Oliver, the setter that will earn the starting job will

be reassessed on a week by week basis. Both Kaminskas and Simpson will continue to get a chance to start and whoever proves to be the most consistent will earn the starting spot for the next week.

"It all comes down to consistency," said Coach Oliver. "It also helps the team to know who is going to be the starter all weekend, so they can

establish consistency in their play as well, and give them one less thing to worry about on the floor."

The battle for the setter position is a challenge that the team faces every day. Even though there is an intense intra-team competition, both Kaminskas and Simpson are making it a very cooperative effort because both of them believe in putting the team before themselves.

"It has been really tough; that is for sure," said Simpson. "In practices, we will give each other hints, help each other out and really focus on getting everything better with our position."

Kaminskas added,

"I think it is great to have a competition because neither of us is just given the spot and we have to work for it."

Simpson earned the start at setter at the Arizona State tournament on Sept. 10-11. She accumulated 47, 23, and 50 assists in that order in the three games she started there. On the season as a whole, Simpson has been afforded the opportunity to play in 34 sets this season, earning 281 total assists on 842 attempts, which is good for a .334 average as of Sept. 13.

Kaminskas has only played in 15 sets, accumulating 85 total assists on 289 attempts, which puts her average at .294 as of Sept. 13.

The average for a setter is a percentage of how many times the setter sets the ball up for a spike and the hitter converts that into a kill. This can be likened to the quarterback position in American football, where the average for a quarterback is a percentage of how many times the quarterback passes the ball and the wide receiver converts that into a completion.

"We are kind of like the quarterback of a team," said

Kaminskas. "We call the plays before the serve comes and we run the court. The offense relies on us to get the ball to the hitters and basically take control."

Simpson added, "We need to create an offense that is not so simple for the other team to read."

Despite Kaminskas' and Simpson's best efforts to do just that, the Panthers

are only 2-8 as of Sept. 13. However, four of those eight losses were matches that were decided in a tiebreaking fifth set.

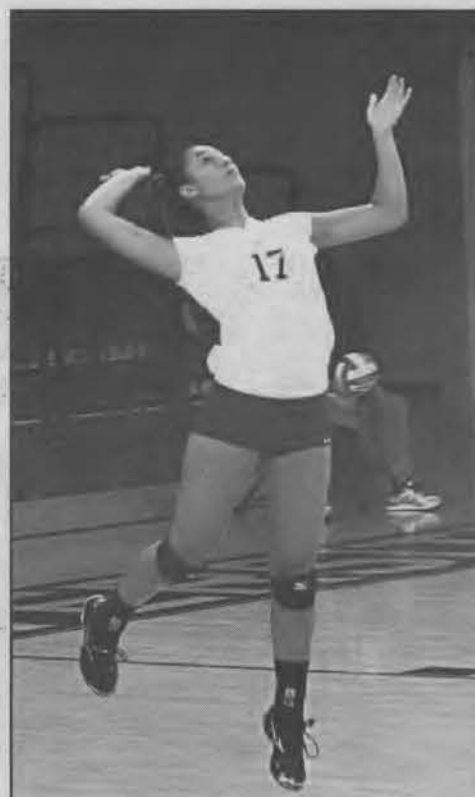
The low record was almost expected since Coach Oliver created a rigorous schedule to better prepare the team for conference play and eventually the conference tournament.

It will be determined if that strategy pays off when conference play begins for the Panthers this Friday, Sept. 24 in Rock Hill, S.C., where they will take on archrival Winthrop.



Sophomore Stephanie Kaminskas prepares to return a ball.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins



Freshman Maddie Simpson serves the ball during a game.

Photo provided by HPU Sports Information

Men's soccer shoots for goal of 13-plus wins

By **Pat Budd**
Staff Writer

The HPU men's soccer team opened the season with an electric 1-0 victory over Elon in front of 1,515 fans at Vert Stadium on Sept. 1. The only goal came on a penalty kick by Kero Okiomah in the 82nd minute after a handball penalty. The record crowd finally erupted after a silent scoring first half despite seven shots on goals by HPU.

Redshirt sophomore Ryan Bennett drew the penalty by crossing the ball that grazed the forearm of an Elon defender and set up Okiomah for the game-winning penalty kick.

Okiomah, the 2010 Big South Conference Preseason Player of the Year, coincidentally scored the game

winning goal last year at Elon in another 1-0 victory for the Panthers.

"Elon for the past three or four years has been our opening game and as a team it is always important for us to start our season out on the right note," said Bennett. "To see 1500 fans packed in to the stadium and people sitting on the side gives you an extra boost that Elon doesn't have."

After a good start at home, the Panthers traveled to James Madison University to play in the JMU Comfort Inn Invitational. The team played two games against St. Francis University and Rider University. After a tough 2-0 loss to St. Francis in the first game, the team regrouped and cruised to a 5-0 overwhelming victory over Rider. The

team had eight shots on goal scoring on five of them. Goals were scored by Shane Malcolm, Scott Rojo, Shawn Sloan, Fejiro Okiomah, and Ryan Bennett.

"We ran into a crossroads this past weekend. We felt like it was a make or break game Sunday [against Rider] because of the loss we took Friday night," said Bennett, who also stressed the passion that the team has been playing with compared to last season.

Last year the Panthers finished 9-7-2 and missed their goal of winning the conference by losing in the first round of the conference tournament. The Panthers, who have been predicted to win the Big South Conference this year, know they have a lot to live up to.

"This year we are a stronger team and much more determined and ready to fulfill the high praises our team has been given," said Bennett. "It is a great honor, but it means nothing to us. We have to go out and prove it."

The team has set season goals of winning 13 plus games this year and again is seeking to win the Big South Conference. The team would also like to get a bid to play in the NCAA Tournament this year, which would come with a conference tournament win.

"Personal goals have been set aside because it's all about the team," said Bennett.

The Panthers will host Gardner-Webb at Vert Stadium this Friday Sept. 25 at 7 p.m.

Hopes up for women's soccer despite tough matches

By **Brian Brennan**
Staff Writer

With a 2-5 start, the women's soccer team is experiencing growing pains. The team went five games without a win and on top of the losing streak the team has been shutout in all five matches. However, head coach Marty Beall has still been pleased with the results so far.

"Even though our results don't show it, we are very pleased with where we are right now as a team," Beall said. "We still have a lot of things to work on, but we are very pleased with how the girls are playing."

There were some positives for Beall, notably the play of two of his

true freshmen. "Two freshmen have really stood out so far for us in Brooke Lisson and Kelli Joline," Beall said. "All the players are doing well and working hard, but these two have exceeded all expectations so far. Their future with this program is so bright!"

The statistics back up Beall's claim. Joline has started all seven games and had 11 shots, an assist, and a goal. In the Carolina Cup, Joline was named to the All-Tournament team. Lisson has been just as productive, starting all seven games and scoring a goal.

The Panthers season may have been revitalized in a crucial showdown with ACC opponent Clemson in the Carolina Cup. The Panthers trailed early 2-1 but

came back to shock the home team 4-3. Two goals by junior Katie Taber, who now has four on the season, helped spark the team to their second win. Senior Sara Rager and Lisson added goals. Beall thinks games like the Clemson win will help his team prepare for conference play.

"We have an extremely difficult non-conference schedule with games against Duke, Furman, Clemson, Wake Forest, Western Carolina and UNC Charlotte," said Beall. "We will continue to use these games to prepare us for conference play."

This season so far has been a mirror image of last season, which ultimately ended in glory for the Panthers. In 2009,

they got off to a poor start by starting the season 0-7-1 playing non-conference opponents such as top ranked Wake Forest and Virginia Tech.

However, the Panthers finished strong and went into the Big South Tournament on a roll and proceeded to win the championship.

This Clemson win, topped with a strong performance against 14th-ranked Wake Forest on Friday, Sept. 17, could be the spark for another dramatic championship season.

"Once conference play begins in October, I feel that we will be one of the best in the league and experience a lot of success this year," said Beall.

Four fresh legs join cross country teams

By **Emma Nichols**
Staff Writer

Most runners find a desire to run after competing on different sports teams as they grow up. Maybe from enjoying the timed mile the soccer coach had players run for tryouts, or full field sprints during lacrosse practice. However, this was not the case for sophomore Kaylyn Peck from Lutherville, Md.

"I started running when I was 6 years old; my elementary school had a program called Road Runners. Kids would wear t-shirts that came down to their knees," Peck, who ran her first 5k when she was eight years old, explains.

Peck's father, Henry Peck, is an ultra marathon runner who introduced her to running and the pair often goes on long runs together. Their boxer lab mutt mix sometimes joins the run, serving as another beneficial running companion. For Kaylyn, running is an activity that her whole family enjoys. Her brother, Graham Peck, was also a ½-mile/1-mile/2-mile runner in high school and is now on the Virginia Tech Triathlon team.

The night before a race, Peck has an unusual routine. She draws out the course on an index card, marks specific spots on the course and writes down thoughts to think about during the race.

"I am not superstitious, I wear my old navy socks, and I don't worry about what I eat or drink the day before. I don't worry about small things," says Peck.

Despite having a successful running career thus far, Kaylyn

has overcome a few obstacles.

"In high school I had on and off shin splints that caused stress fractures. I also had a bone bruise on the bottom of my foot," adds Peck.

In her free time, Kaylyn likes to play volleyball, work on studio art and nap. She deserves her naps with her schedule; she keeps busy with working to complete a business major with a minor in marketing and studio art. Peck has high goals for herself for the future. She currently has a marketing internship at Morgan Stanley.

"I love it; I hope to get a marketing job with some business after college," said Peck. But running will always be a part of her future. "I want to go straight into running marathons after college. I

have a life goal of breaking three hours in the marathon, and then I'll die happy."

Freshman Patrick Crawford of Kernersville, N.C., found his drive to pursue running on his own. While participating in soccer when he was younger, he found a love for running.

"I always wanted to be better at sports," Crawford explains. "I would run three or four miles before going to practice."

Crawford's parents pushed him to be the best he could be and were always encouraging. Their positive "get after it" attitude really paid off. Crawford was named Big South Cross Country Runner of the Week after placing second in his first collegiate race at the Covered Bridge Open hosted by Appalachian State in Boone on Sept. 3. He led

HPU to a runner-up team finish there.

On his free time, Patrick enjoys riding bikes (trail riding and BMX riding), rock climbing, and other outdoor activities. He enjoys running trail races, including one that is a race to the top of Grandfather Mountain.

Crawford is currently majoring in exercise science and has a real interest in studying nutrition.

"After college I'd like to get out and start living, have a base job as a nutritionist and have a few side farm jobs, like boarding horses," said Crawford.

These two High Point runners not only have a bright future with their running careers, but in their academic and other future life endeavors as well.



Freshman Patrick Crawford runs at the Covered Bridge Open in Boone on Sept. 3.

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Sophomore Kaylyn Peck runs at the Covered Bridge Open in Boone on Sept. 3.

Photo provided by HPU Sports Information

Men's golf team tees off for the fall season

By **Henry Molski**
Staff Writer

In the fast paced world of college athletics it becomes more and more rare to see long tenured coaches. Every four years a roster is completely refreshed and it is not uncommon to see a new coaching staff alongside the team. That's not the case for High Point's golf team.

The Panthers' head coach, J.B. White, will be entering his 11th season in that position. White has always been a supporter of High Point University, with his son graduating as a Panther in 1994. Looking ahead, White has high expectations for the Panthers in 2010-11.

White is eager to see junior co-captain Curtis Brotherton back on the course this year after he posted the team's lowest average score last season. Senior Hogan Nance should also have a strong season along with senior co-captain Nick Goins.

There are high expectations for sophomore Chase Wilson, who won the Zanesville District Golf Association Amateur tournament over the summer in Ohio. Needless to say, he will be an important part of the golf team over the next three years.

White will need good performances from the entire team, as he has his squad scheduled for a number of big tournaments this fall. The Sea Trail Invitational on Sept. 24-25 and the Joe Agee Invitational on Oct. 9-10 are both tournaments that should feature strong fields.

The Panthers should be well prepared with their four-hour practices that White holds Monday through Friday. Players hit balls and work on their short game at these practices and often play nine holes.

However, the adjustments on the course are not as easy to make for players who are also adjusting to college life. Freshmen Drew Peeler and Ben Gjebe have very high credentials from their high schools, but White is still watching these players adapt to the college game.

White also hopes to see the team break par in a few tournaments this year, which would certainly mean big things for the Panthers in 2010-11.



Junior Curtis Brotherton drives the ball during a recent practice session.

Photo by HPU Sports Information

Chemistry professor prepares to serve up victory at national championship

By Allison Hogshead
Copy and Design Editor

"Tennis is my main outlet outside of work," says Chris Fowler, chemistry professor.

When he's not teaching, Fowler plays doubles on a USTA league men's tennis team. It takes up most of his time outside HPU's campus; for example, a typical week for him involves four days of playing tennis plus

additional workouts several times a week "during the competitive season." He also enjoys keeping active by jogging with his black Labrador most mornings.

Sports have always been of interest to Fowler. In addition to tennis, he enjoys fishing and played competition ultimate Frisbee for 13 years. He dislocated his shoulder while learning how to snowboard last semester. Fortunately, he has recovered in time to compete with his team at nationals.

His team is a USTA 4.5 league team that went 7-0 in its local league, 6-0 in the State Championships, and 5-0 in the Sectional Championships. Now they are gearing up for the national competition in Tucson, Ariz., which will take place Oct. 8 through 10.

While the team he plays for competes on hard

courts, he enjoys the fact that Greensboro has so many clay court facilities. "Moving here got me back into tennis because it is so prevalent here," Fowler said.

Originally from Flint, Mich., Fowler started teaching at HPU in spring 2007—the year after the tennis program was cut. "I was heartbroken when I found out it was the first year there was no tennis team. I think it's a sport HPU could be competitive in if they decided to bring it back," Fowler said. He would eventually like to be able to start another team here.

His passion for the sport shows. When asked to name his favorite professional men's tennis player, Fowler instantly named John McEnroe, Andre Agassi, and Roger Federer. He looks to the Bryan brothers and the Williams sisters for doubles inspiration.



Fowler prepares to return a serve with his Prince XO3 Black Team racquet.
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Fowler makes a play off the net. His fastest serves were clocked in the 110s and 120s.

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Above: Kappa Sigma brothers and Zeta Tau Alpha sisters form a conga line at Lip Sync. Below: Three sisters wait for their turn to dance. Photos by Adam Spear



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"I wonder if it will affect my education over the next three years. It will be interesting to see how things progress."

Blake Collins, sophomore

"It makes me want to stay here longer, I'm about to get four degrees from this school!"

Andrew David, sophomore

"It is a great plan, but where is this money coming from?"

Tyler Di Mattia, sophomore

"I think it is good for the school as long as it is focused on education."

Kelsey Moriarty, sophomore

"I think it's really exciting!"

Alyssa Di Iorio, sophomore

"Tuition is probably going to go up, but it is still cool. As long as my tuition doesn't go up that much, I'm excited about it."

Thomas Garbarino, sophomore

"I think it is great! It kind of sucks we won't be affected by it."

Matt Hukill, sophomore

Critters on campus: pets require more than students can handle

By Jenna Beal
Staff Writer



Who wouldn't want a cute pet to play with? Honestly, one would only find a handful of people saying they would not.

This year it seems as though having pets on campus is a rising trend.

At first when I thought of writing this article, I was so dead set on arguing that allowing pets on campus is a good idea because I love animals and they act as good companions. But, after further investigation, I realized that college students might not be able to take on the

necessary responsibilities that pets require.

Some pets, such as fish, snakes and turtles, do not require a lot of responsibility or concern. However, kittens and puppies do. They are similar to infants and need almost 24/7 nurturing, supervision and attention.

Typical days for students include class, homework, studying, sleeping and meeting up with friends. There seems to be no time for letting a puppy out to go to the bathroom, changing the cat's litter box, refilling the water bowl, feeding or any of the numerous tasks that come along with taking care of a dependent animal.

Buying a pet also may not be financially suitable for full-time students. Not only does the actual pet cost money, but then add in food, toys, a cage and veterinarian visits. It all adds up.

At first, a new pet may seem so exciting, but after some time it loses its fascination. After that it becomes a chore.

For example, I have a friend who bought a brand new puppy and attempted to keep it on campus. After a couple weeks he was too busy with other activities and did not have time to take care of the puppy properly. That person is now in the process of finding a new home for it.

On the weekends most students would rather not

worry about classes or homework, preferring instead to go out. This also leaves the pet all alone in the room with no one to take care of it. Situations like this can lead to more drastic situations where the pet becomes neglected.

"I feel that college kids are too irresponsible to take care of pets on campus because all they are concerned with are their social lives," said Kristy Stiles, a sophomore at HPU.

Aside from these observations, pets on campus may not be best for students well-being. Pets can be a danger to students on campus because animals are sometimes uncontrollable. Some people are already scared of animals and seeing one on campus might make them feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

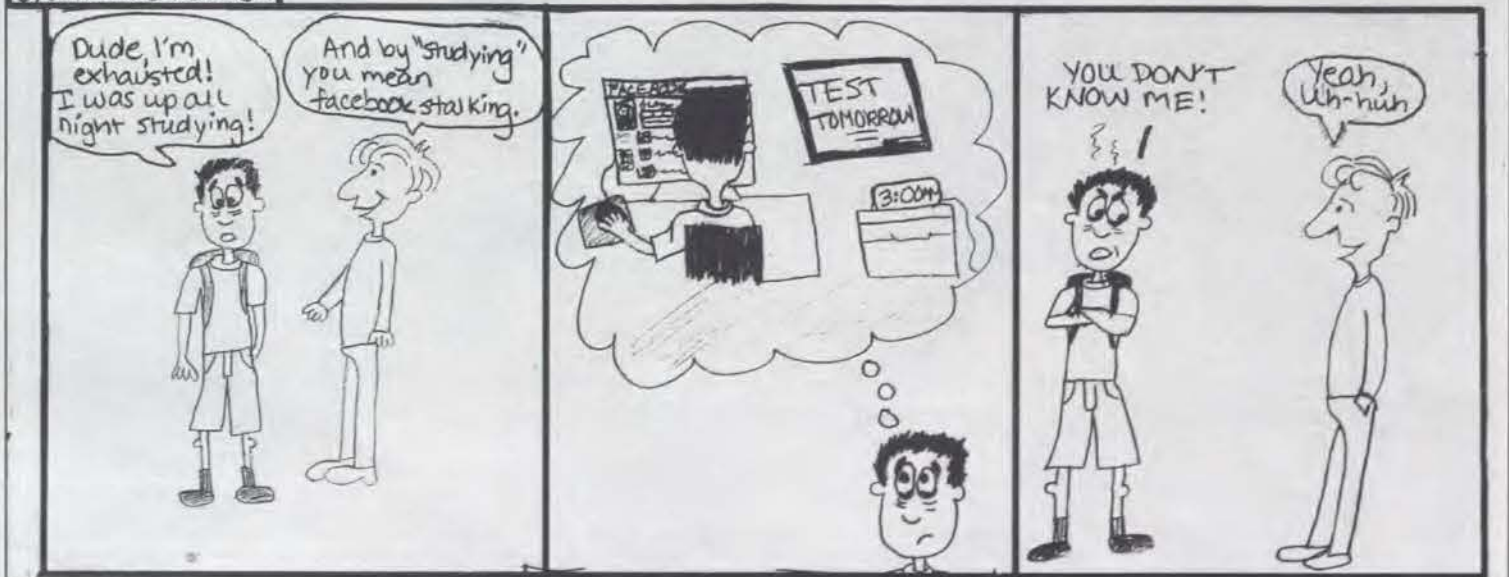
Pets are great for companionship but they do not belong in a college atmosphere. Students should focus on schoolwork and being socially active on campus instead of taking care of a living thing so dependent on their care.



Katie Nelson with her newly adopted dog Cinnamon whom she chose to raise at home and not on campus.

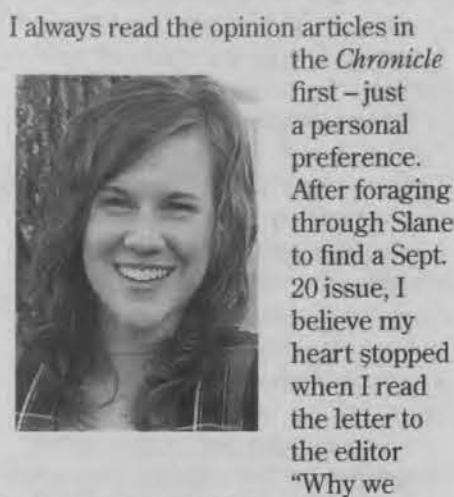
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"Studying" By: Alaina Farrish



Learn to limit labels on life

By Amanda Mayes
Staff Writer



I always read the opinion articles in the *Chronicle* first – just a personal preference. After foraging through Slane to find a Sept. 20 issue, I believe my heart stopped when I read the letter to the editor “Why we decided to bring Karl Rove to HPU.”

In John Gillespie’s final paragraph he wrote, “The conservative message that Karl Rove will deliver....not only aligns with the missions and goals of the College Republicans, but also of our university.”

I have been around academia my entire life – my father is a college professor. I have spent countless dinners discussing university politics and countless hours in his office watching the trials and tribulations of a professor first hand. Therefore, I consider myself qualified to inform you that it should never be the objective of a college or university to push a political ideology.

Humans have a unique ability to politicize and place labels on everything imaginable.

Think about it. In this election year, what have you heard continuously in the news? Democrat. Republican. Independent. Tea Party.

These labels do little in

demonstrating a candidate’s ability to do a job or in defining a candidate’s actual beliefs. They create issues that should not be political nor factor into a midterm election. These labels cause excellent ideas to be written off simply because they stem from one political party or the other.

Politics is not black and white. Politics is comprised of many shades of grey, and these shades are well-hidden by ignorance of the system and refusal to find common ground.

The abuse of stereotypes or labels is not synonymous with politics, but also occurs in most other aspects of life.

I suppose labels exist for a reason; we live in a highly confusing world, and labels are necessary to make order out of chaos. Yet, so many people fail to notice the subtle and vital variations in all aspects of life that make it worth living. Labels serve as restraints and perpetuate stereotypes, preventing us from connecting with each other on a basic and true level.

I urge you to step back and think about this for a moment.

Unfortunately, life is always going to be confusing. Learn to deal with that confusion and use it to thrive. Stop using stereotypes as a barricade or defense mechanism. Stop using different political ideologies and political parties as a vehicle for division and a tool for disunity. Open up your mind and heart to a world that does not exist in black and white. Allow all the variations of color to shine through. Open the doors to the full life that has the potential to come from an open mind and a willingness to abandon inflexible notions of what is right and what is wrong.

IT: informative and timely

Staff Editorial

We have many amenities here at HPU, ranging from getting our dry-cleaning done through the Concierge to riding around in a genuine trolley.

One amenity that is not advertised in our daily email updates is the Department of Information Technology. Located on the first floor of Norcross Graduate School, the IT guys assist students and faculty in their technological needs and oversee the technology for the whole university.

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They also aid faculty with technology problems. One technology-illiterate professor familiar to our editors always had trouble setting up the PowerPoint

onto the projection screen. A member of IT would always either talk her through it over the phone or walk over to our classroom and assist her.

There are many other things IT handles that are seen

every day but you may not think about. When you register for classes, use any computer on campus or use the wireless Internet, IT is a part of that.

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The curse of ‘fad’ diets: tons of stress and no success

By Liz Welborn
Staff Writer



Why don’t people realize what the word “fad” means in the ever-popular fad diets? Here’s your sign: it’s not going to work.

The weight that you melt off is a fad – only temporary. It will inevitably come right back to your hips and thighs.

So put down that pill, stop making that smoothie, and start doing the simplest thing

out there: exercise and change your lifestyle!

I purposely omit the curse word “diet” because that will put a negative spin on what you want to do. Diets mean that you are only going to change your habits for a temporary amount of time.

This doesn’t work!

A lifestyle change is what you need to keep the weight off. You

have to change your eating behaviors for good, not just

for a few weeks or months. Otherwise, you will pack the pounds back on again.

Trust me, I know what I’m talking about. I lost over 40 pounds in the past year by keeping it simple and deciding to change for good. It seems crazy that I’ve tried diet pills, shakes, or other ridiculous tricks when all I really needed is healthy eating and exercise. I know that temptation to eat the wrong things, or to eat too much of them, will always haunt me. If you are looking for the easy way out...there are none.

I know, I make it sound so terrifying. However, it doesn’t have to be. You can do whatever you set yourself up to do; I know from experience.

“You can do
whatever you
set yourself
up to do.”

A moment with the editors

Nickname

Favorite job

Favorite band

Worst fear

Katie Nelson
Editor-in-Chief



Staffy or Cloudflower

Mini-golf course &
arcade

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Halo: Reach— new and improved

By Trent Schneider
Staff Writer

The long wait is finally over: Halo: Reach is here. What is in store for the loyal fans in this final installment of the dynasty that is Halo? Simply put—a lot.

The first thing you will have to do when starting up the game is to customize your character. You might think that it's weird to have to create your multiplayer character as soon as you turn on the game, but you will soon find out that though this is the character you will use in the multiplayer game, it is also the character you will use in the single player campaign.

This customization also means that players can finally play as a female character. The creators also decided to change how players earned different customizations. Instead of simply judging what a player can use by the accomplishments in the Halo career,

there is a new money system, which is used along with the old system of player accomplishments.

The player controls Noble 6—the newest member of Noble team, which is a squad of Spartans. Noble 6's first assignment on Noble team is on planet Reach and, as the other Halo games hint, Reach is a bad first assignment.

The single player campaign places the player in a beautiful world with a well-developed cast of characters. Along with the many gameplay improvements, Halo: Reach delivers great visuals and a very smooth experience.

Though the core features of the multiplayer have stayed the same, there have been many improvements in Halo: Reach to improve an already fun experience. These improvements aren't limited to gameplay, including tweaks to the pre-game lobby system.

One of these enhancements is the addition of finding out what kind of players a person wants to co-op with

and then finding a game that fits these specifications. To do this, the game asks simple questions, such as "Do you like to talk to other players during a match?" and "Are you playing competitively or just for fun?" Once you fill out this small survey you are matched up with players who have similar answers to yours.

Another new feature for the pre-game lobby is the auto-mute. With this turned on, everyone you play with is muted by default and can be manually unmuted instead of having to manually mute players who decide to leave their microphone on while they carry on a loud conversation with their mothers. Another interesting pre-game lobby feature is the ability to vote from a group of different levels instead of only being able to veto the map that is already selected.

An additional development to the game targets the area of power-ups. In the previous Halo game, power-ups could be used only once and the player

didn't always have the choice of when to use it. In Halo: Reach, once you get a power-up, you keep it until you pick up a new one.

Once a player uses a power-up, it recharges and can then be used again. Each power-up has a different recharge time depending on what it does. Camouflage power-ups have a longer recharge time than others, such as sprinting. These additions allow players to have complete control of how they use a power-up while balancing how often they can use them.

Of course, these are only a few of the many new features that have been added or updated in the creation of Halo: Reach. Overall the game continues the great gaming experience that has caused players to come back time and time again. Even those new to the series will find Halo: Reach fun and entertaining as they play this prequel to the Halo series.

Cobra Starship descends on HPU fall concert

By Nicole White
Staff Writer

An estimated 2,000 students packed the lawn at Roberts Hall on Sept. 24 to dance, scream and listen to music at the annual fall concert featuring Cobra Starship.

The concert opened with local singer Chris Lane. Many students seemed to enjoy the concert regardless of whether or not they had previously heard Lane or Cobra Starship.

"I didn't know a lot of their music, but I really enjoyed it because they were bringing people on stage and getting really into it," said sophomore Beth Walburg.

Prior to the concert, around 50 students got to go behind the scenes to meet Cobra Starship and take pictures. The students were selected from a group who submitted letters telling the student activities committee why they wanted to meet the band.

Amy Jones, a senior, composed one

of the selected letters. "I wrote about the fact that it was my senior year and I never really won anything so this would make my senior year awesome."

The letters gave Director of Student Activities Hillary Kokajko goose bumps to read.

"It's really exciting to see how picking Cobra Starship has altered these people's lives," Kokajko said. "I'm glad that we have the opportunity to give that to our students."

Jones was impressed with the band

members. "They were super friendly, chill guys. You could tell they were excited to meet us."

Now, the question on everyone's mind is after a successful fall concert, who will be performing in the upcoming spring? The campus activities team is considering a few different bands and also a DJ named Girltalk. A DJ has never been seriously considered in the past, but would provide students with a different and unique experience in comparison to a typical concert.

Fall fun word find

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All hail Caesar...Slade?

By Lindsay Wolf
Staff Writer

Have you ever considered getting into the music industry, but thought it was too hard from a small-town background? A local rapper called Caesar has broken into the music industry with confidence and individuality despite some obstacles along the way.

Caesar, with the birth name Dennis Slade, has lived in the Triad area for some time, and still has family living here. In the past few months, Caesar's career as an independent rap artist has begun to expand from promotions and networking. Breaking into the music industry from a more local environment has proven to be a lot of hard work.

"I drink coffee like it's water now because I never get to sleep," Slade said.

The hardest part of this already difficult process was the producing. This can be more challenging for a local artist because producers are not always keen on the more localized style of music. Slade even advises rising local artists to work on their own.

"Corporate America is not the way to go," Slade said. "I advise any local independent artists to remain independent. You'll make more money as an independent artist rather than going through the middle man."

A tip he has for working independently is to develop an independent record label with its own business license and copyright. That way, if a bigger business notices the artist, it will have to buy the artist out, leaving the artist with a bigger profit.

After overcoming these barriers, the next step in the music process for Slade is to continue recording and hopefully have some local shows and promotions. His producer, the group Lunchmoney, has helped him throughout the process and he thanks Twitter for help with networking.

"It's all about who you know in this industry," Slade said.

After developing relationships, local artists should decide what they want to make of their career and how hard they are willing to work in order to succeed.

"I feel like I'm next," Slade said. "I don't think anyone else locally works as hard and is as devoted as I am."

In Slade's case, he gets his inspiration for success and for his music from struggles and situations that he encounters daily. He plans to release his mix tape, "Standing Ovation," early next year as a showcase of what he has accomplished.

"I decided on the name of the mix tape from me being so young and going through a lot of hardships and still waking up smiling," Slade said. "I deserve a standing ovation."

After developing a fan base, he would like to have local shows and was even thinking of having one on campus. He has also worked with local radio stations, such as 102 Jamz. By getting his name out there, he can help represent the local artist demographic within North Carolina and show that anything is possible through hard work and dedication.

"Music is my life, period," Slade said. "And I plan to become the voice of North Carolina."

True Blood cast members dazzle fans in Greensboro

By Alexis Catanzarite
Staff Writer

It was like Halloween had come just a little early at The Carolina Theater on Sept. 12. People held up signs proclaiming "Vampire Rights!" with black hair and white fangs as they crowded outside the theater in a spectacle of wigs, outfits and, best of all, fake blood.

There was no faking the excitement when a chance to watch the season finale of HBO's smash-hit *True Blood* with three cast members was at stake. Local radio stations 107.5 KZL and Rock 92 had promoted the event for two weeks. At the finale, they hosted karaoke, sign, and costume contests all in the name of HBO's hit television series.

Kristen Bauer van Straten, who plays a cold and heartless vampire named Pam, was the first to walk the red carpet and thank all the fans for coming out to see the show.

"Who knew that such a loyal group of fans was here in Greensboro?" Bauer van Straten said. "It's so exciting to see everyone and how much they appreciate the show!"

Bauer van Straten was followed by Todd Lowe and Kevin Alejandro, who just recently joined the cast. After



Pictured: Kevin Alejandro and Kristen Bauer talking to reporters
Photo courtesy of Photo Innovations

asking the actors how they felt about the turnout, they all gave the same amazed response.

"This is totally new to me," Bauer van Straten said.

Kevin Alejandro agreed, adding, "This has been really exciting... I'm looking forward to next season."

Alejandro's character, Jesus, has been involved in some very steamy scenes with fan favorite Lafayette, played by Nelsan

Ellis. Are they awkward for the actors?

"There's real chemistry there," Alejandro said. "It's not simulated. We just play off of each other really well."

When asked about it later on stage, Alejandro rehashed what that first kiss was like.

"I was really nervous about it," he recalled. "I watched that episode with my wife for the first time and after that scene she turned to me and said, 'That

was kind of hot.'"

Todd Lowe was all smiles as he walked the red carpet.

"You know this whole fan thing is completely new to us, and we really didn't expect the show to become as big as it has," Lowe said. "It's a great feeling."

Lowe described what it was like to play Terry Bellefleur, a character who is a veteran of the Iraq War.

"I tried to stick with the feel of a very disgruntled and somewhat shell shocked veteran trying to fit back in to things," he said. "In all, I don't really have a model. I just make it up the best I can as we go."

The night went wonderfully, with many excited fans being admitted in the end to fill the theater for the final countdown to the finale. The cast members sat together for a brief Q&A on stage before the show started. Cheers, laughs, screams and shouts filled the theater as the show ended leaving fans with much anticipation for the next season.

How did such a successful show premiere its finale in Greensboro? Because there are more people watching *True Blood* in Greensboro than in any other place in the country. Why? Lowe has an answer. "Intelligent and sexy people congregate in central North Carolina."

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Raleigh Amphitheater

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www.raleighconvention.com/ampitheater

-Vampire Weekend will be heading our way on Oct. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

-Stone Temple Pilots fly-in on Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m.

-311 headlines on Oct. 30 at 8 p.m.

Check out the website for ticket prices.

Time Warner Cable Arena

333 E. Trade St., Charlotte
www.timewarnercable

-Come see Buzz and Woody on Oct. 6 through 10 for Disney on Ice Toy Story 3.

-Chelsea Handler will make an appearance on Oct. 16 at 8 p.m. on her comedy tour "Chelsea Chelsea Bang Bang."

-Oct. 30 will feature Carrie Underwood belting it out at 7:30 p.m. for \$35 to \$55.

Greensboro Coliseum

1921 W. Lee St., Greensboro
www.greensborocoliseum.com

-Daniel Tosh, of Comedy Central's "Tosh.0" will be doing a stand-up show on Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and must be purchased in advance.

-Carrie Underwood is performing on Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m. with ticket prices ranging from \$35.50 to \$55.50.

-On Oct. 30, Passion Pit will be performing at 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$21 for students with a valid ID.

LJVM Coliseum

2825 University Parkway, Winston Salem
www.ljvm.com

-Lupe Fiasco will be hitting the stage on Oct. 8 at 8 p.m. Advanced tickets are \$30 with day-of tickets \$35.

-Bob Dylan will be performing at 8 p.m. on Oct. 16 for the cheap price of \$25 (for students). Non-students can still attend for a price of \$45.

-On Oct. 22, Sublime with Rome plus the Dirty Heads are headed to the stage at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$31.50 in advance of \$36.50 the day of.

RBC Center

1400 Edwards Mill Road, Raleigh
www.rbccenter.com

-Jeff Dunham will be performing on Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$43.50.

-Salt N Pepa's Legends of Hip Hop will be on Oct. 8 at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$42.50 to \$75.

-Hank Williams Jr. and his "Rowdy Friends Tour" will take the stage on Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 to \$54.50.

-On Oct. 26, Muse will be hitting the stage along with Metric. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. with tickets at \$45 or \$55.

The Fillmore

1000 Seaboard St., Charlotte
www.livenation.com

-Oct. 13 brings Thirty Seconds To Mars at 7:30 p.m.

-Oct. 24 will feature the Black Label Bezerkus: Black Label Society, Clutch, and Children of Bodom at 7:30 p.m.

-Need to Breathe and The Daylights will be headlining on Oct. 28 at 8 p.m.

-311 will stop by and play at 8 p.m. on Oct. 29.

-The Drive-By Truckers will help celebrate Halloween on Oct. 31 at 8 p.m.

Check the website for tickets and prices.

Staff Profile: Richard Jones jams while he drives

By Christine Reinicker
Staff Writer

All of the High Point trolley drivers are unique and recognized by all the students, but when you mention the driver with his collection of classical, rhythm and blues, and rock and roll music constantly playing, everyone knows who it is.

Richard Jones is one of High Point's veteran trolley drivers. Having worked here since 2007, Jones has become a familiar face to students, freshman or seniors.

Jones grew up in High Point and had his first job as a butcher when he was 15. Although going from a butcher to a trolley driver is a huge change, Jones enjoys what he does and when asked what his favorite part about working here is, he said, "For me it's the kids. Just talking and listening to them."

While getting along so well with the students, it's understandable to hear that Jones loves spending time with his own kids and family. He has two sons and when he's not with them he is playing golf or fishing.

Besides his love for all music, "except that hip-hop stuff," he jokes, Jones' favorite movie is "In Harm's Way" and his favorite restaurant is Longhorns.

Jones is an all around happy guy. And admit it, even if you're running late to class and stuck on the trolley, we've all caught ourselves tapping our foot at least once to his rhythm and blues music.



Richard Jones works at the helm of an HPU trolley.

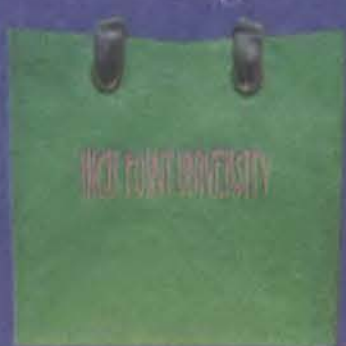
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Jon Epstein: professor, musician, film maker

By Andrew Faust
Staff Writer

How many professors do you know who are in a rock band and have worked on films that were featured on MTV, the Sundance Film Festival and the Cannes Film Festival?

Dr. Jon Epstein, instructor of sociology at HPU, has accomplished all of these things, and incorporates his past into a unique teaching method.

Having been in various bands throughout his life, Epstein incorporates music into his teaching and writings by analyzing how people use things like rock music to define themselves in everyday life.

Epstein, who is one of more than 40 new faculty members at HPU, explained that students are usually more receptive to music than they are with typical lectures.

"Music is the most effective way to get a point across," said Epstein.

Primarily a stringed-instrument musician, Epstein has played and produced music in several bands including HayMarket Riot, Last Stone Cast and Fast Chester.

As a musician, Epstein's award-winning bands have produced several albums and opened for national acts.

Along with his colleagues Pat Lichty, a media theorist and digital designer



Jackson, who is ready to give relationship advice on Facebook.

Photo provided by: Askin Jackson

at Columbia College, and Sam Seawell, a professional musician, Epstein has created two films, "Web" and "Machine," and is currently working on a new third film, titled "Convergence."



Dr. Jon Epstein has found that incorporating music into his teaching has helped him connect with students.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

The films present the effects of social media on modern society by combining digital art with music and have been featured on MTV and various film festivals, including the Sundance Film Festival and The Cannes Film Festival.

"In digital art there are no rules," said Epstein. "There is nothing you cannot do. If you can visualize something, you can create it."

"Convergence" focuses on two groups of extremists in the Middle East and how they are able to control the public through the media.

Epstein explained that modern society is a visual culture and that his films are able to present information in a way that is better understood by society through the mass media.

Additionally,

Epstein and his fiancée, Kim, serve the online community through a Facebook fan page, called "Askin' Jackson," where their dog, Jackson, assists individuals with relationship advice.

For more information on Epstein's and his music visit www.myspace.com/drjonepstein, www.myspace.com/haymarketriothmr and www.myspace.com/laststonecastlsc.

Love/Sick makes its world premiere at HPU

By Ben Hensley
Staff Writer

A unique opportunity in the collegiate theatre world has arrived on campus. John Cariani, playwright and Tony-nominated actor, has decided to premiere his play "Love/Sick," using HPU facilities, professors and students as designers, actors and crew.

The premiere will be directed by Jay Putnam, who is an Assistant Professor of Theatre. The cast has been recently rehearsing in August.

Premiering a play presents interesting challenges to a company, according to Cariani, who has already visited campus when the theatre department produced his play, *Almost, Maine*, two years ago.

"It's so fun to have a company like this, because I change things and/or write new material with specific actors in mind. They inspire the changes and the new material, because they have created the characters they are playing. And I write for them. And they take what I write off the page and

bring it to life."

Producing a premiere of a play is different than producing an older play. The design process and director's preparation normally begin weeks before the actors are even cast. But in the case of a new play, it is rarely even complete by then.

HPU theatre students have been so helpful to me."

Even after rehearsal starts, the playwright will regularly rewrite his play, and often times whole scenes that an actor memorizes will be dramatically altered, removed or doubled in size.

While a logistical nightmare, the

scenes, while isolated from each other in context of a storyline, are all united by a theme. "Love is awesome and awful," Cariani points out.

Simple words, yes.

But *Love/Sick* reveals to us this spectrum in a unique character-based exploration of outrageous yet somehow relatable characters and situations.

Love/Sick promises to be a night where one can openly laugh at the absurdity of what one may hear and see on stage, while secretly finding one of the characters or stories hitting close to home.

"I like that the HPU actors are good and kind and hard on me and have been patient when I'm stuck... I like that I have been able to be in a little creative bubble with these guys," said Cariani.

Love/Sick opened Sept. 30 and closes October 10.

Tickets are available in the Box Office at Hayworth Fine Arts Center and are free for students with an HPU Passport.



The cast of "Love/Sick" with writer John Cariani (middle) and director/professor Jay Putnam (far right).

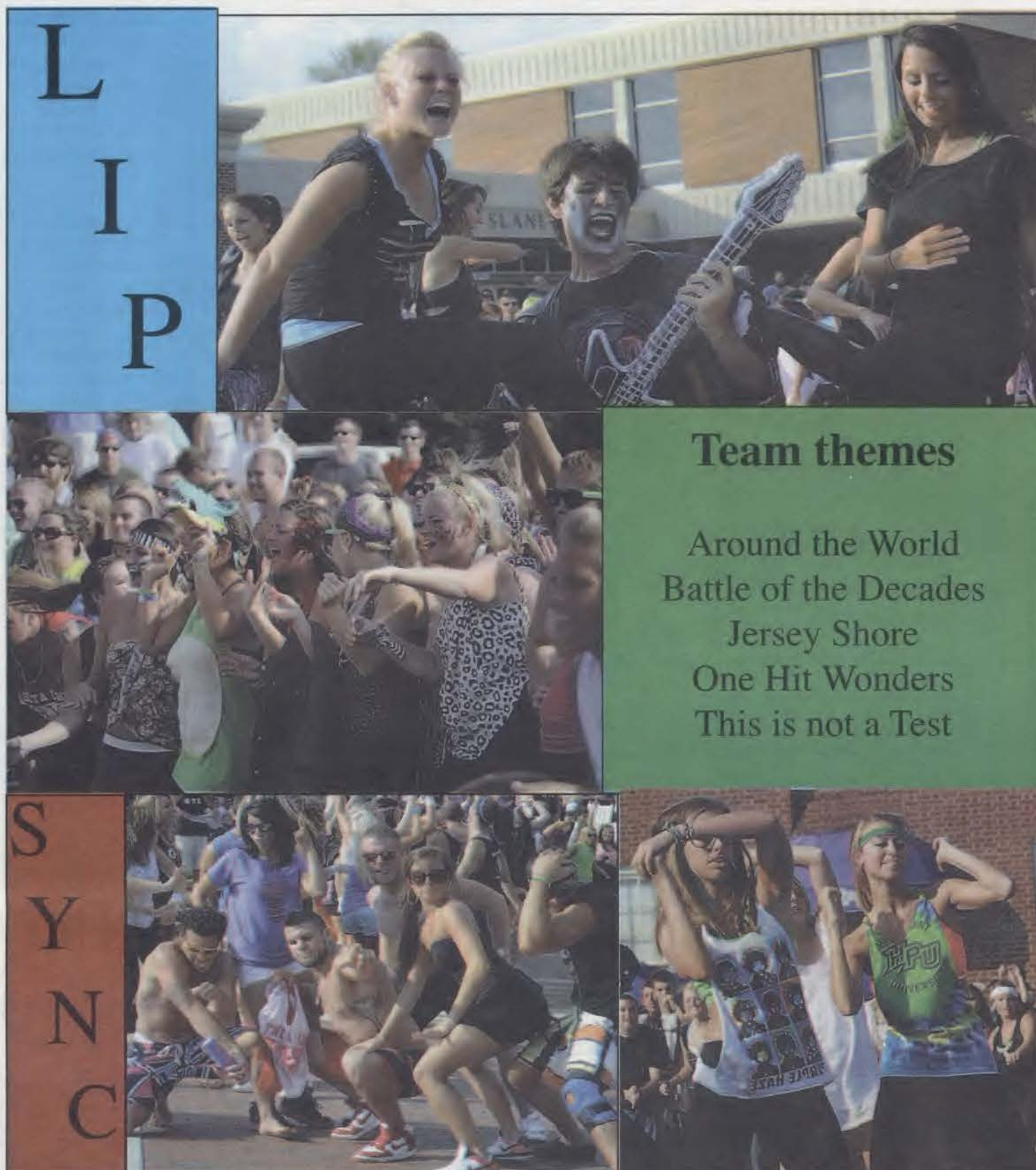
Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Cariani explains, "It's very collaborative, developing a new play. I am the playwright, but the actors and the director have so much to do with what I write. And Jay Putnam and the

process allows the actors and directors to create entire new lives as the play shapes itself into the story it will become on opening night.

Love/Sick is a play of vignettes. Eight

Lip Sync concludes Greek Week '10



Team themes

Around the World
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This is not a Test

All fraternities and sororities had their week of hard work pay off with Lip Sync concluding a memorable Greek Week. Phi Mu, Delta Sigma Phi, and Delta Sigma Theta were the overall winners of Greek Week 2010. Photos by Adam Spear

SGA Update

What's New:

~SGA forming a committee to compare the organization to six other schools

Bills Passed:

~Toccatones tuxedos

What's Next:

~one more meeting before Fall Break

- Meeting Oct 14 at 7 p.m. in Phillips 120

Get Involved:

~senators interested in being on committee should contact the executive council

Toccatones' new CD hits shelves

By Matt Wells
Organizations Editor

High Point University's male cappella group The Toccatones is set to release their first CD in seven years: *Hits from the Pitch Pipe*.

The group stayed on campus last spring during spring break and recorded the 12 tracks in the recording studio in the Qubein School of Communication. "We wanted to be professional with this one," says Clint Cooper, a senior member. "It was hard going in separate from each other to record our parts because we are one sound. This CD has much better balance this time."

"Hits from the Pitch Pipe is the result of the hard work and dedication of all the members of Toccatones, past and present," adds Harris Walker, another senior member of the group. "It represents the transformation the group has



gone through over the past few years, while still maintaining the traditional Toccatones spirit."

"Personally, I'm very excited about the release of *Hits from Pitch Pipe*. I made a promise to myself that I wouldn't leave High Point University without first recording a new Toccatones CD. Though the process has been a learning experience, and a tough one at that, I've enjoyed every minute

of it and can't wait for everyone to experience this piece of music that we have worked so hard to produce," continued Walker.

Not all the current members of the Toccatones are featured on the CD. The six new members, Jacob Talley, Zach Gilliland, Ryan Dillon, Dominic Tarantelli, Connor Brackett, Chaz Duffy, were not members last year when the group recorded, but are still excited about being a part of such a great group. "Being in the Toccatones is a lot of fun! It's quite a wacky and whimsical group of guys but it's a group of guys that all have one love in common; it's the love for that 'good ole' cappella," said Talley.

The CD will be sold in select stores in the High Point area as well as in the HPU Bookstore and tracks will be available on iTunes. The CD sells for \$12 and a portion of the proceeds goes toward the group's philanthropy, Save the Music.

'Kick some ass' with Blaze Thompson at Boot Camp

By Jordan Oliver
Staff Writer

"We're HPU Boot Camp and we are the best; cuz while you sleep we kick some ass!"

This chant, foreign to those who choose to start their day after the sun has risen, is just one way that Tactical Strength fitness trainer, Blaze Thompson, 32, motivates his High Point University student trainees at 6 a.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

"They're a lot of fun; the ones that are willing to wake up are receptive to learn," said Thompson. "You don't see as much vibrancy in older people because they've already established a lifestyle; you're teaching them to live again. With college kids, it's a fresh start."

Last year, Thompson brought to High Point's Recreation Services—which provides students with a variety of resources to stay active—a five-week Boot Camp program to help college students get into shape.

"He is so dedicated to the program and really does want everyone to

achieve their goals," said Emily Schroeder, a sophomore at HPU who has been a dedicated participant in the program since the start.

Schroeder began Boot Camp the fall semester of her freshman year, continued through the spring session, and is now back for more as the new, four-week, fall session begins. "I feel like it starts my day off well. Even though I have to wake up early, I'm energized for the rest of the day," she beamed. Emily adds that she lost five pounds as a result of Boot Camp.

Currently, 45 students are active participants in the camp, but if the pattern follows that of the past, Thompson predicts that about one third will make it through to the end.

Much of the dedication his Boot Campers exude stems from his tough-love motivation. "Usually I run on the treadmill or workout on the elliptical then leave, but at Boot Camp, I'm motivated to keep going even when I'm tired. I think it's good that he's tough on us because *someone* has to be if we want results!" stated Kelsey Gray, who is new to the program this year.

The current session will end the day

students leave for fall break.

One way Thompson keeps his trainees on track is by collecting from them three goals they wish to accomplish by the end. "If they send me their goals they usually stay," he stated.

Thompson has a sincere desire to help his trainees reach their goals, and when they do, he has accomplished one of his. "It feels good; to be honest, it's awesome. The first day is fun to see everyone's faces—[unsure of what to expect]—but the last day is awesome because the ones who made it are taking away with them a lifestyle. I'm proud because I know they'll carry it with them."

Workouts that target both strength and cardiovascular training, while incorporating a nutritional meal-plan, constitute the core of Thompson's Boot Camp program.

Gray stated, "It's great because the exercises at Boot Camp force me to work different muscles—one's that I don't normally use."

According to Thompson, not one component is more important than another. The key, he says, is "understanding balance. If you eat well

but don't work on building strength, sure you'll be skinny but you'll have fat instead of muscle, and if you can run a marathon but can't do push-ups, then are you really in shape?" Participants become aware of critical food groups and proportion sizes that should comprise their daily meals.

For students living off of the university's meal plan, changing their eating habits is no easy task. Schroeder said, "It was hard first semester to get used to the food thing, but as the program continued, it got easier. I never thought of food groups before, but now, before I eat, I try to think of what will really fill me up, as opposed to what are pointless sugars."

On the last day of Boot Camp, Thompson makes a speech to his trainees, imparting on them lessons learned. "Whether it's writing the speech or giving it, I always tear up... and you can write that in the paper," he said with a chuckle. "I always try to come from the heart and let people know what they did was great and that I'm proud."

Coming soon: A new minor

By Kelsey Paine
Staff Writer

High Point University is considering adding a new minor in Women's and Gender Studies that may be available as early as the spring or fall 2011 semester if the minor passes a faculty review.

"I am hopeful that some of these

Arts and Sciences, it is applicable to all majors since it emphasizes diversity and justice.

"The minor would help prepare students for any and all careers that require theoretical mastery, an appreciation for diversity, and a desire for justice," Hedrick said. Women's and Gender Studies would help "students learn to see our increasingly diverse

"Women's and Gender Studies is a field that has proven its place as an integral part of the best university curricula in the country."

[proposed] minors can be submitted to our curriculum committee this semester, approved by the faculty, and offered as early as this spring or next fall," said Dr. Carole Stoneking, Dean of the Hayworth College of Arts and Sciences.

HPU is in the process of developing several new minors to enhance its academic program and better compete with other top universities in the country.

"It is no secret that HPU is increasing its academic standing and reputation rapidly," said Dr. Pamela Hedrick, the Chair of the Women's Gender Studies minor committee. "Women's and Gender Studies is a field that has proven its place as an integral part of the best university curricula in the country."

The proposed minor focuses on the historical, social, ethnic, and sexual orientation aspects of gender as well as the practical application of these principles to the pursuit of justice. Although Women's and Gender Studies would be in the Hayworth College of

world through fresh...lenses, [and] enable students to be better citizens of their own countries and of the world."

Several HPU students are excited about the prospect of a new minor.

"I think the proposed Women's and Gender Studies minor is a great idea," said sophomore Ryan Floberg, a finance major. "Not only does it expand the course offerings at High Point, but it allows students to expand their perspectives into a new course."

Senior Brittany Killough, an exercise science major, was also impressed with the school's effort to compete with other top universities in the country. "It's nice to see High Point expanding its academics, especially in a way that promotes diversity and acceptance," Killough commented.

If the proposed minor passes faculty review, it will require 20 credit hours, with at least two 3000-level courses and one 4000-level course. Examples of required courses include Com 3374: Women and Culture and HST 3241: Sex and the City: American Women and the Urban Landscape.

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Dixie Classic fair brings food and fun for all

By Anna Cameron
Staff Writer

Stiltwalkers. Fireworks. Chainsaw artists. Motorcycle globes. Glasshouses. Bluegrass music. Hypnotists. Petting zoos. Can all of these things be found at the same place?

Of course! Students can check out the Dixie Classic Fair in Winston Salem from October 1-10 for only \$8. The 128th anniversary of the 50th largest fair in the United States is only 30 minutes from campus.

Brittany Joyce, a junior and local student, loves the fair. "The fair is such a wonderful, Southern tradition. Great food, fun rides, and you always end up seeing someone there who you haven't seen in a long time."

From deep fried Oreos to hot dogs to funnel cakes, the fair has over 100 food concessions scattered throughout

the area. "My favorite thing about the fair is the food. I'm partial to the apple dumplings myself," says Joyce.

No time to count calories, though, when you're going on all the rides. There is even a good old-fashioned Ferris Wheel; perfect for a first date! For the rest of the thrill seekers at HPU, the Dixie Classic Fair has a haunted mansion, a monkey maze, and the fireball.

If rides are not on the docket, try out some of the many competitions around; maybe your grandma's world famous apple pie will win 'Smitty's Fried Apple Pie Contest.' Sophomore Brynn Tobin, an avid fair-goer, says, "It was so inexpensive and bigger than any of the fairs back home in Connecticut. The Dixie Classic Fair is the staple of the fall!"

The fair is held from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays.

Cross country has impressive showing at Big South

By **Steven Haller**
Sports Editor

The men's and women's cross country team placed first and second, respectively, at the Big South Preview in Blacksburg, Va. on Sept. 25.

On the men's side, of the 12 HPU athletes who competed, eight of them placed in the top 25 in a field of 63 total athletes. Most notably, senior Jevin Monds, freshman Patrick Crawford, and junior Neal Darmody all finished the five kilometer race in the top 10.

In an interview with the HPU sports information department, head coach

Mike Esposito said, "We were able to execute our plan of a controlled race with a strong finish and it was great to get the team win. Jevin ran really well; it's like he's a different runner this fall. Patrick ran very well. Neal Darmody has been running really high mileage so we expect him to get a lot faster as he gets more rest in the next few weeks."

Monds, who finished second at the Big South Preview, came in 14th at the same meet last season and 35th at last season's Big South Championship.

Crawford, who finished in third at the Big South Preview, won the North Carolina state high school championship as a senior last year.

Considering his three regional championships and four-time all-conference honors, Crawford was a decorated athlete in high school and is proving his talent at the collegiate level early in his career.

Darmody, who finished seventh at the Big South Preview, placed fifth at the same meet last season and earned All-Conference honors with his seventh-place finish at last season's Big South Championship.

On the women's side, of the 11 HPU athletes who competed, seven of them placed in the top 25 in a field of 51 total athletes. Most notably, senior Emily Webb, sophomore Kaylyn Peck, and sophomore Kelsey Hunt all finished the five-kilometer race in less than 20 minutes.



Senior runner Jevin Monds battles for position.
Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.



Senior runner Emily Webb races past her competitors.
Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.

In an interview with the HPU sports information department, Coach Esposito said, "We had our runners work together in three groups and all three did what they were supposed to do. They ran together through the first 3K and closed strongly over the last 2K. Emily Webb and Kaylyn Peck both ran very well again to lead us."

Webb, who finished sixth at the Big South Preview, won All-Conference honors last season with an eighth-place finish in the five-kilometer race at the Big South Championship.

Peck, who finished 10th at the Big South Preview, was an All-County runner for cross country at Dulany High School in Baltimore, Md. While

she did not run for the Panther cross country team last year, she did run on the HPU indoor and outdoor track teams where she placed 15th in the indoor 1600-meter race and eighth in the outdoor 1500-meter race. Both finishes came at each season's Big South Championship.

Hunt finished 12th at the Big South Preview, which greatly improves her 27th-place finish that she earned last season at the same meet. She was 45th at the five-kilometer race in the Big South Championship last season, but her standing in the Big South has already improved greatly in the new season.

Women's golf welcomes new head coach with impressive resume

By **Henry Molski**
Staff Writer

High Point University has brought in a proven winner, Vici Pate Flesher, to coach the women's golf team this fall. Coming to High Point off of seven straight Division III national championships, Pate Flesher already has big goals set for the Panthers.

Pate Flesher hopes to have the women's team improving from its 204th ranked finish in the 2009-10 campaign, but as far as setting an actual bar for the team, she would rather keep the air "positive" for now.

Leading the Panthers this fall and spring will be Audra McShane and Jessica Neese who have both already posted impressive scores in this young season. McShane and Neese both posted strong 74s to close out the Great Smokies Intercollegiate and keep things looking up for future matches.

Pate Flesher is also excited by what the future holds for the women's golf program because of her "less conflicting" means of recruiting here at a Division I school. This meaning that she no longer has to recruit college players to be in the PGM Program along with the varsity team itself.

With the amenities that High Point already has to offer, the desirable golfing vistas such as Kiawah Island and Barefoot, and, now, a seven time national champion on staff, Pate Flesher definitely plans to have better recruits coming in.

Even though time her time with the lady golfers has been short, Pate Flesher sees the girls as very "coachable" and "all very positive and going to class and workouts and absorbing everything they can like 'sponges.'"

The women's team has new freshmen coming aboard and trying

to get adjusted to the college life and sport. Not yet on the official roster, Pate Flesher says her two freshman girls are a little "overwhelmed," but already sees them starting to catch up.

The girls have all been working hard since August, according to Pate Flesher. They play almost every day and as much as the NCAA does allow. Four 18-hole qualifiers were already played this fall, along with two invitationals. The season is not a short one either. In the fall, there are matches into November and then the season picks back up in February for three more months as the women close out the 2010-11 campaign.

Women's soccer slump includes 4-0 'thrashing' from UNC-Charlotte

By **Brian Brennan**
Staff Writer

The High Point women's soccer team has continued its pre-Big South Conference slump. In one week the team lost two close games to national powerhouse Wake Forest and Western Carolina, but then had a surprising blowout loss to UNC-Charlotte.

Their record may be 2-8 now but the loss to Wake Forest was a positive performance. The Demon Deacons were ranked #22 in the country and the previous year had beaten the Panthers 5-0. This time the Panthers nearly pulled off an upset on their home turf. Junior Katie Taber, the hero of the team's victory at Clemson, scored yet another

goal in the 47th minute to give the home team a surprising 1-0 lead. It was the continuation of a successful week for Taber who was named the Big South Offensive Player of the Week.

"Katie Taber is really stepping up," said Panthers head coach Marty Beall. "All of my girls are doing things the right way but she has really stepped up lately."

Taber led the team in shots with five. The defense, led by Big South Defensive Player of the Week Danielle Rosado, shut the Deacons powerful offense down until Wake Forest's two outstanding freshmen, Rachel Nuzzolese and Katie Stengel, scored late goals to give the visitors a 2-1 victory. Still the Panthers put in an effort they can be proud of, even in defeat.

"I'm extremely happy not just with the effort," said Beall. "But I thought we played great. We possessed the ball well, we defended well, and they beat us with two of the best freshmen in the country. Those two players [Stengel and Nuzzolese] are phenomenal."

Two days later the team fell again, this time to the Western Carolina Catamounts on the road. A strong performance by freshman Jesse May in goal kept the Panthers in the game, but unfortunately Kayla Sedgely's 18th minute goal proved to be enough as the Catamounts came away with the win. High Point outshot Western Carolina 9-6 and was the unlucky loser.

As good as the team looked against Wake Forest and Western Carolina, Friday September 24 was a rocky night.

The Panthers were outshot 26-14 on their way to being routed 4-0 at Vert Stadium.

"UNC-Charlotte is a highly talented team that is extremely hard working," said Beall. "We practiced really hard ourselves for this game and unfortunately we were not able to apply what we did in training to the actual game. The results showed with a 4-0 thrashing."

The lone bright spot for the Panthers in the Charlotte game was Taber, who had two shots on goal, and a disallowed goal that was called offside.

Even though its record now stands at 2-8, the team only began Big South play this past week with a game at Coastal Carolina, meaning there is plenty of time left for the Panthers to right the ship.

Volleyball finishes the second half of September strong

By **Steven Haller**
Sports Editor

After head coach Jason Oliver made a starting lineup change at middle blocker, the Panthers were able to finish their last seven games in September with a 5-2 record and went 2-1 in their first games against other Big South teams.

When asked about how his team will fare in conference play, Coach Oliver said, "Right now, it is nothing but positive. To go into Winthrop and CSU and get two wins is a great weekend for us. I really like the determination and the character that the team is playing with. That coupled with great individual performances by everyone at any time makes me optimistic."

On Sept. 14 when HPU faced Campbell, senior Stephanie Wallin was moved to middle blocker in favor of fellow senior Anna Lott, and sophomore Courtney Johnk was moved from the bench to Wallin's old starting right side spot. Wallin finished off the team's last seven games of September with a total of 64 kills and Johnk was right behind at 47.

"Both Stephanie and Courtney are physical players that I think

really help our attack out," said Coach Oliver. "I like the fact that they are interchangeable with Anna Lott as well. It gives us some balance on the floor and it makes the team that much harder for

opponents to stop."

Another player that stands out in the statistics is freshman setter Maddie Simpson, who accumulated 334 assists in the team's last seven games of

September, which gave her a total of 579 assists as of Sept. 30. Simpson has been the starting setter in every game since Sept. 3, so it would appear that she is winning the battle for the starting setter position.

Senior outside hitter Megan Smith is continuing to be the team's kills leader with 259 with fellow senior outside hitter Audie Gonzalez the next closest on the team at 184 as of Sept. 30.

Defensively, senior libero Julie Hershkovitz has 331 digs on the season and earned her 2,000th career dig on Sept. 24 against Winthrop.

Another notable defensive play is freshman Michelle Chakirelis who leads the team in blocks this season with 46.

Sophomore Molly Barlow has been a player that stands out coming off the bench this season as what could best be defined as a defensive specialist. Barlow is fifth on the team this season in digs with 95 and is tied with Gonzalez for the most service aces this season at 21.

The Panthers play the Gardner-Webb Bulldogs Friday, Oct. 8 in the Millis Center at 7 p.m.



Senior middle blocker Stephanie Wallin hammers a serve.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins



Sophomore right side Courtney Johnk spikes a return.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Men's soccer living up to conference expectations

By **Pat Budd**
Staff Writer

The High Point University men's soccer team continued its winning ways with an impressive 4-0 win over Gardner-Webb in the opening Big South Conference game. After a week off from play, the Panthers returned to the field

after a tough 2-1 loss to William and Mary on September 18.

William and Mary, the No. 23 ranked team in the country, led 2-0 late in the game when junior Karo Okiomah scored the only goal for the Panthers. They would fall short of scoring another goal to tie the game as William and Mary dominated time of possession. The Panthers had several great opportunities to score in the first half, including a Shane Malcom to Shawn Sloan breakaway that resulted in a wide left shot. Head coach Dustin Fonder described the loss as disappointing, but had an optimistic view on the defeat.

"William and Mary was a tough team; we took some positives from the match and moved on," said Fonder. The team would use the following week to prepare for its first Big South Conference game at Vert Stadium.

The Panthers would waste no time at all in proving they were a dominant factor in the conference. Senior forward Scott Rojo put the Panthers on the board just 2:37 into the

game, which began the dominance over the Bulldogs. Another goal from Sloan in the 25th minute on an indirect free kick would give HPU a 2-0 lead, and quickly the Rojo-Sloan tandem would hook up again for a third goal before halftime. The Panthers would erupt for a 13-5 shot lead at halftime.

In the second half of play, Rojo yet again assisted Karo Okiomah for another goal in the 67th minute, making him a part of all four goals scored.

"We were both playing really unselfish and we were taking advantage of opportunities," said Rojo. "When we keep the game simple we play so much better."

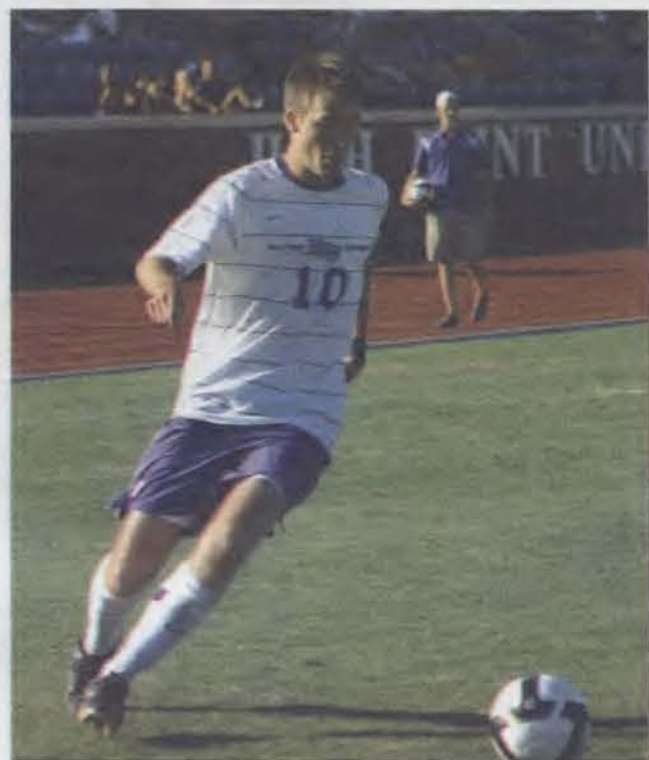
With one of the preseason goals playing well within the conference and possibly bringing home the conference title, Fonder was pleased with the efforts of the Panthers.

"I think we won this game in training; we had a great week of training and that leads to a great team performance like we had tonight," Fonder said.

More importantly, the shutout would give junior goalkeeper Michael Chesler his 11th career shutout, fourth of the

season. He has tied the HPU Division I record for career shutouts. Chesler made five saves in the win against Gardner-Webb.

The Panthers improve their record to 4-2-1 and will continue their conference games on October 6 against Winthrop University in Rock Hill, S.C.



Shawn Sloan has started every game in 2010.
Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.



Scott Rojo scored the game-winning goal and had an assist against Radford on Sept. 10.
Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.

Be an Advocate during Alcohol Awareness Week

By Elizabeth Ellis
Staff Writer

Beginning Oct. 4, the Office of Student Life will be sponsoring Alcohol Awareness Week. The five-day program is geared toward informing students about alcohol consumption, its impact on a college campus and to encourage students to help one another make responsible decisions about the use of alcohol in order to protect their health and safety, says Student Life staff member Anette Jones.

This year's theme is "Be an Advocate," and students can learn more about alcohol and how to be an advocate by attending one or more of the

Alcohol Awareness programs that will be occurring nightly on campus during the week of Oct. 4-7, and also on Oct. 10. Staff members from the Office of Student Life together with members of the High Point University Counseling Staff will be facilitating these programs.

Vice President Gail Tuttle says that holding an Alcohol Awareness Week on campus is beneficial because it "is an opportunity for our university community to be educated and ask questions regarding alcohol consumption and use."

One of the major ways Alcohol Awareness Week is able to reach out to students is through a discussion panel, an event that proved successful at last year's Alcohol Awareness Week and will be held on Oct. 6



A shotglass sold at the bookstore. Photo by Katie Nelson

from 7-9 p.m. in Phillips 120.

"It's always powerful to hear personal stories associated with social choices, and our speaker panels will help with facilitating this," says Tuttle.

A Monday night showing of the documentary film "Haze" will be held in the UC Theater at 8 p.m. as another of this year's Alcohol Awareness Week events. The movie, starring Robin Wright Penn—popular for her role as Jenny in "Forrest Gump"—chronicles the death of University of Colorado, student and fraternity pledge Lynn

Gordon Bailey, Jr. as the result of a hazing incident and aims to raise awareness about alcohol related deaths on college campuses nationwide.

Other events include an "Information, Drinks and Freebies" session Tuesday in the University Center and at The Village Grille, a drunk driving simulator involving golf carts on Thursday at 6th Street, and special guest speaker Mike Green on Sunday in the UC Theater.

This will be the second annual Alcohol Awareness Week to be held at High Point University.

For more information, contact the Office of Student Life at studentlife@highpoint.edu or visit the office located on the third floor of Slane.

Unite International shows students the dangers of texting while driving

By Natalie Barrett
Staff Writer

Unite International demonstrated the dangers of texting while driving by bringing a driving simulator to campus on Sept. 24.

Storm Olson, an employee with Unite International, explained that Unite International is an organization that works with driving simulator experiences to raise awareness of the dangers of driving in situations like texting while driving and driving under the influence of alcohol.

The simulator operates just like a

real car. Sensors are hooked up to the wheels, gas pedal and brake pedal. The driver wears virtual reality goggles that show him/her various driving courses. While driving down the course, the driver receives text messages and is given obstacles that he/she must avoid. It is common for drivers to veer off the road and crash.

At the end of the simulated drive, the driver is given a report of how he/she drove. Along with the results, the driver is told the possible consequences for their driving, such as fines and accidents.

By using the driving simulator,

students are able to have a hands-on experience to see how much texting affects driving.

Many students do not realize the severity of texting while driving. Amanda Perdue, freshman, agrees. "Most people don't think that it is such a big deal, like they don't think it is anything compared to driving while drunk, and apparently it is; it is even worse actually," she said.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, "Using a cell phone while driving delays a driver's reactions as much as having a blood alcohol concentration at the legal limit of .08

percent." Their research has also found that drivers under the age of 20 are most likely to be in fatal crashes due to distracted driving.

Olson believes that college students are an easy demographic to target. "They feel like they can do it and don't have the threat of getting their cell phone taken away if used inappropriately."

Cameron McGraw, sophomore, thinks that showing students firsthand will be an effective method. "It is important to show students how dangerous it can be because it is a big problem for our generation."



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Big South Champions!



Sophomore forward Fejiro Okiomah was named the Big South Player of the Week twice this season. He is second on the team and third in the Big South with 23 points and 10 goals on the season so far.
Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.

By Pat Budd
Staff Writer

At the beginning of the season, redshirt sophomore Ryan Bennett outlined the goals for the High Point University Men's soccer team: win the conference, win at least 13 games, win the Big South Championship, go undefeated at home, and compete in the NCAA tournament. Bennett admitted that the goals were high, but needed to be set high with the much anticipated season. To their expectations, the team is on pace to achieve all of their goals.

On Oct. 27, the team clinched their first ever Big South regular season championship in a dramatic 2-1 victory over rival, Coastal Carolina. Sophomore Shane Malcolm scored the game-winning goal in double overtime to give the Panthers the victory and the Big South Conference title. Coastal Carolina, entered the game with a 6-1 record in the Big South, while High Point entered

with an undefeated 6-0 in the Big South Conference. Malcolm, who has netted six goals alone this season, scored the game winner in the 106th minute, assisted by Shawn Sloan. Immediately following the goal the team ran and dog-piled on Malcolm in the corner of the field to celebrate the team's first ever Big South tournament victory.

"Amazement," said head coach Dustin Fonder after the victory, "it was a great play with a quick combination between Sloan and Malcolm, before I could even look out of the corner of my eye the whole team had rushed down to the corner flag and jumped on top of each other, it really was a special moment."

The Panthers played with heavy hearts after deciding to dedicate the game to their teammate, redshirt sophomore forward Dean Judson, who suffered the loss of both his parents. Jim and Beth Judson died in a plane crash.

"It was extremely tough, very shocking, but I thought the guys did a great job paying a tribute to their fellow teammate, and dedicating the victory and championship to him," said Coach Fonder.

Sophomore forward Fejiro Okiomah scored the other goal in the contest for the Panthers, his ninth goal of the season. Scott Rojo assisted Okiomah for his 13th assist of the season. He leads the team in that category. Junior goalkeeper Michael Chesler recorded only one save but managed to keep the team in contention in winning the game.

"We were all pretty psyched after the game but we have mellowed out now because we know we still have business to take care of," said Chesler. He has been the Panthers brick wall making a total of 49 saves this season and recording seven shut-outs. The Panthers, who were ranked as high as 37 in the NCAA RPI rankings, improved

to a 12-3-1 overall record before entering their final home game against Virginia-Military Institute.

"At the beginning of the season, you set goals and usually set the bar pretty high, and to be so close to achieving all of them, we feel really good and we just want to take the final step in getting the tournament championship, and our first ever NCAA tournament bid," said Fonder.

Just three days later, the Panthers defeated VMI in a 2-0 victory to improve their home record to 8-0-1 and their overall record to 13-3-1. It is the first time in High Point University Men's soccer history that the team has gone undefeated in the conference finishing 8-0-0.

The Panthers will end the regular season in Farmville, Va. to take on Longwood University on Nov. 6.

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Birthday cards give us bang for our buck

Staff Editorial

Birthdays are a special time for anyone, but the WOW department at HPU goes an extra step to make them special for students. Those who have attended HPU for at least a year have probably received a birthday card and Starbucks gift card via campus mailbox or room delivery.

Many universities don't send their students birthday cards, perhaps for financial reasons or because they have such large enrollments that personalized gestures are unrealistic.

HPU is an exception.

Here, enrollment is kept to just a few thousand, which allows the administration to develop a more personal connection with students. This means the WOW department can afford to give us free things, like T-shirts or a travel bag with FAA compliant three

ounce bottles.

Yet some students complain that the administration could use our tuition money in more productive ways. But we urge you to first consider the idea behind these gifts before writing them off completely.

One of HPU's greatest strengths is the university's ability to make a student feel like a person and not a number. Many schools have general education classes of up to 500 students, and the teacher only knows the student by the student ID number.

However, at HPU students are known by many administrators, faculty and staff through their personality and their character.

Gestures such as the extravagant birthday treatment students receive make known that HPU celebrates the student as an individual.

On a student's birthday the student

normally receives balloons tied to his or her door along with a gift card for a free drink at Starbucks. The student's name will also appear on the many kiosk screens spread throughout campus.

Additionally, when the student swipes his or her passport in the caf, the hospitality team will bring a piece of cake with a candle out to the student and sing "Happy Birthday" (at least in some cases). If the student is lucky, the band performing usually plays a tune as well.

Birthdays are just one way that HPU makes its students feel like they are part of a family. Treating students like individuals makes the learning experience become more valuable and less like pulling teeth.

If a student knows that his or her teacher cares, the student will be more inclined to work hard and attend classes, excited to participate.

Touche Batman by Alaina Farrish



Look deeper: Life is more than grades and report cards

By Amanda Mayes
Staff Writer

The damage has already been done. There is no easy fix for this problem. This time you really cannot go back.

Would you want to redo more than 13 years of schooling?

As I wade through my third year of college, I wonder just how much my education has wrecked my mind rather than strengthened it. The days are dwindling until I complete my undergraduate degree.

In theory, I should be filled to the brim with useful knowledge that I will use to live the American Dream and make the world a better place. In reality, I feel as if all I have learned is slowly slipping from my fingertips while I realize how much practical knowledge and experience my education has failed to offer.

The system of education that we have relied on for too long is failing, and that failure is never more evident as students go through college.

Every assignment, from kindergarten through high school, was just another step down the path towards a report card.

Read a book. Take a test. Kill the student's passion for reading because he or she has been conditioned to expect an assessment of comprehension on every piece of material read. Do a group project. Get graded down because of one member who was too lazy to care and placed the weight of the entire thing on the backs of one or more strong students.

Mountains of busy work that taught nothing but ensured the teachers a moment of peace while the students lost brain cells. All of these assignments for the sole purpose of report cards. Grades take over, forcing individuals to view their self-worth in terms of letters.

And this mindset often is not altered as time passes. So many letters determine the type of career you are deemed capable and worthy of. It is impossible for grades to do justice to the merit and ability of a human mind.

Focus turns away from self-exploration and love of learning to a relentless focus on career. From elementary school, students are constantly asked, "What do you want to do when you grow up? What do you want to do in life?" The push to know exactly what to do with the rest of our lives at such a young age is daunting and unnecessary.

The drive for success in life becomes

overpowering, creating a hollow shell of an individual in pursuit of something virtually intangible. What is success? What does the desire to "get somewhere in life" mean?

Success measured in terms of wealth or possessions is empty; this kind of success will put an individual in continuous forward motion. The individual will be unable to rest, to slow down and enjoy life because his or her own passions and dreams will remain unexplored and cast aside in favor of chasing materialism.

This endless pursuit of grades and planning out the future leads to missed opportunities and a failure to experience life as it passes by in a blur.

I am a product of this system, and it has taken me a long time to see the faults in my thinking. It will take me even longer still to rewire my mind. Burnout has clouded my vision. I have lost a good deal of the idealism that often carries me through and helps me maintain my passion.

Idealism and individualism are the victims of our education system. Individuals become afraid to do what they truly love out of fear of not becoming a productive member of society or of not achieving success.

I urge you to cast aside that fear and cast aside what you have been taught. There truly are more important things in life than books and achievement. Find them.

'Til death...or homework...do us part'

By Jillie Johnston
Staff Writer

Ashley Golden, a junior at High Point University, is familiar with being a minority on campus. She was married May 9, 2010 to her husband John Golden, age 22, and has become part of a small subculture here at HPU.

Although people have not discriminated against her, Ashley said she has been asked a lot of questions. "They ask, 'You're how old?' or 'Didn't you want to let yourself grow up first?'" said Ashley as her deep passion about this subject flickers in her eye. After all, she may be married, like other couples across campus, but they are still college students like everyone else.

Ashley and Jessie are part of the seven percent of married college students nationwide, according to the Journal of College Student Development (2003). This minority is just like other college students except they have more responsibility.

Jessie Meriwether, age 20, another married student at HPU, finds herself being asked the same questions. "A lot of people don't know what to think and some students think it's weird. Administration is not a big fan of marriage here either," explained Jessie with a little bit of frustration.

While marriage does not change the person you are, it does change your lifestyle. There's no more fraternity party visits, meal plans, or dorm room living. Married students are not allowed to live on campus or take their computer to the IT department. The responsibility is completely on the couple, no more safety net.

"It's not easy at all. It's hard to balance everything, but it's worth it. Our lifestyle is very different from what it might have been, but I wouldn't have it any other way," Ashley said.

Both Ashley and Jessie are juggling being full time students and having the responsibilities of paying bills, buying groceries, fixing meals and making their marriage work.

While both are proud to be married, sometimes it is not the first thing that comes out when they meet people. Meriwether said, "It isn't the first thing I tell someone because I don't want them to think of me as older. I'm only 20; I'm still a college student. I'm still like everyone else."

Jessie hangs out in the library until early morning hours, in dorm rooms with her friends, and is part of Campus Crusade, Theology club, and attends events for IDS. She also said, "We have guy and girl time with our friends. I have school activities; I am not a housewife."

Although these young couples lead college lives, people question if they truly

know and have lived their lives yet. For Ashley, the decision was not hard to make, "I've always been on my own timetable. If something seems right to me I will do it even when other people don't approve."

Jessie takes the same approach. "I'm married to my best friend. He comes first, but I also live my life. Being married doesn't change you as a person; it doesn't change who you are."

Falling in love is, most of the time, not a choice and these young newlyweds have the same aspirations as everyone else. Jessie goes on to say, "There is nothing wrong with getting married young. It's totally fine being an independent person."

So, who knows, your true love may be right around the corner and you may be next.



Jessie and Chris Meriwether are married students.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Tired of school? Going global day may give you a new perspective

By Sam Kates
Staff Writer

"Wake up! You're going to be late for school and, remember, you have a big test today!" yells Mom from down the hall.

For the average American teen, school is the least of his or her concerns. But Dave Matthews puts it in perspective when he sings, "Funny the way it is, if you think about it, one kid walks ten miles to school, another's dropping out."

We take for granted

opportunities that are not offered in numerous other parts of the world. Opportunities, such as going to school, that many women, and some men, may never receive. That is why HPU's own Women and Culture Studies class has decided to hold Going Global Day.

This event has been organized to present information about women around the world and their roles in different societies. Information will also be presented about what women are doing to make a difference

in society and how they are making an impact.

"We're excited to host such an event with such an important message," said Megan Plasket. "Our class studies have taught us of domestic issues and we've thoroughly enjoyed broadening our horizons overseas."

The event will represent both the challenges and benefits women face in their societal roles. Going Global Day will be set up so participants can simply walk from station to station, gathering information.

In addition to the Women and Culture class, other organizations will also set up tables at the event dealing with women's global issues. Kappa Delta Sorority and Alpha Gamma Delta sorority will be proud participants in Going Global Day and will be hosting "Beads for Life" bracelet making. Money raised at this table will be donated to the "Beads for Life" organization.

Going Global Day will be held Nov. 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the UC Philanthropy tables.

Students and administrators work together for a better HPU

By Kelsey Paine
Staff Writer

The Community Living Task Force met for the second time Wednesday, Oct. 13, in the Great Room of Slane University Center. The new organization strives to create an ideal and vibrant community for all students.

"The goal of student life is to create a safe, nurturing, caring community for all students," said Gail Tuttle, vice president for student affairs and chair of the Community Living Task Force. "The task force expands on this goal by discussing issues and ways to improve student life."

The committee meets as needed and is composed of administrators and students from various groups, such as Dr. Dennis Carroll, provost/

vice president for academic affairs; Sarah Haak, senior director of student life; Meredith McCrea, Greek life coordinator; Chris Dudley, vice president for administration; Jeff Karpovich, chief director of security and transportation; Bradley Taylor, president of inter-residence council; Eric Skinkle, president of student government association; various assistant resident directors; members of the panhellenic council and interfraternity council.

The Community Living Task Force was established to open communication between students and administration as well as to create compromises between various groups on campus.

"Every dorm is its own community within campus, and everyone in those

communities is different," said Tuttle. "By discussing the students' concerns, we can meet and balance the needs of all community members."

Issues discussed at the first meeting include the possible elimination of visitation hours in upperclassman dorms, the lack of facilities for larger campus groups to meet, and the consumption of underage alcohol. Students praised the safety of the campus and the administration asked for more student input in the future.

Before the second meeting, the administration asked the student members of the committee to ask fellow classmates about the issues brought up at the first meeting as well as possible solutions. One common proposed solution was for students to become more involved on campus.

"It's very important to build student interest in hall programs because they are a meeting of a student's individual community within campus," said Taylor. "Only then can they become interested in campus-wide activities and give their input to the betterment of community living at HPU."

Students and administrators involved agreed the task force was important for a better living community, but student involvement will help determine success. The administration is very interested in any student input or suggestions.

Taylor also commented: "It's phenomenal to get a group of student leaders together with staff and administration to collaborate about ways to create a united and improved community on campus."

Man vs. Zombie(s): Round 2

By Trenton Schneider
Staff Writer

Do you love killing zombies? Do you love combining random objects in order to wreak havoc on the undead? Then *Dead Rising 2* is the game for you.

Dead Rising 2 continues the story from *Dead Rising*. There is a zombie outbreak and you need to survive until help comes. This may sound a bit uninspired, but that doesn't make the game any less fun.

One of the big new features in the game is the item combination system. Many find it fun to use random objects they find to take out some zombies, like a bench, as they could in the original *Dead Rising*. It's even more fun to grab

random objects and make them into even better weapons to kill zombies. For instance, you can take a water gun and a gas canister to create a flamethrower and destroy any zombie that makes the mistake of coming near you.

Another new feature of the game is the multi-player mode. The multi-player mode places players on a game show called "Terror is Reality." This game show puts contestants in different types of mini-games that allow them to earn money and points that can carry over into the single-player game. It isn't as fun as the single-player mode, but it is an interesting break from the main game.

Along with the addition of the multiplayer mode is the addition of a co-op mode. This lets a second person join

in a player's main storyline game.

It is an interesting concept that works pretty well. It is fun to slay zombies, but it can be more fun to slay zombies with a friend. The only downside to the co-op mode is that both players play as the main character. This can hinder the illusion of playing within the game world, since the only thing that differentiates players is the color of their clothing.

The single-player mode only allows the gamer to play in a timed game instead of giving the option of allowing timed or unlimited story mode. Since it is a survival game it is understandable that the game is timed with the story mode, saying that the player will be rescued in three days. But it was always

a nice option to allow the player to replay the story without having to worry about how much time was left.

On the other hand, the fact that there is a constant time limit in everything that takes place adds an interesting sense of urgency to all of the things that you do. If players were allowed to take their time to travel halfway across the map to do something, the way they played would be a lot different as opposed to only having five minutes to complete a task. The game suddenly gains a whole new meaning.

Overall, *Dead Rising 2* is just as fun as the first *Dead Rising* game. It does have a few flaws, but it doesn't really detract from the overall experience.

Lace: how to wear and care for it

By Rebecca Simkins
Staff Writer

A trend that has come from the season of late summer 2010 into the autumn is lace. This trend is similar to the sheer look that has become popular and has implemented itself as an independent ongoing style.

When lace first became more popular, I thought I would never wear it because it reminded me of a grandmother, but now that I have tried it on and know how to wear it, lace is considered classy in

my book.

It is nothing new for the fall but you can change how you wear it and set yourself apart from others so when all the others see you wearing it, they will want to join your league.

There are many different kinds of lace and ways to produce it. In the summer, it was all about the stretch-all-over-your-body lace.

Now for the fall, antique-style is in. These fabrics resemble a more traditional look. It has a wider net and more unique pattern with thicker

threads.

Now that lace is all over the stores, how exactly should you wear it? Ultimately, you want to look sophisticated but not over suggestive. Lace can look beautiful but you don't want it to look like a decoration. Less is more when you're wearing lace.

If you feel like just a lace pattern on your sleeve or spandex isn't enough—go bold! Try a full lace dress on for size. A plain black dress can go from modern to trendy when lace is added. Avoid wearing clunky jewelry. Something

like stud earrings or bangle bracelets can add a simple flare as compared to looking like a disco ball of lace and jewels.

Whether its fine lace or a larger pattern on a solid shirt you never want to look like a tablecloth. White lace trim is a big no-no unless you're shopping for your 5-year-old sister.

Lace is sophisticated and fun at the same time. Next time you're out shopping try it on and see where it takes you. Lace is in, now so are you.

Halloween stirs students' creativity



Clockwise from top left: Rebecca Cristel and Trent Carter (as the villain from *Saw*), Kristen Whitaker (as Little Red Riding Hood) and Ashley Johnson (as a devil), Virginia Dannelly (as a Starbucks cup), and Melanie Auerbach, Alex Hutcheson, Emma Ball, Madison Ries, Alicia Pike and Hannah Midgett (as Tetris blocks, left to right).
Photos by Jeremy Hopkins

Don't fret fans; new Harry Potter will be a hit

By Meredith Beck
Staff Writer

Harry Potter fanatics rejoice—the first part of the seventh installment of a worldwide phenomenon is here. That's right. "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part One" is going to be making its debut on Nov. 18 at midnight. But the question must be asked: will dividing J.K. Rowling's masterpiece into two parts still keep its extensive fan base intact? Or will the movie flop and end up disappointing millions of people?

We all remember nine years ago when Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's

Stone broke out into the theaters. I can recall seeing hundreds of people flock to the movie theater dressed up as Harry Potter, Hermione Granger and Ron Weasley. The movie was a huge success and an instant favorite with fans of the book. We watched the young Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint become household names in less than 24 hours. The first movie was 152 minutes of pure excitement and suspense.

The next eight years would lead us into more Harry Potter mania. We saw Potter find the Chamber of Secrets, fight off Lord Voldemort numerous times,

compete in the Triwizard Tournament, join the Order of the Phoenix and witness Albus Dumbledore's death. After nine years and 904 minutes, we are finally at the end.

After six movies, the seventh installment in the series has been broken up into a two-part epic finale. In the first part of Rowling's conclusion, fans will see Potter begin to find all seven of Lord Voldemort's Horcruxes and destroy them all. Now that Dumbledore is dead and Lord Voldemort is still at large, it is up to Potter, Granger and Weasley to finish what was started.

After nine years of wand fighting, broomstick riding and spell casting, the Harry Potter series will be just fine. Radcliffe, Watson and Grint will have no problem melting the hearts of their crazy fan base. For those fans who are worried that the final movie will flop, please don't.

For the last nine years, the producers have done an excellent job following the story line that Rowling has provided. Just watch when Nov. 18 rolls around. We will all hear that Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows is No. 1 in the box office, grossing more money than one could ever dream of.

"Our Town": a reminder to appreciate the little things

By Ben Hensley
Staff Writer

All of us walk through life seeing the same things we expect to see every day, and at times, searching desperately for comfortable patterns in our lives—the nine to five job, the happy marriage, the Friday night get together. But at the end of the day, do we truly realize all that we have? "Our Town," a play by Thornton Wilder set in the 1930s, asks that very question.

The play begins by creating the world of this small town. As the play progresses, the story begins to focus on Emily and George, who end up getting married and having children. The play comes full circle with the death of Emily.

Throughout the storyline, multiple characters are introduced and the world of "Our Town" is created. Each character and story involved conveys a message to the audience. Without being quaint and academic, Wilder gives us truths without apology. It is these truths that Wilder writes into the story that Ed Simpson wants to capture for an audience.

"Thornton said, 'Life is a balance,'" explained Simpson, director of High Point University Theatre Department's upcoming production.

"Everyone finds this play too sentimental, too boring, too quaint, but it is stark. The best thing to do in order to make a play like this successful is to be honest," Simpson said.

"People nowadays are saying 'It's my America' and it isn't! It's our America," Simpson said. "Wilder shows to us in 'Our Town' a community of people that never had Facebook or cell phones—people who lived in such a close-knit community that they really didn't need it. Everyone knew everyone, and everyone helped everyone."

To illustrate this point, Simpson described the character of the choir director. "We live in a world today where everyone is quick to judge and condemn. What this community did—what they had to do—was the exact opposite."

"They reached out to help. The irony of this is that the choir director never noticed," Simpson noted. "That was the

starkness and honesty of this play."

Reflecting on her past life, Emily came to realize all of the things she wrote off as insubstantial were actually amazing. The choir director stayed in a state of oblivion. He remained a miserable man throughout the play who never noticed the outpouring of support from the people around him.

When we go through our lives, how much are we going to pass by without noticing? How much more enriching would our lives be if we took the time to be joyful for what we have?

"Our Town" will be on stage at the Hayworth Fine Arts Center on Nov. 18-20 at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 21 at 2:00 p.m. For tickets and information, please call 336-841-4673.

Gnarly November Concerts

LJVM Coliseum

2825 University Parkway, Winston Salem
www.ljvm.com

-Ziggy's presents WIZ KHALIFA with Big Krit and DJ Bonics on Nov. 10 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Advanced tickets are \$17; \$22 day of the show.

-The Festival of Trees will take place Nov. 19-21. Tickets are \$6.

-Also, Nov. 19, Alan Jackson with guests Chris Young and The Band Perry will play at 7:30 p.m. with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$26.50 to \$61.50.

Greene Street Club

113 N Greene St., Greensboro
www.greenestreetclub.com

-Nov. 12 brings Datsik. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for advanced, \$15 day of. A \$2 surcharge for those under 21.

-Decoration Ghost with Hammer No More The Fingers, Future Ghosts and more hit the stage Nov. 17. Doors open at 9. Tickets are \$5 for those 21 and older and \$7 for those younger.

-Five Gallon Groove features various jam and rock bands on Nov. 19. Doors open at 8 p.m. Advanced tickets are \$7 and \$10 day of. Again, \$2 surcharge for those under 21.

-My Hero Is Me, a battle of the bands, takes place Nov. 20. The show starts at 5 p.m. and will conclude by 10 p.m. Tickets are \$12 in advanced and \$14 day of. All ages welcome.

-Nov. 21 brings Bayside/Senses Fail with Title Fight and Balance And Composure. The show starts at 6 p.m. Advanced tickets are \$15 and \$18 day of.

-Nov. 24, Zoso, the ultimate Led Zeppelin tribute band, will take the stage at 9:30. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 day of.

The Fillmore

1000 Seaboard St., Charlotte
www.livenation.com

-Shinedown hits the stage Nov. 9 in an Acoustic Tour at 8:30 p.m.

-Get the Led Out, "The American Led Zeppelin," performs Nov. 12 at 9 p.m.

-The Cult plays Nov. 13 at 9 p.m.

-Nov. 19 brings Gary Allan with Randy Houser and Jerrod Niemann at 7:30 p.m.

-Ben Folds comes Nov. 20 on the Lonely Avenue Tour at 8 p.m.

-Edwin McCain Acoustic Trio takes the stage Nov. 26 at 8 p.m.

-Corey Smith with Rehab plays Nov. 27 at 9 p.m.

Visit the website for information on ticket prices.

Greensboro Coliseum Complex

1921 W. Lee St., Greensboro
www.greensborocoliseum.com

-The big top is coming to town with the UniverSoul Circus, Nov. 9-14. Tickets range from \$10 to \$26.50.

-High Point's own Fantasia will hit the stage, post mental breakdown. Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Special guests Eric Benet and Kandi will also perform. Tickets cost between \$49.50 and \$75.

-Get into the holiday spirit with Mannheim Steamroller and their 25th Christmas Anniversary Tour Nov. 22 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$45.

-Bill Clinton will be speaking in part of Guilford College's Bryan Series. Tickets cost between \$35 and \$75.

HPU TV produces weekly sports show

By **Sam Kates**
Staff Writer

"Hey, I heard there was a men's soccer game this past weekend. I wonder if the Panthers dominated..." asks a curious student. Are you interested in finding the answer to this and many other High Point Sports related questions? You have to look no further than highpointpanthers.com.

HPU does not broadcast on the air, but the TV studio produces a sports show every week that can be accessed through the HPU sports website, or through the communication department website. Panther Sports is produced by the Sports Production II class. Meeting on Monday nights, the class gets down to business immediately to film the show then spends an adequate amount

of time critiquing its work and assigning jobs for the next show. Different sports teams and clubs across campus are featured each week on Panther Sports. Scores and highlights of games from that week are given.

A crew attends and films all of the men's basketball games, the women's volleyball games, and occasionally films soccer games. Coverage of a recent soccer game was sent to the local news station, WCGW, and was broadcast.

The communication department is currently working on a news show to be broadcast beginning spring semester 2011. The show will be developed in a similar manner as the sports show. In addition, the communication department hopes to continue to produce a Variety Show, which was successful last year. Featuring musical guests and other

talented artists across the campus, this show manages to highlight numerous students.

Shows produced by the communication department are recorded, for the most part, in the news studio in the Nido Qubein Communication building. Clips used in videos have been filmed ahead of time across the campus. Anyone can get involved in the news shows by simply sending an e-mail to Dr. Jim Trammell at jtrammel@highpoint.edu.

New programs are constantly developing, according to Trammell, and students who want to further their skills in the communication field are welcome. "Working in a studio will set students apart when they go to apply for jobs in this department," said Trammell. "Experience in our station will attract attention."

SGA

Next meeting: Nov. 18 at 7 p.m.

Bills passed:

- Pike's Garnet and Gold Classic

- APO's national conference

- Fall carnival and blood drive for the Volunteer Center

Contact SGA:
sga@highpoint.edu

Campus Chronicle wishes Matt Wells a happy birthday!

IRC growth means better forum for students

By **Elizabeth Ellis**
Staff Writer

Students at High Point University now have access to their very own roundtable. Entirely student led, the Inter-Residence Council is High Point's newest portal to residential contentment, as students are able to present ideas and concerns through the IRC to the administrative offices of the university.

The IRC has grown this year in both size and influence with 27 active members in leadership positions and a position in the Student Government Association and are seeking admission into two collegiate Hall Council Organizations- the National Association of College and University Residence Halls and the North Carolina Association of Residence Halls.

This year's IRC is led by enthusiastic president Bradley Taylor, a sophomore who was involved with last year's Hall Council. Taylor was offered the position as IRC President this year, and gladly accepted, seeing it as a great opportunity to promote and expand the program.

The IRC serves as a forum for the Hall Council, which is a group of students elected by the residents of their building that gathers ideas and suggestions from residents and implements building-wide programs and activities.

Each Hall Council has a president, vice president, and an IRC representative. In addition to attending the Hall Council meetings of their building, the IRC representative attends IRC meetings once per month.

Freshman IRC representative for the Complex Kellianne Davis says that getting involved with Hall Council has been a fun way to get involved on campus, meet new people, and build teamwork skills.

IRC representatives are responsible for reporting the progress of their Hall Councils to the IRC as well as concerns, suggestions or ideas that residents have.

The executive board of the IRC is then responsible for ensuring that the individual Hall Councils have access to the resources they need in order to host events, make their living spaces better, to promote events and to assist with finding solutions any problems.

Taylor processes information from

the Hall Councils and the Community Living Task Force to present to the Office of Student Life and Student Government Association.

Some of the IRC-supported Hall Council programs that have been held already this year include a September 11 Remembrance Service by the Women's Complex and a Haunted House planned and hosted by the Finch, Wilson, Millis Hall Council at this year's Halloween-fest.

Both Taylor and Davis encourage students to become involved with the IRC by providing suggestions, and to take advantage of the university-funded events held through Hall Council.

Additionally, students are encouraged to attend their residence hall's Hall Council meetings to help collaborate on event planning and assist with carrying out the projects.

Taylor believes that since the IRC is so new and entirely student led, the opportunities are great and the success of the organization is reliant on student participation and leadership.

To become directly involved with the IRC, students can contact Taylor or the Office of Student Life.

A moment
with the
editors

What were you for
halloween?

Favorite book?

What kind of car do
you drive?



Katie Nelson
EIC

Hippie

Artemis Fowl

Orange Beetle



Allison Hogshead
Copy & Design

Pirate

Jane Eyre

Cutless Oldsmobile



Jeremy Hopkins
Photography

Photographer

Gods and Generals

A really cool one

Cross country has impressive showing at Big South

By Emma Nichols
Staff Writer

Going into the Big South Championship on Saturday, Oct. 30, both the men and women of High Point University's cross country teams had high hopes. "Our hopes for both the men and women teams were to win," said HPU head coach Mike Esposito, "I thought the team competed really well and went after it. Obviously we're disappointed with the place but I'm not disappointed with their effort."

The women's team was led by Senior Emily Webb (Gloucester, Va./Gloucester), who finished fifth with a personal record of 18:27.38. Webb started running cross country in the 8th grade, but has been competing since the elementary school.

"My mom got me started. She is a runner and a coach. She basically had to drag me out for two years. She coached mostly club in the summer and helped me with a lot of my summer training," says Webb.

It's a good thing her Mom stuck with it; after the Big South Championship, Webb earned All-Conference Honors for the second year in a row. Webb has had a very successful running career thus far. Her keys to success are "staying relaxed and taking everything one day at a time; One interval at a time."

Oct. 30, in Blacksburg, Virginia was day full of emotions. "I remember thinking I was happy with my race and my time," says Webb. "It was bittersweet because it was the last time I will compete for the Conference in cross country. It is exciting to come in fifth, but I don't get any more chances to get



Senior runner Neal Darmody placed fourth overall at the Big South.
Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.

anything better than that."

The women's team overall were very successful. "It was a really good effort from everyone. Top five went under nineteen (minutes), I don't know if that's happened since I've been at HPU," says Webb.

Overall, the team was disappointed in place. Their goal was to at least get second and placing fourth again was tough. "I think if you step back and look at the big picture, we performed

well. We can't be upset," adds Webb.

Although Webb's final cross country season is coming to an end, she is staying focused. "It really hasn't hit me yet, it won't until about a week after the season is over. I still have two track seasons left but I'm more of a cross country girl, I'll miss it. It's not over yet though, so I can't really think about it."

Junior Neal Darmody (Gaithersburg, Md./Quince Orchard) placed fourth overall to lead the High Point University

men's cross country team to a runner-up finish at the Big South Championship on Saturday. Darmody started running cross country in high school.

"In high school I ran for fun, I tried out for the team and it turned out that I was somewhat good at it" says Darmody.

Going into the Big South Championship, Darmody said "we had a good chance of winning. I knew it'd be a hard. Coming to the finish line and seeing three Liberty guys in front of me was heartbreaking."

Although the men came up short of their goal, the men competed well. Sophomores Jacob Smith (Brockville, Ontario/Thousand Islands Secondary School) placed 12th in 25:30.04 and Dakota Peachee (Garner, N.C./West Johnston) took 13th in 25:44.63.

For the upcoming Regional meet this weekend, Darmody has high goals, saying, "I really want to stick with my original goal of top 25, and the big goal would be to make it to nationals."

Darmody is clearly a very successful runner, however he describes himself as more of a track runner. "I definitely like track a lot more than cross country, I worked hard at cross country to prepare for track. My main focus for the upcoming season is the Stanford Invitational in March. We travel across the country for high level competition in the 10k," says Darmody.

Darmody's high school coach granted him with words of advice before he came to run at HPU. "He told me, 'You're as good as your last race.' That usually sticks. I don't want to have a bad taste in my mouth after a bad race. I'd rather enjoy the good race."

Seniors set example for others in Big South race

By Steven Haller
Sports Editor

High Point women's volleyball had a terrific October, accumulating a record of 7-2 and moving to second place in the Big South standings.

The Panthers' head coach, Jason Oliver, said that he was relying on his senior players to be leaders on the team and set the example of very consistent play in order to get the team "on a roll" going into the upcoming Big South tournament, and that is exactly what he has been getting.

Seniors Megan Smith, Audie Gonzalez, Stephanie Wallin, and Julie Hershkowitz have all been playing consistently and they stack up pretty high against other Big South players when looking at the statistics as of Nov. 2.

Outside hitter Smith has remained the team kills leader all season long and ranks third in the Big South for kills.

Gonzalez and Wallin both have over 200 kills at 286 and 230 respectively.

Gonzalez has also amassed 39 service aces this season, which is the most in the Big South, and Wallin has a hitting percentage of .316, which is good enough for third in the Big South.

Hershkowitz has 545 digs on the season with a 5.19 per set average. Her performance greatly contributes to High Point having the no. 1 defense in the Big South, allowing an opponent's a hitting percentage of only .161, which is the best in the conference.

However, the seniors are not the only one's putting up big numbers for the Panthers.

Freshman setter Maddie Simpson earned her 1,000th assist of the season in the team's game versus Radford and took the conference lead in assists per set with an average of 10.41.

The Panthers will be back in the Millis Center this Saturday, Nov. 13 for Senior Day, where all of High Point's senior players will be honored before the match, as they take on Coastal Carolina at 2:00pm.

Big South: Aces (total)

1. Audie Gonzalez
High Point, senior
Total: 39 avg./set: 0.38

2. Lillie Happel
Liberty, freshman
Total: 38 avg./set: 0.40

3. Kiley Kent
Radford, senior
Total: 38 avg./set: 0.40

Big South: Digs (avg.)

1. Julie Hershkowitz
High Point, senior
Total: 545 avg./set: 5.19

2. Kelly Haseman
Liberty, junior
Total: 514 avg./set: 5.04

3. Lindsay Gill
Coastal Carolina, freshman
Total: 451 avg./set: 4.38

Big South: Hitting Pct.

1. Amanda Kettles
Presbyterian College, senior
Hitting Pct.: .377

2. Becca Toor
Winthrop, junior
Hitting Pct.: .336

3. Stephanie Wallin
High Point, senior

Big South: Opponent Hitting Pct.

1. High Point: .161

2. Liberty: .166

3. Coastal Carolina: .176

Note: all statistics are according to as they were on Nov. 2, 2010

Big South: Kills (total)

1. Amanda Hill
Charleston Southern, senior
Total: 476 avg./set: 4.67

2. Karyl Bacon
Liberty, senior
Total: 415 avg./set: 4.07

3. Megan Smith
High Point, senior
Total: 411 avg./set: 3.95

Big South: Assists (avg.)

1. Maddie Simpson
High Point, freshman
Total: 1031 avg./set: 10.41

2. Kilee Ruppe
Presbyterian College, senior
Total: 1039 avg./set: 10.29

3. Jade Craycraft
Liberty, freshman
Total: 1038 avg./set: 10.18

Women's soccer team earns share of Big South title

By **Brian Brennan**
Staff Writer

As expected, Big South Conference play brought a very nice turnaround for the Panthers women's soccer team. In their first three games of conference play the team had a record of 2-1, and the one loss was a close overtime loss.

On Oct. 2, the team began Big South play against Coastal Carolina after starting their season in non-conference play with a 2-8 record. High Point showed that it is one of the teams to beat in the Big South with an impressive 1-0 victory. Sophomore Jenny Butler scored the game winning goal in the 58th minute when she scored from 30 yards out.

"It feels great to have the game-winning goal tonight," Butler told highpointpanthers.com. "Coach told us at halftime to keep shooting from the outside so that is what I was looking to do. Obviously helping to win the first conference game feels unbelievable."

Goalkeeper Andrea Ritchie was the player of the game, however, stopping four shots including one with less than a minute to play.

Two days later, in Charleston, S.C., the team played impressively in defeat against Charleston Southern. In the first half they fell behind 2-0 but showed tremendous resiliency scoring two goals within 20 minutes of the second half. Both goals were scored by freshmen. In the 55th minute Sara Rager's cross found Brooke Lisson who headed it home. Six minutes later Kelli Joline scored an equalizer, and the game would remain that way for the final 29 minutes and two periods of overtime. In the 102nd minute Michelle Dennis scored a game winner for the



Senior midfielder Sara Rager dribbles the ball down the field.

Photo courtesy of HPU Sports Information.

Mustangs and High Point went home unlucky losers.

However, when they came home, Joline showed why the program is excited to have her by scoring a hat trick against Gardner-Webb in a 3-1 victory. The three goals by Joline were the most in a game by an HPU player since becoming a Division I program.

"It was amazing to record a hat trick here tonight; it felt great," Joline told highpointpanthers.com.

Head Coach Marty Beall was happy with the win and the play of his outstanding freshman. "Tonight was a good conference battle; it was a real end-to-end game," said Beall.

"In the first half they capitalized on a chance but this team once again showed their resilience and fought back in the second half. Kelli Joline had three great goals and she keeps getting better and better. I am very excited for her and hope that she can build confidence from

this going forward."

In the Panthers final four games they needed three wins and help from other teams in the Big South to force a five way tie for the Big South regular season championship. Everything that had to go the Panthers way happened.

It started with a 7-0 road win over VMI where Rager scored two goals and had two assists.

A 1-0 setback to Radford two days later did not change the fact that the Panthers had a chance at a co-regular season championship.

Three days later on a wet field at Vert Track and Soccer Stadium the team won 3-1 over Presbyterian, aided by the goal of the season by Sara Rager, who took a corner kick and bent it in past the Blue Hose keeper by herself for an impressive goal.

Two nights later, fittingly on Senior Night, an overtime winner was tallied by one of the three members of the class of 2011, Jillie Johnston. With the winning goal Johnston cemented herself as one of High Point's all time greatest clutch players, as she had a winning goal in the Big South Tournament last season.

"She did it again," head coach Marty Beall said. "Just like she did in the Big South Tournament last year. It's just fitting that she got the winner on Senior Night and I'm so happy for her."

The next night while attending High Point's men's soccer team's senior night, the team found out that Radford had defeated Coastal Carolina, clinching a five-way tie for the Big South Conference title. The team was honored during the game for its achievement.



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Do away with visitation hours: Who needs them anyway?

Staff Editorial

In the last edition of the Chronicle, there was an article titled “Students and administrators work together for a better HPU.” This article discussed the Community Living Task Force and some of their topics of discussion. One of these topics was the idea of abolishing visitation hours in upperclassman dorms.

The editors of the Campus Chronicle agree with this idea.

One of the purposes of college is to prepare students for life as adults. This means treating students like adults and trusting them with responsibilities.

Under most circumstances, when an adult lives in an apartment or house, there will be no curfew for the adult or any guests. So why do it now?

The current visitation hours are 10 a.m. through 12:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and 10 a.m. through 2:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday. So logically speaking, if a student has a visitor in his or her room at 2 a.m. on a Friday, what is the point of kicking the visitor out? If the person is visiting from off campus, where is he or she going to go?

There are plenty of other problems for the RA's to worry about other than whether or not a resident in room 204 has a cousin spending the night on their floor. After visitor hours on weekends, the RAs have louder, more intoxicated fish to fry.

There is a difference between visitors and a roommate's

annoying boyfriend or girlfriend who never seems to leave. Sure, we have “free” laundry and double beds - but get your own place, slacker. That sort of problem falls under a larger roommate contract type issue.

In the larger picture of campus life at HPU, visitor violations don't seem to be a high priority. So why not just eliminate the visitor hours for upperclassmen?

According to the student guide to campus life, all violations concerning visitors incur a \$20 fine. This falls into the same price range as having a prohibited appliance in a room, failure to pay a fine, failure to attend a hall meeting, playing Frisbee or golf near a building, throwing hard snowballs, and damaging walls with tape.

Why would a student go through the trouble of registering and getting a visitor approved by an RD if the punishment is \$20? When one goes to security to get a visitor pass for a vehicle there is no question as to whether or not the guest is registered with an RD. So either way it doesn't seem to be a big deal.

Visitation hours are an outdated rule for upperclassmen. As adults, we have the capability to make our decisions concerning whom we have visit us and when. It seems like an unnecessary rule for upperclassmen that isn't enforced much anyway.

It would be a good decision from the Community Living Task Force to abolish this rule.

GOBBLE?
BY: ALAINA FARRISH



Connecting with others: It's hard to be human, but someone has to give

By **Amanda Mayes**
Staff Writer



Things cannot possibly get worse. Your stress level has reached an all-time high. You cannot remember the last time you had this much

homework; to you, the library is home sweet home. You have no idea what you are doing with your life, and are beginning to question your passion for your major. Your best friend is disgruntled with you for reasons unknown. Your mind is on a wheel, continuously worrying about ten different things and trying to piece

together a work schedule.

Overwhelmed, you just need someone to listen. You feel alone.

If you don't talk to someone, your head will explode. Lunch with a close friend is the proper remedy. You ask if you can vent, and she consents to listen. Yet she does everything except listen. You start spilling, and realize she is incapable of providing empathy. Interruptions, requests for repeating what was said, wandering and vacant eyes, unwanted advice.

Absolute failure to connect with another individual, even though that individual's sanity depends upon a basic level of empathy.

I have a rather creepy tendency to watch people in the library or elsewhere when I am supposed to be focusing on homework. I blame my acting professor for this habit; I once had a homework assignment to sit in Slane and watch people, writing down any quirks and mannerisms that I could later use to create a character. People-watching provides endless entertainment and education. Watching interactions gives

tremendous insight into humanity and personal relationships. At this point, I have enough observations to write a book and become the next Dr. Phil.

Fleeting facial expressions, small gestures, speech inflections and tones – keys that could allow greater understanding of an individual, but are often kept locked away. Half truths and masks hide true intent. Blindness and unwillingness to connect to another person often leave these keys hidden.

Human beings walk through life, not really seeing each other. We listen, sympathize, and share so much – but only enough so that we remain protected in our fading ivory towers.

Empathy is difficult to give, because it means giving so much of ourselves in return. Completely connecting with another human being is dangerous; it means breaking down our walls and letting someone inside – a tremendous privilege and responsibility.

If we chose to connect with those around us, the enormous number of similarities humans share would be overwhelmingly clear. Humans

have more shared experiences and emotions than we care to admit. Yet how little sense music would make if our differences far outnumbered our commonalities.

A soft light focuses on Emily during the final moments in the last act of "Our Town," recently performed at High Point University. She asks simply, "Do any human beings ever realize life while they live it – every, every minute?" The stage manager responds with the answer of "No. Saints and poets maybe – they do some." A few more lines and the theatre goes to blackout, signaling the actors for curtain call. The illusion dissipates as the house lights come up and the last actor leaves the stage. As the light board operator for the show, I watched endless performances of the show. Yet that exchange never failed to haunt me and strike a chord in my heart.

I challenge you to write a different answer to this question by making a concerted effort to connect with those around you.

Waiting in long lines at the Cinema? Not so "Extraordinaire"

By **Jessica Strickler**
Staff Writer



As a freshman at High Point University, I treasure any sort of outside influence because I do not have a car. In fact, I have only been off campus a few times since school started back in August.

This alone has made the Monday Movie nights in the Extraordinaire Cinema all the more entertaining and exciting. It is new, different and a

glimpse at the spinning world outside the brick and iron fence.

On Nov. 15, the cinema featured the latest Julia Roberts film, "Eat Pray Love." For the showing, students started lining up outside the rope at 6:45 p.m., when the movie was not starting until 8 p.m. At 7:45 p.m. I rode down the escalator in near panic. Would there be any seats left??

With more students enrolling at HPU each year, the theater has seen a spike in popularity. To better accommodate, CAT now offers two showings of most movies. On Monday nights, the movies are shown at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

Students line up to get into the theater for these showings, but when the body count reaches 200, the rope is hung and no one else is permitted to enter. Typically, an announcement is made inside the theater that all 200 seats have been claimed and that anyone trying to save 20 seats for friends needs to forfeit these for the people who are already in the room looking for seats.

On another note, previously students

were allowed to congregate in the carpeted area by the concessions stand. However, after students started coming just to get popcorn and a drink and not stay for the movie, the CAT decided to make the weekly event more organized. Now, the concessions area is roped off much like a popular nightclub and no one gets on the carpet until 30 minutes before showtime.

This time as I rode down the escalator, I was concerned that I didn't see a line and a brief thought flashed through my mind that I might be too late for the 8 p.m. showing. Luckily there were a few seats left; I was swipe number 197. Phew!

The concessions area was empty, and there were only a few cups of popcorn left on the counter – obviously the rejections from the bottom of the popper. I decided to forgo the food and find a seat.

For the next two hours, I was absorbed in the movie. As it came to a close, I filed out of the cinema.

Outside in the concessions area, at

least 50 people were waiting with their drinks and popcorn to be allowed to go in for the 10:30 p.m. showing. Because the movie ran long – it was supposed to be over by 10 p.m. – these students had already swiped and were pressed around the theater doors, waiting to run in and find a seat as soon as it was empty. Behind the rope, more than 75 students were wrapped around the escalator waiting to enter.

Clearly, the cinema has increased in popularity, but with so many students who want to see the latest feature film for free, it is unlikely that the number of people who come out for shows will decrease.

For all you upperclassmen, take note. There will be even more freshmen next year, and if you want a seat for a show, you had better start coming earlier. Otherwise, you might have to take up the idea of building another theater with President Qubein, because the freshmen are here to stay, and apparently see every movie!

A moment with the editors

What is your favorite Christmas carol?

What was your best gift?

What is your most dreaded exam?

Who's your favorite Stooge?

Katie Nelson
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What's your story, "Morning Glory"?

By **Chelsie Merone**
Staff Writer

Idealistic views about relationships, careers and life is Hollywood's specialty. Characters usually get what they want, instantly make it big and have the perfect life; however, this is not the reality that we are facing today. With the position of the economy and the unemployment rate increasing, there is no such thing as a fairytale ending, and with the release of so many predictable, storybook endings it is time for something new. "Morning Glory" is just that: an intelligent comedy that gives a refreshing take on the big bad world of reality.

As an up and coming TV producer, Becky Fuller (Rachel McAdams) learns what it's like to start at the bottom of the food chain. After being let go from her job, a situation that many can relate to, Becky realizes that she needs to pull herself back up and start fresh. With her overwhelmingly positive attitude and unflinching drive, she finds a position with a struggling morning show called "Daybreak," hosted by Colleen Peck (Diane Keaton).

In order to save the show, Fuller recruits the bitter, narcissistic, and somehow loveable Mike Pomeroy (Harrison Ford), a worldly reporter on the edge of both retirement and insanity. Becky must make the hard decisions and test the relationships she has built at "Daybreak" when a once in a lifetime opportunity presents itself. Constantly choosing work over everything else, she must make the choice between following her dream or following her heart.

This story line may seem like the happily-ever-after stereotype I have been describing, but Becky Fuller is a completely new type of working girl.

Focusing on her career above all else, McAdams' character is confident, energetic, sometimes awkward, and an incredibly hard worker.

She is not your typical New York woman, strutting around in stilettos and designer clothes.

Instead, she sports pant suits, tousled hair and an unbelievably optimistic attitude.

Only having a few years of college education under her belt, her intelligence and professionalism is questioned by her new boss, Jerry Barnes (Jeff Goldblum).

Intimidated and nervous on her first day, Fuller is forced to jump right in with the sharks.

Having played everything from a mean girl to a con-artist, a romantic to a jock, no one would have been more qualified than Rachel McAdams to bring this quirky character to life. Exuding a vibrance and energy on the screen, you can't help but feel like you and Becky are the same exact person.

Diane Keaton also does a terrific job of playing the quick-witted and hands-on co-anchor of "Daybreak," Colleen Peck,

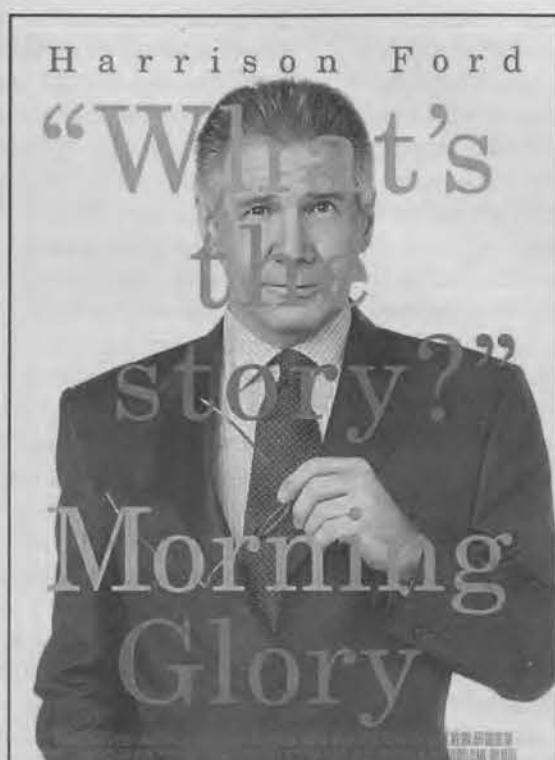


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whose snide comments and ballsy attitude balance the male dominated cast. However, audiences may be on the fence in regards to the male lead, Harrison Ford (Mike Pomeroy).

Maybe it is because I love Indiana Jones, or because I can't see him as anything other than Han Solo or the President, but something about Harrison Ford's performance was lacking. Playing a self-indulging

and dictatorial journalist at the end of his career, Pomeroy's hard exterior and years of solitude draw Becky Fuller in as she tries to help him soften his image. Giving a very subdued performance, Ford hit the nail on the head playing a man who would rather drink than report the latest trends and gossip. However, it seemed very mechanical.

In the industry, Ford is more commonly known as an action hero, starring in films like "Patriot Games," "Air Force One," and the "Indiana Jones" series. Comedy just may not be Ford's strength. But with direction by Roger Michell and a great screenplay by Aline Brosh McKenna, along with the rest of the outstanding cast, the movie is definitely worth seeing.

Some may walk away from this

movie wondering, what was the point? This may be a very feminist approach, but then again I am a college female wondering "what the hell am I going to do after I graduate in a year?" The working world isn't what it used to be, and with the economy being what it is, getting and maintaining a job isn't the easiest thing. Sacrifices have to be made, and your character is put to the test.

As we see in this film, Becky is a type-A work-a-holic. "You would sleep in the office if you could," one character says to her. However, Becky Fuller does not simply represent a neurotic and work-crazed female, but the dream of something other than what we are programmed to be.

Commonly, women are expected to have a job, get married, settle down, have kids, and be the perfect wife and mother. But is that realistic anymore? Do we have to succumb to the status quo? This film says no!

Now more than ever, women are taking control of their lives and living their dreams. Still, every one of us needs to think about what achieving that dream might be costing us. In so many success stories, having it all and having nothing are the same thing.

In a conversation between Becky and Mike, a very intimate moment allows for some great advice.

"It's only my job; it's not my whole life right?" Fuller says.

Pomeroy replies with, "Let me tell you how it all turns out— you end up with nothing. And that's exactly what I had, until you came along."

After seeing this movie, take a minute to think about your future, just as I did.

What do you want out of life? Who will you be? And what will you do to get there?

Top five movies to bring out the holiday spirit

By **Eric Lawrence**
Staff Writer

It's Christmas time at High Point and no university has more holiday spirit. If you need a reminder of how festive HPU is, take a look outside. There are nutcrackers lining the promenade, wreaths hanging from buildings, and a enormous Christmas tree sitting in front of the University Center.

So in the High Point University Christmas spirit, here is a list of my top five favorite Christmas movies of the past 30 years.

Yes, it is for the past 30 years, so I apologize for those hoping that "It's a Wonderful Life" or "Miracle on 34th Street" would make the list. Sit back, enjoy a nice cup of eggnog or hot chocolate and see if you agree with my top five movie list.

5. "A Nightmare Before Christmas" (1993)

This is one of Tim Burton's better movies and it gives a creative spin on the Christmas cheer.

Jack Skellington, who is the king of Halloween, discovers a place called Christmas Town but doesn't understand the concept of this strange place. He tries to bring the Christmas spirit to Halloween Town but things never work out as expected. I love the idea behind this movie and I put it on the

list because it celebrates Christmas from a different perspective. All of the characters and ideas are original and the movie becomes humorous when it tries to mix contradicting holidays together.

4. "Elf" (2003)

If you like Will Ferrell's goofy comedy movies, then this is the perfect holiday film for you. Ferrell plays a human who was raised by elves. Ferrell plays Buddy, a misfit among his short adopted family. He decides to leave for New York City in order to find his roots, but life is a lot different in NYC than at the North Pole.

I find this movie to be one of the funnier Christmas films, which is why it edged out other mildly entertaining comedies like the remake of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas."

Ferrell goes all out in this role and embraces how moronic and innocent a person would be if he grew up around nothing but Christmas. This is another film that gets its source of comedy from contrasting two opposites: NYC, where life is fast-paced and the people have no want for Buddy's Christmas cheer, and the North Pole.

3. "Scrooged" (1988)

This may be a Christmas movie that many of you have never heard of. It is an adaption of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," but it takes a fresh

spin on the story. Bill Murray stars as Scrooge, where he's perfectly cast as the man who yells, "Bah humbug!" Murray plays a television executive who decides to exploit the Christmas season in an effort to boost ratings, but is soon visited by three Christmas ghosts.

This movie keeps me constantly laughing and Bill Murray's performance is a big reason why it makes the list. This different and quirky spin on "A Christmas Carol" is one you shouldn't miss during the holiday season.

2. "A Christmas Story" (1983)

I know this movie may be at the top of many people's Christmas favorites, but I feel like it's just not quite deserving to be number one.

For those who've seen this movie, they either love it, or hate it. It is by far the most played holiday movie on TV. It even has its own 24-hour marathon on Christmas Day.

The story is centered around a young boy named Ralphie who's only Christmas wish is to get a Red Ryder BB gun. Unfortunately, his parents, teachers and Santa think otherwise, warning him that he will shoot out his eye.

A big reason why this movie is usually seen as the king of all holiday films is because of its nostalgia factor. It does a great job at portraying family life in the 1940s and provides many

moments to laugh.

1. "Home Alone" (1990)

Everyone should have seen this movie by now. If you haven't, you must not have grown up with a TV in your house. This is one of my favorite childhood movies.

The story is about an 8-year-old boy named Kevin, played by Macaulay Culkin, who has to defend his house from moronic burglars after his family accidentally leaves him behind on their trip to France. The movie slowly builds itself up to the grand finale, where Kevin heavily booby-traps the house for the burglars.

The casting in this movie is great. Culkin plays an innocent yet twisted little kid who has an amazing knack for tricking people and setting up crazy traps. I never knew how an 8-year-old could set up traps like that, but hey, it's a movie.

Joe Pesci plays a terrific slimeball burglar and is paired up with a hilariously idiotic partner in Daniel Stern. The movie is set during the Christmas season and uses that theme to bring out a more sentimental side of the story. Kevin has a blast at first with the house to himself, but soon realizes that he truly misses his family, even his bothersome older brother Buzz.

This film has loads of goofy fun and tops my list for the best Christmas movie of the past 30 years.

Call of Duty: Black Ops deserves a spot on Christmas lists

By Trent Schneider
Staff Writer

It's that time of the year again, time for another Call of Duty game. Once again, it's a phenomenal game. Not only have they made improvements in both the single and multiplayer game modes, but they have also brought back a fan favorite: Zombies.

Treyarch, the makers of the game, has brought back the surprise hit Zombies game mode that was introduced in Call of Duty: World at War. For those who don't know, this game mode pits up to four players against wave after wave of zombies in a struggle for survival.

Though the core gameplay has been kept the same, there have been some

changes to the game mode. One of these changes is the addition of a story. This change mostly allows players to understand why they are being attacked by swarms of zombies, which gives a bit more context than simply being placed in a random location while struggling to live.

Another addition is a second level that can be unlocked by completing the single player campaign. In the unlocked level, players get to face the swarm as a very recognizable cast of characters in a secret underground facility.

The multiplayer version has received its fair share of changes as well. Most of these changes are in the leveling and customization systems. Unlike the standard system where a player earns experience, levels-up and receives new

weapons and gear, there is now a system of both experience and money that players earn in order to get new gear and customization options.

As players gain experience and level up, they gain new weapons, gear, perks and customizations that they can purchase. This means that if there is a weapon or perk that you never use, you don't have to buy it. This way you spend your money on only the stuff you want. All of the spare cash you get can go to customize these weapons with things such as unique camouflage or aimers. To go along with this money system, there is a system called contracts. This allows you to earn extra money if you can complete certain challenges in a specified amount of time.

In the single-player campaign there

have also been some improvements. There is, of course, a new set of weapons, which is a series standard for new games.

There is also a new set of items to collect throughout the missions as a side objective.

The biggest difference from the previous games is the story, which is actually good. It has a well thought out plot and a set of characters that the player can get to know. It also contains some well-placed twists that can make the player want to play it again just so he or she can put all of the pieces together.

Overall, Call of Duty: Black Ops is a good game that will keep the player hooked, not only in the multiplayer modes, but also in the single player campaign.

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Association of Jewish Students Revitalized

By **Sam Kates**
Staff Writer

When freshmen enter college, they are often told that joining a club is the easiest way to make friends and adjust to college life. On the tour of a school, prospective students are reassured, 'We have every club you can imagine at our school, but if we don't offer what you're looking for, you can start your own club.' Starting a club can be an intimidating task, but a small group of freshmen has set out to accomplish that challenge by revitalizing the Association of Jewish Students.

According to the group's adviser, Dr. Paul Ringel, the Association of Jewish Students has been around for quite some time, but students have not shown interest in the organization. With the expanding size of the freshman class,

the number of Jewish students has doubled in one year and so has interest in the club.

"This is a student run organization; these students came to me," said Ringel. "They just want a place to gather as well as a way to introduce others to the Jewish religion and culture."

The group recently met with the director of North Carolina Hillel (the foundation for Jewish campus life) to discuss the future of the club at High Point University and how to increase involvement and awareness.

"We are trying to create an organization where we can all get together not only to attend religious services but also participate in philanthropy within our Jewish community," said club member Lindsay Sugarman.

The organization is currently planning to host a toy drive to benefit a

needy Jewish family during the Hanukkah holiday. They are also planning a Hanukkah party, which would be the opportune time for new members to join the association and meet new people.

"Already this year transportation was provided for students who wanted to attend High Holy Day services in Greensboro for Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah, the Day of Atonement and the Jewish New Year," said member Ethan Winter. "And we have scheduled a Jewish comedian to come to campus."

Anyone interested in the organization is encouraged to join. New members are more than welcome and can join at anytime.

"Our organization is still in its infancy, but we are hoping to have a lot more events this year that will publicize the Jewish Students Association," said Sugarman.

'Holidazzling' at HPU is huge...

Holiday photos, page 8-9

By Jessica Strickler
Staff Writer

"How many lights do you think there are on campus Ron?" asks Tommy Gardner.

His work partner, Ron Bombriant thinks about this for a few moments. He has only been with the new, sparkling, well-lit, version of HPU for five months. Before he left in 2005, he had been employed with the university for 11 years.

"Probably 600," said Bombriant, "Yeah, that sounds about right."

During the rest of the year, Gardner and Bombriant are responsible for the upkeep of the fountains and lights around campus. But starting November 1, when the doors to Campus Enhancement's King Street storage warehouse opened, Gardner and Bombriant added holiday decorating to their repertoire, hanging wreaths and garland around the campus.

And if there are indeed 600 lamp posts on campus, then 600 strands of garland have been put up and the approximately 1200 HPU flags on the light poles have been replaced with 1200 holiday banners. All of that work does not include the more than 70 wreaths that adorn the doors of every building on campus.

At the time of the interview, Gardner and Bombriant were working on installing one of two 8-foot wreaths and crimson red bows with gold trim on the front of the Slane Student Center.

"Just a fine job, Tommy," said Bombriant, as he held the 10-foot ladder steady for his partner, who was attempting to screw the wreath to the brick wall.

The wreath is intertwined with LED lights, which Gardner and Bombriant are responsible for replacing, should one burn out.

"I've been doing this for 15 years," said Gardner, "We start work on November 1 and the students only get to see the finished product for three weeks."

For the pair, along with the rest of the Campus Enhancement team, there is still much work to do. After setting up the nutcrackers along the International Promenade, the crew has less than a month's respite before they will return to remove the all of decorations and return them into storage.

However Campus Enhancement does not complete all of the decorating around HPU. The university sub-contracts some of the holiday decorating to local firms, one of them being Plant Management Associates. This particular company specializes in interior plant decorations and designs and the holidays prove to be an especially busy time of year. Husband and wife team Suzanne and

Arean Sherwood have been working with HPU for the past four years to set up and decorate the inside and outside of buildings.

"We try to do something a little bit different each year," said Suzanne. "Last year, we put up a 20 foot tree downstairs [in Slane]. But since the [HPU] tables are there now, we couldn't do that this year."

Instead, they decided to build a snowy scene on the second floor of Slane Student Center, complete with multiple trees, winter creatures and flying reindeer. The reindeer were the inspiration for the name of the theme this year, "Leap into the New Year- Be Extraordinary!"

The Sherwood's started prepping the HPU decorations back at the beginning of November, pulling everything out of their warehouse, trying to come up with a plan.

"We look at what we've got to use and then decide what to bring over and set up," said Suzanne. "Then, when we get here, we put on the lights, fine-tune everything and make it look pretty."

On Nov. 13 and 14, the pair spent two days working in Slane starting their set-up process. They returned on Nov. 17 to add the finishing touches to their indoor decorations. On Nov. 18, they moved to The Terrace and installed a 20-foot Christmas tree in the lobby. That particular tree is decked out in HPU colors- purple and silver.

The Sherwood's and several other workers from Plant Management Associates installed the featured Christmas tree on Saturday, Nov. 14. Located in front the University Center, the tree stands 20 feet tall, glittering with gold, silver, red and purple ornaments and hundreds of lights; a massive red bow tops the tree. At the base are cheerfully wrapped gifts, hiding the plastic tarp and tree stand. There are subtle wires coming out from the tree that help anchor it to the ground, which will hopefully prevent it from falling over due to the elements.

This year, the lights to all of the decorations put up by Campus Enhancement were turned on Nov. 18, four days before Thanksgiving break started. To make less work for Campus Enhancement, the lights either remain turned on 24 hours a day or are on a timer and turned on at dusk and off at dawn. And although the lights are all LED, providing a longer shelf life, brighter glow and less expensive price tag, they are still far from inexpensive to operate.

"I have no idea what [High Point University] spends," said Gardner. "I mean, this wreath and bow here probably cost \$200-250."

There is no doubt the price tag for the decorations is not cheap. Despite using energy efficient lights and only replacing the decorations when they are worn out, the university still puts considerable time, effort and money into bringing the holiday spirit to campus.



Sub-contractors Suzanne and Arean Sherwood smile in front of their holiday display.
Photo by Jessica Strickler.

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Evolution of the Toy Soldier



Step 1: transport toy soldiers to Promenade



Step 2: unload the statues off the work cart



Step 3: take bubble wrap off each toy soldier



Ornaments hang from the ceiling inside the Slane Student Center. Photo by Jessica Strickler

Toy Soldier is now ready to stand guard



Photos by Jessica Strickler



Above: Ornament on a tree in Slane. Below: detail on that tree. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins



Workers put together the tree topper. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins



The team from Plant Management Associates uses a crane to assemble the parts of the UC Christmas tree. Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Assembling the UC Christmas Tree



Campus Enhancement Truck transports flags for holiday decorations. Photo by Jessica Strickler

Final Exam Schedule Undergraduate Day

December 10 - December 17, 2010

Date	Course Meeting Hour	Exam Time
Friday, December 10	10:30 AM M (WF)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	9:40 AM T (TH)	1:30 - 4:30 PM
Saturday, December 11	9:15 AM M (WF)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	1:25 PM M (WF)	1:30 - 4:30 PM
Monday, December 13	1:20 PM T (TH)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	11:45 AM M (WF)	1:30 - 4:30 PM
Tuesday, December 14	7:50 AM M (WF)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	11:30 AM T (TH)	1:30 - 4:30 PM
Wednesday, December 15	7:50 AM T (TH)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	3:00 PM T (TH)	1:30 - 4:30 PM
Thursday, December 16	3:00 PM M (WF)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	2:40 PM M (WF)	1:30 - 4:30 PM
Friday, December 17	5:00 PM T (TH)	8:30 - 11:30 AM
	all other times	1:30 - 4:30 PM

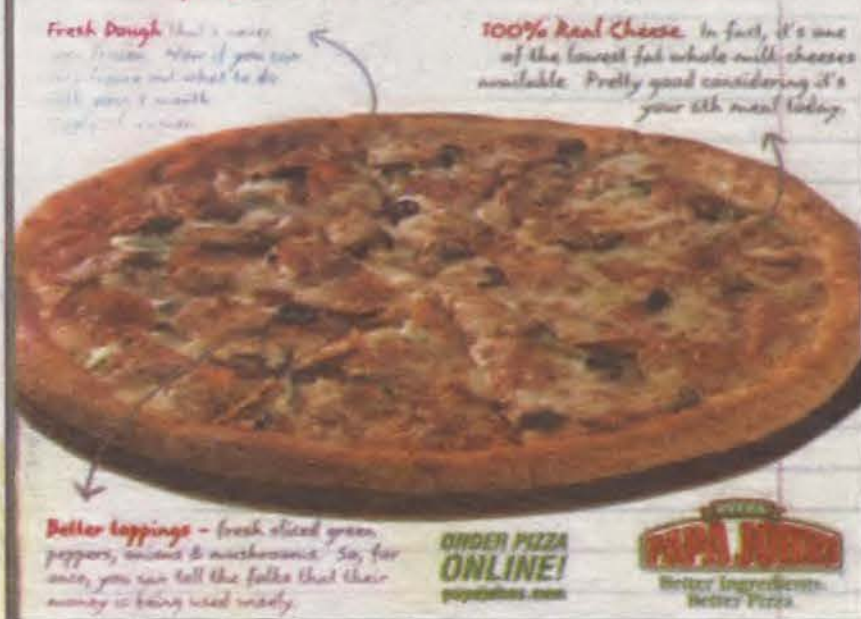


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Counter holiday stress by giving back

By Christine Reinicker
Staff Writer

College students often become stressed out and loaded with exams and projects and papers during the holiday season. So to students, the holiday break is a time where they just like to relax, go back home and enjoy good food and getting presents. But the holidays aren't like this for everyone.

Imagine if you didn't have a place to call home and go back to. Imagine if you didn't have anyone to call your family and enjoy home-cooked meals with. Imagine if through the holiday season you did not receive one gift or have any gifts to give out to anyone.

Luckily there are many ways in which you can help people who have little to celebrate during the holiday season.

Community outreach programs are strapped to the max during this time of year because so many people need help. There are hundreds of ways to help someone in need during this time of year, even as a broke college student.

Brightening someone's spirit during the holidays is as easy as donating an old coat, boots, gloves and hats or toys to a local organization. The Salvation Army is the most popular organization for taking donations and raising money for people in need over the holidays.

The people ringing the bells outside local stores are from Salvation Army and all they are asking for is spare change. Donating loose change goes a long way too, especially for someone who has nothing.

Other easy ways to lend a helping hand are to donate canned goods. Local foundations and organizations are always accepting canned good donations to help feed the hungry and give them a home-cooked holiday meal.

Volunteering at a soup kitchen is another way, as a busy college student, that one can give back. Just giving a few hours of time to help feed the homeless shows them that people don't forget about them over the holiday.

There are so many charities and organizations that make giving so easy during the season.

The list goes on and on. Hospitals are also very welcoming during the holiday season. Going to visit someone who is sick and alone during a time when everyone else is with family and healthy and happy is a priceless way to give joy and hope to someone who needs it.

So as you pack up after exams to head home to family, a warm place to stay and food other than café food, make sure to be thankful for what you have and realize that the holidays aren't easy and fun for everyone. There are so many simple ways in which we can help, so try and lend a hand out this year and give someone with nothing something to be thankful for.

Who
needs
help:

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Make-A-Wish Foundation
World Vision
Toys for Tots
The Salvation Army

Sign up for sweet symphonic sounds

By Sam Kates
Staff Writer

It's the holiday season and there is no better way to get into the Christmas spirit than by listening to holiday music. Radio stations are abuzz with Christmas classics and people have found their CDs filled with holiday favorites. But this season, High Point students are offered the chance to experience the classics in a different manner.

The North Carolina Symphony will be performing at High Point University on Tuesday, Dec. 7. HPU students are invited to come out and sing along to heart-warming holiday favorites as well as enjoy a few classical seasonal songs that they may not have heard before. Free tickets to the show are available to all HPU students.

Throughout December, the North Carolina Symphony is scheduled to travel to eight different colleges to perform their concert series "Holiday Pops." Bringing music to as many people as possible across the state of North Carolina is the goal of the Symphony. An education program has been

developed by the Symphony in which they reach children and adults alike.

Performing in different environments is a challenge willingly accepted by the Symphony. Each year, numerous school auditoriums are packed with young children ready to experience a real Symphony performance. Providing school aged children with background knowledge on music and allowing them to experience music firsthand is among the many achievements of the Symphony.

The extent to which the North Carolina Symphony reaches out to the community and to education programs is unparalleled by any other orchestra in the nation. The Symphony has earned itself a reputation for its "innovative programming and collaborative projects."

If you enjoy the North Carolina Symphony performance in the Hayworth Fine Arts Center on Dec. 7, be sure to check out other performances by the Symphony. Student discount tickets for performances at the Meymandi Concert Hall, in Raleigh, are available at the door one hour before shows for only ten dollars.

Don't let exams ruin your holidays: tips to help you through exams

By Matt Wells
Organizations Editor

Tips for Exams from an experienced senior:

Through my years here at High Point I have made some good and bad decisions when it comes to exams. I have learned from my mistakes and I am here to give you some thoughts on what I have learned and what works for me. Implement these guidelines and, trust me, they will help.

1. **DON'T CRAM FOR THE TEST:** I can honestly say that trying to stay up late and cram all night and do nothing but study before the test was a bad idea. Give yourself plenty of time to study as well as clear your mind before the test so you can focus on the exam, not worry about what you have forgotten.

2. **STUDY WITH A GROUP:** The people in your class are the best to study with. They know how the professor structures the tests as well as how the test is graded and what the professor looks for. Combining all of the minds in the class you will cover everything that was on the test, trust me!

3. **GET A GOOD NIGHT'S REST:** Possibly the most important item on this list, you cannot overestimate a good night's sleep. Having a rested mind helps with remembering what you have learned and will make for a better test.

4. **EAT A GOOD BREAKFAST:** The most important meal of the day, it helps speed up metabolism; it starts off your day right, and keeps you from worrying about when you can get out to eat. Having a full stomach has always helped me. If nothing else, swing by the kiosk if you have an early exam.

5. **JUST RELAX, DON'T STRESS:** If you are too worried you will not do well, period. Do not worry about the exams; if you know your stuff you will do fine. Trust what you have learned and relax; it is just an exam!

Do Int'l students go home for the holidays?

By Courtney Gacona
Staff Writer

With the holiday around the corner, home is on everyone's mind. For many students, home is just a car ride away. However, for some, home requires a passport, a few connecting plane rides and of course jetlag.

Being an international student can be bitter sweet.

Emmanuelle Cheurlin, a senior from France explains, "Being an international student is an amazing opportunity because you get to learn not only a different language, but a whole different culture. However, the hardest part is to know that you can't go home even when you're going through a tough time."

As the holiday approaches, Cheurlin is excited to return home to France for Christmas.

Shantell Perry, an international freshman from Jamaica says, "I miss my family, but my roommates and friends have become like family here." High

Point University has become a second home for Perry as she says that she does not even feel like an international student anymore. Perry confesses that she is still getting used to the cold, but winter fashion makes it all worth it.

Dave Prentice, a senior from St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, says he goes back home for Christmas and summer, but usually tags along with a friend for Thanksgiving. "It's definitely different here. I miss home at times, but it's great having a different cultural experience," explained Prentice.

Devika Sathe, a freshman from India, confirms his statement as she also misses home at times but says thanks to cell phones, email, and skype, home really isn't that far away. Overall, many of the international students seem happy on HPU's campus. As Cheurlin put it, "Being abroad has made me a lot more open-minded, and gave me the confidence of going out there and not be afraid of going across the world to catch the best opportunities that are presented to me."

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-Do you have the fever? Justin Bieber comes to the coliseum Dec. 15 with Sean Kingston. Tickets are \$36, \$46, and \$56.



Roommates share more than space

By **Jordan Oliver**
Staff Writer

When faced with a crisis, there is always a plan of escape—a plan of attack. In the separate lives of two young girls whose lives were turned upside down by the dreaded “c” word, cancer, they soon learned that their plan of attack would be in part, through each other.

Kristy Parnell and Laura Blaha, two sophomores at High Point University, met by what some may call mere chance. Others would say it was part of a divine plan, for a story like this is far beyond the realm of chance.

Kristy and Laura first met each other on Facebook during the summer before their freshman year of college. They spoke of rooming together, not knowing at first that they shared more in common than purple pride. They soon learned that they were both fighting for their lives.

After discovering that Kristy had Ewing’s sarcoma, a deathly bone cancer, Laura knew she had to help her. Laura had always wanted to help

someone else struggling with her same disease, and now was her chance. “It’s kind of why I came to college,” she said.

After being diagnosed with Carcinoid cancer in May of her junior year of high school, Laura said that nothing felt important to her anymore. “I’m the kind of person that cares so much about so many things that it really frustrated me when nothing seemed that important,” she said.

Knowing that she could help someone who was going through a similar crisis was finally something she found to be important.



Laura Blaha and Kristy Parnell are a support system for each other through their struggles with cancer.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

Through sharing their stories, Kristy said that she and Laura automatically became close friends. “The first time I met her, she came and visited me in the hospital during my first chemo session and she was there when I shaved my

head for the first time.”

Jenn Lhomme, a close friend of both girls, recalled a time at the beginning of the school year when Kristy was sick in the hospital. “Laura refused to leave and slept there with Kristy. She was by her side for everything.”

“We were really, really, a huge support for each other and without her there, I don’t think I would’ve made it through—without Laura every single day,” said Kristy.

Both Kristy and Laura feel as if they were meant to help each other. “We just kind of had a connection together just that way,” Kristy said with assurance. Both Laura and Kristy display such positive and admirable attitudes towards their fight with cancer. Against overwhelming odds, Kristy beat her disease and is now in remission. Laura is still waiting to find out whether her cancer is gone, but is very hopeful.

“Cancer’s the kind of thing that you don’t really understand unless you have it,” she said. “It made me realize a lot more about life and about living every day to its fullest.”

Senior Lauren Williams: ‘Someone needs to help guide these girls’

By **Lenae’ Frazier**
Staff Writer

When most people her age were up partying, Lauren Williams was up talking about friendship. Friday, Nov. 5 at Statesville High School in Statesville, N.C. was her second lock-in ever, an event where people stay up all night to talk and learn.

The 15 teenage girls were all sitting in a circle on the floor of the school’s library. The girls looked at her intently as she said how important it is to have healthy relationships. Their conversation lasted until 4:30 Saturday morning. That lock-in is just one part in Lauren’s life goal to help young girls.

Lauren, a senior at High Point University, first found her love for helping in the 10th grade. She moved to Hickory, N.C., her seventh move to a new city, and felt compelled, because her new classmates, to do something.

“...I saw a difference in our attitudes and values. [I said] ‘someone needs to help guide these girls.’” And she has been guiding girls ever since.

Lauren held her first lock-in called True Beauty in June 2010 in her hometown of Hickory. She has sponsored two since then. Lauren is currently studying for an undergraduate degree in non-profit. After graduating, she plans to earn a master’s degree in social work and then work with a youth agency or non-profit organization that deals with youth.

Out of all of the time she spends with girls, there are a few moments that stand out in her mind. One moment involved a little girl and a teddy bear.

Her freshman year, Lauren worked at the Boys and Girls Club of Greater High Point. She noticed one girl who needed attention. “People used to pick on her all the time and she was so sweet,” Lauren said. Lauren remembered her teddy bear from the President’s Seminar class at HPU. The teddy bear is meant to be given to someone else. So, Lauren decided to give the girl her teddy bear. Lauren still visits the Boys and Girls Club and when she goes, the little girl is still there.

“To this day,” Lauren said, “when I go back to the club and visit the kids, she goes ‘I still have the bear!’”

These moments are part of the reason Lauren is so dedicated to this cause. The other reason is the effect she can have on the lives of the girls. She volunteers regularly at Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Greater Piedmont. She will also be working with neighboring communities and youth in the future.

According to payscale.com, the average salary of a social worker with a master’s degree is \$41,000. This lower salary might be troublesome for some people but Lauren is not worried. “If I was worried about [the low salary], I would not be in this field. It’s about making a difference. Even if I wasn’t in the non-profit field, I would still work with these young girls.”

And Lauren plans to keep doing just that.

Religion professor has Asian fascination but teaches with an Irish accent

By **Elizabeth Ellis**
Staff Writer

Born in Japan to an Air Force family, Mark Toole, assistant professor of religion and philosophy, feels a certain affinity for all things Asian. After his family moved back to the states when he was a young child, he remembers being exposed to certain sounds and smells that reminded him of ‘home’—they were all Asian. When given the choice, Toole would always choose Japan, India or China to research for grade school projects. But while Toole developed a fascination with Asian traditions and culture, his decision to teach religion on a college level was not always his ambition.

Toole taught classes on scuba-diving with his father while studying at DePauw University for his undergraduate degree in sociology. He led student trips to vacation hotspots including the Grand Cayman islands and Cozumel, and developed such a passion for the sport that he considered relocating to the Caribbean after college to teach scuba-diving as his profession.

Toole recalls the conversation that he had with his father before graduating from college in which he revealed his plan, and the alarm of his father. Toole was not entirely serious about his career choice, but he had done some research on it. Toole continues to have a passion for diving, and hopes to lead a course and trip for students of High Point University some time in the future.

Toole enjoys other outdoor sports that include mountain climbing and running, both of which he picked up as hobbies while living in Colorado, where he taught at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Toole says that social life in Colorado was centered around hobbies, and that when he was a new Coloradoan people would ask him, “What do you do?” Toole misunderstood the question when he replied that he was a professor. He has participated in marathons in both Chicago and Denver, and is the faculty advisor for the budding Climbing Club.

Rumor has it that in addition to having a vast amount of knowledge concerning all things Asian, Toole speaks an Old Irish dialect. When

confronted about this, he laughed quite hysterically. While he is of Irish descent, Toole only uses a “fake Irish accent to tell Irish jokes.”

Jokes and storytelling are not only used as a teaching method in the classroom by Toole, but also play an important role in his personal life as well. He credits his Irish heritage for this, and additionally believes that in another life he was once a bard or minstrel of sorts. His childhood ambition was to become an actor or a stand-up comic, and this passion of his has been resurrected since his daughters bought him a guitar. He practices his musical stories with his enthusiastic daughters for an audience, in hopes of one day becoming involved with a local improvisation acting group.

Professor Toole teaches courses on religion at High Point University, and specializes in Asian religio-philosophic traditions. He is also in the process of selecting a deceased bard or minstrel that he can make his personal saint.



Toole has a Zen Buddhist wall tapestry in his office.

Photo by Jeremy Hopkins

If you tell them it's free, they will come, but they won't stay

By Alexis Sherman
Staff Writer

The Campus Concierge should stop sending out e-mails letting students know of the free items being handed out at future soccer and volleyball games.



Before a September volleyball home showdown with Big South Conference favorite Liberty, a university promotion promised free shirts to the first 100 students. There weren't even 100 students at the game and not one person in the gym received a shirt.

Come to find out a bunch of freshman lined up three hours before the game started and took all the shirts. This has been a problem for a while and now the sports marketing department here is addressing the situation.

They give free stuff away as incentives to get students to games to support their teams. When students show up, get the free shirt, and then leave, it defeats the whole purpose.

The students should have to stay the whole game to show support for the teams if they want the free items. Many athletes feel they play better when they have cheering from the stands. It gives the athlete something to play for.

The sports marketing department is going to try and change its tactics to keep students at the games. They are going to try and have the free items set up inside the gates so once you're in, you just have to take a few steps to the stands.

They tried that technique at the men's soccer game and said it worked out well. According to the sports marketing department, the volleyball game where the students lined up three hours early was the worst case they had ever seen.

Even if that only happened once, I don't understand why they gave the shirts out three hours early. If the students showed up early to get the shirts then they should have waited those three hours in line until the gates opened.

Instead, someone gave them the shirts early, which allowed them to take the shirts and leave.

I give the sports marketing department credit for coming up with new ideas to get students involved. It's always nice to walk into a gym and see the stands packed. That is all the sports marketing department wants to see.

At men's basketball games they give away t-shirts when the game is going to be shown on television. Whenever there's free shirt giveaways at basketball games, people line up early but aren't let in until the time the game starts.

The gym is usually packed with students who are willing to stay for the games. The volleyball game should have been treated in the same way.

The sports marketing department said they have learned from what have happened and will be trying new ideas and hope to make all the games filled with students to cheer on the athletes.

Hopefully, they have learned their lesson and will not hand out shirts before the time sent out in the e-mails by Campus Concierge.

The Grille's Erik Pagett will put a smile on your face

By Christine Reinicker
Staff Writer

When people say what they like about the holidays, you usually get the same response: family and food. Erik Pagett is no exception. What does make him unique is that he used joy, a holiday word, to describe himself.

When asked to describe why he picked joy for himself, Pagett, who works at the Grille at the Village, responded in all giggles saying, "Because I love to have fun, I love to smile and make other people smile, and I stay full of joy."

Pagett has been working at HPU for four years. He started at Subway, but loves making Philly cheese steaks and breakfast burritos over subs now.

He has been working in the food business since he was 16

when he had his first job at McDonalds.

Originally from New Haven, Conn., Pagett moved to North Carolina when he was 18.

He has always been a family man. During his time off, Pagett enjoys just relaxing and spending time with his kids.

In addition to being with his own family and kids, Pagett is a big people person. "I love the students here. There are a lot of different people from all over the world" he said.

Pagett loves gospel and R&B music and his favorite food is any type of seafood.

With the holidays and exam time coming up, if you just need a good smile, then head over to the Grille and talk to Pagett. He is full of enough joy to easily put a smile on your face.



Pagett loves making Philly cheesesteaks for students at the Village Grille.

Photo by Katie Nelson

A message from a senior athlete: Don't wait to start trying

By Dianna Bell
A&E Editor

I've spent over 3,000 hours of my college life devoted to running. I ran over 7,000 miles and have gone through countless pairs of shoes. I've done hundreds of loads of laundry thanks to my sweaty clothes from two-a-day runs and weight-lifting sessions. I've gone to



bed early and avoided going out in order to perform well the next day. At times, I was so frustrated I wanted to quit. But I hung in there, because that is what being a runner is all about.

And it all boiled down to this one moment. This was the one meet where I was competing to finally be one of ten running at the Big South Conference meet and actually stood a chance.

My summer of high mileage had finally started paying off. Every meet was a personal record. I even beat my high school records, which says a lot since I had yet to go through puberty when I ran those times.

Why did it take so long for me to peak? Maybe it was because I wasn't giving 100 percent during my first three years at High Point. I was not doing everything I could to be a great runner, or at least the best to my ability. I was cutting corners, skipping runs and staying out late. Yet I was still expecting myself to perform at the meets. And when I didn't perform, I blamed my coaches and the program.

It couldn't have been my fault. I was doing "all the things I could." Yeah

right. I look back at my old self, as I do now at some of the underclassmen on my team, and roll my eyes.

My pride was getting in the way. It was a roadblock. A wall. I think that looking at yourself and recognizing your mistakes must come with age. Or maturity. Either way, I didn't have the ability to look at myself critically and examine what I was doing that was hindering me.

Up until my senior year, the upperclassmen always tried to express how crucial it was to follow and believe in our coach's plan. How important each decision we made mattered- what we ate and when we ate it to the more obvious of going to bed at a decent hour.

It wasn't until I became a senior that I actually understood why they were pushing us so hard. This was it for them, and now for me. This was their last chance to prove to themselves why they made so many sacrifices to make those sacrifices worthwhile.

And up until this year, I had proved nothing. Why was I there? Why did I show up every day to not give my full effort?

These are questions I contemplate now with regret.

At the meet that mattered most, I was out-kicked on the home stretch. I had run for three miles ahead of the two girls I needed to beat to compete at conference. But in the last 50 meters of the race, I was out-kicked by a sophomore who had only recently joined the team. And that was it. My collegiate career was finished.

No Big South Conference race for me. I was done.

The past four years have flown by. And now I'm left questioning how talented I could have been if I had treated my sport like a Division

1 team instead of a club. How many conferences could I have run in had I focused and been as determined as I was this season?

I can't make the younger girls on my team understand the urgency to start focusing now. They will not and cannot understand until they are in my position.

Don't wait to start trying.

Tears streamed down my face as I realized what I had given up when I couldn't muster the courage to push my legs past the point of pain in that final race. I was crying for the goal that I couldn't accomplish. I was crying for the years I had wasted not putting forth my full effort. But most of all, I was crying because I realized my time as an athlete was coming to an end.

I'll always be a runner, but never again will I get the experience of being an athlete. I'm not one of the few who is good enough to make a career out of their sport. What drove me all these years was passion. Some years, it was covered in a thick cobweb of apathy, but I never lost the fact that I was always doing this for myself. No one paid me to be a runner at a division 1 university. I voluntarily put myself through the day-to-day toil.

My message to those that still have time-don't take a single day for granted. Our time to compete as athletes is limited from the moment we take our first steps as athletes at our institution of choice. Make every stride, every work out, every race, game, match or meet count.

When I leave High Point University I'll look back and know that all those miles, tears, and loads of laundry were well worth it. But the fact that I could have done more will add to the sadness of concluding my collegiate career.

Men's basketball's fresh start with some fresh faces

By Pat Budd
Staff Writer

The High Point University men's basketball team jumped out to a 3-3 start on the year in its first three weeks of regular season play. The Panthers much anticipated 2010-2011 season has started off with a .500 record after recording wins against Ferrum, Gwynedd-Mercy and Gardner-Webb. The three losses were against Old Dominion, The Citadel and Hampton.

The Panthers, after finishing 15-15 last season, have graduated two starters in Eugene Harris and Cruz Daniels, but have added six freshmen and one junior transfer to the 2010-2011 squad. Some freshmen have made an immediate impact on the team, including forward Du'Vaughn Maxwell, who has made his way into the starting lineup for two of the four games.

The Panthers have returned the core of their team in Nick Barbour, Tehran Cox, Corey Law, Earnest Bridges and David Campbell. However this team has a lot of work to do in building together as a unit, according to Barbour, a junior guard.

"We are a young team, we need to get more discipline and work together, stop bickering at each other when things go wrong, it's a 40 minute game and things don't happen in two minutes so we need to stay together," said Barbour after a 86-77 win over Gwynedd-Mercy.

Barbour, who led the team last year in scoring and is currently averaging 17.0 points per game this year, was named Pre-season Big South Player of the Year. The junior has been the Panthers go-to guy this season scoring in double-digits in the first four games including a 20 point performance against The Citadel.

"It's a great honor. I've been working these last few years. I guess it's finally paying off. The coaches and players, they've been helping the whole way," said Barbour of the award.

Head Coach Scott Cherry is excited to see one of his players recognized with

such a high honor, but he also credits the rest of the team.

"He's a good guy to have on your team. I'm happy for him. The great thing about our team is we've got a group of guys that can help him this year."

In the second season of the Coach Cherry era, the Panthers come into the season with considerable talent but a very young team. In the first four games of the season, Cherry has adjusted the starting lineup three times, something different than what he did last year when he maintained a steady starting lineup.

"We've got a lot of guys that are talented and we've got a lot of guys that can play. I tell them every day in practice that the guys that perform best in practice and do the best to help us win are the ones that are going to play," said Cherry.

Cherry is not afraid to put new faces into the starting lineup. Maxwell has seen significant playing time and has been in the starting lineup along with junior transfer Shay Shine, who averaged 10.4 points while starting for the Panthers in their first four games.

"As a coach I'm concerned about the guys that are on the floor at the end of the game, and who is performing best when it really matters," said Cherry, who seemed not to worry too much about the consistency of a starting lineup.

According to Cherry the team has many strengths and weaknesses and "still have a million things to be working on." They have done well offensively averaging over 70 points per game and have three starters averaging over 10 points per game. Cherry says one of the team's greatest strengths is the ability to play 11 guys on any given night but still needs some more team chemistry.

"We need everyone clicking on the same page, we need guards playing well, we need big men playing well, and we need everyone together functioning as a unit playing well. We've got some young guys out there but it's not just our young guys, it's our veterans too," said Cherry.

The Panthers will go on a seven-game road trip beginning on Dec. 8 at Tennessee Tech and ending on Jan. 8 at Radford.

Women's basketball practicing 'intensity and focus'

By Kelsey Hinchliffe
Staff Writer

The women's basketball team got off to a good start this season with a 3-4 record as of Nov. 28. The team has already defeated American University, Southern Virginia and Longwood University this year.

The team, like every year, has the ultimate goal of becoming the Big South Conference champions. With a strong class of incoming freshmen and senior leaders, head coach Tooley Loy has high expectations for the team.

"We expect the team to play and practice with intensity and focus. They have done a great job to this point in the year," said Loy.

The team will not play its first Big South Conference team, Liberty University, until Jan. 3.

The team has five new freshmen who are eager and ready to play. "I am excited about getting to play against a higher level of talent, and hopefully

going to the NCAA tournament," said freshman guard Tayler Tremblay.

The five seniors on the team have been offering great leadership to the rest of the team.

"Our seniors have been great in

providing the example of how hard you must work to be good at this level," said Loy.

Senior Mackenzie Maier recognizes the importance of her responsibility as a role model for her teammates. "My role as a senior leader is to help my teammates keep a positive attitude," said Maier. "I am not the one to jump down people's back if they

make a mistake, but rather pick them up. Keeping everyone's self-esteem up is going to be a big part in having a successful season."

The team has great depth this year, playing 11 players in most games. "We

good for games but also competition in practice."

The team will also have hardships to overcome. "We will be our biggest challenge this season," said Maier. "We can be as good as any team we play if we want to, but we can also be as bad. If we can all stay together on the same page for the entire season we will accomplish all of our goals we have set for the season."

Off the court, the team is dedicated to community service. The team volunteers for the Heart Strides Marathon in High Point, helps out at youth basketball clinics and some of the women volunteer at the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization.

The Panthers have their next away game on Dec. 7 against UNC-Greensboro.

"We need the students to come out and support us at home games. We need the students to make the Millis Center an extremely tough place to play for the opponent," urged Loy.

"I'm not the one to jump down people's back if they make a mistake, but rather pick them up."
Mackenzie Maier

are a deeper team at every position this year," said Coach Loy. "This is not only

Indoor track gains access to a new practice facility

By Henry Molski
Staff Writer

It is becoming easier and easier to look around the High Point Athletic Department and find a team on the rise. In this case, the Panthers track and field team is a team to look out for. The men and women of the 2010-2011 teams are in shape and they were ready when they went to their first meet on Dec. 4 at Clemson's Orange and Purple Classic.

Many freshmen students may be scratching their heads at the fact that the season begins in mid winter. In the collegiate world of track and field, however, the indoor track season covers the time of year when most high school athletes would be left training for Spring.

Even though they each have their own separate seasons, indoor and outdoor track are nearly inseparable. There are a few changes in distance and a few added field events when the events move outdoors in the spring. Coaches, athletes, and trainers all remain the same.

Returning High Point students will see many recognizable faces on the track this year as big names such as Manika Gamble, Emily Webb, Neal Darmody, Christina Fenske, Jacob Smith and Dakota Peachee all

will be returning. Head coach Mike Esposito expects a big year from Gamble, particularly in hurdles events and hopes that Webb remains among one of the elite female runners in the league. Esposito also expects big things from Peachee, who recently won the steeplechase event at the USA Track & Field Junior National Championship.

Also making their anticipated debuts for the Panthers this season will be freshmen Kayleigh Perry and Patrick Crawford. Perry brings an impressive running resume to High Point, including two "Runner of the League" honors in her home state of Pennsylvania. Crawford brings an even more prestigious resume with honors that include the North Carolina state champion in cross-country as a senior.

One of the most exciting things about track and field for coaches, athletes, and fans alike, Esposito points out, is that the training process never really ends. This means nothing but improvement from the athletes instead of having to "get back into shape."

"We go straight from the indoor season to the outdoor season and then straight back into training for the indoor season yet again," says Esposito. "This allows our athletes to have much higher ceilings and

better form."

The transition for the High Point athletes from the indoor to the outdoor season can be nearly seamless, as they practice outside all winter regardless.

However, the High Point track and field team is very excited about the biggest (literal) addition to the team this year: an indoor warehouse for the field athletes to practice in off of Kivett Drive.

"We have been looking for an indoor practice facility for quite some time and it's a very nice addition for the team," said Esposito. "It will truly help a lot in the training of our field athletes."

This old warehouse that used to house yachts and boats for most of the year is now where students will find field athletes training for many of the winter months. Athletes are more than happy that they now have a training facility of their own.

A strong returning class, exciting young freshmen, and a new facility to train athletes in have things looking up for the High Point Panthers.

"This is the most balanced track and field team we've had in years," says Esposito. "And with Jenna Wrieden now on staff, we're very excited about the season."

What is next for fall sports seniors?



Brittany Killough
Cross Country
Runner

Future Plans:

Enter the medical field as a physical therapist or chiropractor

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Having teammates on the same level to train with and having coaches that know vastly more than I do."



Diana Bell
Cross Country
Runner

Future Plans:

Knows she wants to move away to a city after living in High Point a good majority of her life.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Having an instant family when I came to school, which is one of the reasons I chose High Point."



Emily Webb
Cross Country
Runner

Future Plans:

Be a physical education teacher for elementary and middle school and coach track and basketball.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Learning a lot. I have learned so much about how to become the most competitive athlete."



Monica Delizo
Cross Country
Runner

Future Plans:

Earn a doctorate in physical therapy and be a physical therapist in the military.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"The respect between competitors from knowing that you're both going through the same pain."



Jevin Monds
Cross Country
Runner

Future Plans:

Hopes to run semi-professional somewhere, but is also interested in the personal training field.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"The eye-opening experience of no longer being the complete all-star like in high school."



Jillie Johnston
Women's Soccer
Midfielder

Future Plans:

Teach English in Greece and then Asia. Then, move to West coast to study anthropology and become a college professor.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"The human connection of making lasting friendships."



Sara Rager
Women's Soccer
Midfielder

Future Plans:

Get a job in D.C. in the furniture design industry, specifically at the D.C. Design Center.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Being a part of a team. It is like a family. I love my teammates and I wouldn't trade them for anything."



Anna Lott
Volleyball
Middle Blocker

Future Plans:

Move back to Nebraska and find a job training athletes for basketball. "I miss basketball."

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Knowing that you always have a family on the team."



Audie Gonzalez
Volleyball
Outside Hitter



Julie Hershkowitz
Volleyball
Libero

Future Plans:

Honestly not sure yet but looking toward the professional side of life other than volleyball.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Getting to miss class, seeing the program change and grow, and my teammates being like sisters."



Megan Smith
Volleyball
Outside Hitter

Future Plans:

Would like to stay working with sports, possibly with coaching, and will never stop playing volleyball.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Always having at least 15 friends on campus and traveling around to see other schools is exciting."



Stephanie Wallin
Volleyball
Right Side

Future Plans:

Move back to Minnesota and eventually become a CPA. Maybe coach volleyball on the side.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Always being a part of a team. You always have friends who are there for you no matter what."



Adam Hatem
Men's Soccer
Midfielder



Eric Land
Men's Soccer
Midfielder

Future Plans:

Acquire a job in the sports management field. Had an internship with the Houston Dynamo and may talk with that organization.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"The group of friends that I made. They are like my brothers."



Justin Pruetz
Men's Soccer
Defender

Future Plans:

Get involved with facility management for a minor league baseball team back home in Texas.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"Being able to play competitively every day and the relationships I have made with my teammates."



Scott Rojo
Men's Soccer
Forward

Future Plans:

Hopes to fulfill dream of playing professional soccer, and then use my degree to work in business.

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"All the traveling with the team and getting to miss days of school to play the sport we love."

Future Plans:

Work in sports administration after graduate school at Ohio University "where Craig Keilitz went."

Best thing about being a NCAA Division 1 athlete:

"How your teammates are like a family and playing games in a great environment like High Point."

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Days of Christmas

December

- 1st Chestnuts (Roasting on an Open Fire) with High Point University's Jazz Band *The Great Day Bakery* 8pm
- 2nd Photo Postcards to the North Pole *Slane Center* 10am-2pm
- 3rd CAT goes to Tanglewood Festival of Lights
- 4th Horseback Riding with Outdoor Discovery
- 5th Spirit of Generosity!
CAT Trip to Tanger Outlets in Mebane
- 6th A Christmas Carol *at The Extraordinaire Cinema* 8pm & 10:30pm
- 7th Christmas Dinner with Santa *Slane Center Café* 4pm
- 8th Lessons and Carols *Hayworth Chapel* 6pm
- 9th Christmas Carriage Rides *December 5-9*
- 10th HALLidazzle - Residence Hall Decorating Competition
- 11th CAT Massage Night *UC 2nd Floor* 8pm
- 12th Elf Bowling with SGA *Slane Gym Floor*

