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The Centurion webcast is on the air

By Ashley Wunder
Centurion Staff

In search of an innovative way to present the news, The Centurion, Bucks’ student newspaper, now offers webcasts summarizing the current edition of the paper.

Available on the Centurion website at www.bucks-news.com and the journalism homepage www.bucks.edu/journalism, Student Life Editor Kevin Yorke and Entertainment Editor Kristin Calciano deliver the week’s news with charisma and a unique style. Yorke, who is witty, adlibs his report while Calciano takes a more serious approach and is a natural in front of the camera.

They offer a roughly seven-minute report summarizing key points and highlights from each issue. The video includes news, politics, student life, entertainment and sports stories.

This video broadcast is a great way for Bucks students, staff and faculty to learn about the latest news at Bucks and in the world, and clubs and organization activities. Being active in student affairs and events complements the overall college experience. The student life news keeps students up-to-date on past and upcoming events and includes contact information for offices and clubs mentioned in the webcast.

The political portion of the brief highlights the presidential hopefuls on the campaign trail, while the sports briefs cover Bucks and local sports action.

Centurion Editor-in-Chief Laura Irwin said, “There is a lot of potential to farming news briefs. We hope to learn as we go and incorporate interviews and clips with some clever editing work. It’s part funny, part serious and entirely informative. We are very excited to present the news in more ways than one.

Irwin added that any Bucks department, club or organization that is interested in promoting their organization through a brief video interview should contact The Centurion via email at centurion@bucks.edu.

Also available on the Centurion website are pdf versions of the paper, where those interested can read the paper without ever picking up a copy.

“But you will miss the addition of a puzzle page,” said Irwin. “We have made a lot of changes to The Centurion this semester, and I hope staff and students will pick it up and see what we have to offer.”

The Centurion hits stands weekly and the video news briefs are filmed in the newsroom, Rollins 127, and posted on Tuesdays.
NEW YORK - People were cheering and proudly waving the newly-revealed flag of Kosovo. Some people were sitting on top of driven cars, honking and cheering at the crowds.

On Sunday, Feb. 17, an estimated 10,000 Albanian-Americans gathered in Times Square to celebrate the declaration of Kosovo's independence from Serbia.

A decade after a separatist war between Kosovo and Serbia that claimed 10,000 lives, lawmakers pronounced Kosovo and pledged to make the territory the Republic of Kosovo claims independence.

Even though Serbia called the declaration illegal and its ally Russia denounced it, even though it has been carefully orchestrated with the U.S. and key European powers. Ninety percent of Kosovo’s 2-million people are ethnic Albanian, and most of them are Muslim. They see no reason to stay joined to the country they see as anti-Albanian, the other by Bosnian Serbs, the other by Bosnians and Croats. The Bosnian Serb parliament has condemned Kosovo's declaration of independence and said it will consider a referendum to secede from Bosnia if more countries do not support the declaration.

On Monday, Feb. 18, police in the Serbian capital, Belgrade, attacked the U.S. embassy in downtown Belgrade, setting fire to part of it and smashing windows. One person died and hundreds were injured and arrested. Some bystanders returning from the peaceful part of the protest yelled 'shame on you!' at the rioters and one man, apparently a former Bosnian Serb soldier, shouted, 'This is not what I fought for!' The incident occurred despite repeated calls by organizers to hold a peaceful protest against Kosovo's independence. Police secured diplomatic missions in the city and warned it would use all legal means to prevent violence.

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Dems: Obama over Clinton

BY JOHN SKUDRIS
Centurion Staff

With the 2008 election upon us, Republicans are hoping to keep the White House while Democrats look to regain it. It appears as though Arizona Sen. John McCain has all but secured the Republican presidential nomination. Mitt Romney has thrown in the towel and Mike Huckabee looks to be too far behind to have a chance. In fact, McCain is basically etched in as the Republican candidate, we can begin to analyze which of the Democratic candidates would do better against the moder- ate Vietnam War veteran.

With popular candidates like Hillary Rodham Clinton, Barack Obama and New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, the Democrats seem to feel like they have a good chance of reclaiming the White House. In the most recent Time Magazine poll, which took place from Feb. 1-4 and pitted each Democratic candidate against McCain, Clinton and McCain around 46 per- cent of the vote.

In the same poll Obama has a lead of almost 15 points over McCain, capturing 48 percent of the vote to McCain’s 41 percent.

According to this poll, it looks as though Obama has a preliminary lead over McCain.

But at this stage, it might just be too early to make the call.

Do you recall when Obama was trailing Clinton by 20 percent not long ago? Or do you remember how McCain was in single digits in November?
Polls can change like the weather. Not to mention that polls, such as the one Time Magazine reported, can have high mar-

McCain locked up GOP nomination

BY SEAN MCGOVERN
Centurion Staff

Arizona Sen. John McCain appears to have the Republican nomination for president in his grasp.

McCain is leading in the total number of delegates obtained throughout the pri-

ary election on April 22, it is clear that the Democratic candidate is. They are going to be crushed.

McCain, a Vietnam veteran who endured six years as a prisoner of war, supported the war in Iraq and the over-

McCain voted to suspend habeas corpus in 2006 with the Military Commissions Act. The Act was signed into law, preventing those deemed enemy combatants from challenging their imprisonment.

McCain argued against the Federal Marriage Amendment, citing it as the state right to individually chose to recognize same-sex marriages. Further, he sup-

McCain was in single digits not long ago? It appears as though he would not move to repeal Roe vs. Wade but was against abortion. However, he sup-

McCain cosponsored the Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2007, which would grant illegal immi-

Ravi Patel believes that despite his support for Obama, Clinton is the person to beat in November.

Sometimes a man can struggle now, but I never count out a Clinton. Everyone counted Bill out in 1992, and he won two terms. Everyone counted her out after Iowa, and she won New Hampshire and Nevada. She can still pull this off,” said Patel. “The Republicans are going to throw the book at whoever the Democratic candidate is. They are going to be crushed by negative ads and bad pub-

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O’Brien’s comments ring true with most what the pundits are saying: Obama will likely win the Democratic nomination and win the general elec-

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According to his comments, he will be back with a polarizing candi-

don’t wish the country to be run in an entirely right-wing, conservative way.

NEWTOWN - The Department of Language and Literature at Bucks invites the campus community to a brown-bag lunch and workshop addressing body images and women.

Participants will view and dis-

“Killing Us Softly 3: Advertising’s Image of Women.”

The event is scheduled for 12 – 1:30 p.m., Wednesday March 19, in the Faculty Center.

Light refreshments will be served, and students are particularly encouraged to attend.

This workshop is being offered in conjunction with Women’s History Month at Bucks.

For further information, contact Dr. Celia Shiffer at shifferc@bucks.edu.
Tough road ahead for Clinton

BY JOHN KUDRIS
Centurion Staff

From feast to famine, Sen. Hillary Clinton has gone from the presumptive next president to the underdog with one foot in the grave over the course of a month. A once proud and surging campaign has struggled and faltered, and with few primaries left, Americans may soon see the end of the senator’s bid for the presidency. But what exactly went wrong?

How does a candidate go from the star of the Democratic Party to an afterthought beneath the shadow of Sen. Barack Obama? Victorious in nine states on “Super Tuesday,” Clinton’s campaign has had to endure 11 consecutive losses to Obama over the past month. She currently sits about 100 delegates behind Obama with just 14 states left in the primary season. In order to get enough delegates to take a lead heading into the convention, Clinton would need to win Texas, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, all by large margins.

With such a daunting task ahead of her, it appears that the end is near for Clinton’s quest to become the first female presidential candidate for a major party.

Was it her husband’s statements about Obama’s lack of experience prior to the South Carolina primary that ruined her chances? Or was it merely the fact that she was caught in the path of a new political star?

Bucks Professor Ray O’Brien believes that Clinton just got beat by the more appealing candidate. “Obama has charisma and a personality that appeals to those who are not usually interested in politics. The media certainly has helped painting him as the up and coming star. But I still wouldn’t count Hillary out. You can never underestimate a Clinton.”

This is certainly something that seems to come up often in the minds of those all around the country.

Clinton’s campaign may appear dead now, but no one seems to be counting her out. It all dates back to 1992, when everyone considered Bill Clinton’s campaign dead after a scandal erupted over alleged extra-marital relations. He rebounded to win the nomination, and of course, the presidency.

Could Clinton conceivably rebound to big wins in Texas, Ohio and Pennsylvania? Sure, but it’s not going to be easy. Recent polls show Obama tied with her in Texas and creeping up in Ohio.

Chris Bursk, an often outspoken professor at Bucks, has an interesting perspective on the question.

He points out Andre Agassi’s quote “image is everything” and relates it to the Obama frenzy currently surging across America. “Image is everything. Obama is portrayed as this tremendously clean candidate who can ‘fix’ politics in America. The media has eaten it all up and when the media eats something up, so do the people. He’s not like other black candidates in the past.”

Bursk also believes that the Clinton floundering is due to America’s own insecurities about a woman president. “America is sexist. They don’t want a strong and assertive woman like Sen. Clinton to be the president. They’d be fine with Laura Bush,” Bursk added, even though she was involved in a fatal car accident when she was in high school.

In 1963 the 17-year-old Laura Welch ran a stop sign with her Chevrolet Impala and crashed into a Corvair sedan driven by 17-year-old Michael Douglas, according to police reports. Douglas died in the crash. Backs student Mike Beck agrees with Bursk. “She gets harassed for going on the offensive and attacking Obama on the issues. People say she’s crazy or off the hinges. But if a man was doing the same thing, no one would say anything like that.”

Is that the answer? Is America sexist?

Does the fact that Clinton portrays herself as a powerful woman hurt her? It’s unclear whether or not that is indeed the case. But, as Bursk pointed out, it’s a question that raises some eyebrows. If Clinton’s campaign is faltering because Americans are scared to vote for a strong woman for president, then we have a bigger problem than we once believed.

Obama captivates young voters

BY JAY JONES, ANDREW BROWN AND KYLE CRAWFORD
Centurion Staff

There have been many first for African-Americans. In 1957, the first black newspaper, the Freedom’s Journal, was published. In 1967, the first black associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, Thurgood Marshall, was inaugurated. In 2000, Gen. Colin Powell was made the first black Secretary of State.

And now, in 2008, we could elect the first black president, Barack Obama.

Born on Aug. 4, 1961 to Barack Obama Sr., a native of Kenya, and Ann Dunham of Kansas, Obama grew up in Hawaii and several territories inside and outside the U.S.

He earned a law degree from Harvard in 1991 and became an Illinois State Senator.

“Our family’s story is of farmers and soldiers; city workers and single moms. It takes place in small towns and good schools; in Kansas and Kenya; on the shores of Hawaii and the streets of Chicago. It’s a varied and unlikely journey,” Obama told a group at a community college in Kansas.

But are Bucks students more interested in the presidential election because a black candidate is running? Brittany Ylimaz, 20, a social sciences major from Huntington Valley said, “Yes, I plan to vote in the election. I think our country needs to change, and to stop sticking our noses in other people’s business. We need to realize that we have problems too. We have violence and 9-year-olds selling drugs, we should focus on that. I was already interested in politics, but Obama has caught my attention as he brings a new voice. But at the end of the day, I still think all politicians are the same and basically the same.”

Sean Weymer, 20, an engineering major from Levittown agreed. “Yes, I plan to vote in the election, because I don’t agree with everything that’s going on in our country right now.”

Yet other students were not so enthused by the approaching election.

As she was going to vote, Alyssa Moretti, 19, a liberal arts major from Doylestown, said, “No because my vote doesn’t matter and I hate politics.”

Holly Grogan, 21, an elementary education major out of Churchville said, “No because I’m not registered and I don’t want to be. I’m just not interested in politics.”

Michael Patton, 18, of Perkasie had the most to say about Obama running for president.

“No. I’m not registered to vote yet. I will when I get around to it, but that probably won’t be before the election.”

“Hasn’t changed my opinion because I just haven’t really been paying attention. It’s been too hard trying to do other things, so I haven’t been able to watch the news or anything.”

In 2004, just 47 percent of 18-24 year old citizens voted, while 66 percent of citizens 25 and older voted.
### March Calendar of Events

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### Crossword Puzzle

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1- Diamond cover; 2- Manipulator; 3- Baih trader; 4- Small gull; 5- Part of the foot; 6- Happen again; 7- Expressive of love; 8- Hide of a small beast; 9- Build; 10- Attack on all sides; 11- Eight singers; 12- Pierce; 13- Stallion, e.g.; 21- Money paid; 23- Muslim wise man; 24- Weapons; 26- Moderately cold; 28- Motion picture; 29- Otherwise; 31- Othello villain; 34- Singles; 36- Name of a Russian ruler; 37- Pal; 38- Israeli round dance; 41- Goes into business; 42- Without warning; 43- Join; 44- Explain unduly; 45- Sudden convulsion; 46- Narrow mountain ridge; 47- Infectious agent; 48- Enhance; 51- narrative; 52- Sudden convulsion; 53- Narrow mountain ridge; 54- Infectious agent; 55- Ages; 57- Enhance; 60- Large wading bird; 61- King mackerel; 62- Purim month; 63- Gave temporarily, holy period of 40 days; 66- 17th letter of the Greek alphabet.
BY KRISTIN CALCIANO

Every student on campus has seen Tyler Hall, but what most students don’t know is that the basement of Tyler Hall is a former pub.

Descending down the spiral staircase into the basement, the air is like walking back in time. The Pine Room, which is the name of the pub while the Tyler family lived there, was built between 1932 and 1934 and was used as a recreation area where the men could relax and enjoy cigars, and perhaps a pint or two.

The original purpose of Tyler Hall was as a hunting lodge for the Tyler family. Lyle Rosenberger, a history professor and director of the historical preservation program at Bucks said, “Before the fox hunts, which started in the courtyard, Mrs. Tyler would come out of the front door and the men would ask her, very formally, ‘May we hunt on your property?’ And of course she would say yes and they would go and hunt.”

After the hunt the men would come back to relax, drink and enjoy each others’ company. Rosenberger said, “It was a nice hideaway, that’s what it really was.”

Matt Cipriano, director of student life said, “Students like to go down there; it has a really neat feel for learning. There’s nothing else like it.”

The decorator of the room, Henry Sleeper, had an almost identical room in his own house, Beuport, which is located in Gloucester, Mass. Rosenberger said, “He would frequently give [the Tyler family] some of his antiques and say, ‘I think you should have some of these.’”

After Mrs. Tyler died in 1963, the property was bought by Bucks County. Now it is part of the Newtown campus at Bucks and holds offices pertinent to the college.

Rosenberger said, “What we called the pub was used as a classroom, then used by the music department, and now it’s used primarily for the Historic Preservation Program.”

The pub is a nice little piece of history for any interested student or history buff.

Tyler Hall itself is a beautiful representation of Bucks. So if your campus travels ever take you into Tyler Hall, be sure to take a walk down that spiral staircase, and take a step back in time.

Financial aid facts are offered

BY ALISSA ROTH

Tuition, books, supplies, room, board and transportation costs can really add up, and even community college students feel the pain of rising college costs.

Bucks held its annual financial aid night on Wednesday, Feb. 13, which took students and their parents step-by-step through the financial aid process.

Let’s face it, everyone needs money for college. What many students don’t know is that there is help. The financial aid process from start of finish can be a confusing, long road of paperwork and federal forms.

Seventeen-year-old Truman High School Senior William Styte said that a major concern of his was the rising costs of college. He and his father were shocked to learn what an average student paid for books each semester.

Donna Wilkoski, director of financial aid, gave an informative presentation to the crowded room, discussing work-study, scholarships, grants and loans. Most students who are just starting college do not realize that they can get help paying for the cost. There is more than need-based aid, but also merit-based. There are scholarships awarded each year, but many go uncollected because of the lack of applications.

This school year, there are millions of scholarships and billions of dollars in funding available for students taking. Students assume that they must be brilliant, gifted or skilled to receive scholarships, but this is not true. There are a multitude of scholarships available, ranging from race to eye color. Yes, if you have two different color eyes you can receive money for school. There is even a scholarship handed out by Chick-Fil-A restaurants. Workers of this restaurant can apply for a $1,000 scholarship.

Families and students can expect costs to rise even higher. According to collegeboard.com, students planning on higher education can expect to pay an extra $95-$1,404 in the upcoming year. Despite this spike in tuition, the site also mentions that there is $130 billion in funding available to students to help ease the heavy financial burden of higher education.

Students can search for available scholarships at many different websites, such as www.fastwebmonster.com. Students may also refer to www.studentaid.ed.gov or call 1-800-433-3243 for more information. For help on campus, students can contact Donna Wilkoski in the financial aid office located in place of the old bookstore. You can also call (215) 968-8200.

Bucks honors Black, Women’s History

BY LAUREN TOPLEY

Throughout February and March, Bucks is hosting a series of events honoring both Black History and Women’s History months.

On Feb. 20 there was a screening of “Standing on My Sisters’ Shoulders,” a film about the hardships African-American women had to endure during the period of the Civil Rights movement, a time when terror, in the form of lynching and bombings, was everywhere.

These women remained strong and helped each other, and now many are now considered great figures of history.

Their names - Annie Devine, Unita Blackwell, Mae Bertha Carter and Victoria Gray Adams - are unfamiliar to many.

But, as the film’s website said, “Without the efforts of these women, the Civil Rights movement in Mississippi would not have been possible.”

On Monday, March 3, the college’s Library Auditorium hosted a show on Benjamin Franklin’s wife. Entitled “The Good Wife,” this one-woman show starring Jo Ann Tufo chronicled the life of Deborah Read Franklin.

On Wednesday, March 5, E.P. McKnight performs “I Question America: the Legacy of Mrs. Fanny Lou Hamer.”

The one-woman show chronicles the life of Hamer, a Mississippi sharecropper who became a leader in the Civil Rights movement.

Her efforts helped get the Voting Rights Act, Equal Employment and Federal Housing laws passed.

On Wednesday, March 19, a workshop on body image will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, the stone farmhouse in the center of campus.

Participants will view and discuss the Jean Kilbourne film “Killing Us Softly 3: Advertising’s Image of Women.”

Also on March 19, “I Am Woman: Celebrating Women in Art, Women of Vision” will be staged at 7 p.m. in the Library Auditorium.

Students from the college’s dance, drama and music clubs will perform, reflecting the national theme of Women’s History Month.

And on Wednesday, March 26, the college will host “Reading and Writing Women,” an open-microphone event to share poetry, prose and music from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Gateway Center Atrium.

The month-long celebrations wrap up Friday, March 28, with a 7 p.m. poetry reading in the Orangery featuring Leslie Haywood and Maria Mazzetti Cillon.

All events are open to students and the public.

To learn more about the programs being offered, contact Women’s Center Coordinator Natalie Kaye at (215) 968-8315 or stop by the center in room 118A.

The Women’s Center goal is to help increase students’ knowledge of gender issues through programs, seminars and performances.
Eating disorders addressed at Bucks

BY SARAH CRUSE
Centurion Staff

Shannon Cutts struggled to bear a 15-year battle with anorexia, bulimia, depression and anxiety.

After developing an eating disorder at age 11, she didn’t seek treatment until the age of 23.

In support of National Eating Disorder Awareness week, Bucks hosted a seminar called “Beauty Undressed” on Feb. 27. The pro-
tured Cutts, now a singer, motivational speaker and eating disorder survivor.

Like many, a young Cutts struggled with her self-image beginning in junior high school.

After her best friend told her that she wanted to be thinner and Cutts could no longer be a part of her clique because she was “too fat,” Cutts started to question her-

“Between sixth and seventh grade,” recounted Cutts, “I lost 30 pounds and experi-
enced depression and anxi-
ety.”

Cutts tried to reach out to her family, but they told her there was nothing wrong with her.

She shared memories with a friend several sizes larger than she who would delight that she loved shopping and Cutts because, “she was like her little dress up Barbie doll” who could wear all the outfits that she could not fit into.

All the while, Cutts was peering over the racks at the clothes she would die for, not at all acknowledging that she was quite thin.

Over time, women’s self-
image and ideal weight have been consistently tweaked by cultural norms and the media.

For instance, in the 50s women like Marilyn Monroe, who were on the runway and photographed in lingerie looking gorgeous.

At this time the women on the catwalk took the attention away from the clothing and wooded spectators with their curvaceous bodies and gor-
gous faces.

Jump ahead a decade to the 60s and models like Lesley “Twiggy” Hornby replaced the womanly figure of the 50s.

The “clothes hanger” body that she once used to describe her unusually thin body became the new standard in the modeling industry and comments now gravitated to the detail and design of the clothing, rather than the women sporting them.

The introduction of Barbie in 1959 also took the nation by storm as girls began to dress and brush the hair of the mini supermodel.

But Barbie is in a class of her own.

In life-like dimensions she would top the charts at 7-ft.

Twice.

“The PA Diversity Network created the photo project to "put a real face on discrimination." "Civil unions are good. Bradford believes achieving marriage rights would be more beneficial than just gaining civil union rights."

Bradbury believes believes achieving marriage rights would be more beneficial than just gaining civil union rights.

The photo exhibit will be displayed from Feb. 22 through March 1. There are framed black and white photos in the gallery and more projected from a screen.

Each picture has a label display-

As the Pennsylvania’s Diversity Network’s website, www.padiversity.org.

New exhibit depicts same-sex couples

BY ASHLEY WUNDER
Centurion Staff

There are 212 photos on display in the cafe of the Upper Bucks Campus depicting same sex couples who have high hopes for Pennsylvania’s legal recognition of same-sex marriage.

“The PA Diversity Network Photo Project-200 Same Sex Couples: Facing Inequality, launched two years ago, is being displayed at Bucks for the first time.

Students are given the chance to see members of their community being out and vocal about Pennsylvania laws against same-sex mar-
riage and civil unions.

Creator Liz Bradbury start-
ed this project to “put a real face on discrimination.”

Bradbury said, “We are talking about real people and real families.”

The photo exhibit which started with 212 couples, has grown to 220, with a goal of 300 cou-
ples by the end of the year.

So far, the exhibit has received positive feedback.

Bucks is the fourth college to host the photo exhibit and it has been aired on television twice.

The last show was hosted at the Congregation Kereneth Israel during a Martin Luther King service and Diversity Celebration, with more than 500 people in attendance. It has been held in 15 venues with few objections.

Bradbury believes there is so little negative feedback because those against the project are faced with real people when they see the photos.

“These are committed, long-term couples,” said Bradbury.

“It’s hard to be negative about people that stand up in a public way, saying we are in a relationship.”

Pennsylvania still prohibits marriage and civil unions.

On Feb. 14, Pennsylvania’s same sex marriage Amendment SB1250 was introduced stating, “No union other than marriage between one man and one woman shall be valid or rec-
ognized as marriage or the functional equivalent of marriage by the Commonwealth.”

Bucks student Diana Costa, a 20-year-old nursing major from Pennridge, agrees to an extent. “I was raised Christian so I believe mar-
riage is for man and woman, but I don’t see any harm in civil unions.”

Civil unions are similar to marriage because they really recognize a couple’s union, providing them with some of the rights, benefits and responsibilities of a typical marriage.

Civil unions are legal in 11 states including New Jersey. There are 1,408 federal and state rights granted for mar-
riage that are not granted for civil union.

Bradbury believes believes achieving marriage rights would be more beneficial than just gaining civil union rights.

Civil unions are good. They are better, but they are still inferior to [marriage] by creating a separate but equal class,” said Bradbury.

“Marriage is portable from state to state, but civil unions are not.”

Student opinions on gay marriage are divided, with some, like Rachael Haines, 20, a psychology major from Bensalem, supporting the issue. “Everyone deserves the right to marry the person they love,” said Haines.

“They deserve the right to be miserable like everyone else.”

But in all seriousness, all peo-
ple should be granted equal rights.

Bradbury plans to bring awareness not only to community members, but those in elected offices.

The ultimate goal of the photo show is to “continue touring until every policy maker in Pennsylvania understands that trying to bring legislature to discrimi-
nate against same-sex couples is discriminating against real people.”

She hopes to get elected officials, people running for offices and institutions to acknowledge the large num-
ber of same-sex partners who want equal benefits in Pennsylvania.

The photo project will be displayed from Feb. 22 through March 1.

There are framed black and white photos in the gallery and more projected from a screen.

Each picture has a label display-

As the Pennsylvania’s Diversity Network’s website, www.padiversity.org.

To honor NEDA week, Feb. 24 through March 1, Bucks is suggesting reaching out to young people to make others aware of the dangers of eating disorders and to try to make them feel good about themselves.

“Let’s not replace eating disor-
ners,” said Cutts.

Through music and words, Cutts is a survivor of this life-shatter-
ing illness.

In light of NEDA, stop and ask your-
self, "Do I think I am beautiful?"
Spring fashions hit the racks

BY ALEXANDRA NEU
Century Jr. Staff

Fall fashions are walking off the runways, and models are flaunting the new lines of spring clothing.

Donna Karen, Christian Dior and Ralph Lauren are just a few of the designers who have been eager to show off their new collections from this year’s fashion industry show and tell, “Fashion Week.”

And the highlights from the week’s styles are influencing what many will wear now. It’s time to put away the Uggs, girls. Although they are comfortable when walking to classes, they’re out.

Open-toed pumps and flats are making a comeback. Patent and quilted leather shoes are appearing in metallic colors, such as gold and silver.

These have been a big hit for the last two years, and this year is no different. Dress them up by wearing a dress, or still look classy wearing them with your favorite pair of jeans.

Ralph Lauren and Valentino have unveiled these patterns are accented in many shades of blue, as well as bold colors.

Wearing these, you can’t go wrong. Christine Zabierowski, 20, a communication major said, “This spring everyone is buying bathing suits in advance to get the latest styles. Fifties-style bathing suits and long, necklaces are in for this year, in my opinion.”

Courtney Pitcher, 23, an education major of Levittown said, “Big colored bags are definitely in for this spring. Patterns on clothing, and I think even polka dots are definitely in for this spring.”

However, Victoria’s Secret can be pricey, with suits ranging from $90-$100. You can find these styles for less at stores such as Pacific Sunwear, H&M, Target and various department stores. Target has had their suit selections out on the racks for the past few months.

You can get an inexpensive suit and still be in style. Apryl Szyzko, 19, an education major said, “Every year I get my bathing suits from Target and they’re all so cute and cheap. That being said, I can only get more than one at a time for the price of just one from Victoria’s Secret.”

Skinny jeans are still in, but also wide-legged pants are making a transition and becoming popular. Puffed-sleeved shirts and jackets were also popular in the fall and are carrying over into spring.

‘Out of Reach’ puts it all together

BY KRISTIN CALCIANO
Entertainment Editor

On Jan. 30, two Bucks students, with their band “Out of Reach,” had the opportunity of a lifetime, opening for three major bands at the Crocodile Rock Café in Allentown.

Bucks students Ben Edwards and Alex Appleton, members of “Out of Reach,” played with “Saosin,” “The Bled” and “Armor for Sleep,” along with several others.

When asked what the most exciting thing about playing a show like this was, Edwards, 20, a music major from Churchville and the band’s drummer said, “Getting the chance to play in front of many new faces that have never heard us before.”

Appleton, 18, a cinema major from Trenton and the band’s guitarist said, “The experience, and the people you meet that are involved with the business from playing a high-profile show like this.”

“Out of Reach” have been together as a band since the summer of 2006. They have had various singers, and Edwards did not join the band as a drummer until Jan. 30, 2007, exactly one year before their show at Crocodile Rock.

Edwards and Appleton agreed that the biggest challenge for the band to date was getting a singer to bring them together as a group. “‘Out of Reach’!” newest, and hopefully permanent singer Anthony Masington was just the push the band needed to really get on track.

“We started out as a band with our old singer Drew Sroka, but later he quit to handle personal problems,” said Appleton.

“Afther that is when, in my opinion, we became an actual band. Anthony was the energy that we were missing. We didn’t really have a front man until he joined up. We were musically tight; we just lacked the vocal drive until Anthony joined up.”

In the future, “Out of Reach” aims to grow and mature as performers, as well as getting their name out. Will “Out of Reach” make it big? Only time will tell.

To find out more about “Out of Reach,” visit their website at www.myspace.com/outofreachpa.

If you like what you hear, see “Out of Reach” at their upcoming show at the Tropicadero Balcony on March 9 beginning at 6 p.m.
Radiohead offers ‘Rainbows’

By ANDREW HESS
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Radiohead has released seven albums and has sold more than 23 million records over the course of their career. Their latest album, "In Rainbows," was released in October 2007 as a digital download; customers were only able to purchase the album over the internet.

According to Thom Yorke, 39, the band’s lead vocalist and songwriter, profits from "Rainbows" digital downloads were greater than the combined profits from all of their other studio albums’ digital download profits. More than 1.2 million copies sold online in the first day.

The album was not physically released in the U.K. until late December. It then made its debut in the U.S. in January of this year. In its first week it rose to the No. 1 spot on both the Top 200 and Album Chart.

"Reckoner," the first track, titled "15 Step," and proceeds to let the listener click on the first track, titled "15 Step," and proceeds to let the reader do the rest, the song kicks off with an upbeat drum beat by Phil Selway and haunting guitar riffs of Johnny and Ed O'Brien. With phrases such as "I don’t wanna be your friend. I just wanna be your lover," and "Forget about your house of cards, fall under the table and get swept under," it seems Yorke hasn’t forgotten about the trials and tribulations of love and life.

The lyrical content on this album is absorbing, but more accessible to a wider range of audiences. The 10th and final track, "Videotape," is simple but effective, not unlike the rest of the album, consisting of a few piano chords and addictive vocal melody. When the percussion starts to fade, Yorke sings "You are my center when a spin away." He repeats the "videotape" over and over as gradually and delicately the song begins to fade out.

The percussion is off beat and Yorke’s signature "chanting" accompanies the piano still chiming throughout the song, chaotic and beautiful at the same time.

The album was impressive. This release is just another accomplishment for a band that has been producing music since 1991.
A Piece of My Mind

A weekly column by Centurion Editor Mark Bennett

In my Art of Science and Nature class, we have to do this big group project where we do something environmentally positive for the college or community. So the professor calls on each group, and the group leader tells them what our project is. He gets to the group two rows behind mine and asks them what their project is. “We’re going to try and make Buckus a smoke-free campus,” she said.

Why? Why is everyone so against the idea? We have never done this to you?

I don’t understand how anyone could think that making the campus smoke-free is a good idea, or that it would actually work. Do they really think that smokers are going to walk all the way back to their cars to smoke, then walk all the way back to their class?

Explain to me how you’re supposed to walk to and from the parking lot, stopping to smoke a cigarette, with smokers’ lungs none the less, in the 10-minute break given to students who have three plus hour classes. It’s completely illogical.

So, what grounds do these anti-smoking advocates have for trying to make the campus smoke-free?

“Smoking is bad for you.”

I know this is true. I have spoken to that, I have been assured by the many mothers that I have spoken to that, and I have never bad it get, I have been scary to talk about yet.

As odd as it sounds, smokers need to band together to make our way of life head-on, otherwise these people are going to get things their own way, regardless of who it affects. The people in my life never clued me in to the true depths of misery that can follow around the smokers’ backs.

“They throw their butts all over the place, it makes the campus look dirty.”

So does my garbage and graffiti, but never did anyone tell me that their problem was smoking. I had to sit through five or six hours of class lessons that have no idea what they are talking about, yet they babble on week after week, so why don’t we make the campus non-smoking?

Because I tolerate it, just like you should.

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Drunk students wreck Phillies event

BY TOM ROWAN
Centurion Staff


On Wednesday, April 04, 2007, more than 35,000 college students turned the Philadelphia Phillies home field into a warzone. The Philadelphia Inquirer reported more than 150 arrests for underage drinking, not to mention the number of fights, injuries and emotional distress season-ticket holders who feared the rambunctious youth.

"The Phillies didn’t have the muscle to break up the fights or deal with the drunkenness," said senior columnist Chris Podany in his Daily News Bill Conlin. "It was worse in some sections than an Eagles-Cowboys game with a 1-4 record. It was in their best interest to cancel the ever-popular gathering of college students from around the Delaware valley.

In the past, the oldest sports franchise in modern professional sports history has done anything but cater to their unbelievably devout fan base. In their entire 125-year history, the Phillies have won one world championship. The Phillies are the first franchise in all of professional sports to record 10,000 losses and since introducing the Phillie Phanatic in 1978, the youth of Philadelphia aren’t exactly embracing the red-pinstripes.

With all these negatives, the Phillies had one idea that sparked some interest. Two years ago, the Phillies brain trust decided to give special discounts to an awareness of the students looking for a good time during the sometimes monotonous summer months. With the combined marketing power of the infamous dollar hot dog specials the franchise public relations tagged this idea as a can’t miss.

"The students, when they came to realize they were dealing with the next generation of the worst fans in America. Probably."

Sheridan, senior columnist for the Philadelphia Inquirer said, "I guess I would say the college riots were a wake-up call idea that completely backfired on the Phillies.

Unfortunately isn’t it?

The Phillies finally make a diligent effort to make baseball marketable to young people and they go and blow it. This wasn’t some little confrontation that went wrong. This was a massacre. The students transformed "The Bank’s" 200 levels into a recreation of Veterans stadiums when it comes to finding a career, you need to get to the front. But they do.

Drunk students wreck Phillies event...
Steroids taint star athletes

BY TOM ROWAN  
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Coinciding with the growth of television and tobacco companies using advertising to sell sex, style and attitude in every home in America, Advertising became reality; the tobacco industry took 30 seconds to convince the viewing audience that a cigarette can be as healthy as an apple. And now, larger-than-life superstars are accomplishing feats that once were the stuff of dreams. The sight of these extraordinary athletes obtaining fame artificially, through steroid use, sends the wrong message to the youth of America.

"Immature athletes get too big, too fast," said Bucks student and former quarterback for King's College Bob Speer. "No one ever looks at the negatives." Barry Bonds, the former out-fielder for the Pittsburgh Pirates and San Francisco Giants, has been the center of the steroid controversy over the past several years.

Since the publishing of the book "Game of Shadows" in 2000 by the San Francisco Chronicles' Mark Fainaru-Wada and Lance Williams, baseball fans around the world have come to suspect that Bonds may have knowingly used performance-enhancing drugs to attain baseball immortality. Bonds has denied using steroids.

While allegedly using anabolic steroids, which are synthetic hormones injected into the body to promote the storage of proteins and the growth of tissue, Bonds saw an increase in weight and strength, as well as success. After allegedly starting the hormones in 2000, Bonds would go on to win the National League MVP twice, the Silver Slugger award twice, and made the All-Star team three times. He was a part of the National League Champions, the Giants, in 2002, and achieved the single-season home run record with 73 in 2001 and became the all-time home run leader in 2007 with 762 balls over the fence.

Riding Barry's big bat, ESPNdeclare and overnight cover-age to Bonds chasing both the single-season and all-time home run records, showing every at- bat the slugger had, re-explored everything from tennis matches to the fifth re-run of Sports Center until the records were broken.

Stadiums all across America sold out with patrons hoping to catch the record-setting ball and sell it at eBay. He was the hottest topic on every sports show and news channel. To the new generation of stars, he was the poster boy for performance-enhancing drugs; to the younger audience he became an icon for gain.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, steroid use among high school students more than doubled from 1991 to 2003. The young adults see this goliath hit every ball and they want to be just like him. He's big, he's strong, and he's good at baseball.

Steroid-using players can influence young minds with the idea that achieving your wildest dreams can be done through synthetic hormones and not hard work and dedication.

The problem with steroids is the side effects. Men who take steroids can over time develop a double chin, shrink, decrease their sperm count, become infertile or impo-tent, get severe acne, become more mature audience, he was the poster boy for performance-enhancing drugs; to the younger audience he became an icon for gain. The fake logic of “seeing is believing” may have corrupted the future of America's pastime. Disttrust, deceit and arrogance have stained the game. This era in baseball has lead to unfair crit-icism and false accusations. Every athlete who has excelled no longer receives praise, but scrutiny. The only justice may come when the participants in the steroid experiment feel the long-term side effects of these substances.

Maybe 30 years from now the offspring of Generation X-Box will ask why steroids were so popular. And just like the baby boomers told us about smoking, ignorance is bliss.

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Eagles sign Samuels

BY PHIL COLES  
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The Philadelphia Eagles finally got the better of the New England Patriots. The Eagles signed former Patriot cornerback Asante Samuel to a deal worth $57 million over six years. The deal makes him the second highest paid cornerback in the league, behind San Francisco's Nate Clements.

The signing should help an Eagles defense that finished last in the NFL a year ago at forcing turnovers. Samuel was the most coveted of this year’s depleted free agents. Arguably the league’s best cornerback, Samuel was look- ing for a big payday. That he got it from the sometimes-shrewed Eagles came as a sur- prise to many. "They say your first visit [to an interested team] they don’t let you leave," said Samuel. "I came in here with an open mind. Everybody treated me like I belong here, like I’m wanted. It’s a great situation."

With the addition of Samuel, the attention was back on being current Eagle corner-back Lito Sheppard. Sheppard is appar- ently unhappy with his current contract, which would pay him a base salary of $2 million this season, and may want a trade. So what should the Eagles do? Keep him. By keeping Sheppard you would have three very capable cornerbacks in what would be the NFL’s strongest secondary.

There is also some speculation that the Eagles could move cornerback Sheldon Brown to safety, alongside Brian Dawkins. Brown has showed a strong ability to stop the run throughout his career and could give the Eagles a dominant defense if he agreed to the switch.

The Eagles also upgraded at defensive end during the first weekend of NFL free agency by signing former Oakland Raiders defensive end Chris Clemons to a seven-year deal. The Eagles are attempting to do what the Raiders did to them a few years ago when Oakland signed a young defensive end named Derrick Burgess. Burgess has blossomed into one of the best defen- sive ends in the league. By snatching Clemons, who has been mentored by Burgess, the Eagles hope they found a player who has just scratched the surface of his potential.

Clearly the Eagles have gotten off to a ter- rific start in upgrading their team this off- season. However, work still needs to be done. They could use another wide recei- ver, one: Sheppard is going to Arizona for receiver Larry Fitzgerald, and depth at the offensive and defensive tackle posi- tions. Whether they address these needs in free agency or the draft remains to be seen.

For Eagles fans, the signing of Samuel has jump-started the frenzy for the upcoming season in this football-crazed town. Only six more months to go!

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Hoops coach talks

BY STEVEN LAWSON  
Centurion Staff

Men’s Basketball Head Coach Gaeton Curione is proud of his players, although the team just completed a disappointing season.

The team had one goal going into the 2007-08 season; to improve on the prior year, and make a run at a championship. This goal was not achieved as the Centurions finished a disappointing 5-15.

Although their record wasn’t a suc- cess, Curione believed that the season wasn’t a total loss. "Even though our record does not indicate a successful sea- son, I believe that there were some suc- cessful aspects… the players grew as a team at the end of the season and played better than the record shows on the books."

Curione preached to his players that each loss was a way to learn and grow. The Centurions lost six games by a mar- gin of six points or less. Curione explained to his players a way to learn from a heart- breaking defeat by asking them, "What could each of you guys have done to save six points?"

"Everyone began to think about how to watch their coach had been preaching and begin to improve gradually throughout the season. Many people will just look at the record of this team but Curione said, "The team’s success this year did not come from wins and losses, it came from [the] growth of student athletes." Curione, known to stress the impor- tance of education and growth as a person over success on the hardwood, could not say enough about how hard his stu- dent athletes worked.

"From my perspective, a successful season is also measured in different ways. Learning teamwork and personal growth for a young man who is trying real hard to juggle his schedule is what’s important here. Curione understands the pressures that come along with being a student athlete, even if the program is not Division I caliber. He said the men on the team learned many life values that will transfer into everyday assets. "Taking 12 credits or more, working part- or full-time, home issues, trans- portation issues, ability to make practice, games and a personal life in between [basketball] is very difficult," said Curione.

Curione believes that his team’s past season was a growing process where every single one of the players benefited from their experiences. The season was hard to go through for the coaches and players, but Curione doesn’t want to for- get how his players grew to become a team.

However, when asked about next year Curione said, “Yes, a few more basket- ball game victories would be nice too.”

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Image 1 of 4: Lito Sheppard at the NFLPA's Super Bowl Sunday Super Bowl party. Photo by Kristin Calciano.