

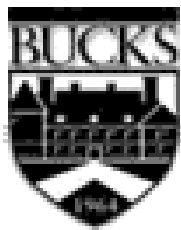
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Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 77.

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Saturday: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 71. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Sunday: A chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 67. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Monday: A chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 68. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

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Clinton takes the ticket

Pennsylvanians have spoken, and they have chosen Hillary Rodham Clinton for their Democratic candidate. The race continues...

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton won the most delegates in Pennsylvania's Democratic primary.

Clinton won at least 80 of the 158 delegates up for grabs in Tuesday's contest, according to an analysis of election returns by The Associated Press. Sen. Barack Obama won at least 66, with 12 still to be awarded.

The final delegate count was delayed because many of Pennsylvania's counties are split into multiple congressional districts. Pennsylvania awards delegates according to the statewide vote as well as the vote in individual congressional districts.

Election officials were expected to continue working Wednesday to assign votes from split counties to the appropriate congressional districts.

In the overall race for the nom-

ination, Obama led with 1,714.5 delegates, including separately chosen party and elected officials known as superdelegates. Clinton had 1,589.5 delegates, according to the AP tally.

It will take 2,025 delegates to secure the Democratic nomination.

On the Republican side, Sen. John McCain clinched the party's nomination in March.

The AP tracks the delegate races by calculating the number of national convention delegates won by candidates in each presidential primary or caucus, based on state and national party rules, and by interviewing unpledged delegates to obtain their preferences.

Most primaries and some caucuses are binding, meaning delegates won by the candidates are pledged to support that candidate at the national conventions



HILLARY CLINTON AT A LOCAL RALLY
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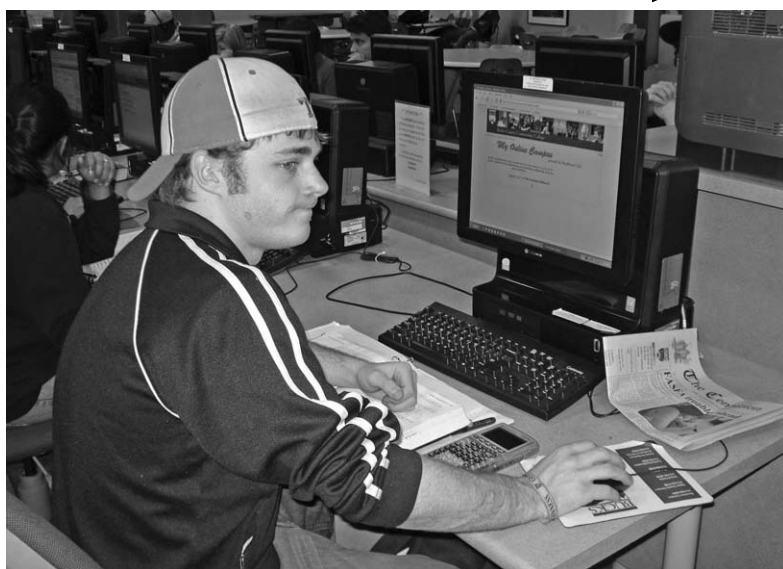
this summer.

Political parties in some states, however, use multistep procedures to award national delegates. Typically, such states use local caucuses to elect delegates to state or congressional district conventions, where national delegates are selected. In these states, the AP uses the results from local caucuses to calculate

the number of national delegates each candidate will win, if the candidate's level of support at the caucus doesn't change.

For more on the PA primary, see a Centurion analysis on page 3

CE6 crashes, information lost



BUCKS STUDENT DYLAN MCGEE IS FRUSTRATED BY CE6
PHOTO BY KRISTIN CALCIANO

BY TOM ROWAN
Centurion Staff

An online course management system used by hundreds of Bucks students recently malfunctioned, deleting all student work for an entire week.

In what one Bucks official described as a "perfect storm" of a breakdown, the course management program CE6 experienced a severe hardware malfunction between midnight on Saturday, April 12 and 7 a.m. Friday, April 18. All information submitted to the 'course space' in that time period was erased without any chance of recovery.

first failure.

In response to the malfunction, representatives from Information Network Services (INS) and Online Learning have expressed assurances that CE6 has been moved to the front of the nightly system back-up protocol and will consistently be reviewed to ensure the backups have run completely and successfully.

"We are continuously reviewing and revising our backup and recovery procedures to address current and planned systems requirements, and to support the growing needs for and reliance on technology at the college," said Noble.

The breakdown affected dozens of classes and potentially hundreds of students. In an internal internet memo Bucks officials wrote, "To the extent that is reasonable in each class, faculty will need to reconstruct the CE6 activities of the past week. Students may have to resubmit assignments or re-take tests. Faculty should prepare either to offer alternative means of assessing this past week's activities or to recalculate grades without the missing work. The Provost has indicated that students must not be penalized for this loss."

That was little comfort to Bucks professors, like Dr. Steve Sullivan, who uses CE6 exclusively, and to students, like Janine Logue, who had just successfully completed a difficult exam in CE6.

Mark Bennett, 20 from Levittown, lost work for his Integration to Knowledge class, among other issues. "I couldn't get in contact with my group members for my class project, which really put us behind," said Bennett. "It was only a week before the project was due."

Ironically, the breakdown also may have been beneficial for some. Bucks student Chris Boop, 23, may have ruined his perfect grade in one of his many science classes with an awful performance on a CE6 exam, but that test was apparently lost. "It was the hardest test I ever took, now I can just retake it," he said.

"We cannot undo what has occurred," said Dr. Maureen McCreadie, dean of learning resources, "but we will use what we have learned from this experience to improve the system moving forward."

Any questions concerning the system failure should first be directed to the CE6 professors; if seeking further guidance contact INS at (215) 968-8400.

Bucks' 'Spring Fling' goes green

BY JAY JONES AND
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*Op/Ed Editor,
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Bucks students will find the quad invaded by the Student Government Association's annual Spring Fling on April 24.

Themed 'Go Green,' there is no place better than the vast stretch of open grass between Pemberton and Rollins to host an event advocating the environment.

Green is also the theme of the Centurion this issue, in honor of spring coming to our campus.

From articles on carbon footprints, hybrid cars and delectable organic foods, the Centurion is showing its spirit for mother earth.

With all the 'greenness' surrounding the campus in the upcoming week, hopefully students will be more informed about how they can help the environment.

This is the ultimate goal of the Centurion for this issue, as well as a main goal for

SGA, which will be hosting the Spring Fling.

"In the fall, I wanted to do a package for the spring that encompassed the springtime sentiment and I immediately thought about an environmental package," said Centurion Editor-in-Chief Laura Irwin, 25, from Newtown. "I heard 'Spring Fling' was about going green, so I thought that we could work together to get a good message out to the college. I feel this is an important topic that students care about, that this is something they can get more interested in by learning about it."

As we enter into the time of shorts revealing scraped knees and cars with their tops down, it's a season aptly named for the spring fever it induces in students yearning for the freedom from the books and professors at Bucks.

This feeling is only amplified by the fact that the campus is surrounded by the vast woodlands of Tyler Park,

enticing many a student to enjoy a day with their feet in Neshaminy Creek or eating lunch at the Boardwalk Picnic Area, instead of with their noses in a book.

The SGA hopes this event will not only inform students of environmental issues, but be a welcome break from classes.

"The activities are planned around the idea of not using a lot of energy," explained Director of Student Life Programs Matt Cipriano, "all going with the theme of 'Going Green.'"

The SGA is already planning many activities that are both informative and fun, varying from the 'Pot your own Plant' booth to the 'Non-alcoholic Tiki Bar.'

Several student groups will be adding their own versions of the eco-friendly theme, giving a wide variety of ideas and opinions for students to hear.

"Hopefully it will be a good day," Cipriano laughed, "but in case of rain the event will

be moved to April 29."

This is among one of the premier events for the SGA, as in the past the Spring Fling has seen several hundred attendees, not only those among the student and faculty, but local Newtown residents coming to join the fun.

As for the "Go Green" issue of the Centurion, the aim is to give students informative and interesting articles on ways to help the environment, such as buying hybrid cars or choosing alternate modes of transportation like carpooling or riding your bike.

There is also an article about organic foods, showing that they are not only healthier for your diet, but are better for the environment than processed foods.

Also, there are a plethora of informative websites on the internet that students are encouraged to visit to learn all they can about helping the environment, including regeneration.org, a global movement committed to sus-

taining the world's natural environment.

For tips on going green, students can also visit thegreen-guide.com, to learn how they can help in simple everyday activities.

Every student is strongly encouraged to attend the Spring Fling on April 24, and to pick up the "Go Green" issue to learn as much as they can about going green, as well as enjoying a fun day outside.

Going Green is becoming not only a statement, but a worldwide revolution to save our planet, so come out to Spring Fling, and learn how to respect your mother-(Earth, that is.)



Motion-detector lights are a bright idea

BY MARK BENNETT
News Editor

It is an idea that is beginning to pick up momentum at Bucks. Several buildings at the Newtown campus already have them, however the rest of the campus is still dragging their feet on the potentially energy-saving

idea that is already surprising students in the new Allied Heath building.

Motion-detecting light switches have been installed in the bathrooms at the Allied Health building across from the Hicks Art Center, which is an attempt to reduce the energy costs of the college. However, with only a few

rooms hosting the smart switches, this is a feeble attempt to save energy, money and the environment.

The motion detectors are not very expensive, ranging from \$50 to \$100, and are as easy to install as a normal light switch, which requires someone to connect three wires and screw the light switch into the wall. According to elights.com, most motion detectors use infrared detectors to detect if anyone is in the room.

For those that slept in science class, infrared sensors detect body heat from people or animals, and in the case of infrared light switches as soon as a 98.6 degree person walks through the door the sensors pick up the heat signature and turn the lights on.

"I walked into the bathroom around 8 p.m. and the lights just turned on, it freaked me out. I looked around to see if someone was there and then I realized that it was a motion detector," said Jay Jones, a 20-year-old journalism major from Yardley.

If Bucks installed motion detectors in the classrooms and bathrooms around campus students wouldn't have to worry about them turning off while they were in there. Unlike traditional motion detectors, the newer infrared motion detectors would not shut off the lights as long as something warm was in the room.

Even though there are some environmentally friendly benefits to changing all the

light switches to infrared motion detecting light switches, some students are not sure that this is a good idea.

James Damiano, a 20-year-old nursing major from Levittown, isn't convinced that swapping out the light switches would be a good idea. "The cost to benefit ratio is illogical. There is the cost of the actual switches and then the cost of having electricians install them, it would out way the amount of money saved on the energy bill."

Even though it may not be a cost efficient way to reduce energy consumption, Bucks should look past their pocket book and consider the environment. Even the smallest improvements can have an effect in the long run.

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Bucks elects new SGA officers

BY SEAN MCGOVERN
Centurion Staff

The polls have closed for the Bucks Student Government Association elections.

With the incoming group linger campus issues old and new, including the possibilities of a smoking ban and a mascot change from the Centurions into something more recognizable.

John Skudris will be replacing J. Adams as president.

The new Vice President of Executive Orders is Ravi Patel, and the Vice President of Activities is Michael Cantz. The new Executive Secretary is Julie Kritsberg and Justin Derry held on to his position as Executive Treasurer. The Councilor at Large is now Jenna Manders.

Manders is the only student who ran for a Councilor position, so the administration will now have to contact the write-ins who won the posts of Councilors of Student Involvement, Public Relations, Clubs and Organizations and Student

Advocacy. Should the write-ins not take up the posts then the administration will have to find students who are willing to accept them.

Skudris hopes to bring about a new pride for Bucks, and cites student apathy as one of the reasons for his running. "We have to get more students interested in what's happening on campus," he said.

For this, the new administration is planning on putting suggestion boxes on all three campuses, and possibly online, to allow for easier communication between SGA and the student body.

The involvement of students on campus was emphasized by Skudris, who ran unopposed for president in the election.

The administration has inherited a few issues from previous semesters, including the attempt to make Bucks smoke-free and a revitalization of the college's image.

The campus-wide smoking ban, which Skudris opposes, would be a drastic change from the current policy that

does not allow smoking within 25 feet of the doorways of buildings.

"It's not as though they're paying any less so they don't get to smoke," said Skudris, a non-smoker. "We're going to get campus security to enforce the 25-foot rule. Because if we can't enforce that, how could we enforce a campus-wide ban?"

The reason for the mascot change is simple: there seems to be little knowledge about the mascot among the student body. SGA wants to raise awareness about Bucks, and hopefully bring more students into campus activities, clubs and organizations. Skudris believes that ignorance of the existence of a mascot is another symptom of "I go to Bucks and I'm not proud of that."

The administration is planning on allowing students to make suggestions for the current mascot — pushing the need for suggestion boxes — and the top three will be voted for online, just as the SGA elections were held this year.



JOHN SKUDRIS, SGA'S NEW PRESIDENT
PHOTO BY KRISTIN CALCIANO

Skudris went on to say that he hopes the administration is able to broaden the students' horizons so that they can get more involved. "I don't think that they understand that involvement is what college is all about. It's harder at a commuter school, but there are still options. And a lot of students don't

know that there are a lot of options, a lot of things to do to not just better [you] in the present, but also better [you] in the future."

To learn more about the SGA and the progress made with the possible smoking ban and mascot change, visit their website at www.bucks.edu/sga.

The Centurion's PA primary analysis

BY JOHN SKUDRIS
Centurion Staff

In a primary season that seemed to go on forever, New York Senator Hillary Clinton has come out on top in the all important Pennsylvania Democratic primary.

Around 10:15 p.m. Tuesday, Clinton claimed victory and told the media, "Thank you. It's a long road to 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. and it runs right through the heart of Pennsylvania. You know, for six weeks, Senator Obama and I have criss-crossed this state, meeting people up close, being judged side by side. You listened, and today you chose. You know the possibilities, those possibilities are endless if we roll up the sleeves and get ready to work with a president that's ready to lead on day one." The crowd enthusiastically roared into a "Yes, she will!" chant, showing their support for Clinton.

Seven long weeks all came down to Tuesday's elections. As of 11:15 p.m., the major news networks had declared Clinton the winner over Illinois Sen. Barack Obama. With 87 percent of precincts reporting, Clinton led Obama 55 percent to 45 percent. Obama apparently already knew his chances of winning were slim, as he left earlier in the day to campaign in Indiana instead of staying in PA to rally supporters.

According to CNN's exit polls, Clinton captured 57

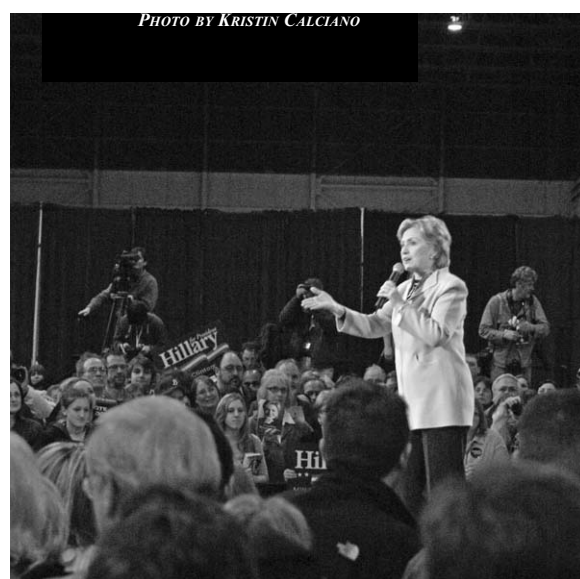


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percent of the female vote and 48 percent of the male vote. Obama, however, was able to continue his dominance among younger voters, capturing 61 percent of 18-29-year-olds. Clinton also captured the religious vote and the votes of gun owners, a key demographic in a state that is extremely pro-guns.

The exit polls once again showed strong support for Clinton from the elderly as 63 percent of those 65 and older voted for her. She captured a majority of those making between \$15,000 and \$150,000 a year. Obama carried those making less than \$15,000 a year and those making more than \$150,000. According to 55 percent of the voters the most important issue according to voters was the economy. Clinton captured 58 percent of those who believed this. Iraq was the most important issue to 27 percent of vot-

ers, with Obama carrying 55 percent of those voters. Of voters, 14 percent believed Health Care was the most important issue, with 54 percent of those voters choosing Clinton.

When asked what the top candidate quality was, 50 percent of voters stated that a candidate that could bring change was most important. Obama carried an astounding 69 percent of these voters, proving that his "change" message is emanating among the electorate and 26 percent believed experience was the most important quality. Clinton carried an even more astounding 94 percent of those voters and 13 percent stated that the candidate that cares about them was the most important quality with Clinton winning that demographic with 56 percent of the vote. Finally, 9 percent believed the candidate's electability was the most important issue, with Clinton carrying 56 percent of that demographic as well.

Following her victories in Ohio and Texas on March 4, Clinton knew she had to

claim victory in PA in order for her campaign to continue. Despite being outspent by Obama 3-1 during the race, she met the expectations by outlasting her opponent and capturing victory. Obama had been hurt by a poor performance in the debate in Philadelphia last week. His relationships with Jeremiah Wright and convicted bomber William Ayers apparently unnerved some of PA's voters.

The race in PA was important because it was the biggest state remaining in this primary season; 10 states remain with none of them carrying the amount of delegates as PA — 158. Pundits have said that the state's demographics strongly support Clinton thanks to its large number of blue-collar voters.

Over the past seven weeks, we have seen an exorbitant amount of attack ads and tons of hostility that has raised many questions on whether or not the Democrats are hurting their chances in the general election by continuing this campaign. By tearing down each other, both Clinton and Obama are helping presumptive Republican nominee John McCain gain voters in the fall. However, neither candidate has the required 2,025 delegates, nor does it look like they will any time soon.

Obama will now have to continue to answer questions on his electability. He has yet

to win a key "swing state" or a large Electoral College vote state in regards to the general election. In 2000 and 2004, the election came down to the three key states of Ohio, Pennsylvania and Florida. Clinton won all three, and recent polls show her performing better than Obama in all three states. Also, Obama has yet to capture a large state when it comes to Electoral College votes. Clinton has won Pennsylvania, Ohio, Florida, Texas, California and New York. The only state with over 20 Electoral College votes that Obama has won was his home state of Illinois.

With the equally important Indiana and North Carolina primaries on May 6, Clinton still has an uphill battle to climb. According to SurveyUSA, Clinton is defeating Obama in Indiana 55 percent to 39 percent. However, Obama has a huge lead in NC. Only time will tell if Clinton's victory in PA will propel her to victories in the upcoming primaries. Both Obama and Clinton have a tough road ahead of them. Obama has to answer critics about why he cannot win the key swing states that are crucial in November. Clinton has to overcome a large deficit in the delegate count in order to capture the nomination. One thing is for sure, the Democratic race for President is alive and kicking with no end in sight.

Organic foods for a healthier lifestyle

BY SARA CROUSE
Centurion Staff

Whether you are motivated to go organic due to the health benefits, diet issues, illness or quality of the product, by eating organic you are helping to give rise to a beautiful economic and environmental future.

The organic food movement has gained much steam in the last few years. According to Forbes.com, sales exceeded \$14 billion from less than \$1 billion 14 years ago, and are expected to rise to \$17 billion in the next two years.

Organic foods are produced according to strict production standards, grown without the use of chemical pesticides, artificial fertilizers, human waste or sewage sludge and are processed without ionizing radiation or food additives.

Organic produce must also not be genetically modified. That means the organism's genetic material has not been altered using genetic engineering techniques, which are often used to produce quicker, less nutritious and larger-than-natural crops that only financially benefit the conventional farmer in America and countries such as Mexico, Columbia and Peru, where much of the conventional produce at supermarkets is imported from.

Not only are these conventional import crops mildly regulated as to their growing properties, but they are also less fresh than local crops brought to local markets,



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which haven't endured long flights or truck rides to get to your table. When you buy locally, you are supporting local agriculture, which tried to compete with the overwhelming majority of large corporate farms, to provide a fresh nutritious crop to the community. Many organic and family farms are also looking to renewable energy sources, such as wind and solar energy and bio-diesel fuels, due to rising oil prices and concern for the environment.

For animals, the organic seal means they were reared without the routine use of

antibiotics and without the use of artificial growth hormones. More than 50 percent of the antibiotics produced in this country are ingested by animals on factory farms, in their short life before the slaughterhouse. The residue left from these animals seeps back into our groundwater table, contaminating land and bodies of water and releasing greenhouse gases into the environment. The successive use of antibiotics in meat production has also led to antibiotic immunity, especially in children.

Organic food is easier on the environment as well

including data compiled by the US Department of Agriculture, reveal that since the 40s the mineral levels in fruits, vegetables, meat and dairy have declined substantially in conventional foods. Combine this with earlier, pre-ripened picking, longer storage and more processing of crops and it's not surprising that we may be getting fewer nutrients from food than 60 years ago.

Israeli researchers have linked symptoms such as headaches, tremors, lack of energy, depression, anxiety, poor memory, dermatitis, convulsions, nausea, indiges-

tion and diarrhea with dietary intakes of pesticides. Belgian research has found that women diagnosed with breast cancer are 6-to 9-times more likely to have the pesticides DDT, the most common insecticidal pesticide, in their bloodstreams compared to women who did not have breast cancer. Hawaiian researchers following 8,000 people for 34 years have found that increasing consumption of conventional fruit and juice—and the pesticide residues they carry—raises the risk of Parkinson's disease.

Official food composition tables,

because it does not consume or release synthetic pesticides into the environment and helps to sustain diverse ecosystem—populations of plants, insects and animals. When calculated either per unit area or per unit of yield, organic farms use less energy and produce less waste, such as packaging materials for chemicals.

Phytonutrients, those found only in plant foods, many of which are antioxidants involved in the plant's own defense system, will be higher in organic produce because crops rely more on their own defenses in the absence of pesticides.

There is abundant evidence from epidemiological studies that the phytochemicals in fruits and vegetables can significantly reduce the risk of cancer, due to polyphenol antioxidant and anti-inflammatory effects.

"As for our healthy options at Bucks, we offer a salad bar, vegetarian station and fresh fruits. We would like to move towards going green by offering organic options, but the price is more and students are already unhappy with the cost of food," said Greg Tozzi, manager of cafeteria services.

Celebrate Earth Day everyday by going organic, for the health of you and your planet.

Reducing your carbon footprint

BY SEAN MCGOVERN
Centurion Staff

The Carbon Footprint, the impact caused by every individual, leaves a lasting effect on the global environment.

Every mile you drive, every light turned on, every time you take a warm shower or throw out a paper cup — all of it adds to the carbon footprint and the greenhouse gasses choking the Earth.

As power plants produce energy by various means, turbines powered by steam, wind, oil and coal, they too leave a footprint by producing greenhouse gasses in the process. With the infrastructure of our society adding to the climate crisis, and with NASA and several scientific thinktanks saying that the climate tipping point is looming ever closer, how can individuals make a difference?

Well, various "Green" organizations are trying to help educate the public about both their impact and how to

change for the better. Carbonfootprint.com has information about climate change and even offers evidence that has mostly already been seen in the news and any article written about Al Gore in the past six years. Myfootprint.org has an online quiz that estimates your current carbon footprint and offers helpful hints on how to reduce damaging effects in the future.

Some of the ways to minimize the footprint are run-of-the-mill, such as using public transportation or carpooling, unplugging smaller appliances around the house when not in use, and turning off lights when no one is in the room. Others are newer but well known, such as compact fluorescent light bulbs or using bio-fuel in your car.

The culture has accepted the new models of cars, like the Ford Focus, Toyota Prius, and Honda Civic. The new design on the Chevy Volt will also move to make the so-

called "green cars" cool. All of these are hybrids, using gas and electric power.

Still others are less feasible — attaching solar panels to homes might seem a bit extreme, but adding extra insulation to a home might prove to be costly as well. Just keeping the thermostat at 64 degrees during the winter, using storm windows during the spring and summer, and hang-drying your clothes when possible could reduce your home air conditioning and heating bills, and reduce the footprint left by the entire household.

Still more ideas abound, from becoming a vegetarian so that the meat industry spends less power at the abattoirs and supermarkets, to only buying natural foods that don't use high-tech farms. True, some ideas may seem odd in their presentation, but now with much of the scientific community saying it's almost too late, and that the public must learn to

adapt to the new reality, the future hints might seem more like demands.

True, it seems to be an uphill battle, one that seems either far too easy if everyone pitches in, or impossible due to economic constraints leveled on families. For more information about your own carbon footprint, and how to change your lifestyle to reduce the negative impact, the websites are

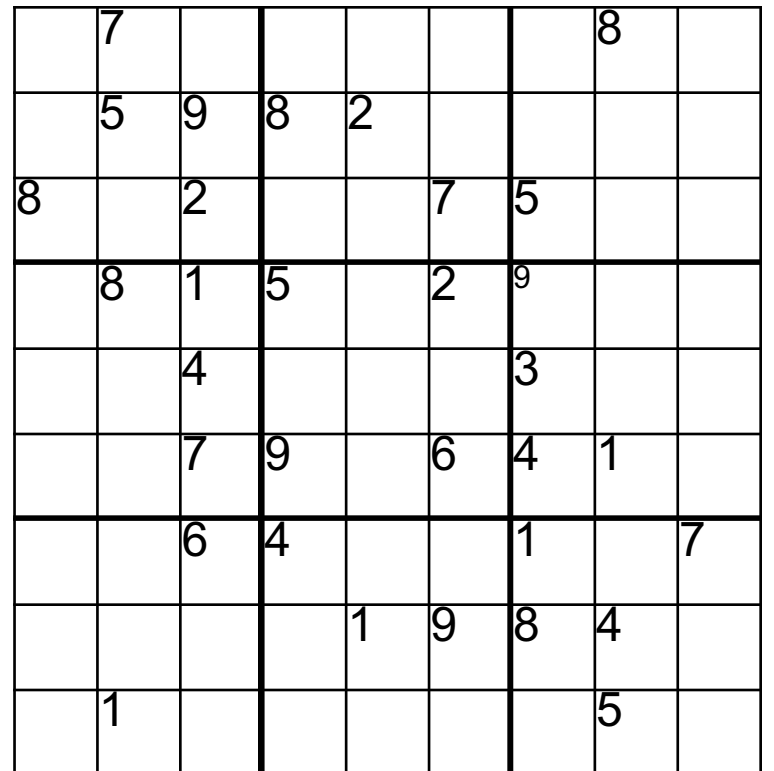
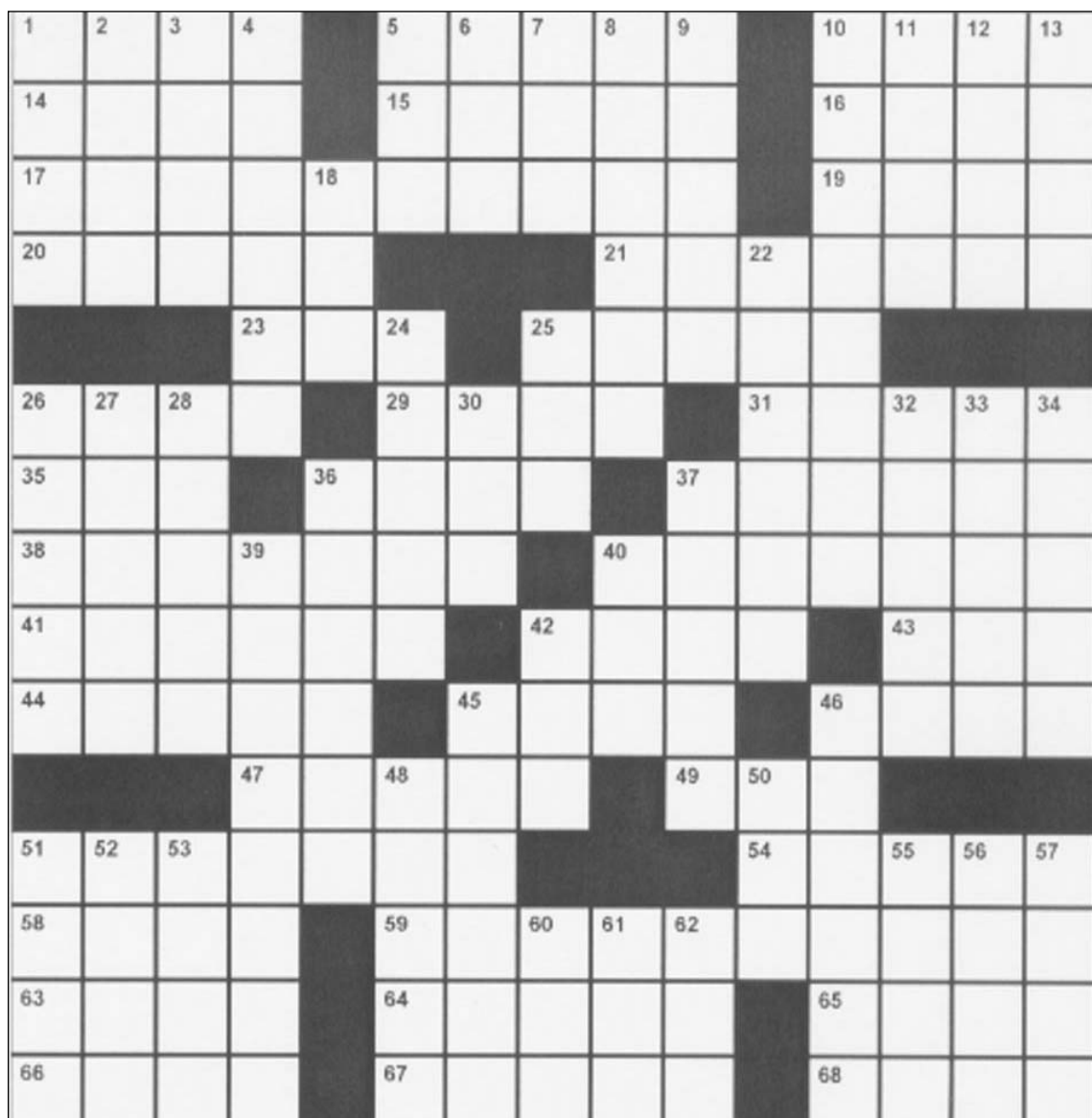


KRISTIN CALCIANO PONDERS HER CARBON FOOTPRINT.
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myfootprint.org, carbonfootprint.com, or a simple Google search away.

April Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Bucks Baseball Home Game vs. Delaware	2 Read the Centurion Newspaper!	3 Men's Baseball vs. Camden 3:30 p.m. (away)	4 Aquatics Fitness Instructor Classes from 5-9 p.m.	5 Bucks Tennis vs. Central Penn 1pm (home)
6 Bucks County High School Art Exhibition, thru April 12	7 Art Exhibition	8 Social Science club trip: Ben Franklin Bridge: Up and Over	9 Men's Baseball vs. Northampton 2pm (away)	10 Bucks' book group discusses Finn: A novel by John Clinch	11 Jimmy Bruno Jazz concert 8pm/Professor Freeman reads from latest book	12 Bucks Tennis vs. Philadelphia 1pm (away)
13 See the movie "Street Kings" starring Forrest Whitaker and Keanu Reeves	14 Jobs: Getting Your Foot in the Door Workshop 11a.m.-12p.m.	15 Social Science club trip: Isiah Zagar and the Magic Garden	16 Lower Bucks campus evening transfer fair 5-6:30 p.m.	17 Counseling Workshops: How to be successful at Bucks 11a.m.-12p.m.	18 The Leane play Trocodero Main Stage	19 Men's Baseball vs. Delaware 12 noon (away)
20 Random sobriety checkpoints scheduled all over Bucks County	21 Team Tennis Bucks vs. Central Penn 3 p.m. (away)	22 Foreign Film "Cache" 7p.m. Library Auditorium	23 MLB: Phillies vs. Milwaukee Brewers 8:05 p.m. (away)	24 Spring Fling	25 American Red Cross Lifeguard Training from 6-9 p.m.	26 The NFL holds its annual collegiate draft E-A-G-L-E-S!
27 See the movie Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay	28 Watch 2 hours of Family Guy on TBS 8-10 p.m.	29 Men's Baseball Bucks vs. Lehigh-Carbon 2 p.m. (home)	30 MLB Phillies vs. San Diego Padres 7:05 p.m. (home)			



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1- Latin I word; 5- Compile, accumulate; 10- Skin disorder; 14- Tapered seam; 15- Sordid; 16- Lump of earth; 17- Aboriginal inhabitant; 19- Routine; 20- Botch; 21- Russian premier 1964-80; 23- Swindle; 25- Foot-operated lever; 26- Appraise, charge per unit; 29- It may be happy; 31- Colorful parrot; 35- Division of geologic time; 36- Complain unreasonably; 37- Time during which a machine is operating; 38- Wordy; 40- Forbidden by law; 41- Guarantee; 42- A single time; 43- Suffer; 44- Landed proprietor of Scotland; 45- Sommer of film; 46- Coffee dispensers; 47- Wanderer; 49- Urban scourge; 51- Small crown; 54- Jeweler's tool; 58- Nabisco cookie; 59- Large food fish; 63- Knocks lightly; 64- Wine fruit; 65- Electrically charged particles; 66- Ultimatum word; 67- Convocation of witches; 68- Initial stake in a hand of poker;

Down

1- According to the Bible, he was the first man; 2- Island in central Hawaii; 3- Plastic or liberal, e.g.; 4- Dull plodder; 5- Tree used to make baseball bats; 6- Manhattan museum, familiarly; 7- Exclamation of relief; 8- Deep-sea volcano; 9- Church council; 10- Salt of an acrylic acid; 11- Overfill; 12- Words of denial; 13- Paradise; 18- Bashful; 22- Specimen; 24- Facet; 25- Young dog; 26- Make merry; 27- Sports area; 28- Foot bones; 30- Metal-bearing mineral; 32- Cheroot, e.g.; 33- Lower a sail; 34- Water holes; 36- Line of police; 37- Stomach woe; 39- Hooded cloak worn by Arabs; 40- Writing fluid; 42- Advanced in years; 45- Diners; 46- System of social perfection; 48- Unite; 50- Menu words; 51- Pigeon coop; 52- Word that can precede hygiene, tradition and agreement.; 53- Workout count; 55- On top of; 56- Confined, with "up"; 57- Gaelic language of Ireland or Scotland; 60- Tap gently; 61- Hot tub; 62- Can be used to catch fish or surf!;

Hybrids, carpooling cut pollution

BY KRISTIN CALCIANO
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With the outrageous gas prices today, one can only wonder, is there another way?

Well, there are many alternatives to gas that save cash and the planet.

For example, new 'hybrid cars' on the market cut down on gas consumption. Other alternatives include carpooling, riding your bike and using public transportation.

A car that burns twice as much gas to go a mile will generate nearly twice as much pollution, according to howstuffworks.com.

Gasoline-electric hybrid cars are a cross between a gasoline-powered car and an electric car, simply put.

A gas-powered car has a fuel tank, which supplies gasoline to the engine, and then the engine turns a transmission, which turns the wheels of the car.

An electric car, according to howstuffworks.com, has a set of batteries that provides electricity to an electric motor.

The motor turns a transmission, which turns the wheels.

A hybrid is simply the best

of both worlds.

It significantly increases the mileage-to-gas ratio and reduces the emissions a gas-powered car would emit.

There are several affordable hybrid cars on the market today, like the Honda Insight and the Toyota Prius.

The Insight is priced just under \$20,000 and the new 2008 Prius starts at just \$21,000.

This is a small price to pay based on how much money a year is usually spent on gas. And it represents a more eco-friendly transportation system.

Another way to beat the gas prices and 'go green' is to carpool. Instead of five students driving separate cars to school, they should attempt to set up a carpool with other students in their area of residence.

Think about it, if each person takes a turn driving the others to school, it will result in much less driving for everyone, less fuel emissions and less money spent on gas.

A thing that most students don't know is that there is a carpool hookup called the "Ride Board" on the Bucks website for students interested in carpooling.

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The board can be found at www.bucks.edu/student_life/rideboard, or students can look at the board at the bottom of the stairs that lead from the cafeteria outside in Rollins.

There are lots of ways to 'go green' when it comes to transportation.

Dust off that old bicycle in your garage or shed at home.

The weather is getting nicer, so it's the perfect time for outdoor activities.

Instead of driving your car 5 minutes to get something at your local WAWA, take your bike!

You will be getting a great workout, while enjoying the warm weather and, of course, conserving gas.

But going green is not only

related to gas emissions; there are many ways that you can participate in helping our environment.

Most things are not that taxing or time consuming, and can be worked in to most of our daily activities.

For more information on going green, visit the official Think Green website at www.thinkgreen.com

Solar power: the debate rages on

BY MARK BENNETT
News Editor

With oil prices steadily on the rise and showing no signs of dropping, many people and businesses are looking for ways to reduce their reliance on traditional ways of producing energy.

Solar energy, which was first used in 1958 to power the Vanguard satellite, is becoming more and more popular as a clean and efficient way to reduce energy costs.

Solar energy obviously comes from sunlight and people are using this limitless power source that powers the

sun in homes, offices and universities.

What started out as a group project for students at Point Loma Nazarene University in CA to try and get the college to switch to partial solar power has gained lots of support from the public, students and staff at the college.

PLNU is scheduled to have a solar panel installed that will generate 450 kilowatts an hour, which will reduce the yearly greenhouse emissions of the college by 586 tons.

That is the equivalent of taking 110 cars off of the road.

Even though some colleges are beginning to look for cleaner ways to light their

classrooms, Bucks has taken only a few small steps in this area so far, even though some students are trying to bring attention to the topic.

Jason Bobb, music major, chose to do his group advocacy project for his Art of Science and Nature class on the potential benefits of solar and wind energy as well as the benefits of switching the light switches in bathrooms and classrooms to motion detector light switches.

"We decided to do this topic because of all the problems with the environment. We could be looking at serious climate changes in the next 10 to 15 years," he said.

"Even though solar energy might not make sense fiscally, it would eventually pay for itself over time."

Solar, wind and hydroelectric power account for 99.9 percent of the renewable energy on the planet, so with such a large amount of naturally eco-friendly energy around, why aren't more people capitalizing on this alternative to coal, oil and nuclear power?

The answer is cost. Solar energy is far from cheap, however, with new technologies the price is going down and people are going to have to find a different excuse for why they are sticking to the old, polluting ways of the past.

According to solar homes.com, the average price for the full installation of solar panels, which includes the panels, installation kits and the cost of having it hooked into the power grid, has dropped 200 percent in the last 30 years.

However, even with the cost of solar energy dropping, it is still costly to have a system, even a small one.

Solar panels, called photovoltaic, range from \$12,000 for a panel system that will produce 2,000 watts to \$77,000 that will produce 12,500 watts.

That seems like an awful lot of money for Bucks to dish out just for a cleaner energy system. However, take into account that Bucks has around 10,000 students.

If one semester Bucks were to increase every student's tuition by \$5, that additional revenue would produce around \$50,000.

Over the course of two years, the college could raise \$200,000, which would in turn allow Bucks to pay for enough solar panels to produce well over 25,000 watts of power.

Mark Grisi, executive director physical plant, said, "The college uses roughly 624,800 kilowatts per hour every month."

This would save the college a significant amount of



money, even when the lights are off.

The coolest thing about having solar panels is that the panels themselves are tied into the power grid.

So on a sunny Sunday when no classes are being held, Bucks would actually sell the energy created by the panels to the township or the electric company, causing the electric meter at Bucks to run backwards and therefore reducing the monthly bill.

So with all the fuss about "going green" Bucks may have a potential way to not only be eco-friendly but also save some money as well.



SOLAR PANELS WHICH ADORN THE DENVER OFFICE OF THE EPA.
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A Piece of my Mind

A weekly column by Centurion Editor Mark Bennett

I tend to have problems sleeping at night. I'm not an insomniac, but for some reason, no matter when I try to go to sleep, I only get about six hours of rest at best. Sometimes I can't sleep at all, and I had one of those nights only a few days ago. So when I gave up trying to sleep early in the morning, I got out of bed, grabbed a cup of coffee and lit a cigarette at the kitchen stove. My mom was already awake and doing the same and asked me what's wrong. I told her I couldn't fall asleep and she suggested that I should try one of those sleeping medications that are advertised every other TV commercial.

For some reason America has become a country where no matter what problem you have, there's a pill for it. It's absolutely disgusting. I've seen firsthand what prescription pills do to people, prescribed to them or not. Right now I have a brother and an uncle in methadone clinics because of oxy cotton addictions, I know people that vomit every time, every single time I see them because they're abusing their prescribed "medicine" and it makes me sick. Not the puking, the dependence.

One friend of mine was prescribed Xanax for his depression which I personally thought was a horrible idea. Everyone gets a little blue now and then, some more than others, I'm no exception; but I swear to you that when



he took those little blue pills he was more depressed then when he was clear headed. I think that's a bit odd, that my friends' doctors prescribed a "cure" for his depression actually made him more depressed.

The next time a pill commercial comes on pay attention to the side effects. If that pill is supposed to cure your depression one of the side effects is suicidal thoughts. Isn't the pill supposed to suppress that particular urge? Is it just me? Am I missing something? Was a memo sent out explaining this logic while my fax machine was busted?

And it gets a lot worse than that. I'm sure by now a good number of readers have seen a commercial addressing the new disease of the year, restless leg syndrome. Watching "The Daily Show" on Comedy Central John Stewart addressed this new illness sweeping the nation, and he played a clip of the commercial when they were going over the side effects.

Increased gambling; that was one of the side effects of the pills that will "cure" you of your restless legs at night. At the time I thought that that was just a joke, but a few days later, a commercial came on for one of those pills and my jaw dropped. Increased gambling, you've got to be kidding me! It really is one of the side effects. What on earth are they putting into those pills that could increase your desire to gamble?

It's unbelievable, and another thing that always irks me about all of those prescription drug commercials is the line at the very end, "tell your doctor about so and so." I think the comedian Richard Jeni said it better than I ever could, "If you're telling your doctor which pills you want doesn't that make him a drug dealer?"

When someone goes into the doctor's office and tells them that they can't sleep they'll reach right for their prescription pad and start writing. But before they try giving you pill that you can't even pronounce, maybe they should suggest that you try working out a little and to reduce the caffeine you're taking in. Or perhaps maybe trying to pick up a job that's a little more physically demanding, that will tire you out.

Personally, the only pills I'll be taking are my allergy pills during the spring and antibiotics when I'm deathly ill.

Oh Baby! *A weekly column by Centurion Managing Editor Janine Logue*

In addition to my role as the managing editor at the Centurion, I am also the editor of the Pennington Post and the Doylestown Patriot.

It was in my role as the editor of the Patriot that I received a press kit for a new book, "It Gets Easier...and other lies we tell new mothers," by Claudine Wolk.

Since Wolk grew up in my coverage area, I decided to go ahead and read her book.

I am currently at about the mid-way point and I have to say, man is it funny.

She seems to hit the nail right on the head with how your family and close friends react to your pregnancy.

If you are expecting your first child, I would definitely recommend this book, but that is not really my point.

My point is that I have read a lot about pregnancy and child birth over the last few months, and almost all of the books and articles that I have read talk about preparing your husband/significant other for the days and weeks after child birth.

The books go on and on about explaining to your husband that you will not be able to do all the household chores for a while.

Some of them even suggest having a nurse talk to your husband about your restrictions.

I, for one, am flabbergasted by this. Apparently, it is hard for many women's other halves to understand that they have just experienced a major medical event requiring hospitalization and that they will need some down time for healing.

If this is the case for you, I think the question needs to be asked, what type of man have you gotten yourself wrapped up with?

If, after 40 weeks of pregnancy and who knows how many hours of labor, your husband still has not gotten a pretty good grasp on the fact that your body is going through a serious event, then perhaps your husband needs a good swift kick in the rear, or worse.

Pregnancy is not something

that any man, or woman for that matter, should take lightly.

A woman's body is forever changed after carrying a baby.

The trauma of even a normal labor and delivery can take a woman weeks to recover from.

Not to mention how much longer recovery can take when there are complications or if a cesarean is performed.

I guess I should count myself as one of the lucky ones because my husband has been to every doctor's appointment and read every article right along with me.

Steven has a good understanding of what to expect when I get home from the hospital.

He is prepared to help me in any and every way that he can.

Sometimes, I think that he even over estimates how much help I will need from him, but I don't correct him on that.

A Modern Hypocrisy



A weekly column by Centurion Editor-in-Chief Laura Irwin

Reduce, reuse and recycle

I have been so absorbed in producing a 'go green' inspired paper that I never stopped to think about my own role in climate impact.

Mark Bennett, news editor, was kind enough to hit me with the fact I have a perfect 'modern hypocrisy' to contribute this week.

Well, there is a reason my column is named as such. People are such hypocrites, self included.

I drive a car and consume my share of gasoline; I leave a light on in my room when I know I'll be getting in after dark. I use general appliances and keep them plugged in and I think the light cast from those condensed light bulbs is not to par with a high-wattage bulb.

And to be completely honest, my apartment complex doesn't even recycle. I can't tell you how many newspapers I go through in a week, because it's more than seven.

All that paper...I'm giving myself a huge guilt trip right now. So in an effort to save the planet, I need to think of some logical and practical alternatives to my lifestyle.

One, I hate the dark. I'm a major coward, okay? I admit it.

I have a light on in my apartment from the moment the sun begins to set. I here and now vow to have a light on only in a room I am in!

I don't watch TV so I save a little on my carbon footprint there, but when my radio is not playing "Muse," "The Used," or "Social Distortion," I will unplug it. Same goes for you too Mr. Coffee.

The one thing I have ignored to do since I was in elementary school, even though it's constantly mentioned, is turning off the water when I'm brushing my teeth or washing my dishes.

I know that it adds up.

Habits are hard to break, but if it means that if I ever have kids and they can roll around in 3-feet of snow like I did as a kid, it'll be worth it. Or, if I am 80-years-old and still want to play in the weather and elements that will be cool as well.

Most likely the latter.

It's pretty obvious with all the studies about organic food that they hold a much better nutritional value for you than genetically processed meat, dairy or what have you.

Basically, if you don't know what an ingredient is, you shouldn't eat it.

Besides, pesticides are poisoning the ground. Don't get all tense on me, because it's the plain-word definition of a pesticide.

It's poison. Why eat it?

I had cancer, the only lucky duck in my family, and I think on occasion what it was that I was around that mutated my cells to turn against me.

I have those reusable bags from Wholefoods to tote to the grocery store with me, but I always forget them and am left stuffing 10 more plastic bags into the kitchen closet. I plan on putting them in my car so that I don't forget anymore.

I can be so lazy.

And how about the dozens of newspapers I go through each week-I gotta recycle.

Done. Recycle.

I have no problem with tap water. Newtown Artesian is fine enough for me, but I still acquire a bottle or two every now and then. I suppose getting a thermos to carry with me to the gym or on the road will hold back the mountain of waste at the dump for a little longer.

It's a matter of making a conscious effort.

Don't feel bad, I am as equally apart of the problem as anyone else claiming apathy as their excuse.

But, realizing you have a problem is the first step, right?

I have a problem, and like most articles, I preach what I practice. I, however, have some work to do in going green. The practical edge of this I believe is the key to really making an effort to be more eco-friendly. I can't go out and buy a hybrid car and I am not going to take a bus when my Jetta is outside. But, I do have a bike, and legs and I can take care of cutting back on the exhaust pouring from my tailpipe.



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NFL draft fever Sixers surprise in playoffs

BY PHIL COLES
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The unofficial start of the NFL season is this Saturday, as the league holds its annual collegiate draft. For football fans, the draft is like the spring of a new NFL season, with everything seeming new and exciting. Every fan thinks their team has a chance to hoist the Lombardi trophy, no matter how far-fetched it may seem.

And nowhere is that sentiment more shared than in Philadelphia.

This year's draft holds enormous possibilities for the Eagles. Will they select a wide-receiver such as Limas Sweed from Texas? Will they take a safety such as Miami's Kenny Phillips? Or will they tap into this year's strongest positional talent pool and take an offensive tackle, maybe Jeff Otah from Pittsburgh? These questions and many others will be answered on draft day.

One thing is for certain, the Eagles have plenty of areas that need addressing.

Special teams were atrocious last year for the Eagles, and a return man is a must. Besides

costing the Eagles a game last season, there was absolutely no threat from the Eagles return duo of Reno Mahe, and Correll Buckhalter. To have a third of a game go completely ignored is unacceptable. The Eagles must address this need somewhere in the draft.

The Lito Sheppard situation is also going to factor in to this year's draft for the Eagles. It is possible they will trade Sheppard before the draft. He could be dealt for a draft pick, or a wide-receiver. Reports out of Cincinnati are that Chad Johnson wants out, and the Eagles could be a possible suitor.

After witnessing the New York Giants win the super bowl with key contributions from multiple rookies, there is no reason to think the Eagles could not do the same.

Check out our editor's picks below in an NFL mock draft!

BY ANDREW BROWN
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The good news is that playoff basketball is back in Philadelphia.

How long it will last remains to be seen.

The Sixers, however, surprised many by winning the first game of their best of seven series.

"Detroit's, by far, in my opinion, the best team in the East," says Sixers swingman Andre Iguodala. "In order to beat them, you've got to play perfect. It's going to be a challenge for us to go out there and try to play to perfection."

Mo Cheeks' men have fared reasonably well against the Bad Boys this season.

They split the season series, with each team taking two game, and by taking game one, they have gotten the Pistons attention, The Pistons, however, have been a playoff regular over the past few seasons.

In their past six trips to the playoffs, Flip Saunders' team has failed to reach the conference finals only once.

They were crowned NBA

Champions in 2004.

Forcing Detroit into turnovers will be a difficult task.

The team only averaged 11.64 per game this season, the lowest of any NBA team.

This is due in large part to Chauncey Billups, perhaps the top point guard in the East since Jason Kidd's return to Dallas.

However, Sixers playmaker Andre Miller has given Billups some serious competition for this title in the current season.

The 34 year old point guard has been masterful for the Sixers, spreading the floor and creating opportunities for other Sixers players, giving teammates like Thaddeus Young and Samuel Dalembert open looks to the bucket and speeding up young players development.

An important thing for the Sixers' will definitely be whether or not the point guard can keep Billups at bay and make the Pistons' point guard work for every shot he takes.

The two point guards for the two opposing teams have similar playing styles, and their numbers are eerily similar this season.

Both averaged exactly 17

points, and Miller has the edge in rebounds (4 a game to Billups' 2.7) and has a slightly better assists tally (6.9 to 6.8). The matchup between the two point guards should prove to be an enthralling battle.

One thing the Sixers will have to key in on in the series is low post scoring, primarily from Detroit go-to guy, Rasheed Wallace. The power forward can shoot from the outside as well as nearer to the basket, so the Sixers' will look to change matchups at multiple times.

Look for one of their versatile forwards, such as Andre Iguodala or Thaddeus Young, to cover Wallace on the perimeter, while center Dalembert tries to take his shot away from underneath the basket.

The Pistons will be more than ready for the task at hand. In the Sixers last postseason berth during the 2005 season, they were beaten soundly in five games by Detroit.

The Sixers have overachieved all year, and remain a team for the future. But for the present, expect the Pistons to advance in six games.

Centurion NFL Mock Draft

Phil Coles, sports editor

Tom Rowan, centurion staff

1. Miami Dolphins-Jake Long,T, Michigan
2. St. Louis Rams-Chris Long,DE, Virginia
3. Atlanta Falcons-Glen Dorsey,DT,LSU
4. Oakland Raiders-Darren McFadden, RB, Arkansas
5. Kansas City Chiefs-Sedrick Ellis,DT,USC
6. New York Jets-Vernon Gholston,DE, Ohio State
7. New England Patriots-Branden Albert,G, Virginia
8. Baltimore Ravens-Matt Ryan, QB, Boston College
9. Cincinnati Bengals-Leodis Mckelvin,CB,Troy
10. New Orleans Saints-Dominique Rogers-Cromartie,CB,Tenn.State
11. Buffalo Bills-Devin Thomas,WR,Michigan State
12. Denver Broncos-Dan Connor, LB, Penn State
13. Carolina Panthers-Ryan Clady,T,Boise State
14. Chicago Bears-Rashard Mendenhall, RB, Illinois
15. Detroit Lions-Jeff Otah,T,Pittsburgh
16. Arizona Cardinals-Mike Jenkins,CB, South Florida
17. Minnesota Vikings-Keith Rivers, LB, USC
18. Houston Texans-Chris Williams,T, Vanderbilt
19. Philadelphia Eagles-Derrick Harvey, DE, Florida
20. Tampa Bay Buccaneers-Limas Sweed, WR, Texas
21. Washington Redskins-Philip Merling, DE, Clemson
22. Dallas Cowboys-James Hardy, WR, Indiana
23. Pittsburgh Steelers-Gosder Cherilus,T, Boston College
24. Tennessee Titans-Aquib Talib,CB, Kansas
25. Seattle Seahawks-Desean Jackson, WR, California
26. Jacksonville Jaguars-Calais Campbell, DE, Miami
27. San Diego Chargers-Antoine Cason,CB, Arizona
28. Dallas Cowboys-Felix Jones, RB, Arkansas
29. San Francisco 49ers-Kentwan Balmer, DT, North Carolina
30. Green Bay Packers-Brandon Flowers,CB, Virginia Tech
31. New York Giants-Kenny Phillips,S, Miami

1. Miami Dolphins. Jake Long. OT. Michigan
2. St. Louis Rams. Vernon Gholston. DE. Ohio St.
3. Atlanta Falcons. Glenn Dorsey. DT. L.S.U
4. Oakland Raiders. Darren McFadden. RB. Arkansas
5. Kansas City Chiefs. Branden Albert. OG. Virginia
6. New York jets. Chris Long. DE. Virginia
7. New England Patriots. Derrick Harvey. DE. Florida
8. Baltimore Ravens. Matt Ryan. QB. Boston College
9. Cincinnati Bengals. Sedrick Ellis. DT. USC
10. New Orleans Saints trade this draft position to Philadelphia Eagles for CB Lito Sheaperd and Eagles position at number 19. Philadelphia Eagles. Devin Thomas. WR/KR. Michigan St.
11. Buffalo Bills. Leodis McKelvin. CB. Troy
12. Denver Broncos. Chris Williams. OT. Vanderbilt
13. Carolina panthers. Ryan Clady. OT. Boise St.
14. Chicago Bears. Jeff Otah. OT. Pittsburgh
15. Detroit Lions. Jerod Mayo. ILB. Tennessee.
16. Arizona cardinals. Rashard Mendenhall. RB. Illinois
17. Minnesota Vikings. Phillip Merling. DE. Clemson
18. Houston Texans. Keith Rivers. OLB. USC
19. New Orleans Saints (Traded from Eagles). Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie. CB. Tennessee
20. Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Mike Jenkins. CB. South Florida
21. Washington Redskins. Calais Campbell. DE. Miami
22. Dallas Cowboys. Aqib Talib. CB. Kansas
23. Pittsburgh Steelers. Gosder Cherilus. OT. Boston College
24. Tennessee Titans. Limas Sweed. WR. Texas
25. Seattle Seahawks. Jonathan Stewart. RB. Oregon
26. Jacksonville Jaguars. Kentwan Balmer. DT. North Carolina
27. San Diego Chargers. Brandon Flowers. CB. Virginia Tech
28. Dallas Cowboys. Felix Jones. RB. Arkansas.
29. San Francisco 49ers. Desean Jackson. WR. California
30. Green Bay Packers. Antoine Cason. CB. Arizona
31. New England Patriots - Void.
32. New York Giants. Kenny Phillips. S. Miami