The ghost of Tyler Hall

BY AMYLYNN BELLINGRATH
Arts Editor

When security officer Sandy Sobek-Allen heard that there was a ghost in Tyler Hall she was skeptical, but her experiences working the night shift at Bucks made her a believer.

Have you ever felt a presence that you couldn’t explain, especially in an older building or property? Some believe Bucks actually has its very own ghost.

Although Stella Tyler has been dead since 1963, she has not left Tyler Hall, her beloved home; at least not entirely.

George Tyler and his wife lived here on approximately 2,000 acres during the early part of the 20th century, most of what is now the college and the adjacent state park.

Sandy Sobek-Allen, who has worked in the Office of Security and Safety for 20 years, told me of her own experiences with both the historic building, and Stella’s spirit.

When Sobek-Allen began here in 1989, she was only a part-time employee, but after a year or so, she expressed an interest in the midnight shift, so she began training with the other security guards. They began telling her about their strange experiences in Tyler Hall.

She thought nothing of them at first, dismissing them as mere stories. “I sort of pooh-poohed them, maybe they were trying to spook me,” she said.

Then, while patrolling on her own one night, she had her first experience.

“I was walking to the dining area...”

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Students try to strike balance over use of common spaces

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said.

The Fireside group didn’t mean to get in the way of the game lounge group. “We didn’t want to be in the game lounge or the cafeteria, we were forced there,” Phillips said.

Since the area has been re-opened, the game room group has resumed hanging out there.

“There are a lot of things that are like how they should have been,” Brian Ramos, 18, a graphic design major said. “We’re using this room for what it was intended for.”

“They think people actually care about them and their problems. But, whatever, it’s okay now, everyone has their own space,” M. Iozzi said.

“We’re glad to have Fireside re-opened. This is where all the outcasts of the school go. Here, we can be loud and be ourselves,” Phillips said.

While the Fireside group is thrilled to have this area to use once again, there are already some issues with the new renovations.

“The furniture here has metal legs. It’s already scratching up the floors. Who knows what the floors will be like when it rains, or even snows. Imagine the floo,” Phillips said.

“I really do hope they enjoy the new renovations. They should leave us and this room alone. We don’t even pay for the space. These events are a majority for the students,” Cipriano said.

However, when Cipriano’s name was mentioned to the Fireside group, several raised complaints. They said Cipriano had tried to control them, and that they resisted such efforts.

“The more you try to get a hold of us, the less control you end up having. Trying to control our group is like controlling pudding. If you squeeze it too tightly, you lose it all,” Phillips said.

The Fireside group even expressed their unhappiness by having a conga line dance through Cipriano’s office.

“We should just be allowed to self-regulate Fireside, and ourselves,” Dave Fineman, 20, a physiology and game-design major said.

“They should leave us and this room alone. We don’t even pay attention to ourselves, we’re all insane together. No one should try to create better communication. They would still maintain the same identity. Being an organization gives you a clear voice when there are issues. “Most kids here are not normal thinkers,” Phillips said. “Getting an organization from this group is like herding cats. We are chaos, we don’t want to organize chaos.”

Cipriano said he wants the students “to be themselves, but they’re in college. They’re adults. There’s a certain level of maturity they have to be at.”

Despite some issues between the Fireside group and Cipriano, he still wants to work with them to create the best possible environment for the students.

“I’m hoping to go down soon, get talking with a large group and make a list of the good and bad things with Fireside,” Cipriano said.

As Cipriano mentioned, students can’t get “territorial” over space. These events are a major concern to Cipriano, who finds himself in a tough spot.

“I have to represent all students,” he said. “I’ve got to do what’s best for everyone.”
‘Green’ jobs academy to teach occupational skills

Plans for a new green training academy are confirmed by Bucks President James Linksz

By Joshua Rosenau

Bucks President James Linksz last Wednesday confirmed plans to develop a “Green Jobs Academy” at the Bridge Business Center, a multimillion-dollar business park for research and development located on property formerly used by chemical manufacturer Rohm and Haas.

Only in its infancy, the proposed academy will focus on training area contractors in various “green” techniques, including installing solar and geothermal energy systems, performing energy efficiency audits on buildings, and consulting with architects and contractors in the construction of LEED-certified buildings, a rating system for green buildings.

The academy will be situated within the Bridge Business Center, a budding business park housed in the renovated buildings of the former Rohm & Haas Chemical Plant at the corner of Route 413 and Route 13 in Bristol.

The center is part of the Keystone Innovation Zone, a program that supports companies bringing jobs and investment to the commonwealth by offering them an array of financial incentives.

Investors in the project will have access to numerous subsidies and incentives, including a five-year tapered property tax abatement, subsidized loans for machinery and equipment, a saleable tax-credit of up to $500,000 on improvements, and a grant of up to $5,000 with a potential tax credit of $1,000 for each new job created.

According to a press release from the Bridge Business Center, the center has already attracted a number of companies to the Bristol Hills, and Gamesa Corp., a Spanish producer of wind-driven turbines headquartered in Langhorne.

The business center is located on a separate 30-acre plot on the northeast corner of the 800-acre property belonging to the Rohm & Haas chemical plant.

The presence of environmentally conscious companies on the business center site comes in stark contract to the heavy-industrial practice of Rohm & Haas, its previous operators.

According to a Rohm & Haas press release, in 1989 the company entered into a consent order with the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to propose “corrective measures” to three landfill sites on the Bristol property.

These landfills are not located on the site of the Bridge Business Center, but are within the 800-acre site nearby.

The press release states that chemicals found unrelated within the landfill to be at levels high enough to “pose a potential chronic health effect in aquatic life.”

The press release also stated that risks to human health were minimized through the chance of developing a chronic health problem.

In a 2009 assessment, the EPA deemed the 600-acre landfill “to be successfully contained by the barrier walls and a synthetic/sloil cap that Rohm & Haas completed in 1997.”

“Compliance monitoring,” the assessment says, “is on-going.”

Although the landfill issue has been practically solved, the sprawling 800-acre facility still draws citations from the EPA, including eight formal actions from October 2006 to April 2009 issued in response to the leaching of high levels of zinc into local water supplies, a violation of the Clean Water Act.

Linksz explained that the renovation and reuse of the polluted site would better serve the county’s environment, because it would redeem the included land instead of degrading a more pristine sight by starting a brand new development.

It is still unclear, however, if or when the larger Rohm & Haas site will cease polluting.

Even in the preliminary stage, the school has already received $1 million of start-up money for the project thanks to legislative efforts of U.S. Rep. Patrick Murphy.

Bucks receives generous scholarship donation from Grainger Supply Inc.

By Liam Mckenzie

Grainger Inc., a leading supplier of maintenance products, has donated $11,000 in scholarships to assist Bucks students, which makes Alli Warren very happy.

Warren received $2,200 to help pay for tuition.

“The level of instructors here are truly exceptional,” said Warren, a 20-year-old fire science major from State College, Pa. “These people have 30 to 40 years of background and all the material taught is coming from real life experience. I am very grateful for the scholarship.”

Warren is just one student taking advantage of funds given by Grainger, a leader in public safety material for over 70 years.

The scholarship money will go to students enrolled in fire science, public safety and emergency management programs, courses which teach how to manage emergency situations, such as a fire or flood.

Robert Hedden, the fire science coordinator at Bucks, believes the courses prepare students with real-world experience in combating fire and public safety professionals.

“These courses teach how to respond to natural or man-made disasters, as well as assume responsibility to the community and its safety,” he said. “We want our students to think on a broader level. One of our main goals is to educate them with training in an attempt to prevent public safety hazards from happening in the first place.”

He believed Warren deserved to be the first recipient of the scholarship.

“Alli is one of our finest students, and I’m excited that she received the award,” he said.

Grainger not only donates money for scholarships, but also gives funds and supplies to the Red Cross to assist natural disaster victims.

Sufferers of Hurricane Katrina received $200,000 in product, and the China Society of the Red Cross was given $25,000 after a devastating earthquake in 2008.

More about Grainger and its community support: grainger.com/community

To learn more about Bucks’ fire science programs and scholarships: grainger.com/community/photos at: 215-968-8272
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Obama declares a national emergency over swine flu

The H1N1 virus has killed more than 1,000 people in the United States

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

President Barack Obama declared the swine flu outbreak a national emergency on Friday, giving his public health chief the power to let hospitals set up emergency rooms offsite to speed treatment and protect noninfected patients.

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The declaration was a pre-emptive move designed to make decisions easier when they need to be made. Officials said the move was not in response to any single development.

Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius has authority to bypass federal rules when opening alternative care sites, such as offsite hospital care sites, such as offsite hospital rules when opening alternative care sites, such as offsite hospital centers at schools or community centers if hospitals seek permission.

Some hospitals have opened drive-thrus and drive-up tent clinics to screen and treat swine flu patients. The idea is to keep infectious people out of regular emergency rooms and away from sick patients.

The declaration could modify patient rules — for example, requiring them to give less information during the height of the crisis — to ease access to treatment, with government approval, under the declaration.

It also addresses a financial declaration problem for hospitals. The reimbursement for treating people at sites not typically approved. For instance, federal rules do not allow hospitals to put up treatment rooms more than 250 yards away from the doors, if the tents are 300-400 children, typically federal dollars won't go to pay for treatment.

A declaration officials said those rules might not make sense when they're fighting the swine flu, especially if the best piece of pavement is in the middle of a parking lot and some medical centers already are putting in place parts of their emergency plans.

"I think the term emergency declaration sounds more dramatic than it really is," said Dr. Peter Hotez, a research professor and chairman of the Department of Tropical Medicine at George Washington University, and a largely administrative move that's more preemptive... he said Friday. "This is not just about preparing rooms and hospitals flexibility need the time they need."

The national emergency declaration was the second of two steps needed to give Sebelius extraordinary power within a crisis during a crisis.

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Halloween Special

By Matthew Stumacher

The meaning behind Halloween has changed greatly within the last year for him. In a way, Halloween has come full-circle because he is back to trick-or-treating once more, just like in his youth. It has taken in a whole new meaning.

“Last year I dressed up and wore a costume, because then Halloween was about partying more than anything else,” said student Ben Petosa, 33. “Since then I’ve had a child though, and this year will be all about him. This will be my baby’s first Halloween, and he is dressing up as a lion.”

As for Andrew Lavado, he has a different reason for his love of Halloween. This is because he will be turning 24 on this day.

“I’ve always thrown huge birthday/Halloween parties, because it’s a double celebration,” Lavado said. “This year I’m not sure what I’m dressing up as yet, but my friends and I are taking a huge party bus down to Philadelphia, and I know one thing, I will be dancing.”

Halloween may occur on the same day of the year, but as people grow older the meaning behind the holiday changes.

Bucks students vary in age from 18 to 80 or more, so it is not surprising that they celebrate Halloween in many different ways.

For student Billy Zogorski, 21, Halloween is just another excuse for a good laugh and a chance to party with friends.

“This Halloween I’m going to Temple and my friend is having a party,” Zogorski said. “I’m being a Dutch Maser,” referring to the men that appear on the cigar brand.

Living in Bucks County there are many ways to celebrate the holiday both on Halloween and before hand, such as haunted hayrides at nearby places. No matter what the Halloween activity there are many options to choose from.

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room, which is through the kitchen. As I got to the door to the dining room, I reached around to turn the light on, and I immedi-ately felt a distinct presence. I automatically thought it was another guard or maintenance, and I actually said out loud ‘I’ll be with you in a minute,’” said Sobek-Allen.

She then realized that no one was there.

Sobek-Allen said that the pres-ence was heavy and mist-like, with no actual form. Based on both the stories she’d heard, and her own research, she knew defini-tely that it was Stella.

“A nother time, near Christmas, I had another meeting with Stella,” remembers Sobek-Allen.

“I was walking through the build-ing when an alarm started to go off.”

She immediately knew that the alarm was coming from T142, which at the time was the music room. “We kept it locked and alarmed because it contained mu-sical equipment, including a large grand piano that Stella used to play,” said Sobek-Allen.

The alarm had stopped by the time she got there, but she unlocked the door and went in.

“The room was set up as if for a musical program. There were chairs lined up with an aisle in the middle. There were curtains along the wall, heavy fabric cur-tains. I heard a sort of a swishing sound, like skirts rustling. The curtains moved as if someone had danced by, just like in his youth. It has taken in a whole new meaning.

Appliances turn on and off, and you sense something that just doesn’t feel “right,” you might be having a visitation from our own Stella Tyler.

Sobek-Allen has also experienced more than just the sound of the presence of Stella.

“I was near the staircase to the Pub, and I got the strongest aroma of baked apples. It was almost as if someone was cooking an entire turkey dinner. It was overwhelm- ing,” said Sobek-Allen.

She knew it was Stella, imparting some warmth.

Sobek-Allen has had numerous encounters in Tyler Hall over the years. A pilates turn on and off, and the aroma of baked apples fills the air from time to time. This happens to her at different times of the day and week, usually when she’s alone in the building.

“The swishing sound will come to me when I’m in a specific room, and I’ll say to myself, ‘Oh, okay, it’s just Stella,’” said Sobek-Allen.

She says that none of these visitations are malevolent or scary in any way. Sobek-Allen feels that Stella is merely staying where she was happiest, here in her home. “I always feel that Stella is just here protecting her home, and watching over the school,” said Sobek-Allen.

So, if you’re ever in Tyler Hall and you sense something that just doesn’t feel “right,” you might be having a visitation from our own Stella Tyler.

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The joy of music on campus

BY ANNMARIE ELY
Features Editor

At any moment you can catch a live concert on campus, with student troubadours popping up everywhere. Singers, guitar players and drummers are taking advantage of the nice weather and taking their talents outside.

Some are music majors, others are just exploring their personal interests while enjoying the nice weather.

Music has brought students together and bonded them. One former student comes to campus just to hang out play with her friends.

If you don’t have time to stop and listen you can check out our local talent on myspace.com.

“Being a music major is hard, you feel like you spend a lot of time in a cell practicing; it’s nice to get out of your cell,” said one student of his reasons for taking music.

“Music has brought students together and bonded them,” said Muro.

“Your voice is getting good you should do it more,” said the woman who sang and strummed a guitar.

“We’re kind of like ‘what is going on?’” said Rachel Perch, 19, of Levittown. “I’ve just kind of walked by I never thought to say anything I don’t mind it, it doesn’t bother me,” said Alyssa Sellers, 18, an elementary education major from Yardley.

“I walk by, acknowledge that they’re there, but don’t really stop,” said Sellers. “I’d say it adds to the experience,” said Reggie Staton, 18, from Bensalem.

“People should collaborate rather than clash; if that’s what’s happening I’m just not aware of it. I mean no offense to any music students.”

Keefer and Muro have gotten to play with some other random students.

“I have actually sat down and played with a few people,” said Keefer.

“All the time, we’re out here no matter what time people will listen, most of them just don’t want to do; just about everyone likes music or can get into it,” said Conover.

“Whenever I hear a musician that’s not a music major I try to get them into music and have them do something they like instead of something they don’t like or don’t want to do; just about everyone likes music or can get into it.”

Conover student response to the music has varied.

“They play drums in side the cafeteria. A few weeks ago we were eating and this kid just started banging on drums, everyone got quiet…I don’t think people were annoyed, they were just kind of like ‘what is going on?’” said Rachel Perch, 19, of Levittown.

“When I do drum rolls while you do them they sound fantastic,” one student told another.

“All the time we’re out here no one really gives us any grief, half the time people will listen, most of the time they’re busy so they just walk past,” said John Conover, 19, a music major from Richboro.

“Classes led to playing together, I’m not in school here anymore,” said Anna Stoich, a former student from Philadelphia. “There was a time when that was a problem; it should be as inviting as possible in my opinion, that’s how things grow.

“Your voice is getting good you have a really cool twang to it,” Conover told Stoich as she sang and strummed a guitar.

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“The two routinely greet each other by slapping feet instead of hands. They describe their sound as ‘rock folk trash metal…no death metal folk lore, that’s our final answer.’

“They don’t take themselves too seriously.

“We’re not human beings either we’re actually genetically engineered human hybrids,” says Muro.

“Idon’t think our campus would be half as cool without the art department,” said Muro.

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Muro would like to see students face some negative feedback, but the group says it has been limited.

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Languages Reading Series Presents

Thursday, November 5 at 7 p.m.

The Wordsmiths Reading Series at Bucks County Community College brings two prominent authors to Newtown Thursday, November 5. Pulitzer-Prize winning journalist Madeleine Blais, who wrote Uphill Walkers: The Memoir of a Family, will be joined by award-winning poet Hayden Saunier.

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Fireside Lounge, Rollins Center
Bucks County Community College

Blaire has won widespread praise for Uphill Walkers, which chronicles how her family pulled together after her father died suddenly in the early 1990s. She also wrote the bestseller, Hope Is a Muscle and The Heart is an Instrument: Poems to Americans from Vietnam.

Blaire was a reporter for the Boston Globe, the Denver Times, and the Miami Herald newspaper.

Blaire is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.


Blaire is currently a professor at University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Saunier’s poetry has appeared in many publications, including The New York Times, The Nation, The Paris Review, and The American Poetry Review. His plays have been produced in New York, Los Angeles, and around the world.

Saunier is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and holds an MFA from the University of California at Irvine.

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This month, the new title in the popular franchise was released with brand new features.

**NBA 2K10 Delivers a Slam Dunk**

The week of October 27, 2009

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Basketball video gamers always expect a high-quality performance when they play titles such as NBA 2K, and once again the famed title did not disappoint. NBA 2K10 was voted the No. 1 selling basketball game of the year, as it beat out its rival NBA Live 10. The game was also rated No. 1 for its realistic simulation of the NBA.

NBA 2K10 Anniversary Edition is available for the PS3 and Xbox consoles. It's packaged in a specially designed 2K sports locker design. The game features 2009 NBA Finals MVP Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers as the cover athlete. It also delivers realistic and stylistic graphic designs in order to enhance the presentation and online gaming.

"I take great pride in aligning myself with NBA 2K10, as it is simply the most authentic basketball game out there, bar none," said 11-time NBA All-Star Kobe Bryant in an interview with NBA TV. "I was fortunate enough to play in a huge way with Kobe Bryant on our cover and the NBA 2K10: Anniversary Edition that was announced to be on the cover. I have learned, in my time working with the 2K Sports team that they, too, strive to be the absolute best." NBA 2K10 offers gamers some new features. There is the "NBA Today" feature which offers real-world NBA games, news, and stats that automatically load right into the game. Commentary and overlays are up-to-date since it's based on what's happening in the NBA that day.

The new "My Player" feature allows fans to create their own superstar NBA player and guide him through every moment of his NBA career. The player begins as an undrafted rookie in the summer circuit of the NBA. Gamers must agency period, real-time practice, a new "player progression system," and a host of other enhancements that give NBA 2K10 gamers the tools needed to rule the court and lead their team to victory.

"Crews," a new online feature, allows dedicated online gamers to round up their friends and build the ultimate fantasy basketball team using either created players from the NBA Development League or actual NBA teams.

"Signature Play" offers gamers all signature styles and adds in all-new signature tendencies and facial expressions, creating NBA 2K10 teams that play and react like the real NBA for an unbelievably realistic NBA experience. Improved, easy-to-use offensive controls for dribbling and post up plays lets gamers pull off ankle-breaking isolation moves and execute marquee plays from the perimeter to the paint.

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"NBA 2K10 is the dream package for any die-hard basketball fan and will be available on more platforms than ever before," said Greg Thomas, senior vice president of sports development for 2K. "It's the 10th anniversary of the NBA 2K franchise and we're celebrating in a huge way with Kobe Bryant on our cover and the NBA 2K10: Anniversary Edition that includes NBA 2K10 teams with all signature styles and adds in all-new signature tendencies and facial expressions, creating NBA 2K10 teams that play and react like the real NBA for an unbelievably realistic NBA experience. Improved, easy-to-use offensive controls for dribbling and post up plays lets gamers pull off ankle-breaking isolation moves and execute marquee plays from the perimeter to the paint.

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**THE WEEK IN TV/MOVIES/MUSIC**

**TV**

Tuesday 10/27
90210 - CW - 8:00
Melrose Place - CW - 9:00

Wednesday 10/28
Mercy - NBC - 8:00
So You Think You Can Dance - FOX - 8:00
American Next Top Model - CW - 8:00
Ghost Hunters - Syfy - 9:00
CSI:NY - CBS - 10:00

Thursday 10/29
Survivor Samba - CBS - 8:00
Grey's Anatomy - ABC - 9:00
The Office - NBC - 9:00
Fringe - FOX - 9:00
Project Runway - Lifetime - 10:00

Friday 10/30
Smallville - CW - 8:00
Dollhouse - FOX - 9:00
Psych - USA - 10:00
The Soup - E! - 10:00

Sunday 11/1
The Simpsons - FOX - 8:00
Family Guy - FOX - 9:00
Cold Case - CBS - 10:00
Mad Men - AMC - 10:00

Monday 11/2
Heroes - NBC - 8:00
House - FOX - 8:00
One Tree Hill - CW - 9:00
Gossip Girl - CW - 9:00
Greek - ABC Family - 9:00

**MOVIES**

**This Is It**
A compilation of interviews, rehearsals and backstage footage of Michael Jackson as he prepared for his series of sold-out shows in London.

Directed by: Kenny Ortega
Starring: Michael Jackson
Release Date: 28 October

**The Boondock Saints II: All Saints Day**
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**MUSIC**

**Sting**
New album "If On A Winter's Night"
27 October

**Michael Jackson**
New compilation album "This Is It"
26 October

**R.E.M.**
New live album "Live At The Olympia"
27 October
The week of October 27, 2009

Best Halloween movies

BY MATTHEW FLOWERS
Entertainment Editor

Zombies, demons, and masked serial killers oh my! It is time for scary movies again. The campus voted and these are the top 10 horrifying thrillers.

10. Friday the 13th: The Final Chapter (1984)

This list would not be complete without a movie featuring the infamous masked character Jason. Jason doesn't show up until the sequel, but the fourth film in the series, starring Corey Feldman who also starred in "The Lost Boys," is definitely the scariest of all. Six teenagers rent a cabin for the Jarvis family near Crystal Lake. The final battle will define their destiny, prepare for the Final Chapter. "This movie makes me want to never throw a party in the woods ever," said Tom Harer, a nursing major.

9. Last House on the Left (2009)

Even though some prefer the classic horror movies that were made pre-1990, this remake is a spine-tingling feeling down many students' spines. After kidnapping and brutally assaulting five young women, a gang led by a prison escapee unknowingly finds refuge at a vacation home belonging to the parents of one of the victims—a mother and father who devise an increasingly gruesome series of revenge tactics. "At the final scene where the father sticks the one creep's head in the microwave, was disgusting," says Jordin Pearlman, 19.


Another gruesome sequel makes the list. The sequel to "Alien" is a non-stop, high-tech, war movie, with space Marines, taking off with the main character, Ripley. "I had no idea when one of those things was going to pop out. It kept me on the edge of my seat," says Jonathon Jones, 23.

7. The Thing (1982)

The serious tone to this sci-fi, horror film, makes for an entertaining movie night, by yourself, in the dark. Members of an American scientific research outpost in Antarctica find themselves battling a parasitic alien organism capable of perfectly imitating its victims. The special effects create the scariest creature that will have you changing your pants afterwards. Harer, a Bucks student, says, "I jumped out of my seat when the guys head turned into a spider alien. I flipped out!"

6. The Exorcist (1973)

Even though the film was made over 30 years ago, it is still considered one of the scariest of the entire horror genre. "I had to turn the movie off, I couldn't finish after the girl turned evil," says Kelly Adams, 19.

5. Dawn of the Dead (1978)

In this first sequel to Night of the Living Dead, a group of four people take up residence in a deserted mall while trying to stay alive amidst armies of the dead and a vicious gang of militant bikers.

4. Night of the Living Dead (1968)

The grandaddy of them all! John Carpenter's classic, "Halloween." This movie made it scary to go out trick or treating. Michael Myers, 6, comes home from trick-or-treating one night, and stabs his sister to death. 15 years later, he escapes from the mental hospital and takes a bookworm teenager, Laurie Strode. "Every time I hear the theme of this movie, I check to see if there is a man in a mask chasing me," says Adams.

3. The Evil Dead (1981)

Finally, the word DEAD appears on the list. Five friends go up to a cabin in the woods where they find unspeakable evil lurking in the forest. Bruce Campbell, who stars as Ash, becomes one of the greatest hero characters ever, as he fights off demons in the woods. There are great one-liners, and this movie is a treat to watch.

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Some might think twice about going off and having a huge Halloween party in an abandoned mansion. After kidnapping and brutally assaulting ten young women, a gang led by a prison escapee unknowingly finds refuge in a hotel. "I woke up in my room the next morning with my sheets soaked with sweat," says Adams.

Bucks students chime in on the best - and most frightening - flicks to watch on Halloween
October Activities Calendar

For a full listing of events and activities at Bucks County Community College, please visit us online at www.bucks.edu and click on the link for our Calendar of Events. Please call the Student Life Office at 215-968-8257 for further information or if you have any questions about an event.

October is Cancer Awareness Month

Come help us raise awareness at the Bucks Cancer Awareness Stroll on Oct. 5th at noon in the Newtown Campus Quad or fill out a remembrance card for our memorial wall.

American Cancer Society—www.cancer.org
National Breast Cancer Awareness Month—www.nbcaw.org
Centers for Disease Control & Prevention—www.cdc.gov

Student Events

1—Social Science Club trip, Lower East Side Tenements, 7:30am-5pm
1—Fall Voter Registration Drive, Newtown, Rollins 2nd floor, 10am-2pm, 5-7pm
1—Upper Bucks Job Fair, UBC, 12-2pm
1—Displaced Worker Support Group, Newtown, SSC, 12:30-1:15pm
5—Bucks Cancer Awareness Stroll, start in Newtown campus quad, 12pm
5—Habitat for Humanity speaker, Student Life Conference Room, 12-1pm
5—Violence Prevention Workshop, UBC, 12:30-1:30pm
5—Displaced Worker Support Group, UBC, 12:30-1:15pm
5—Interviewing Skills Workshop, Newtown, SSC, 5-6pm
6—Social Science Club trip, Matisse/Museum of Art, 9am-3pm
6—Social Science Club trip, Schulykill River Walk, 12-3pm
6—Violence Prevention Workshop, LBC, 12:30-1:30pm
6—Displaced Worker Support Group, LBC, 12:30-1:15pm
6—Evening Transfer Fair, UBC, 3:30-6:30pm
7—Social Science Club trip, Philadelphia Ethnic Tour, 10am-2:30pm
7—Violence Prevention Workshop, Newtown, SSC, 12:30-1:30pm, 5:30-6:30pm
7—Social Science Club trip, Eastern State Penitentiary, 2:30-6pm
8—Free Movie, “Crazy Sexy Cancer”, Newtown, Gallagher, all day
8—Social Science Club trip, Eastern State Penitentiary, 9:30am-1pm, 1:30-5pm
8—General Job Fair, LBC, 12-2pm
8—Displaced Worker Support Group, Newtown, SSC, 12:30-1:15pm
10—A Celtic Family Evening with Martin Family Band, Newtown, Gateway Aud., 7pm
12—Displaced Worker Support Group, UBC, 12:30-1:15pm
12—Interviewing Skills Workshop, UBC, 5-6pm
13—Social Science Club trip, Union League, 9am-12:30pm
13—General Job Fair, Newtown, 12-2pm
13—Displaced Worker Support Group, Newtown, SSC, 12:30-1:15pm
13—Social Science Club trip, Ben Franklin’s Philadelphia, 1-5pm
13—Interviewing Skills Workshop, LBC, 5-6pm
14—Transfer Fair, LBC, 10am-1pm
15—Social Science Club trip, Washington, D.C., 7am-9:30pm
16—Recession-Proof Your Career Workshop, Newtown, Fireside, 12-1pm
18—Chinese Golden Dragons Acrobats: Cirque D’Or, Gateway Aud., 4-6pm
19—Displaced Worker Support Group, UBC, 12:30-1:15pm
19—Personality Type & You Workshop, UBC, 5-6pm
19—Free Coffee & Donuts Night, Newtown, Rollins, 5:30-7:30pm
20—Personality Type & You Workshop, LBC, 5-6pm
21—Social Science Club trip, Central Park Walk, 7:30am-5:30pm
22—Red Cross Blood Drive, LBC, 9am-3pm
22—Personality Type & You Workshop, Newtown, SSC, 5-6pm
22—Social Science Club trip, Slavic Trade, 8:30am-1pm, 11am-3pm, 1-5pm
24—1st Annual Lower Bucks Halloween Dance, LBC, 7-11pm
27—Halloween Blood Drive, Newtown, Gallagher, 9am-3pm
27—Social Science Club trip, Andalusia/Biddle Estate, 9:30am-12:30pm
27—Social Science Club trip, Grounds for Sculpture, 12:30-4:30pm
27—Evening Transfer Fair, Newtown, Founders Lobby, 4:30-7pm
29—Social Science Club trip, Ellis/Liberty/Manhattan, 7:30am-6pm

BUCKS Athletics

1—Men’s Soccer @ Salem, 4pm
1—Women’s Soccer @ Delaware Tech., 4pm
3—Men’s Baseball vs. Philadelphia, 12pm
3—Women’s Soccer @ Middletown, 12pm
3—Women’s Volleyball @ Harrisburg, 12pm
3—Men’s Soccer @ Northampton, 1pm
6—Women’s Volleyball vs. Northampton, 7pm
7—Men’s Soccer @ Philadelphia, 3pm
7—Women’s Soccer @ Sussex, 4pm
8—Women’s Soccer vs. Montgomery, 1pm
10—Men’s Baseball @ Lehigh-Carbon, 12pm
10—Men’s Soccer vs. Reading, 1pm
10—Women’s Soccer vs. Manor, 3pm
12—Women’s Soccer @ CC of Morris, 3:30pm
14—Men’s Soccer @ Delaware, 3pm
15—Men’s Soccer @ Burlington, 4pm
17—Women’s Soccer @ Bergen, 12pm
17—Men’s Soccer vs. Harrisburg, 1pm
19—Men’s Soccer @ Lehigh-Carbon, 3pm
20—Men’s Soccer @ Brookdale, 3:30pm
21—Women’s Soccer @ Lackawanna, 4pm
Staying in it for the long run

BY HOPE KUMOR
Centurion Staff

Relationships. When you think of this word what comes to mind? Probably two people who are mentally and physically connected. Two people who have a special bond that will do just about anything to keep it. The one key element to a relationship is to open yourself up. You have to allow yourself to be vulnerable. Be willing to share your deepest, darkest secrets with your other. It seems that men have more difficulty with completely showing their true colors. However, any successful relationship should be equal, not just one-sided. This quality alone controls the ways of love. Think about this: Are you good with your emotions? Do you always let your other half know how you are feeling? This can be quite difficult for both guys and girls. It is important that you are able to discuss your emotions. But for the most part, this is usually much easier for girls. On the other hand, most guys need some work in this area. Remember guys: Girls love when you open up. Trust me, it will be worth the nervousness that grips you as you attempt to tell her how you feel.

In a relationship, you must tell the other how you feel about them. How will they ever know if you can't tell them or show them? When in a relationship, it is apparent that some things are said and done to simply please the other. Sorry girls, but you may have to go to that car show with him. Guys, you will eventually have to see that chick flick your girl has been talking about all week. If she is mentioning “The Notebook” each day, prepare yourself for a tear-jerking movie night. If he can sit through almost two hours of love and heartache straight out of love, girls, you can stare at antique vehicles for hours. Have you ever heard the phrase what's fair is fair? It most definitely applies here. The relationship lives longer when you can share everything, whether it be your favorite thing to do or the last thing on earth. Love is a crazy thing. I would like to mention one important aspect of dating: When beginning of a potential relationship, please do not text. This is a good idea when you’re running late or chatting with a friend while you’re in class. Don’t disregard this example. Essential phone calls are much more formal and show your genuine interest. I am not saying never text, but it is best to hear a voice and know they are sincere instead of trying to express it through a text. It can sometimes be difficult to interpret the feeling and even meaning of a message. Use it to say hey, but not to make a date. You should always make time for each other.

Lately my boyfriend and I have been on complete opposite schedules, but whenever we have time, we try to spend as much time together as possible. Here is a romantic date idea: Take a hot-air balloon ride. If you are afraid of heights, I suggest finding a different activity like a horse and buggy ride. Just imagine: Rising through Central Park in New York City watching the sunset. Guys, your girl will be ecstatic. Keep this in mind. I hope everyone has been keeping up with my articles and sticks with me. Hope “2” Help.

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Bucks soccer and baseball, in photos

Bucks’ various sports teams have been hard at work this semester, with many ups and downs along the way.

**MEN’S SOCCER - Playoff Game vs. Harrisburg 10/24 2009**

**WOMEN’S SOCCER - vs. Mercer 9/29 2009**

**BASEBALL 9/19 2009**

**BUCKS SPORTS SCHEDULE**

- WOMEN’S SOCCER
  - Date: Sat Oct 31
  - Time: TBD
  - Opponent: Finals
  - Where: NJIT, NJ

- MEN’S BASKETBALL
  - Date: Tues Nov 3
  - Time: 7:00 p.m.
  - Opponent: PBU
  - Where: Home

- WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
  - Date: Sat Nov 14
  - Time: 3:00 p.m.
  - Opponent: Reading
  - Where: Away

- WOMEN’S SOCCER
  - Date: Sat Oct 31
  - Time: TBD
  - Opponent: Finals
  - Where: NJIT, NJ

**WEATHER**

Forecast by NWS for 18940

- TUE OCT 27: 39° | 52°, PM Showers
- WED OCT 28: 57° | 45°, Rain
- THU OCT 29: 64° | 43°, Partly cloudy
- FRI OCT 30: 65° | 49°, Cloudy
- SAT OCT 31: 61° | 46°, Few showers
- SUN NOV 1: 55° | 39°, Few showers
- MON NOV 2: 55° | 39°, Sunny