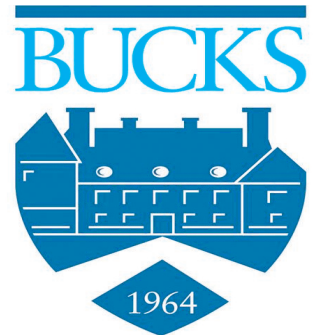


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# Obama wins re-election

*After a highly competitive campaign between President Barack Obama and former governor Mitt Romney, Obama won a decisive victory in the Electoral College.*

BY: KELLY ARMSTRONG  
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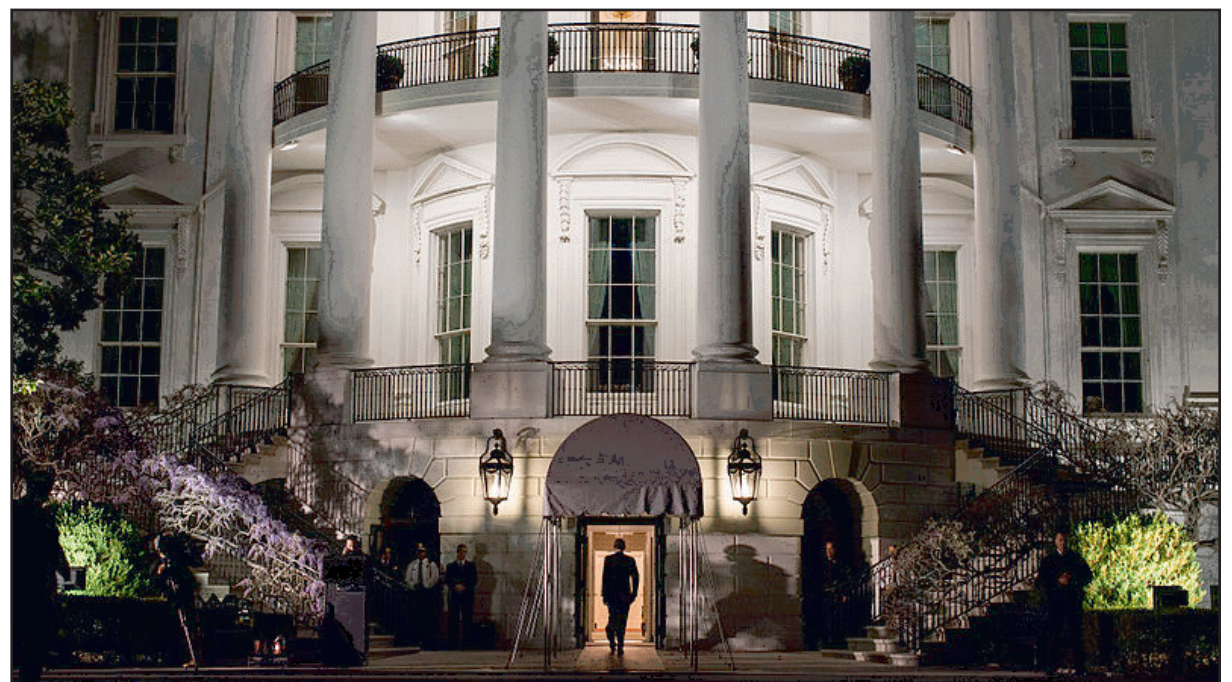
After months of campaigning, rallies, debates and commercials, the presidential election came to a climax when President Barack Obama was re-elected on Tuesday in a finish that kept millions of Americans glued to their television sets as the votes rolled in.

According to Huffington-post.com, as of early Wednesday President Obama had won the election with 49.6 percent of the popular vote and 303 Electoral College votes. Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney won 48.9 percent of the popular vote and 206 of the Electoral College votes.

As the polls were tallied, at first it looked like Romney had the advantage, taking major states such as Texas and a majority of smaller states in the southeast.

However, as the evening wore on Obama surged in the balloting by taking not only the states he was expected to win, such as Pennsylvania, but also nearly all of the battleground swing states including Ohio, which finally tipped the electoral vote count tally in his favor.

Politico.com reported that Obama won Pennsylvania with 52.6 percent of the vote. Romney had 46.1 percent of



President Barack Obama walking back into the White House.

the vote.

Obama had this to say about the victory. The U.S. "moves forward because of you," he told a cheering crowd in his hometown of Chicago.

Obama continued his speech, expressing a deep sense of hope for the country. "We are an American family and we will rise or fall together as one nation... Although our road has been hard and our journey has been long, we have picked ourselves back up[...]The best is yet to come."

Romney took the loss with grace, saying, "I wish all of them [The Obama Campaign] well, but particularly the president, his wife, and his daughters [...] The nation is at a critical point and we

don't have the time to be bickering."

Romney said he hopes that with the election finally over, the parties can work together to help the country at a very critical time.

But that may be difficult. After all was said and done, the status quo was maintained in the U.S. Congress, meaning that the federal government will, at least for now, remain divided.

In the Senate, the Democrats managed to maintain their slight advantage. As of early Thursday, the number of Democratic seats in the Senate stood at 53 and the number of Republican seats was at 45.

In Pennsylvania, Democrat Bob Casey was re-elected to

the U.S. Senate with 54.2 percent of the votes. His competitor, Republican Tom Smith, only garnered 44 percent of the vote.

The House of Representatives, meanwhile, remained in the control of the Republicans. According to a tally by Politico.com early Thursday, Republicans held 233 seats in the House compared to 193 for the Democrats.

Despite the Democratic victories, Bucks County re-elected Republican Mike Fitzpatrick to the 8th district seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. Fitzpatrick won with 56.6 percent of the votes. His opponent, Kathy Boockvar, had 43.4 percent.

## Students at Bucks react to Obama win

BY: SETH CANATA  
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Like the rest of the country, Bucks students were fairly evenly divided about whether the re-election of President Barack Obama was for the best.

A small, unscientific sampling of some 20 Bucks students found that 57 percent chose Obama, to 43 percent for former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney.

This mirrored fairly closely the results for Pennsylvania, which saw Obama gain an early advantage, winning the state 52 percent to 46 percent, despite Romney's last-minute campaign stop in

Bucks County last Sunday.

Morgan Ballard, 19, of Penndel, is a biology major who voted for Obama. "I'm happy about how he passed the fair pay act, how he is interested in expanding science and technology in education, and that he's keeping the government out of my 'lady' business!"

Jo Kelly, 22, of Newtown, was one of those 48 percent voted for former Gov. Mitt Romney, in part because "Obama promised a new change, but didn't move forward enough."

Several other Romney supporters voiced many of the same concerns, citing the

state of the economy, the looming deficit and the current employment levels as issues that will be challenging for Obama in his second term.

While some general remarks of "Obama did not do enough" were common, Dima Kovbasiuk, 19, from Mercer County, N.J., feels that Obama's largest challenges are still to come.

"He's certainly going to have a tough time passing new laws through Congress, since the Republicans have a majority in the House of Representatives," Kovbasiuk said.

Bryan Rodriguez, 18, of



President Obama hugs his campaign manager at his campaign headquarters in Chicago.

Warminster, is currently a political science major. He felt Obama didn't deserve a second term, due in part to what occurred in Benghazi, Libya recently.

Referring to the attack on the U.S. Consulate that claimed the lives of four Americans, including the U.S. Ambassador to Libya, Rodriguez said, "I don't think he handled that well,

the cover-up, and we need better leadership qualities in our president."

Other Bucks students had a different perspective, citing bipartisan quarrels that hindered Obama in his first term right from the onset.

Charlie Dougherty, 18, of Southampton, said, "The economy wasn't just

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# Students react to the 2012 election

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Obama's fault. It was difficult to get things done, the House limited the president's power, and that's unfortunately very likely to continue."

A Bucks student who did not actually vote in this election, for very specific reasons, offered several interesting perspectives.

Kim Sao, 19, is originally from Cambodia, and currently resides in Chalfont as she studies at Bucks to enter the field of biotechnology. She could not vote in this election, but said, "Education is very important. I couldn't get this education, and others are much less privileged in other countries."

Immigrants, and more specifically, children of immigrants are entering U.S. school systems, and many experts argue this lynchpin issue hindered Romney's popularity among what has become the largest growing voting block in the U.S.

Currently, more than 10 percent of the voting power in the U.S. comes from Latinos. It was just one of the many reasons why Obama, who favors keeping America's foundation strong through

diversity, won his bid for re-election.

CBS News anchorman Scott Pelley, meanwhile, pointed to Obama saving the auto industry in Ohio as a key to his victory in the highly contested state.

Romney's last-minute bid to win the state gained national attention, as his largely misleading comments about Jeep outsourcing manufacturing jobs to China were continually debunked and may have hurt more than helped his chances.

In Ohio, voters were polled about which candidate "cared most about them" and their well being; 84 percent chose Obama, to just 15 percent for Romney.

Historically, Ohio has played a major role in many Republican presidential victories. In fact, Tom Brokaw of NBC News reported that no Republican candidate has ever won the presidency without carrying Ohio.

In a race that came down to the wire in many battleground states, including N.C., Va., Fla. and – of course – Ohio, the president did enough to win in two of the states that mattered most. Obama won in Ohio and

Virginia, with Romney taking North Carolina. Florida was a virtual tie for much of Election Day, and appeared too close to call even the day after, reminiscent perhaps of the 2000 election between George W. Bush and Al Gore.

Mere minutes after CNN reported his victory, President Obama, showing a sign of the times, tweeted: "We're all in this together..."

It's probable that Democrats hope that Republicans in the House of Representatives heard this, and took it as the olive branch that Obama had repeatedly tried to offer during his first term.

Romney did not concede defeat until 12:42 a.m., reportedly calling the president with congratulatory well-wishes after Virginia went for the president, ending all doubt that Obama had won.

In other important congressional battles, the Republicans maintained their grip on the House, while the Democrats retained control of the Senate.

That means divided government, if not political gridlock, is likely to continue.

But with 30 out of 50 state governors also being Repub-



Obama sharing a beer with supporters during St. Paddy's day 2012



President Barack Obama talks on the phone with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel, in the Oval Office

lican, the president has his work cut out for him, and only time will tell what challenges will arise.

Other interesting statistics that point to the wide rift between Obama and Romney include the 63 percent of young voters and 55 percent of women voters that chose Obama.

The election also proved to be the most historically expensive campaign, with both candidates topping \$1 billion spent on the campaign trail.

Additional monies spent on

congressional campaigns – as well as vast amounts funneled through super PACs – bring the estimated total amount spent this election year to over \$6 billion.

To be sure, Obama cleared the most important hurdle, namely, winning the election. And just as certainly, the road forward into America's near future will be treacherous at times, with many potential pitfalls, but one that will hopefully get us to our destination.

## Hurricane Sandy halts classes

BY: ANTHONY DIMATTIA  
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Not in recent memory had Bucks closed its doors for an entire week mid-semester, yet college officials were at the mercy of Hurricane Sandy after the storm slammed the East Coast early last week.

Classes for the near 10,000 students at the three campuses were cancelled until Nov. 5 due to the widespread power outages in the area, according to security officials. With downed trees and power lines making it difficult to traverse area roads, officials decided it was best to keep all campuses closed throughout the week.

"With road conditions and individuals circumstances it was best they (students) didn't have to worry about attending classes," said Mark Moore, assistant director of

security at Bucks. In his nine years at the school this was the longest break from classes he has witnessed since a main power transformer caused a three-day layoff roughly two years ago.

As the new president of Bucks, Stephanie Shanblatt decided it was not feasible to hold classes due to the mass power outages that rocked the area. The unprecedented decision came as a "real challenge" to Shanblatt who took office less than a month ago.

Journalism professor Tony Rogers said he'd been teaching at Bucks for 15 years and added, "I don't ever recall it being closed for an entire week."

The college itself was without power for an extended period of time, with estimates of the Newtown campus losing electricity sometime around late Monday or early

Tuesday, according to security officials. Power wasn't restored by PECO until sometime Thursday leaving Shanblatt no choice but to keep school gates closed.

"The school had no power which made the decision an easy one," she said.

After initially cancelling classes for Monday and Tuesday due to the storm, Shanblatt came to the conclusion that holding classes was not going to be a reality. Opening the campus became secondary with a growing concern over food and gas shortages for many in the area.

"Friday we felt with so many faculty and students without power we would really then be better by allowing them to recover," she said.

Students certainly needed time to rebound after the storm wrecked chaos

throughout the county. Bristol Township enforced an 8 p.m. curfew for its residents, which was especially hit hard by the storm.

"I saw the National Guard in Bristol arresting suspects. While the power was out I noticed what looked like Army vehicles driving down the street," said Alex Blaise, 24, journalism major from Bristol Township.

Blaise, who was without power until late Saturday, speculated that looters from Trenton came to Bristol to take advantage of the outage.

With much of the region still without power late last week, Shanblatt decided to open Bucks' doors on Friday and Saturday to students, faculty and their families seeking refuge. Around 36 guests took advantage of the show-ers in the gym locker rooms as well as the wifi, outlets

and computers inside the Gateway Center.

Moore pointed the success of Bucks' text messaging alert system,

"It's the easiest way to get information, especially if you lost power. (Bucks) also posted it on their website as well as notifications through radio and TV," he said.

College officials also found challenges communicating and were forced to use text messaging to confer over decisions.

Shanblatt assured students that there would be no major scheduling changes for the rest of the semester, but faculty members would offer additional office hours to help students make up for lost time.

"Everyone is going to have to work a little harder to get things done," she said.



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# A hometown left devastated

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Roughly a week later, the lights are still out for many New Jerseyans thanks to a storm's devastation that, in some circles, rivals 9/11. This includes my hometown of Neptune, New Jersey.

On a normal, autumn, Saturday afternoon, Neptune is usually bustling with residents shopping along the shore, whether it's the restaurants complete with the porches outside, or the ice cream parlors people frequent the whole year. Last Saturday was not the case.

When I had taken the exit off of Marconi Road, it was already a sight to behold: the white picket fence that runs parallel to the street was already ripped up, some pieces on the road itself, combined with a yield sign that I had to avoid by swerving dangerously to the guard rail.

Driving up to my Aunt's house (who is still without power and will be for another 5-7 days), there were cars that were smashed in due to multiple trees falling, complete with ruined backyards and torn-up fences.

Inside my Aunt's house,

everyone had at least three blankets on them, combined with the necessary generator, many of which can be heard walking down the street. Down near the river featured the worst damage.

Arriving at the river, there were multiple fire trucks, police cars, ambulances; you name the emergency vehicle and it was there. Multiple blockades were set up to prevent cars from going down the street, but I managed to stealthily sneak by one wooden barrier. What I noticed seemed like something straight out of Hollywood in terms of damage.

Homeowners were essentially throwing out their entire house unto their driveways; bags filled with clothes, furniture, toys, appliances were tossed in the street as if someone had a garage sale and was just trying to get rid of what they didn't want. The problem was however, is that these items were someone's necessities, destroyed by Sandy.

Multiple houses featured a red X spray-painted on them, meaning the property was no longer suitable to live in.

Some residents had just returned to their houses, only to

walk out teary-eyed complete with a thousand-yard stare of "Where do I go now?"

As I made my way down S. Riverside Drive, I noticed that despite the fact houses and lives were essentially reset, neighbors were coming together in spite of adversity and uncertainty. A woman had set up a table, complete with some salad and a boiler for hotdogs, offering me some, but I had turned her down, only because of my guilt of eating at a Dunkin' Donuts before arriving. Neighbors were thanking each other left and right, and despite the boats literally washed up ashore into their homes, a sense of recovery was apparent to me.

Trying to evade some of the rescue stations due to obvious police presence, however, turned out to be futile; multiple streets had downed—and live—wires scattered. In order to leave S. Riverside Drive, I had to come face-to-face with the police. Following a stern lecture, I was granted to leave to the beach.

More downed wires and fallen trees later, I managed to make my way to Bradley Beach, which was scattered

all over what was left of the boardwalk, as well as the beach-side homes. Children were playing on the same dunes that filled and damaged their homes a few days earlier. Bruce Springsteen's "Land of Hope and Dreams" filled the otherwise-quiet town throughout; it was evident people were trying to make the best of what they had. And wouldn't you know it? People were still shopping, just not at the restaurants; they, too, were throwing out what they had in the streets.

Making my way to Asbury Park, multiple businesses were still boarded up; some with crude messages of "F.U. Sandy," while others had more optimistic ones; "We're Still Open!" Also open were plenty of gas stations; lines stretched across many streets and back-roads. I asked one State Trooper checking license plates (Those in NJ are on a gas ration; license plates that end in an odd number get gas on odd-numbered days, while the same applies for those with even-numbered license plates) if he had time to talk, but he turned me down, citing the long line.

Leaving the State proved

more hazardous, as I wound up waiting on a street for 35 minutes, which turned out to be a line for gas. Naturally, I turned down another road, only to find a fallen tree, and a man trying to fix his child's playground and fence, one board at a time. The determination I noticed in some of the people was something I will never forget.

Currently, the damage Sandy has caused in New Jersey totals roughly \$50 billion, with 164,000 total homeless throughout three states.

Donations can be made via the Red Cross website (redcross.org) or text REDCROSS to 90999 to give a \$10 donation. As of last weekend, over one million people in New Jersey are still without power, and residents may not expect to see power restored for another week.

While everyone hit by Sandy, including my hometown of Neptune, New Jersey faces a long road to recovery, New Jersey native Bruce Springsteen said it best in "A Land of Hope and Dreams": "Leave behind your sorrows; Let this day be the last. Tomorrow there'll be sunshine, And all this darkness past."



**Our prayers go out to all the victims of Hurricane Sandy.**



All photographs taken by Craig Miller



# Leadership program comes to Bucks

*Bucks is launching a new program where students will learn crucial leadership skills that they can apply to their lives.*

**BY: STEPHEN GODWIN JR.**  
Centurion Staff

Director of Student Life Matt Cipriano is trying to brighten the future of tomorrow here at Bucks with his Emerging Leaders program that seeks to build the confidence of young students.

"The Emerging Leadership Program is not to only build those leadership skills among the student body, but also to have more well-prepared student leaders on all three campuses," Cipriano said.

The Emerging Leadership program is a program that is piloted towards young students who plan on staying at Bucks for the long haul that can be trained in leadership skills. The program is going to be 10 weeks long, but it can be modified to fit people's schedules.

Cipriano is going to be the facilitator and will be assisted by guest speakers from authority positions at the college. One of the guest speakers will be Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education Scott Bradshaw. Bradshaw will teach a ropes course as a team-building exercise.

"The idea of using guest speakers is for the students to get to know some of the college faculty as well as learn new skills," Cipriano said.

"Our students are only here for a short amount of time and by the time they become comfortable and knowledgeable about the campus and are running on all cylinders they graduate. So, the thought is how can I speed up the process and give them the full package up front," Cipriano said.

Cipriano revealed that part of this program is to prepare students to take over in student government, or some other kind of leadership role.

"I would love to have about 120 students join the group and then go through a 10 week period that would prepare them to be student leaders," Cipriano said.

"Leadership is not lacking at Bucks, but I just think it needs to be organized a little differently because of how transient our population is," he added.

A popular misconception about leadership is that you either have it or you don't, but he doesn't believe that. "I think everybody leads in some way and they do leadership things in our lives. I think everybody has the potential for greatness."

The greatness Cipriano spoke of was not exclusive either as he said, "I think anybody can be a leader because there are different

kinds of leaders. There are ones that are going to be the focus of the group that are out there delegating and then you have the ones that are behind the scenes and do not want the spotlight on them."

Leadership does not come without opposition, however, as Cipriano explained how every leader should have good communication skills to get their point across clearly so that people will know what you want them to do.

Head Coach of the Men's Soccer team at Bucks, Justin Burroughs, agreed with Cipriano when Burroughs said, "It helps you with managing different personalities so you can work with people better."

Along the road to becoming the Director of Student Life at Bucks, Cipriano revealed that the person that had a biggest impact on him becoming a leader was a fellow college classmate who was student government president.

"He was someone who was able to balance it all and kept things positive and creative in figuring out what would work for a particular student, Cipriano said. 'He was always encouraging and I felt that was someone I could be like, that is the example I want to follow.'"



Director of Student Life, Matt Cipriano sitting in his office in Rollins.

PHOTO BY SETH CANATA

Marine Sergeant Brandon Philips says that leadership skills are essential.

"It is really the basis of everything we do out here and if we do not have leadership than things are just chaotic. So our soldiers just need people who can lead and motivate people when times get tough," Philips said.

The final piece of advice that Cipriano has for his students is not to get too big ahead when given a leadership position. "I think they have to keep in mind the team concept that just be-

cause you're taking over a leadership position that you sit on the hill and tell people what to do."

"You are just as involved as the members you are delegating to and be a team player and in order for people to feel like they want to follow you then you have to be willing to get your hands dirty and get involved."

Registration is still ongoing and if interested, you can sign up in the Student Life Center at the Rollins Building.

## Professor unveils new book

*Bucks Professor Hendrick Booraem V writes about former President William Henry Harrison in his latest book.*

**BY: GREG PROBST**  
Centurion Staff

A Bucks history professor published his fourth biography on a former American president and led a discussion for students and community members.

In the Newtown campus' Orangery on Oct. 11, Hendrick Booraem V displayed his newest book and led a discussion on the life and untimely death of the ninth president of the United States William Henry Harrison.

In Booraem's latest biography, "A Child of the Revolution," the author looks at the first 25 years of Harrison by dissecting his early life with the trademark eye for detail and completes understanding that is common in Booraem's work.

Booraem has made a career

of studying lesser known American president's early years and writing about the events and culture that shaped their later endeavors. To date, Booraem has published four biographies on Harrison, Calvin Coolidge, James A. Garfield, and Andrew Jackson.

"Presidents like Washington, Lincoln, and Kennedy have had dozens of good biographers," said Booraem on his website in regards to why he picks obscure presidents for his subject matter. "From the standpoint of finding new facts and putting together a more accurate history of a man's early life, there's much more to be gained by studying the ones other biographers have ignored."

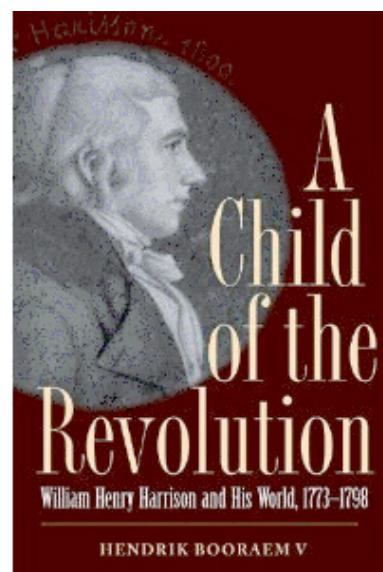
Although this book is Booraem's fourth published

work, it was actually the first biography he penned. In fact, the manuscript had been in his possession for 30 years before reaching publication.

Booraem chuckled when recalling working on his first biography with no grant, writing during his free time as a substitute teacher right out of college.

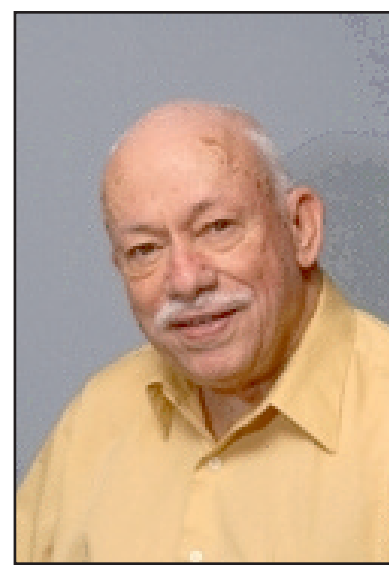
At the discussion, Booraem showcased the extensive knowledge of history, which is the subject that he teaches in his lectures every semester as a Bucks professor. His memory bank houses not only figures, dates and historical milestones but intricate details of the time period and the culture.

"Everything in a person's life, down to food and clothing, has some influence on his development," said



Booraem's new book

Booraem on his passion for detailed historical reporting. "Besides, as someone said, 'the past is a foreign country,' more different than most readers are aware. It's important to go into detail to make readers realize how different the American past was, and to do it in vivid detail so that



Bucks professor Hendrick Booraem V

they can share the subject's experience."

This message is reflected directly in Booraem's classroom and in his writing.



# Engineer discusses Japanese nuke tragedy

BY: CAITLIN FEENEY  
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The Eco Club at Bucks held a presentation in Tyler Hall on Wednesday, Oct. 24, titled "An Answer to the Crisis at Fukushima Daiichi," featuring Japanese engineer and founder of the Fukushima Skilled Veterans Corps, Yas-tel Yamada.

Fukushima Daiichi is one of the largest nuclear power plants in the world, located in Japan. In March 2011, Japan was devastated by an 8.9 magnitude earthquake. The epicenter was near the east coast of Honshu, Japan.

The earthquake severely damaged the nuclear power plant at Fukushima Daiichi, and the private Tokyo Electric Power Company, or TEPCO, has taken restoration underway. Radiation is a huge consideration for Japanese citizens, and especially for those working on the damaged nuclear units.

Yamada described how TEPCO has handled the dam-

age. There are four units in Fukushima Daiichi, and units one, two and three exploded after the earthquake.

The earthquake cracked the foundation of the three units, and ground water can leak in and out. The water can become contaminated, and the "contaminated water goes into the ocean," Yamada says.

Water tanks were built to hold the excess contaminated water. TEPCO did not weld the water tanks, but only used nuts and bolts to seal them shut. The tanks often leak contaminated water, exposing workers to radiation.

Yamada has found many faults within TEPCO's plan of action, including an underground water pool shielded with plastic sheets. If there is another earthquake, the sheets may rupture and more contaminated water will leak into the ground.

Yamada also says that TEPCO's time plan is lacking in long term efforts, as nu-

clear fuel removal is planned to bring in 2022.

Yamada and the Fukushima Skilled Veterans Corps, or FSV, are looking to TEPCO to allow skilled veterans, as opposed to younger workers, to work at Fukushima Daiichi. He explained three reasons behind this.

The first reason is that radiation damages DNA in cells that split. Because younger people are growing, there is more cell division, and therefore they are more susceptible to radiation damage. There is less cell division in an older person, so they are less likely to be affected by radiation.

The second reason is, assuming there is radiation damage to an elderly worker, he or she already have less time left. Yamada explained, "I am 73. I would not live for 30 years more, and I am more likely to die of other causes."

The final reason is that elderly people are very unlikely

## Radiation, Nuclear Power, and Inadequate Government Response.

Last year, Japan was the epicenter of an environmental disaster that echoes around the world.

The country's most skilled and experienced engineers volunteered to help, but the Japanese government refuses to allow them on site. What can citizens do when government refuses their help? Speak out.



Come listen to Japanese engineer

Mr. Yastel Yamada

Founder, Skilled Veterans Corps, for Fukushima

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What does this have to do with me?

Debris from the earthquake and tsunami is washing up in

to have children, so they will not have children with birth defects.

When the plan was introduced to the Japanese government, representatives explained that they appreciated FSV's proposal, and asked TEPCO to consider it. However, they did not tell TEPCO to enforce it.

"No one can refute this request," Yamada says.

Nevertheless, TEPCO responded, explaining they do not have any room for more workers. FSV is touring the U.S. to gain more support, and persuade the Japanese government to allow older workers to aid in the cleanup of Fukushima Daiichi.

## Mike Fitzpatrick and Kathy Boockvar debate at Lower Bucks Campus

BY: KELLY ARMSTRONG  
Centurion Staff

Congressman Mike Fitzpatrick and his opponent, Kathy Boockvar, visited the Lower Bucks campus recently for their second formal debate in the race for the 8th Congressional district seat.

"It was a very heated debate," said liberal arts major Adrienne Furmanski, 18. "They really went at each other in this debate."

During the debate Fitzpatrick and Boockvar sparred on a multitude of topics. Some of these topics included healthcare, foreign affairs and social issues such as funding for Planned Parenthood and same-sex marriage.

The most prevalent topic in this debate was healthcare. Both candidates have big plans for the area of healthcare and social security.

Boockvar is an advocate for universal healthcare. Although she stated that "the current bill isn't perfect," and she thinks it will take the country in the right direction when it comes to achieving a good universal healthcare.

Fitzpatrick however, disagrees with universal healthcare, saying that Obamacare, and Fitzpatrick asks why Boockvar defends it when it will "cut \$715 billion dollars" from the federal budget.

Foreign affairs was also a major debating point.

Fitzpatrick stated that the federal government must "take every action to achieve peace" before resorting to warfare. Fitzpatrick also stated that we must be ready to support our allies- especially our allies in the Middle East.



Mike Fitzpatrick to the left and Kathy Boockvar on the right

Boockvar stated that she wishes to keep America safe and secure for the people. "We need to keep America safe. [...] We cannot take any option off the table."

Both candidates were adamant in the idea of preventing Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon. Boockvar and Fitzpatrick both approved of the sanctions that were being placed on Iran to prevent any danger from the country in the near future.

The subject of foreign affairs also led into the topic of returning soldiers and veterans.

Boockvar showed interest into putting more budget money into helping veterans with transitioning back into civilian life and helping them get jobs in the community.

Fitzpatrick also expressed interest into further helping veterans, stating that he and several colleagues are working on finding ways to help veterans in the community. Fitzpatrick is also currently working on a "Fairness to Veterans Act."

As the debate slowly shifted back to domestic issues, the candidates' showed very different ideals in the area of how social issues should be dealt with.

Fitzpatrick believes "marriage is an institution between a man and a woman." Fitzpatrick elaborated that same-sex marriage should be determined on a state by state basis, rather than it becoming a federal issue.

Boockvar differed on this opinion, stating that "no matter the family demographic" all couples should be allowed to get married despite their genders. Boockvar continued on the topic of social issues by mentioning abortion and Planned Parenthood.

Boockvar would rather "focus on the economy rather than roll back woman's rights. Boockvar believes that birth control and abortion are personal decisions. Boockvar believes that women should have access to both birth control and abortions.

Fitzpatrick said all institutions shouldn't be required to provide birth control. Many religious institutions providing healthcare for their workers do not believe birth control is right, he said.

As reported on page one of this edition of the Centurion, on Nov. 6 Fitzpatrick won reelection in the 8th Congressional district race.

## Body of Newtown man is found, weeks after he went missing



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Missing man Michael Naylor was been found dead on Thursday, Oct. 11, after roughly three weeks of searching. Sources said he was found in the Neshaminy Creek by Worthington Mill Road, more than five miles from his home.

On Friday, Sept. 28, Naylor left his house on Route 413 to buy a pack of cigarettes from the Newtown 7-11.

He left between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. to tackle the two-mile walk. Walking this distance was out of the norm for Naylor, and his family believes that the stress of it triggered a stroke, causing him to be disoriented. Naylor, a 5 foot 9, 170-pound man with brown eyes and grey hair had suffered four strokes in the past.

He proceeded to wander around the Newtown area. He had been spotted by many residents in Newtown, who noted the tattoos on his arms.

He was seen at McCafferty's grocery, Petsmart and most recently, Tyler State Park.

After the sighting at Tyler State, many in the Newtown community gathered for a search party. Between 60 and 80 people showed up to the park, starting from the boat house and combing through the entire area.

His daughter, Megan Naylor, 18, is a social service major at Bucks. She said of the search parties, "Strangers - people I didn't even know - showed up. It's always the least expected people."

Many people posted on the Facebook page "Find Michael Naylor," sending their condolences and keeping the Naylor family in their thoughts and prayers. The Naylor family are very involved in the community, and residents of Newtown are doing their part to ease the pain of the loss.





# Apple overload

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Millions of people in the United States and across the world own an iPhone or some kind of Apple product.

Apple released the iPhone 3G back in 2008 and since then, every year has seen either a new version of the iPhone or an update. Today we have iPhone 4, iPhone 4S and the recently released iPhone 5. The updated versions are not vast improvements. Each has a sleeker look and a slightly larger screen, but no drastic changes.

The iPhone 4s featured a 3.5 inch retina display screen with a resolution of 960 x 640 pixels. The recently released iPhone 5 now has a five inch retina display screen with a screen resolution of 1136 x 640 pixels.

Katrina Rodak, 18, criminal justice major says, "well in my opinion, if you have an iPhone you don't really need anything other than that. College students can't afford to buy one of everything. It seems very unnecessary to buy all of them."

Another product, the iPod,

was released in 2001. This was just a simple thing to play music on and has had the most transformations out of all the Apple products. After the iPod shuffle and the iPod Nano, came its current iteration the iPod touch.

The recently released fifth generation iPod touch has a larger screen (4 inch) than the 3.5 inch size of the previous version. This iPod touch also comes in different colors like silver, white, black, pink, red, yellow and blue.

Pierre Denize, who is undecided on his major says, "I think these products are expensive especially if you're paying for college on your own, but they're useful. I don't think the updates or new generations are needed like the iPhone 5 compared to the iPhone 4 it's just a small change and shouldn't need a new generation or a whole new product."

The first iPad was released in 2010. The second generation included a camera and was thinner than the first. The third generation just had a different processor which made it faster. The 4th generation also had a faster proces-



The iPod family with, from the left to the right : the shuffle 4G, the nano 7G, the classic 6G and the touch 5G

PHOTO BY KYRO

sor and an HD camera.

On Oct. 23, 2012 Apple released the iPad mini. This mini has a 7.9 inch screen, compared to the 9.5 inch screens of the original iPads. It is aimed to compete with Amazon.com's Kindle Fire.

How many more generation of products can Apple re-

lease?

Abbie Bass, 18, business major says, "I think the generation today has not only become dependent on technology, but you could also say we have become dependent on Apple. It seems that everywhere you go someone either has an

iPhone, iPod or some other Apple product. They are constantly coming out with new generations of their products and no matter how new or how expensive they are college students won't be able to afford it."

## THE WEEK IN TV/MOVIES/MUSIC/BOOKS

### TV

#### Thursday 11/8

Last Resort - ABC - 8:00  
Two and a Half Men - CBS 8:30

#### Friday 11/9

Undercover Boss - CBS - 8:00  
Grimm - NBC - 9:00  
Haven- SyFy - 10:00

#### Sunday 11/11

SNF Texans at Bears - NBC - 8:20  
The Walking Dead - AMC - 9:00  
200th episode of Family Guy - FOX - 9:00

#### Monday 11/12

How I Met Your Mother - CBS - 8:00  
Gossip Girl - CW - 9:00  
Revolution - NBC - 10:00

#### Tuesday 11/13

NCIS - CBS - 8:00  
Go On - NBC - 9:00  
Tosh.O - CC - 10:00

#### Wednesday 11/14

WWE Main Event - Ion - 8:00  
Ghost Hunters - SyFy - 9:00  
Nashville - ABC - 10:00

### MOVIES

## THEATER

#### Skyfall (PG-13)

Bond's loyalty to M is tested as her past comes back to haunt her. As MI6 comes under attack, 007 must track down and destroy the threat, no matter how personal the cost.

**Directed by:** Sam Mendes

**Starring:** Daniel Craig, Javier Bardem, Ralph Fiennes

**Release Date:** 9 November

## DVD

#### The Amazing Spider-Man

(PG-13)

Peter Parker finds a clue that might help him understand why his parents disappeared when he was young. His path puts him on a collision course with Dr. Curt Connors, his father's former partner.

**Directed by:** Marc Webb

**Starring:** Andrew Garfield, Emma Stone, Rhys Ifans

**Release Date:** 9 November

### MUSIC



**Kid Rock**  
New Album "Rebel Soul"  
20 November

**Celine Dion**  
New Album "Water and a Flame"  
13 November

**50 Cent**  
New Album "Street King Immortal"  
13 November

### BOOKS

#### "50 Shades of Chicken"

**Written By:** F.L. Fowler

So begins the adventures of Miss Chicken, a young free-range, from raw innocence to golden brown ecstasy, in this spoof-in-a-cookbook that simmers in the afterglow of E.L. James's sensational Fifty Shades of Grey trilogy. Like Anastasia Steele, Miss Chicken finds herself at the mercy of a dominating man, in this case, a wealthy, sexy, and very hungry chef.

**Release Date:** 13 November

#### "Reached"

**Written by:** Ally Condie

After leaving the Society and desperately searching for each other - and the Rising - Cassia and Ky have found what they were looking for, but at the cost of losing each other yet again. But nothing is as predicted, and all too soon the veil lifts and things shift once again...In the gripping conclusion to the bestselling "Matched" trilogy Cassia, Ky, and Xander return to the Society to save the one thing they have been denied for so long: the power to choose.

**Release Date:** 13 November

#### "Merry Christmas, Alex Cross"

**Written by:** James Patterson

It's Christmas Eve and Detective Alex Cross has been called out to catch someone who's robbing his church's poor box. That mission behind him, Alex returns home to celebrate with Bree, Nana, and his children. The tree decorating is barely underway before his phone rings again--a horrific hostage situation is quickly spiraling out of control. Away from his own family on the most precious of days, Alex calls upon every ounce of his training, creativity, and daring to save another family.

**Release Date:** 12 November



# Ocean ends Bucks hopes for EPAC title

BY: SETH CANATA  
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After a bounce-back season, the Centurions (10-6-2) had dreams of winning the title in the Region 19 playoffs, but those dreams turned into nightmares as they lost to the Ocean County Vikings (9-2-1) 3-0 on Oct. 23.

Bucks started the game well enough, controlling the action early on, but continued offensive pressure by Ocean yielded many more chances, and eventually, goals.

In addition, the Centurions were without starting midfielder Kevin Hilton, who was suspended during the last match due to an accumulation of five yellow cards during the regular season.

Co-captain, Mike Klimowicz said, "We definitely missed Kevin out there, he solidifies our mid-field and gives us a bigger presence out there."

Klimowicz did everything he could in net to keep Bucks in the game, making several key close-range saves at times.

But Ocean scored two goals in the first half, in an almost eerily similar situation to the Lady Centurion's game the day before.

The first goal came on a close range shot hit low and away from Klimowicz after a key defensive breakdown.

The Ocean striker recovered the ball between two Bucks defenders and walked in on goal.

The second goal Klimowicz allowed should be considered the goal of the game. The powerfully struck shot notched the upper left corner, well out of reach of the keeper.

Klimowicz remarked, "That shot was too perfect, I had no chance at it."

Down 2-0 at halftime, Coach Justin Burroughs was confident the team could rally. "We're making mistakes, allowing them the possessions. We know what we need to do out there... just keep it moving, sprint to the ball, possession leads to goals," he said.

Co-captain Sean O'Neill likewise tried to rally the team, saying, "It's just two goals here guys, we have plenty of time to get it back."

Bucks started the second half nearly as well as they started the first half, but again, key offensive chances for Ocean kept coming.

Forced to press a more wide-open style of play to get back in the game, the Centurions appeared at times to regress to a kick and chase strategy, rather than their usually crisp and possession-minded style of play.

Ocean added an insurance



Bucks Mens soccer team after their loss to Ocean.

goal on a mad scramble just in front of the goal mouth that saw Klimowicz stop two close range shots on goal, but barely fail to keep the third attempt out of net.

The net-minder shrewdly tried to "sell" that third save, but the near linesman signaled to the referee that the ball had indeed passed the goal line.

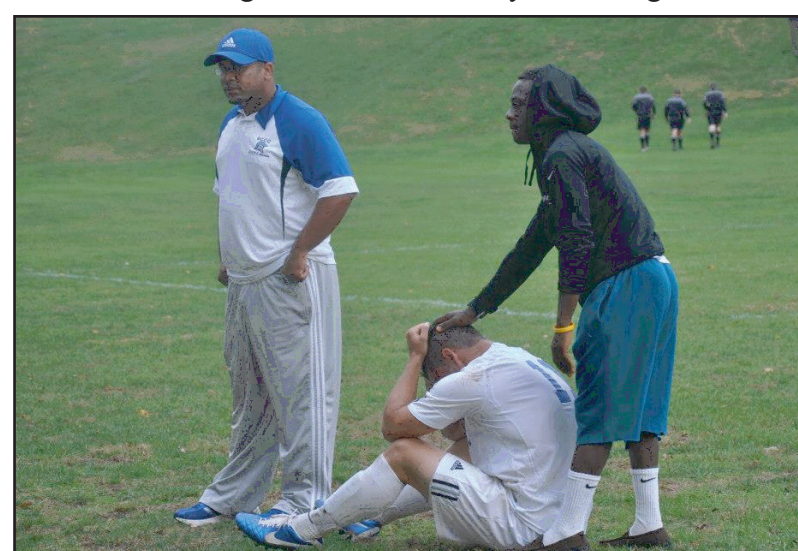
Certainly downcast after their earlier-than-anticipated exit from the playoffs, the Centurions had nothing to be ashamed of.

Burroughs said, "It was our consistency all year that got us here. We just didn't have

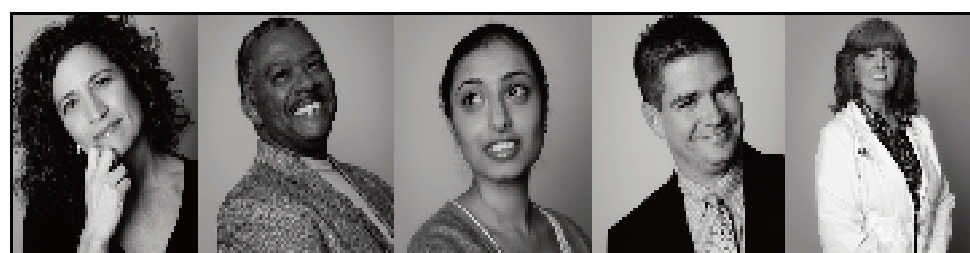
(that consistency) today, but it was a good year."

The family, friends and fans who attended the game indi-

cated their own agreement with that sentiment, giving the team a rousing ovation directly after the game.



Bucks players showing their disappointment.



## Attend an information session on November 15.

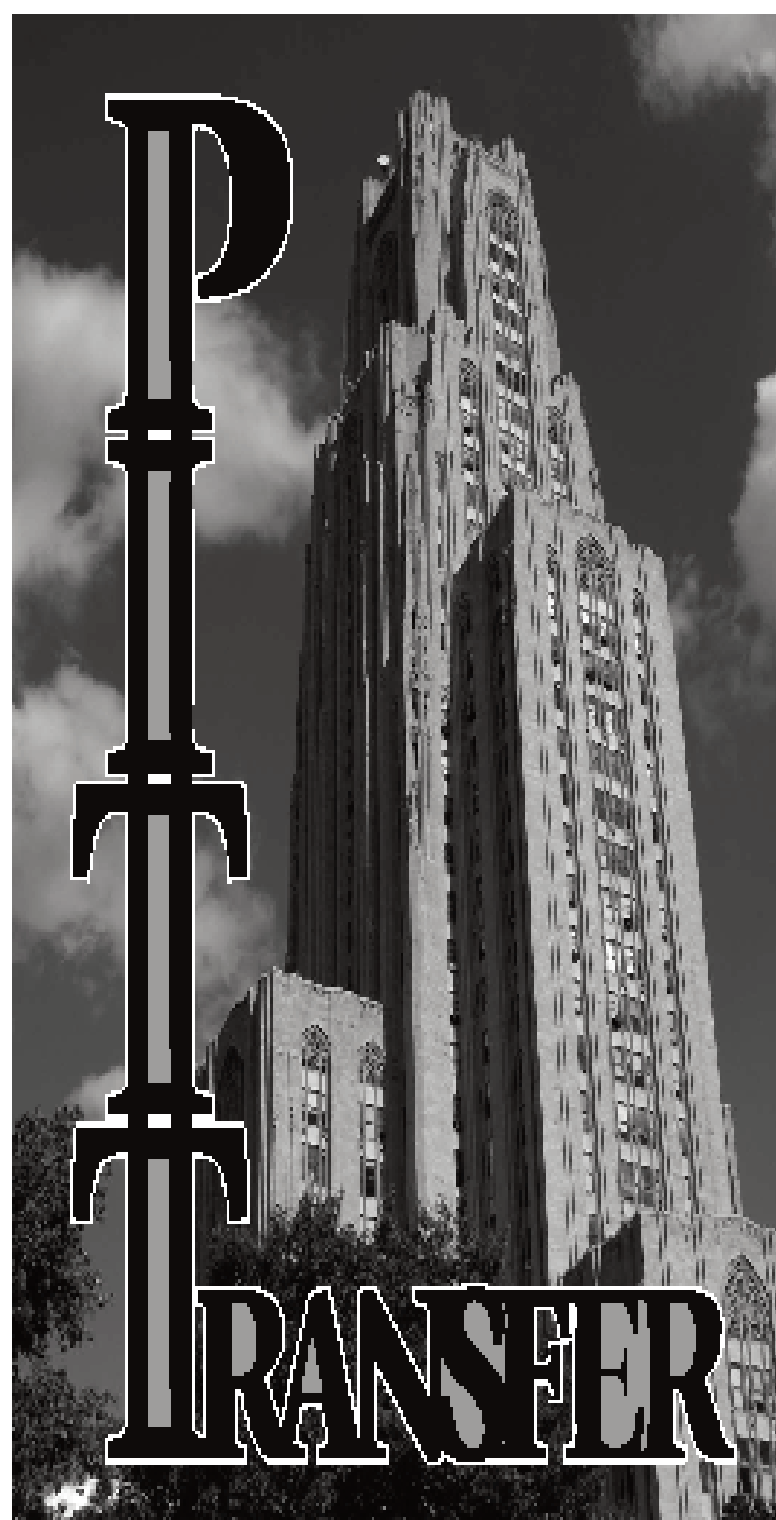
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# A disappointing finish to a terrific season for the women's soccer team

BY: SETH CANATA  
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Beth Bartasavich scored the only goal for the Lady Centurions, who fell short versus Bergen who beat them 2-1, in first round action of the Region XIX playoffs, effectively ending their season.

In a game that was largely played in Bergen's defensive zone, the Lady Centurions couldn't find their scoring touch early.

It looked as though several offensive possessions could bear fruit, but one too many touches and not enough solid shots on goal yielded only frustration on the Bucks' side of the ball.

Bergen tallied the game's first goal on a beautiful ball off the foot of Bergen midfielder Aya Saleh. The shot was perfectly placed into the upper right corner of the net.

Bucks goalkeeper Morgan D'Apolito said, "That was a perfect goal, in the upper 90s. I didn't even get a hand on it."

The Lady Centurions started the second half with a sense of urgency, only to fall behind 2-0 on another long-range shot from Saleh.

D'Apolito remarked, "This time I was there, tried to punch it up and out, but was off-balance and it went in under the crossbar."

The Lady Centurions suffered a letdown when an apparent goal was disallowed when the linesman called the scoring play off-side.

Not to be denied, Bucks continued to dictate the play, forcing Bergen into a costly mistake – a handball in the penalty area.

Bartasavich, responding to the positive urging of her

teammates, neatly tucked the penalty kick under the crossbar to draw Bucks closer at 2-1.

Unfortunately for the Lady Centurions, the match drew to a close – and their post-season with it – with Bucks on the losing side of a 1-goal match.

After the game, Coach Brett Pierson said, "We controlled the action early, and if we played with the same intensity of the second half, the outcome could have been different."

The Lady Centurions also appeared slightly hobbled out on the playing field. They played without offensive threat Kelly Scheer, and co-captains Samantha Eiser and Samantha Kilpatrick both played through knee injuries.

Not a team to stand behind excuses, D'Apolito said, "We



Lady Centurion team packing up after their surprising loss.

needed to play with urgency throughout the game, not just at the end of the game."

D'Apolito will likely anchor the Lady Centurions next season, as she returns in net next fall, but will be missing some key faces out there on the pitch.

Playmakers Jess Williams and Scheer, as well as co-captains Eiser and Kilpatrick, will be moving on to greener

pastures.

Bucks will look to solid finishers like Bartasavich and Gina Shurdich to fill that void next season.

While the feeling on the field was somewhat bitter-sweet, the Lady Centurions know they can hold their heads high, finishing a rewarding season with a 9-4 overall record.

# From Livestrong to Livewrong

BY: SETH CANATA  
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Chances are that Lance Armstrong won't be riding his bike, running any marathons, writing any new books or endorsing any products anytime soon, or ever again.

The once-legendary hero and role model has been the target of much scrutiny and allegations for several years, and the past several weeks have drastically changed his image.

In early September, the United States Anti-Doping Association (USADA) imposed a lifetime ban on Armstrong, including not just cycling, but any sanctioned sporting event. This included Armstrong's two new passions: mountain biking and marathons.

In fact, Philip Hersh of the Chicago Tribune said Armstrong's plans to run the Chicago Marathon earlier this month were directly thwarted by USADA's ruling.

Armstrong's stalwart defense over the years relied on his own insistence that he never failed a drug test that any printed allegations against him were always responded to immediately in court, and he always won.

However, USADA's relentless investigation yielded as many as 15 former teammates of Armstrong who all testified that Armstrong promoted a professional atmosphere of doping, urging teammates to dope as well.

With this testimony in hand, and at the request of the Union Cycliste International, USADA recently turned over their findings to the UCI over the alleged doping.

On Oct. 17, the UCI responded to and seemingly approved of USADA's findings and stripping Armstrong of his seven straight Tour de France victories. The UCI is the only association with the authority to enforce a worldwide ban.

Anna Fehr, 20, of Levittown, a marketing major from Bucks said, "I knew he was banned, but didn't know he had to give back his Tour victories."

Tour officials have decided to vacate Armstrong's name from the list of champions, and do not plan on elevating another rider to the penultimate spot at this time.

Some speculate that this is due to a growing fear that doping in cycling could be so far reaching as to unwittingly raise another "unclean" rider to the top tier of the podium yet again.

Armstrong's woes do not end there.

Amidst the firestorm to his image, nearly all of Armstrong's endorsement deals disappeared nearly as quickly as he once rode up the slopes of Alp d'Huez.

Nike dropped Armstrong from his endorsement deal after the UCI's ruling, and Michael Hiestand of USA Today reported that Anheuser-Busch and Honey Stinger, an energy bar, quickly followed suit.

Reports quickly followed that Radio Shack, while still intending to work with Armstrong's Live strong Foundation, has no current obligation to Armstrong himself.

ESPN also reports that Armstrong's last high profile endorsement deal with Oakley



The wristband Lance Armstrong made famous

PHOTO BY SHEROOL

sunglasses and apparel has likewise ended.

Tony Nitti, reporting for Forbes magazine online, estimates that Armstrong's lifetime ban could cost him \$150 million over the remainder of his lifetime.

Armstrong may also be forced to pay back cash earned from salary, performance based incentives, stage bonuses and the overall winner's purse.

Rough calculations estimate Armstrong may have to repay an additional \$20 million to sponsors, Tour organizers, and even newspapers that paid Armstrong settlements for previously-thought-to-be slanderous stories on doping.

Bucks students responded to these recent news updates with mixed emotions.

Kevin Hanratty, a 26-year-old nursing major from Bensalem, said, "It's a shame, but it's likely to affect the legacy of the Livestrong Foundation, too. Although, much of the testimony [from former teammates] could be based on jealousy."

Several students were also aware that other major sports, most notably baseball, have had key players linked to performance enhancing drugs (PEDs).

Elizabeth Austin, 25, of Newtown, is liberal arts major. "I've heard of Barry Bonds, Mark McGwire, and Sammy Sosa, and I also think weightlifting is a sport that has had a doping issue."

"I'm sure with high profile athletes, Armstrong in particular, they can get around the testing somehow, but the testimony is what gets them," said Austin.

Interestingly enough, in two very high profile cases in baseball, involving current season and career home run record-holder Barry Bonds and pitcher Roger Clemens, testimony was not enough.

Both players faced perjury charges, for allegedly lying under oath about using PEDs, but both players were acquitted in the court system.

Armstrong, however, never got his day in court. In fact, Armstrong waived his final right to defend himself in a mediation hearing with USADA, calling it a witch-hunt.

"I think it's better that he step down rather than get fired eventually, and continue to get bad publicity over it, since today's society is so judgmental," said Fehr.

It's much debated whether this strategy, namely Arm-

strong's opinion that mediation hearings do not fairly uphold a citizen's right to due process, and thus not taking part in the process, worked to his advantage or not.

Rianna McIntyre, 19, of Levittown, is fine arts major. "Sometimes media portrayal can be unfair, and maybe the testimony against him had another agenda, fueled by jealousy," she said.

Perhaps it did, however briefly, uphold his image in the court of public opinion. Donations to Livestrong spiked dramatically following Armstrong's statement that he would no longer defend his legacy.

Whether it's Armstrong, the reigning NL MVP Ryan Braun after his most recent doping allegation, or this year's would-be NL batting champion Melky Cabrera, there is something continually rotten in Denmark.

PEDs are continuing to rear their ugly head more and more often, as players look for that slight edge on the competition, and look to stay one step ahead of the testing procedures that are likewise determined to ferret out any and all cheaters in sports today.