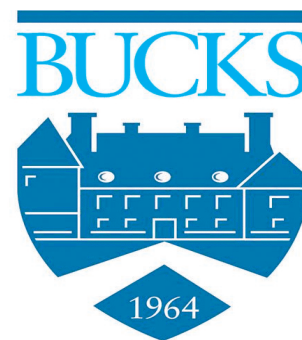


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Terror at 200 feet

-A twenty-three year-old Bucks student sustained multiple injuries when he fell from a ledge behind Tyler Hall while trying to scale Indian Council Rock last Wednesday.

**BY: CRAIG MILLER,
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On Wednesday 23-year-old Bucks student Shane Connery fell off a 200-foot cliff near the Neshaminy Creek behind Tyler Hall resulting in multiple injuries.

Connery is currently in stable condition and will be moved out of ICU after he was airlifted to Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia late Wednesday afternoon, said Roland Connery, the victim's father. Connery suffered multiple facial fractures resulting in stitches; hyperextended veins from his heart to his shoulder; as well as sprains on both ankles including bruises down both his legs, the elder Connery said.

But he survived. "Someone is watching over us," he said.

More testing is scheduled for Connery, yet his father was surprised his son didn't suffer more injuries. Connery did not get to see his son until midnight following the accident.

The Newtown Fire Association, the Northampton Fire company and the Northampton Marine Rescue unit all



The Bucks student fell while climbing the cliff above with friends last Wednesday at the Newtown campus.

participated in the rescue.

An anonymous witness said that Connery and a few others were climbing down what is known as Indian Council Rock when Connery tumbled down the cliff.

"There was blood everywhere," the witness said.

It is currently unknown

what exactly he was doing on the cliff. "The safest thing is for students to simply stay off the rocks," said Dennis McCauley, head of safety and security at Bucks.

"Based on what we know at this point, no foul play is suspected. As we do following any serious incident, we will

conduct a review. I should point out that warning signs are posted there advising that the terrain is hazardous," McCauley said.

The area where Connery fell is currently blocked off with a moveable barrier after being previously accessible

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Budget for students clubs cut

BY: COURTNEY FLATCH
Centurion Staff

Clubs and organizations at Bucks were hit with an unexpected cut in funds at the beginning of the 2013 spring semester.

The culprit: low enrollment. With fewer students registered there have been some significant budget cuts to student life spending. It is the

student fee we all pay that mainly funds the clubs and organizations that provide students with a political voice, creative outlets, networking opportunities, religious community, entertainment and more.

These days, students know that getting involved at school is a great way to explore interests, make new

friends, test leadership potential, network, and build a resume to help in the slimming job market. Yet, these clubs and organizations that are supposed to cultivate students are dealing with financial setbacks.

In order to help boost the future of Bucks clubs and organizations, Director of Student Life Matt Cipriano is

encouraging members to be more creative and resourceful in using their funds.

"With the price of things going up the clubs here need to learn how to budget responsibly," Cipriano said. "They need to come up with innovative ideas and fundraisers that go beyond the traditional bake sale."

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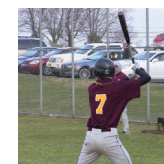
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Student survives fall



The scene of the accident. Blood from the injured student was still visible on the rocks.

PHOTO CREDIT: CRAIG MILLER

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to students. At the bottom of the cliff his blood is still visible on multiple rocks. Two caution signs adorn the trees up top.

There's been no discussion

of changing protocol on the accessibility of the area in the wake of the injury, said Marta Kaufmann, executive director of public relations.

"If you come up through Tyler State Park, go through the trees and you can access

the rock. I used to climb it all the time; hours upon hours," said Glenn Fahnestock, a cinema/video major from Newtown.

"As adults, we should all know the cliffs are dangerous," Fahnestock said.

This is the first major Bucks injury since a student riding a bicycle hit a professor's car in fall of 2011. The student was traveling downhill, struck the car and wound up hitting his head of the driver's side mirror.

"I'm certain that everyone on campus is concerned for the well-being of the student and wishing him a speedy recovery," McCauley said.

Club budgets at Bucks face cuts

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Past semesters allowed clubs special allocations where student government had a contingency fund of a few thousand dollars for use during the academic year. If unexpected circumstances created a need for more funding, the club or organization was able to seek a special allocation from student government. These funds were also generally used for newly formed clubs and organizations as well as special events or lectures.

"I think the days of having extra dollars for when groups run out are far and few between," Cipriano said. "Groups can do amazing things with a few dollars. Since there is a tighter wallet right now, there needs to be a plan."

One club hit hard by the recent budget cuts is the award-winning student-run newspaper, The Centurion. The paper, which reports campus news, activities, student opin-

ions and community news, usually publishes eight to 10 issues a semester but will only be able to publish half that number this semester due to the cuts.

With the current transition of print news to on-line, The Centurion faces the dilemma of reallocating its resources to attract new readers and viewers, as well as saving money, all while still trying to hold on to their existing audience.

"The newspaper is a great resource and unfortunately we are stuck in this situa-



Money will be watched more closely by students to keep clubs functioning.

tion," Cipriano said. "Marketing majors are sure to help out. If you find a marketing major who would be willing to help, I'm sure they could find more advertisers for the

have been put in, Cipriano said.

"Paying more attention and reporting the money situations at each meeting is a big thing. There needs to be a

paper to help keep producing the print version," he said.

By collaborating with others, Cipriano knows that the student life programs will pull through this difficult period.

Everyone involved can learn something from this challenging time; as we can take life skills out of this position that the clubs and organizations

better job communicating with the clubs, as well as communicating the current fiscal situation," he said.

In order to have a successful year, Cipriano suggests that the student clubs and organizations plan out the year according to their dollar fund, since dollars are not guaranteed. By budgeting what is provided to them, this should guide the whole year smoothly.

One thing that club and organization members alike are asking is if these budget cuts and funding will be indefinitely. Although there was no definite answer, Cipriano gave some advice for those concerned.

Clubs will need to have a positive mindset. While enrollment at the college may stay flat, clubs cannot look at this as a negative, Cipriano said.

"My pledge is to always find money for the student groups and organizations," he said.



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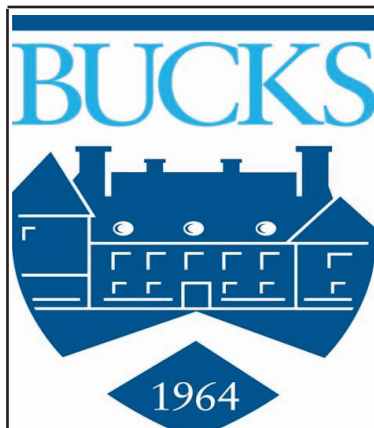
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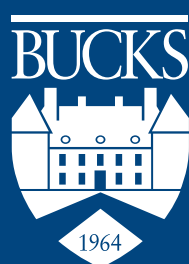
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Gay Marriage?

BY: JOSHUA SMITH
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Since arriving at the Supreme Court's doorstep in late March the debate over gay marriage has led to some strong opinions of Bucks student at the Newtown campus.

The court has been considering arguments on California's Proposition 8 ban on gay marriage, as well as a case seeking to overturn the 1996 law signed by President Bill Clinton that defined marriage as heterosexual and prevented gay couples from receiving federal marriage benefits. If the Supreme Court considers the merits of either case, it could issue a landmark ruling on gay marriage by the end of June, according to abcnews.

While the decision will not be known for some time, students at Bucks were quite vocal on their viewpoints regarding the issue.

"I think that basically, it's between a man and a woman," said Rashaun Linton, 18, criminal justice major from Warminster. "That's how god intended it. Same sex couples can't reproduce either." It seemed that many opponents of same-sex marriage held their views mainly because of their religious beliefs. "Religious beliefs tell



The equals sign has become a symbol of hope for many gay marriage proponents all across the nation.

me marriage is about conception," said Sebastian Toassaint, 19, education major from Yardley.

Opponents of gay marriage at Bucks seemed to rally around the idea that God devised marriage as a means of conception. While those in favor of marriage equality appealed to the notions of fairness and love regardless of gender.

"I think everyone is entitled to have love," said Amber Stein, 19, of



An activist protesting for gay marriage rights.

PHOTO BY JOHN EDER

Warminster.

This sentiment was often repeated among the supporters of the change to federal law. "I don't feel like anyone should tell other people who they can and can't love," said Christine Cost, 19, secondary education major from Richboro. The large majority of students reflected that the debate is a based on religious values or beliefs about love and

equality.

Some pro-same sex marriage proponents referred to the fact that there are also financial benefits to marriage. "At first I didn't care and then I found out about the financial side and I think homosexuals should have the same financial benefits as heterosexuals," said Ellie Otto, 22, business major from New Hope.

Marriage does entitle couples to tax breaks who file joint income returns. The benefits include dividing business income among family, inheriting estate from one's spouse and immunity from estate and gift tax on all property assigned to the spouse.

Though civil unions do give benefits they vary from state to state in the benefits they provide, and the federal government doesn't provide any of the benefits extended to married couples.

Many students appeal solely to individual liberties and freedoms.

"I think everyone should be able to do what they want to do," said Storm Wortham, 19, criminal justice major from Yardley.

"I don't see why it matters. Marriage is a symbol, it doesn't hurt anyone," said Franco Liles, 22, cinema video major from Philadelphia.

Safe sex tips

BY: DEIRDRE CARROLL
Centurion Staff

April is Get Yourself Tested Month and a variety of groups were on-hand for the Sexual Health Conference in the Gallagher Room last Wednesday to push the initiative.

The Open Door Club sponsored the event, which promotes awareness and education of their issues while providing support to LGBTQA students at the Newtown campus.

Topics and games discussed in the five-hour meeting included: sex jeopardy, sexual violence education, local sponsors, LGBTQ 101, HIV/AIDS panel discussion and question and answer with providers.

"Our goal today is to push for testing among college students," said event sponsor Sharita Flaherty from the Bucks County Department of Health. "Sexually Transmitted Diseases have gone up in

Bucks County and we want to help control those numbers."

The health department offers free and private testing for anyone in the Bucks County area. They recommend people who are sexually active to get tested every three months. They also provide help and information for anyone who may have HIV or AIDS.

Also present at the event was Bucks County Partners United for Sexual Health, who work hand-in-hand with organizations like the health department, NOVA and Planned Parenthood Association of Bucks County.



Students sign up to receive free safe sex advice.

PHOTO BY DEIRDRE CARROLL

"We have been a part of BCPUSH for two years during the sexual education day here at Bucks and each year it keeps getting better," said Alison Bellavance of Planned Parenthood. "Planned Parent-

hood also pushes for young people to get tested and accepts most insurance providers at low to no cost." Along with the conference, the Open Door club will be hosting its third annual alternative prom, which will be held on April 12 from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Gallagher room at the Newtown campus.

"We are putting the event together for people ages 16 and up who were unable to attend their own prom due to discrimination," Open Door Club President Shay Hoppe said. "This year's theme will

be masquerade and there will be a DJ, free food and photos. Last year we even had people as old as 70 come; all are welcomed," said the 30-year-old social work major from Newtown.

All proceeds from the event will go to Rainbow Room, Bucks County's only LGBTQA community center. The prom will also support Bucks Villa of New Hope, which helps educate, house and connection to doctors those who are afflicted with HIV.

The Open Door Club meets in Rollins 115 every Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Thursday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. For information contact the club at Bucksodc@yahoo.com or on Twitter @BucksODC.

For more information about safe sex practices contact the Bucks County Health Department at 215-345-3344 or Planned Parenthood at 1-800-230-PLAN.

High school art exhibit at Bucks

BY: TIM ZENNO
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Art can be found anywhere in life, but especially at Bucks' Hicks Art Center which is holding its 18th annual high school art exhibition.

"Every year we solicit work from all the art teachers in Bucks County and ask them to participate in the show," Fran Orlando director of exhibitions and art mobile said.

Student's submitted art is featured from 17 Bucks County high schools around the area, including but not limited to: Central Bucks East and West, Pennsbury High School, Bensalem, Council Rock, Truman High School and Holy Ghost Preparatory School.

Many talented students have submitted art, and there are many different styles to observe. There is abstract art, as well as portraiture and sculptures. There is something for everyone and a little bit of humor too.

"There is always a broad range of media represented," Orlando said.

One section features sculptures of food, including an orange creamsicle with a healthy bite taken out of it, and a broken Oreo cookie. Another section sports a sculpture of Barack Obama with a wide smile on his face. There are also portraits and abstract pieces.



Some of the art people will find in the Hicks art building until April 9.

The exhibit spans the entirety of Hicks Center, and there are well over 50 pieces to be observed. The exhibit is open to the public until

April 9 when all the art will be taken back to their rightful owners.

There is more to it to as Orlando says, "For the past nine

PHOTO BY STEPHEN GODWIN JR.

years we have hosted the congressional art completion in conjunction with this show."

The awards ceremony was

scheduled to be held on April 7 with Congressman Mike Fitzpatrick announcing the winners. The first place winner will receive quite the honor as their work will go up in the Cannon Hall of the capital building in Washington D.C.

The criteria for first prize specifies art work that is two dimension and is at the appropriate size. There are two honorable mention prizes too, though they do not have to meet any requirements.

In the future, the Poet of the Year reading & reception is happening on April 14. This is the 26th annual reading and it attracts over 200 people from across the country. The event is featured by the Bucks County Poet Laureate Program.

Generally, the art center needs an increase in awareness for their events. Given that the Hicks Center itself is situated around the multimedia center, dislocated from the campus itself, it remains hidden to many students who only frequent the Gateway Center, Penn Hall and Founder's Hall.

For information on upcoming events visit the Hicks Art Office for flyers that detail the Art Department's planned events from April 14 to May 14. For further information contact Fran Orlando at orlandof@bucks.edu or 215-968-8432.



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Bucks gets animated

BY: KELLY ARMSTRONG
Centurion Staff

At 5 a.m., Kiyooki Yokota, 24, computer science major and president of the anime club at Bucks, pulls himself out of bed and prepares himself for another day at the college.

But today is not a normal, book-toting, question-answering, coffee-guzzling day.

Today, Kiyooki's schedule will include joking with a gentleman who looks like he stepped out of the pages of an 1880's fashion magazine, conversing with a dark elf about his nicely manicured nails and hosting an event with a guest list that includes the grey-skinned, alien race known as "Trolls" from the planet Alternia.

Well, at least he will be doing those things with people that are dressed like that.

On Saturday March 16, the anime club hosted their first anime convention, The Centuricon, in the college. The club pulled together the gaming club, the student life office and even Temple University's own anime club, to bring forth such a big cultural event to the college.

The Centuricon could easily be described as a giant costume party for those who enjoy the subculture surrounding Japanese animation. For the entire day, common lounges like the cafeteria and fireside lounge were transformed into hot-spots toting anime-centered merchandise and activities concerning Japanese animation, video gaming, and all of the culture behind it. Throughout the day, the floors of the college that involved the convention bustled with energy and a spirited kinship from all of the Japanese animation enthusiasts coming from all over Bucks County. People as young as 7-years-old to as old as 47-years-old were coming to the convention to enjoy the festivities.

The college's cafeteria went from its usual array of yellow tables, orange, plastic chairs, and eating (or sleeping) college students, and became a bustling market-place in a matter of hours. Fantasy art lined the windows of the college's cafeteria while "Stuffed sushi" (A rather adorable-looking plushy based off of sushi) were stacked high from floor to ceiling. Convention-goers weaved through the crowds, talking to vendors, waiting for friends, and sampling gourmet, baked-goods made by Temple University's Maid Café, Cherry Cherry Kisa.

Jeanette Neal, 21, Philadelphia said after the convention that the merchandise stalls were most definitely the best part of the event for her. "I



The different members of the anime convention included people from the anime club, gaming club and Temple University.

PHOTO BY KELLY ARMSTRONG

spent an hour and a half just going around the vendor's room," as she smiled, complimenting the staff members on how great of a job they did with this first convention.

But the convention didn't just end at the vendor stalls.

Downstairs in the fireside lounge, giant TV screens went from wall to wall, all of which were blasting cheery tunes and showing off colorful title screens from console games ranging from Nintendo 64 to Wii.

While con-goers were playing video games ranging from the commonly known "Super Smash Bros. Brawl" to the nostalgic "Diddy Kong Racing," across the small expanse of the lounge were a few tables with sign-up sheets for trading card game tournaments and fighting video game tournaments for convention participants.

With the help of Bucks' Digital Gaming Club, all of the events in the fireside lounge went smoothly. Kevin Tantalo, 19, liberal arts major and vice president of the anime club, was helping oversee the gaming events as a Centuricon staff member and participant in the tournaments. Tantalo also chose to

dress up in a red and black trench coat and sport an elaborate mask to dress up as Magastu Izanagi from the video game "Persona 4" for the convention. He says that it was easy for the clubs to get together to do this event. "The clubs are like really close friends. Since both anime and gaming have strong roots in Japan, we have a lot of members in common."

anime Sailor Moon, to the increasingly popular web-comic known as Homestuck.

Tantalo says that one of his favorite aspects of the convention is the fact that "everyone who likes and anime and video games are coming together."

Which was a very common thought for everyone at the convention: Many of the con-goers agreed that the best thing about these conventions

is the fact that they are all surrounded by people who love things like video games, anime and comics just as much as they do.

This is especially the case for first time convention attendee Kevin Grose, 21, liberal arts major. He claims that his first anime convention has been a very good experience. "I enjoyed everything. The people were kind, the stores are great. It's really refreshing to see all of these like-minded people together."

But that didn't mean that the convention was all stress free. Putting it all together seemed to be where all of the stressors were.

"It was a lot of stress and took a lot of cooperation to pull this together," said

Emery Barbash, 22, physical therapy major and the dealer representative at the convention.

The convention plans began in October with an idea brought up by Margaret Lippincott, 20, biology major, to host an anime convention at the college. With the help of Student Life and a lot of fundraising, the anime club managed to bring the convention to the college.

"I just wanted to help host a fun event," said Lippincott, reflecting upon the beginnings of the plan to host the convention. "I wanted to bring something new to the college."

Which they certainly did: Over 100 people showed up throughout the day for the anime convention at the college.

But with the end of the con, all of the stress and back-and-forth communication to put it all together seemed to be worthwhile.

At the end of the day, Kiyooki couldn't have been happier with the results of the convention.

"It went fantastically," said an exhausted but satisfied Kiyooki. "There will be a 100-150% chance we will be doing this again. There will be more rooms for events and other things to do at the next convention."

Despite the positive results, he admitted that his favorite part was when he wasn't running around the convention.

With Kayak's first planned convention being such a success, whenever the next occurs, it is certain to be better.



Anime fans from the convention showing off their costumes at Bucks.

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Some other events included a cosplay (another word for costume) contest, karaoke and panels.

Panels are scheduled events that are ways to educate and entertain other con-goers. People will talk about a variety of topics concerning anime-culture and other subcultures that go along with it. Some panels at the convention were on topics ranging from the commonly known

Creating a rap career

Twenty-two year-old Tyler Gregory Okonma, whose stage name is Tyler the Creator, is expanding as an artist and is making some real noise - and waves - in the rap industry

BY: KEVIN CRAIL
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Two years removed from the release of the commercially successful *Goblin*, rapper and producer Tyler, The Creator released his highly anticipated third album, *Wolf*, on April 2.

Despite becoming widely popular in the rap community, Tyler may still not be a household name because his controversial themes and lyrics have held back his opportunities for radio play. However, Tyler did win an MTV Music Award for Best New Artist in 2011.

Tyler reached stardom after the release of “Yonkers”, the first single off of *Goblin*, which was accompanied by a controversial music video featuring the rapper eating a cockroach and calling out other artists in the music industry, particularly pop artists such as Bruno Mars.

Although he is only 22 years old, Tyler has been recognized for his music since his debut album, *Bastard*, released in 2009.

Many critics of *Goblin* were disappointed with the lack of depth on that album; many believed Tyler put too much effort into going over-the-top for shock value.

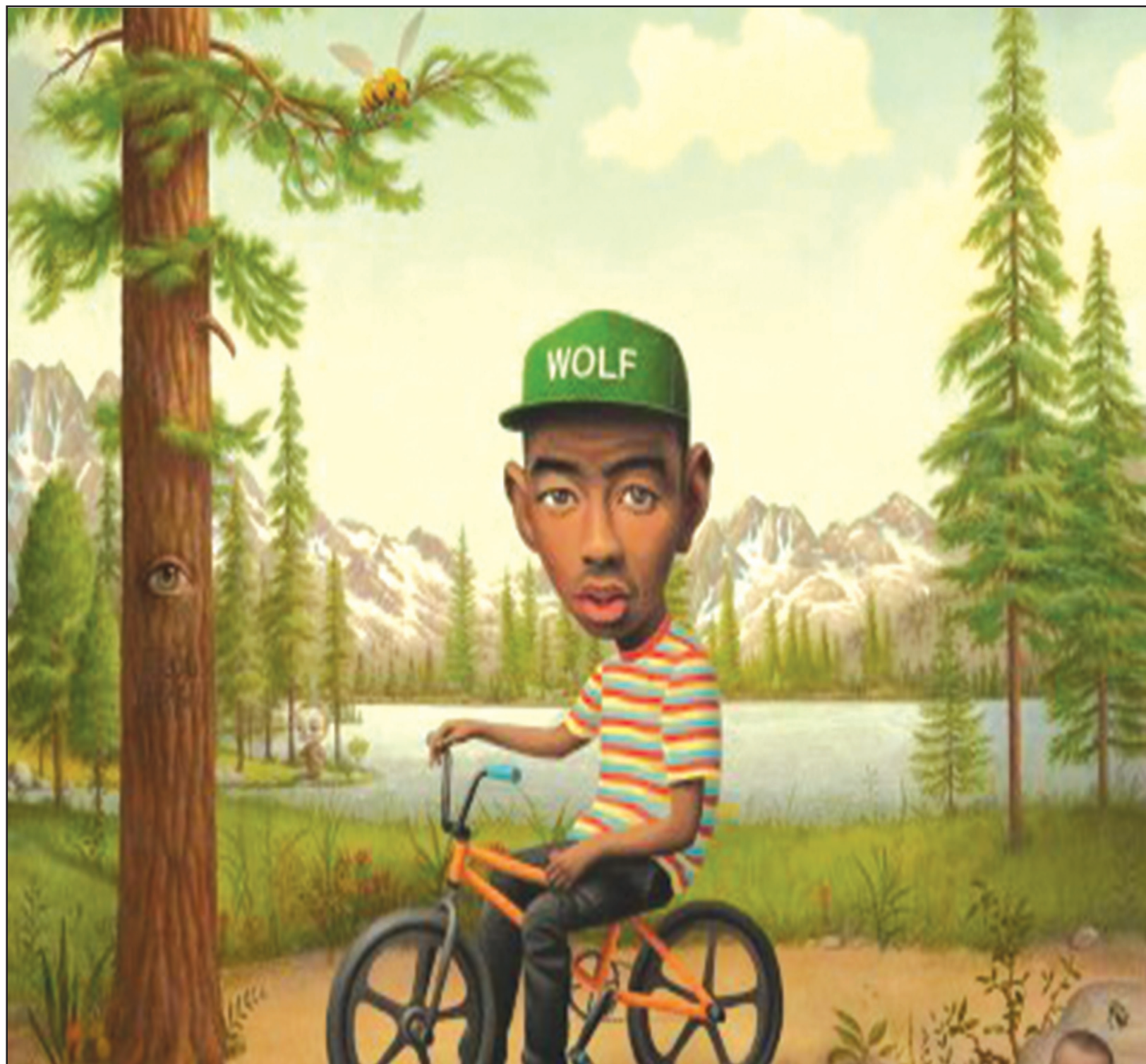
Although it may be too little, too late, *Wolf* clearly shows growth in Tyler as an artist; the more polished production and the evolution of Tyler’s musical maturity and complexity has given his songs and sound more depth, as his lyrics expand in scope and the beats and hooks are more ambitious.

The story throughout *Wolf* follows a character named Wolf, modeled on a younger Tyler, who attends summer camp and has multiple confrontations with a bully named Sam, which leads to more dire consequences.

The album highlights Tyler’s romantic interests while also handling a lot of the controversy. Perhaps most high-profile are allegations of homophobia towards Tyler, claims which he refutes by pointing out his two gay friends who run , and perhaps this is the first sign of maturity we’ve seen from Tyler.

The intro track entitled “Wolf” sets up the scene as Wolf arrives at Camp Flog Gnaw but is threatened immediately by Sam. Tyler tweeted that the intro was one of his personal favorites.

Ironically, the album’s first single “Domo23” is one of the most underwhelming tracks on the album as it is a poor re-creation of 2012’s



This is the cover of Tyler the Creator’s new album and the music defys the pc culture that is afraid to hit anyone’s feelings, but is real and uncensored.

“Rella” that was featured on Tyler’s collective, OFWGKTA’s sophomore collection, “The Odd Future Tape Vol. 2”.

The only other low light is “Parking Lot” which features collaboration with Casey Veggies and Mike G; however, ultimately the boring hook and beat do not fit in the album and makes the track the most forgettable.

The highlight of the album is the second single, “IFHY” which features Tyler’s idol and inspiration Pharrell Williams who is a legendary rapper and producer. The track features Kanye West style production with an eerie and creepy stalker like romantic vibe borrowed from 2011’s “She”.

Grammy Award winner Frank Ocean makes several guest appearances on the album and the best collaboration comes on “48” which opens with a sample from rap legend Nas and follows his quote in questioning the distribution of crack like other rappers have done in the past including Kanye West.

The album’s concept, although inconsistent, pieces the tracks together nicely for the most part and there are a lot of great songs on this album.

“Wolf” is not quite the breakthrough concept album

that Kendrick Lamar’s 2012 “Good Kid M.A.A.D. City” was, but does benefit from excellent production similarly.

Although it does not have the fresh sound appeal that made “Bastard” special, “Wolf” is Tyler’s most complete piece as he has near

perfected his beat production while continuing to expand his themes and song directions.

“Wolf” is not for everyone as it truly earns its “Parental Advisory” warning featuring drug and sexual content with many other offensive terms and phrases.

Overall this is a very good if not great rap album. The sound is unique and although Tyler, The Creator may not be the most lyrically gifted rapper, his fresh sound and controversial themes keep his music interesting and “Wolf” is far greater than “Goblin.”



Tyler was born in Los Angeles, California and has spent most of his life living in Los Angeles County.

First-ever video game expo comes to Bucks

BY: KRISTOF PHILLIPS
Centurion Staff

Over a dozen students fervently loaded games, checked equipment and stocked soda in preparation for Bucks' first ever video game expo March 26 inside the Gallagher Room at the Newtown Campus.

An organized staff of video game enthusiasts populated by members of the Digital Gaming Club and the Student Programing Board stood ready for the onslaught of student game fanatics. The room contained roughly a half dozen TVs, four projection screens, two pinball machines and many favorite gaming consoles that included Dreamcast, PS3, Xbox 360, N64, Wii and Wii U.

Nostalgia took hold as students began entering the video game setups, which had been transformed into their personal arcade. Students flocked to the classics consoles while bypassing the seventh generation systems to revel in their days of childhood and adolescence.

"I'm pumped about all these old school games," Yve Bruno, 18, liberal arts major said after piloting Jigglypuff for several friendly rounds of Super Smash Bros. Brawl.

"Super Smash Bros. is the greatest game ever," said her opponent Tim Considine, 20, psychology major.

The excitement and comradery was palpable for the entire expo staff and students who turned out to support the club's endeavor.

"I'm super fantabulously psyched (about the expo)," Nick Keenan, 26, a liberal arts major and Digital Gaming Club member said. While he was not drawn to the classics as much as his peers, Keenan especially enjoys a newer generation game titled "Dead Space."

The Bucks Digital Gaming Club hosted the first-ever video game expo in the Gallagher Room at the Newtown Campus. Club members and enthusiasts alike gathered to have a good time and play video games. There were also contests and tournaments to take part in, and previews of new games that will be available later this year.



This sign was the first sight for many people attending the video game expo, detailing the event and showing highlights.

PHOTO BY ROBERT KNUCKLES

"Blood, gore and all that good stuff," Keenan said.

Within this reminiscence and love of gore, expo staffers attended to the needs of guests by lugging buckets of ice across the room to keep the soda cold.

"(Video games are) a good way to spend time with friends," said Kevin Smith, 23, a 2011 Bucks graduate and expo staffer.

While this arcade seemingly appeared over night to most at the Newtown campus, the expo, in fact, took nearly eight months to plan out. Each club worked through the summer and remained in constant contact to lay the groundwork for the expo, said Kathleen Morey, presi-

dent of the Student Programming Board.

"A good, well planned event takes at least six months to plan," Morey said.

This means filling out the proper forms, gathering the funds, reserving the area to hold the event and working with the advisor for student life. The expo was funded by the programing board, which selects and organizes activities and programs for Bucks students..

LEG Entertainment provided the projection screens, a Wii, Wii U, Xbox 360 and PS3. TNT Amusements provided the pinball machines and the gaming club provided the remaining consoles.

Yet, the most essential aspect to the success of the expo was the dedication and hard work of Student Programming Board Vice President Richard Witzer and Digital Gaming Club President Jen Falk, expo organizers said.

Witzer had proposed the idea and it was through Falk's leadership that "turning an idea into reality that was eight months in the making," expo organizers said.

"Richard brought the goods," Falk said. "Jen brought it to life," Witzer said.

Falk or "Captain Wesker" as the gaming club has dubbed her could be seen striding around the room coordinat-

ing with the expo event staff with little to no pauses or rests for majority of the expo.

"It has been my dream to be president of the club and it's beyond a dream to be running a convention," Falk said.

Unfortunately, despite the popularity of the event an annual expo seems unlikely due to the extensive amount of work and time it took to execute the event, according to Falk and Witzer.

The gaming club meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:15 to 5:30 inside Founders Hall 157. For more information please visit www.facebook.com/Bcc-digitalgamingclub/timeline.



Arcades and older games were a huge draw to those who attended.

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Students enjoying video games on widescreen projects at Bucks.

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Vijay Iyer Trio coming to Bucks

BY: MICHELLE PALUSZEK
Centurion Staff

On April 18 at 8 p.m. award-winning jazz band Vijay Iyer Trio is scheduled to perform a concert inside the Gateway Auditorium at Bucks' Newtown campus that students and community member definitely will not want to miss.

Vijay Iyer Trio is made up of Vijay Iyer, piano, Stephan Crump, bass, and Marcus Gilmore, drums. The trio creates both original compositions and new twists on versions of songs that are relevant to today's popular music.

Iyer is a self-taught pianist who began playing when he was just 3-years-old. He has taught himself the ability to put his own modern twist on jazz music.

The trio has a cover of the artist M.I.A's song "Galang" which is an adventurous representation of the hip hop song. They also have covers of Michael Jackson's "Human Nature" and Stevie Wonder's "Big Brother."

Professor Jeff Baumeister suggested that the jazz band be invited to perform at the college. The music professor explained that every spring semester a major act comes

to Bucks' that is either classical or jazz. Both the Cultural Affairs Committee and The Cultural Task Force at Bucks help bring artistic events, such as this, to campus for students and the general public.

Handling the task of initiating the process of setting up a musical performance on campus.

Baumiester said he could be considered the middle man between the college and the performers.

"(Musicians will) contact me or I'll contact them. I'll ask students who they might want to hear and then I'll see if I can find them (the musicians)," he said.

Baumiester went on to explain how he writes a proposal for committees on campus to vote on whether or not the performance of the musician should be scheduled at Bucks.

Obviously the committee voted in favor of the Vijay Iyer Trio's performance and they did for a good reason. The Vijay Iyer Trio has released 16 albums to date since 1995.

The trio's album "History," released in 2009, was voted the No. 1 jazz album of 2009 around the world. It was also nominated at the



Vijay Iyer Trio members are pianist Vijay Iyer (center), drummer Marcus Gilmore (left) and bassist Stephen Crump (right).

Grammy Awards for best jazz instrumental album in 2011.

The band's most recent release in 2012, "Accelerando," won multiple awards at the 2012 Down Beat International Critics Poll Awards which included: Jazz Group of the Year, Jazz Artist of the Year, Jazz Album of the Year, Pianist of the Year and Rising Star Composer. In the 60-year

history of the Poll Awards, the Vijay Iyer Trio is the only artist to simultaneously win five titles.

Baumiester showed excitement about the show and strongly recommends that students come out to the event. "This is a once in a lifetime event for the whole county because performers like Vijay Iyer travel around the

world and to have him here in Newtown is a real treat," he said.

Students should be excited for this artist to take the stage at Bucks for a free performance that is sure to exceed their expectations. Perhaps a new-found appreciation for jazz music will grace Bucks students upon the musical stylings of the Vijay Iyer Trio.

THE WEEK IN TV/MOVIES/MUSIC/BOOKS

TV

Monday 4/10

How I Met Your Mother - CBS - 8:00
The Voice - NBC - 8:00
Castle - ABC - 10:00

Tuesday 4/11

NCIS - CBS - 8:00
New Girl - FOX - 9:00
Body of Proof - ABC - 10:00

Wednesday 4/12

American Idol - FOX - 8:00
Are You There, Chelsea? - NBC - 8:30
Auction Hunters - Spike - 9:00

Thursday 4/13

The Big Bang Theory - CBS - 8:00
30 Rock - NBC - 8:30

Friday 4/14

Kitchen Nightmares - FOX - 8:00
Grimm - NBC - 9:00
The Ultimate Fighter - FX - 10:00

Sunday 4/16

Once Upon A Time - ABC - 8:00
Family Guy - FOX - 9:00
Breakout Kings - A&E - 10:00

MOVIES

THEATER

42 (PG-13)

The life story of Jackie Robinson and his history-making signing with the Brooklyn Dodgers under the guidance of team executive Branch Rickey.

Directed by: Brian Helgeland

Starring: Chadwick Boseman, T.R. Knight, Harrison Ford, Nicole Beharie

Release Date: 12 April

DVD

The Avengers (PG-13)

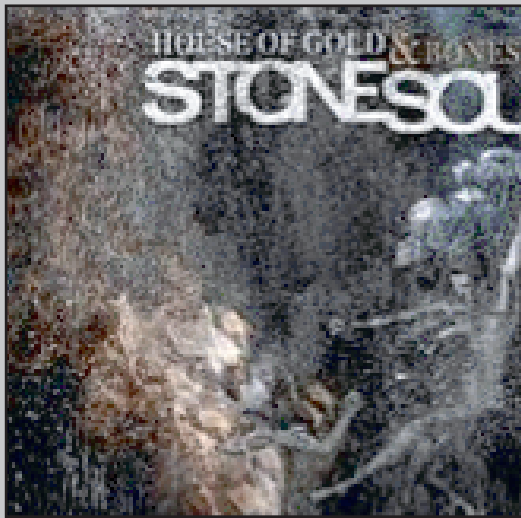
Nick Fury of S.H.I.E.L.D. brings together a team of super humans to form The Avengers to help save the Earth from Loki and his army.

Directed by: Joss Whedon

Starring: Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson | See full cast and crew

Release Date: Week of April 1

MUSIC



Stone Sour

New Album "House of Gold and Bones Part 2"
9 April

Kid Cudi

New Album "Indicud"
23 April

Vampire Weekend

New Album "Modern Vampires of the City"
14 May

BOOKS

"Life After Life"

Written By: Kate Atkinson

In a book that defies all logic and chronology, Kate Atkinson weaves an interesting tale of life, death and time. On a snowy night in 1910, a child named Ursula Todd is born. Sadly, she dies before she can draw her first breath. On that same cold and snowy night, Ursula Todd is born, lets out a lusty wail, and embarks upon a life that will be, to say the least, unusual.

Release Date: 2 April

"Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls"

Written by: David Sedaris

From the unique perspective of David Sedaris comes a new book of essays taking his readers on a bizarre world tour. From the perils of French dentistry to the eating habits of the Australian kookaburra we learn about the absurdity and delight of a curious traveler's experiences.

Release Date: 23 April

"Gulp: Adventures in the Alimentary Canal"

Written by: Mary Roach

Have you ever wondered why crunchy foods are so appealing? Why it is so hard to find words for flavors and smells? How much you can eat before your stomach bursts? In the book "Gulp: Adventures in the Alimentary Canal", all of these questions and more are answered by scientists in this interesting read.

Release Date: 1 April

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Cougars crush Centurions

BY: STEPHEN GODWIN JR
centurion staff

It's still early, but the Bucks County Centurions (0-2) are certainly digging themselves a hole after losing to the Lehigh Carbon Cougars (3-2) by a score of 13-4 on April 1 in Newtown.

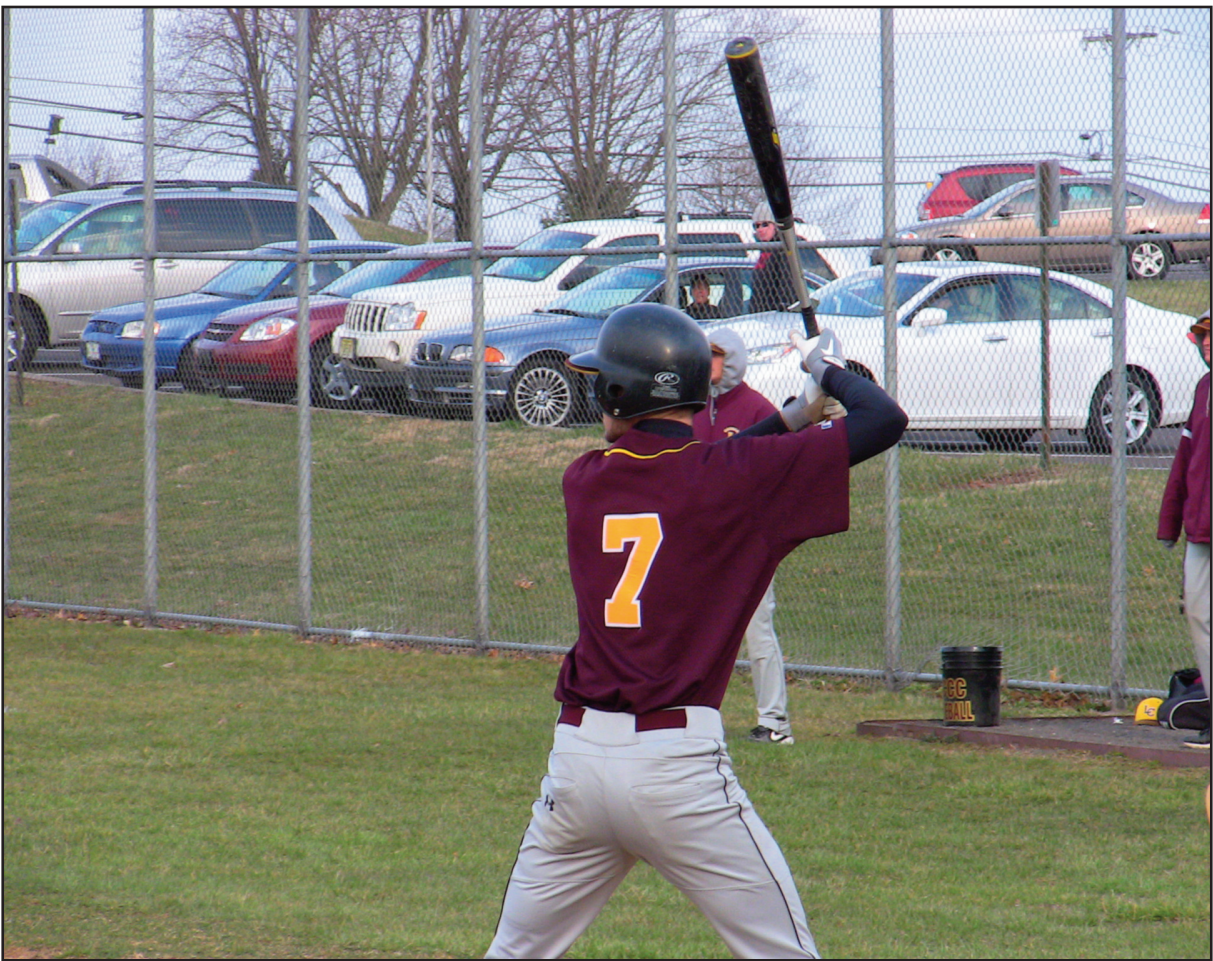
Cougars' pitcher Terrance Reiss threw six innings in relief on only 81 pitches with three strike outs and one walk to secure the victory over the Centurions.

"I think we played pretty well as a team and we only had one error that evident, but other than that we played good," Reiss said.

In the fifth inning the Cougars strung together five hits and a pair of walks that led to five runs that broke the game wide open. The Cougars totaled 12 hits as team including three from their infielder Justin Fizer, who had three RBIs to help power the offense.

The Centurions were not as lucky, as starting pitcher Robert Hayes would allow five runs in 4 2/3 innings on 75 pitches for the loss. The lineup was led by outfielder Joseph Aloia with three hits and three runs scored.

"It's just our second game, but I thought they were able to make the plays in the field and we didn't," Aloia said.



Lehigh Carbon College player stands at bat against Bucks at the Newtown Campus

PHOTO BY STEPHEN GODWIN JR.

The real problem for the Centurions in this game was the five errors they committed that extended innings and allowed several base runners to reach safely.

Hayes struggled with control in the first inning as the Cougars scored two runs off a walk and an RBI by first basemen Andrew Steigler which gave the Cougars an early 2-0 lead.

Aloia would help the Centurions get on the board scoring

on a wild pitch after a leadoff double. Cougars' starter Allen Umbenhaur started out wild as well, but got out of a bases loaded jam when the Centurions bounced into an inning-ending double play.

Errors would start to cost the Centurions in the third inning when Cougar' outfielder Ryan Palsgrove and catcher Michael Tatascoire converted on a bases loaded situation for a pair of RBIs that pushed the Cougars ahead 4-1.

Aloia would make his presence felt again in the bottom of the inning when he singled and stole second to get into scoring position and eventually scurried home after an errant throw by Tatascoire.

But the big fifth inning saw Hayes hit the showers after giving up another run off the bat of Tatascoire. In relief, Bucks' Andrew Check would only pour salt on the wound by allowing four more runs

after a pair of RBIs by second baseman Lance Miller and Fizer for a 9- 2 lead.

The seventh inning would add more insult as the powerful combination of Miller and Fizer would strike again off Check to pull ahead 11-2.

With the game seemingly out of hand in the eight, head coach Jeff Cochran would go to his bench for a boost when Andrew Check delivered an RBI single to cut the lead to 11-3.

Yet, the Cougars would add some insurance runs in the ninth inning when Umbenhaur delivered a two-run double to give them a 13-3 lead, slamming the door on any hope the Centurions might have garnered. Clearly Umbenhaur had more luck after being moved behind the plate than he did on the mound.

The Centurions would put another run on the board when first basemen Dustin Singer would single home a run, but could not build on the momentum as Reiss would finish the game.

After the game Cochran was seemingly disgusted with his team's sloppy play and did not pull any punches.

"We played about as bad as you could possibly play. We beat ourselves with those five errors and they capitalized," he said.

Tennis team excited to rebuild

BY: STEPHEN GODWIN JR.
Centurion staff

Coming off last season's second place finish in the EPCC tournament, the Bucks Tennis team will look to take it a step further and capture the first place title this year.

Yet, with a new coach and an overhauled roster it won't be easy.

Although the men's team finished with a 2-6 league record, they rallied late in the season to finish second in doubles and second in the EPCC tournament as a team.

Former head Coach Tammy Bradley engineered that late season run, but has since stepped down prior to the season for personal reasons. That leaves full-time Professor Mehul Shah to take the reins of a team that has no returning players.

"I am optimistic about our

chances this season as long as our more experienced players are able to stay healthy and play as many matches as possible," said Shah about his outlook on the season.

Shah is more than an adequate replacement as he has been

coaching tennis for the past four years on the private level and has been playing the game since his youth. Coaching tennis is different from most sports. Tennis is



Coach Shah poses with some of the 2013 tennis squad

PHOTO BY: JUSTIN BURROUGHS

more of a solitary sport so that is why they get more time with the players at practice, Shah said.

"The way that I help the players is by fine-tuning their games during practice by

playing with them and by devising drills to help them better their skills. Everything from serving to volleying to strategies for keeping unforced errors down," he said.

The strategies Shah employs are not universal, but instead differ from each one of his players as they are adjusted to their particular skill set.

Even though this team will come out and compete,

player Danielle Lamaree gave the inclination in a pre-season practice that expectations should not be too high.

"I feel like this is going to be a building season and we aren't going to be too competitive, but we will be okay," said Lamaree citing that Shah had already helped the team improve.

The team will consist of 11 players including seven men and four women. Highlighting this bunch is Mohommad Ammouni and Nicola Alary on the men's side and Joanna Gocan and Kanykei Kalykova from the women's group.

When the team faces an opponent they will play four men's singles and one men's doubles match and two women's singles and two women's double matches.

BUCKS SCORES

- Men's Baseball**
- March 28
- Bucks 2 - 5 Luzerne
- April 1
- Bucks 4 - 13 Lehigh Carbon
- April 4
- Bucks 1 - 3 Montgomery

First match results vs. Northampton

With the winds swirling to a howl the Bucks County Centurion tennis team had a tough test right away as they faced the league champions from last year in the Northampton on April 2.

That would be a test they would fail as Northampton would sweep the matches

seemingly with ease. To be fair the Centurions were without their top two players in Alary and Ammouni and were missing another player to an ankle injury. The results are posted below.

SINGLES
Raidy Alvarer vs. Dave Miller- 6-0, 6-1, Geoff Hart

vs. Rohit Samuel- 6-0, 6-0, Joel Aranda vs. Michael Peachy- 6-0, 6-1, Nicole Sharga vs. Joanna Goak- 6-1, 6-1.

DOUBLES
Manley and Hart vs. Shett and Miller- 8-1, Alvarer and Aranda vs. Samuel and Peachy- 8-0.

PRO SCORES

- MLB**
- April 1
- Phillies 5 - 7 Braves
- April 3
- Phillies 2 - 9 Braves
- April 4
- Phillies 2 - 0 Braves
- April 5
- Phillies 4 - 13 Royals
- April 6
- Phillies 4 - 3 Royals