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The Centurion Wins 18 Awards in 2023 Keystone Contest



ALLISON BRIDGEWATER Centurion staff

Bucks County Community College's own student-run newspaper won 18 awards in the Keystone's Media journalism contest this year, despite the challenge of the still ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Tony Rogers, the journalism professor at Bucks, and the faculty advisor to the Centurion exclaims that "we've won more than 160 awards since 2010. this

makes the Centurion one of the most awarded student newspapers in the state. That's a testament to the hard work and dedication of the students who run the paper."

Rogers says he "provides advice to the students who are running the paper and pitch in and help where needed.

"I try not to get too involved because I believe a student-run paper should be just that - a paper run by the students." Students have prevailed

throughout these challenging times.

Rogers adds that "students put in all the hard work to do really good journalism and kept publishing the paper even during the toughest parts of the pandemic."

Upon asking how news writing has been different since coming back from COVID, and how are students prevailing this year, Rogers states that "I'm happy to report that the journalism students and those who work on the Centurion have met

that challenge."

Rogers continued, saying "During the darkest days of the pandemic, students were working from home, writing stories and laying out the paper on their laptops, and communicating via zoom. That was very hard, but even during that time that the students continued to publish the paper."

"Instead of printing it and distributing it around campus, they produced a PDF that was emailed to all students and faculty.

"Now that we are coming out of the pandemic we've resumed printing the paper this semester and while that involves a lot of extra work, the students are up to the challenge. Under the leadership of editor-in-chief Max Mower, they are doing a great job this year."

Printing has resumed this semester.

Rogers adds on that "I think it's a great thing because it does increase the visibility of the paper and potentially the size of our audience.

"Lots of people mistakenly believe that the era of printed newspapers is dead, but that's simply not true."

Rogers added that "Thousands of newspapers continue

to produce print products across the country because print journalism still makes money.

"As long as that's the case we will continue to print the Centurion, because by doing so, it enables the students to obtain skills that might lead them to get jobs in layout and design.".

Rogers ends by sharing that the rewards for journalism students "validates the hard work they put in, and gives them a sense of satisfaction and something very meaningful to put on their resumes. Winning an award in a statewide journalism contest is something that can actually help a college student land a job."

Keep up the great work!

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The Bucks journalism program website is at www. bucks.edu/journalism

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Bucks Professor Rebuilds Home After Disastrous Flash Flood County Herald, over 1,000 pets, three cats and one dog.

HANNAH BOSCOLA

Then Groth heard the shrill

homes and businesses were

Centurion staff

Clouds gathered in a gloomy sky as Bucks Language and Literature Professor Charlie Groth looked out her study window and watched a wall of rain move across Lambertville, NJ.

On the night of Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021, Lambertville suffered the worst flash flood in its history, resulting in a swath of devastation that badly damaged Groth's home and many others. She's been rebuilding ever since.

Still in the midst of the COVID pandemic, Groth had just finished running a program on zoom, when she heard drops drumming against her roof and called the fishery.

Groth, who usually brings in netting and other equipment from the Delaware after heavy rain, did not have to that day, despite the Delaware's tendency to flood. She moved on to feed her four

sound of a severe weather warning blaring through her phone..

Groth had been busy renovating, spending months replacing the beam that held up the house.

The renovations ultimately prevented her home from caving in during the flood.

Following a series of tornado warnings, Groth headed for shelter and watched the rain pour over the windows. "Drip, drip, drip." Groth peeked around the corner to find the rain being pushed between her windows' molding and splashing inside the house.

She headed to her stairs to watch the rising water. There was a little over two feet of water in the living room, just over the windowsills. By 11 p.m. the floodwaters were receding, aside from a small stream between the houses on her street.

According to the Bucks

left without power, and at least 25 families were displaced from their homes due to the severity of the flooding.

Repairing her home was enormously time-consuming. "The hardest thing to replace is free time," Groth said.

"You can come out of this traumatic thing that happened to you feeling grateful." Groth says people would bring her food and gift cards, and someone even did her laundry for nine months. "I could not have gotten through this without kind friends and strangers."

Today, Groth is back at home and just finished washing the last of the furniture, though there's "still a big to-do list." Even so, Groth says the historic Lambertville flood has been "a fresh start on my fresh start."

Though her home fell victim to the Hurricane Ida, it is now rebuilt the way



Photo courtesy of Prof. Charlie Groth

the professor wants it to be. Groth repaired the damage, rebuilt with significant efforts to mitigate any future flood damage, and even repurposed green cabinets from Facebook marketplace.

Though Groth lost parts of her home, she says it is so much stronger and so much safer now. "I'm stronger, the house is stronger, and the community is stronger."



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Bucks News Psychology Club: Healing Our Community

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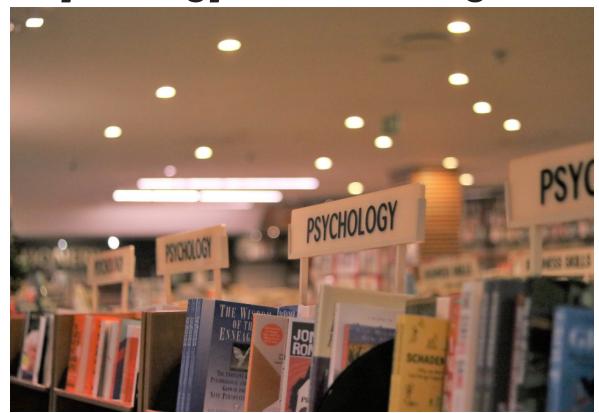
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Colt Gunn Centurion staff

With the recent pandemic, the Doomsday clock ticking down, and the ever looming threat of a confrontation with Russia, we are all facing some serious stress.



Even though we may not be able to control our world falling into shambles. there is one thing we can control our mentality.

That's just what the Psychology Club aims to do.

The club's goal is to allow members to reinforce themselves with positive affirmations, while also having a chance to express themselves by having a group to lean on for support.

One way the club has been bringing positivity is through the recent events they have held. The club has recently joined up with the organization NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, taking part in a mental health walk with NAMI.

Proceeds were donated to the cause.

Members gathered and walked for a purpose, while also getting exercise!

The club has also done bake sales that give money to our food pantry on campus.

They have held two so far, which have been quite successful.

The vice president, Fey-

Photo courtesy of Unsplash la Carter, a Bucks student and psychology major who resides in Morrisville, has taken up a very active role in the club's activities.

Feyla has recently been appointed the vice president this semester.

When discussing majors with the club members, they have said "people don't know what to do with their psychology majors. There's more options than just being a therapist."

When discussing the club's future plans, she notes that

"We have a lot to look forward to this semester, with an awareness walk as well as hopefully a psych panel." No dates have been confirmed as of yet.

The beginning of this semester has seemed to be pretty slow for the club compared to before.

The treasurer for the club, Connor Sturza, a graphic design major residing in Doylestown, PA wants to change this.

He aims to "promote mental health" and add "fundraisers" to the club's plans.

Connor has also been a bit disappointed with the club's engagement thus far, and thinks the club need to "up their game."

A suggestion he mentioned was "art therapy", a chance to relax and incorporate his own drawing abilities paired with the club.

Sturza hopes to bring this idea and more to fruition in the club's near future.

If you are interested in the club, reach out to Feyla Carter IG: @Feyla_03

Bucks' Nursing Program Promotes Never-Ending Compassion





<u>RAEANNE RACCAGNO</u> *Centurion staff*

Dr. Patricia Anne Duick is a local Morrisville resident and the founder of Bucks County Community College's Practical Nursing program who continues to show her compassion for others at the age of 82.

Duick earned her nursing degree in 1961 after going to a three-year nursing school, afterwards, she attended the University of Pennsylvania where she received her Bachelor's degree and Master of Science in organizational dynamics. After acquiring her Doctor of Philosophy Degree at Temple University, she was offered a teaching job and became the ombudsman of Temple.

While earning her degrees, Duick taught nursing fulltime at multiple community colleges. Throughout her career, she never stopped pursuing education. "UPenn has a saying 'There is no end to learning' and there really isn't!" She says.

Dr. Duick received a certification in International Consult from Human Caring Healing from the University of Colorado in 1991 and 1993, and a Master of Science from the University of Pennsylvania in 1992.

In 2003, she began her teaching career at Bucks where she founded the Practical Nursing program. "Establishing the Practical Nursing program at Bucks was a good accomplishment for me." Duick expresses, "There are so many old people and a lot of them need to go into a nursing home so there's more of a need for practical nurses."

Practical Nursing is a oneyear full-time program that starts in July annually. The curriculum consists of a wide variety of clinical experiences and classroom instruction.

"They learn a lot in one year. They learn all about patient care, nursing law, and medications. It's a hard

Photo courtesy of the BCCC website

program and I feel like a lot of people will say 'oh LPN that's nothing,' but they're very vital" Duick explains.

Duick loved teaching her students and watching them go on to graduate, although she did have her reputation. "I was pretty strict with nursing," she tells us with a smile "they used to call me the dragon lady back then."

After retiring in 2008 Duick and her husband, Peter Jerome, started to travel. "We went all over the world. You gotta go and travel while you can walk, talk, see, hear, and remember. What's the use of going around the world if you're gonna forget!"

Dr. Duick shared her love with her husband for almost 51 years until she lost him to cancer. "When he got cancer that was the worst thing," she explained. "He kept going in and out of the hospital and the last time he never came out."

Despite her loss, she remains positive, "I have to **ULUSER** TO YOUR CAREER GOALS

On-campus Transfer Information Session (4 p.m.):

March 28

Highlights the process of transferring to KU. Includes a campus tour.

On-campus Transfer Friday (11 a.m.):

March 10

Learn about the transfer admission process, programs of study, credit evaluation, financial aid, campus housing, dining, student life, and more. Includes a campus tour.

Virtual Transfer Information Session (4 p.m.):

March 20

Provides an overview of the process and timeline for transfer students.



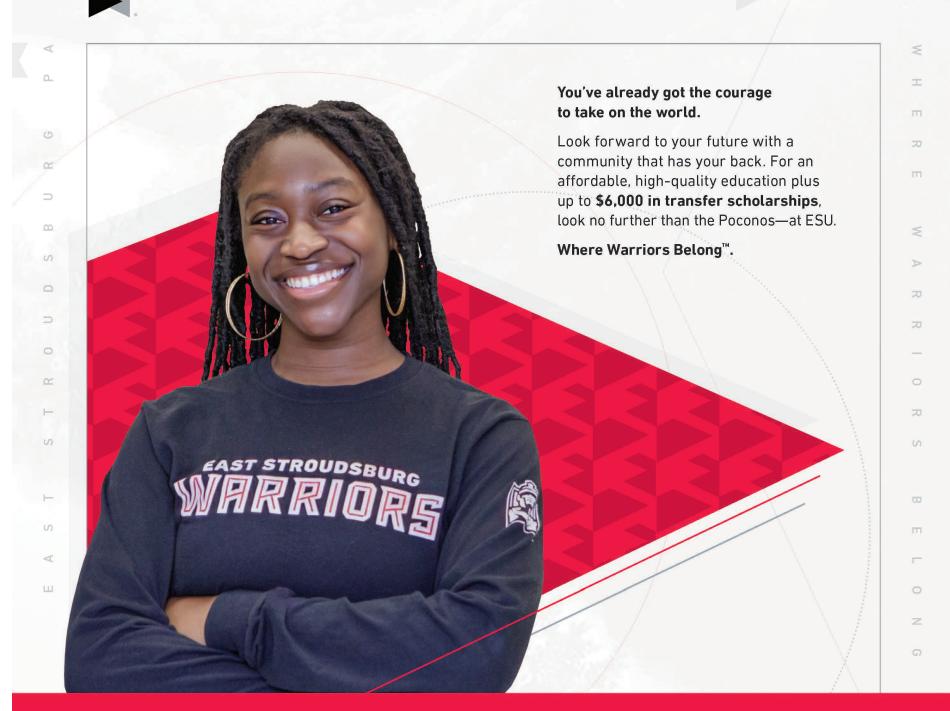
treasure what I have left."

"He always used to tease me and get me mad. Then I go upstairs and stay mad, but by the time I came downstairs I'd forgotten about it and said 'Hey Peter what do you want for snack?" She recalls while laughing. "Staying mad does nothing but make you feel bad so you have to know what to blow off."

Dr. Duick now commits her time to learn about post-traumatic stress disorder in hopes of helping veterans locally. Her mission is inspired by her two younger brothers who both suffered from PTSD after serving in the Vietnam War.

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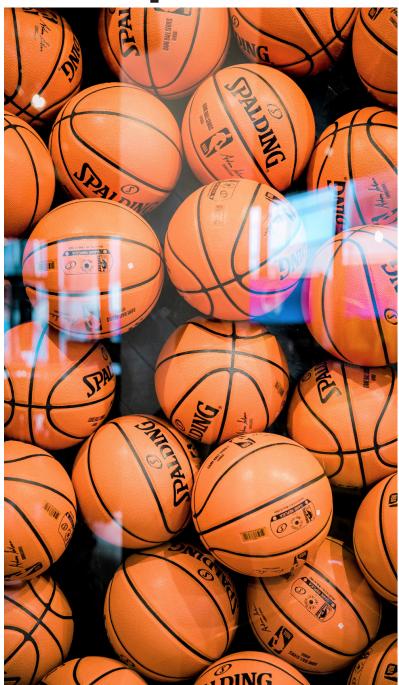




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Philadelphia 76ers Look Promising As Season Continues



DAULTON PARRY Centurion staff

The Sixers are currently sitting in second place in the Eastern Conference standings and looking like a Photo courtesy oi Unsplash

formidable opponent going into the playoffs, considering they have won nine out of the last 10 games.

The Sixers' currently sit at a record of 39-21, and four games back on the Celtics

who have been a thorn on the Sixers side.

They are also four and a half back of the current Eastern Conference leaders Milwaukee Bucks who are currently sitting at 44-17.

Abdur, a business major student from Langhorne, believes that "The Sixers are going to win the division." The Sixers also happen to be in the same Division as the Celtics.

The team is doing well, as they have won 7 straight games.

Joel Embiid is playing amazing, averaging about 34 points per game.

This is a career-high, according to basketball-reference.com.

Abdur also said, "Joel is the MVP and should have been the MVP last year."

The Sixers have been in this position atop the Eastern conference for the past year.

Yet, one thing that feels different is they have an identity and a collective goal.

They know Joel is the leader and James Harden is like an extra conductor of the offense for when Joel's shot isn't falling.

Harden knows how to play late in games and that is crucial for closing games in playoffs.

Last year the Sixers did not have that from Harden.

He must be the guy who can take any shot at any spot to close a game out. Harden is not the only guy

on the team who can take any shot. Tyrese Maxey has shown

he wants and can take any shot this year.

"His three-point attempts have gone from 4.1 a game last year to 6.4 attempts a game according to basketball-refrence.com."

Since Stephen Curry and the Warriors took the league by storm, it has become even more important to shoot the three pointers.

Right now, they are fourth in three-point percentage, shooting at 38.5 percent, behind only Denver, Brooklyn, and Phoenix, according to teamrankings.com.

When the team was missing Joel Embiid, Tyrese Maxey, and James Harden, the bench players showed up to keep the Sixers afloat.

Many fans going into the year thought Sixers Head coach Doc Rivers should have been fired, but getting the benched players to put their all into playing may have saved his job.

Going into the playoffs, the Sixers will need all their stars to compete with teams like the Celtics and the Milwaukee Bucks'.

BCCC student Max said "If there are no injuries, they will be able to compete, and they will be great."

Former Sixers General

manager Sam Hinkie took control of the team in 2013 and coined the term, "Trust the Process", which meant winning an NBA Finals.

But after ten years and still no championship win, Joel Embiid is the only real piece from "Trust the process."

However, if they win a championship, Sixers fans can say, "it was worth trusting the process."

Youanes, a Criminal Justice Major from Fairless Hill, echoed the sentiments of Sam Hinkie and said to "Trust the Process. Adding, this team is "Very clutch."

The Sixers have three guys in Embiid, Harden, or Maxey, who can be that guy at the end of the game and pull off a clutch moment as Youanes said.

Many fans are hoping the "Process" comes to fruition this season and bring home a championship for the first time since the 1983 season and finish the process.

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General News, First Place - The Centurion Overturning of Roe v. Wade Leaves Many Bucks County Women Feeling Betrayed - Karolina Matyka

Ongoing News Coverage, First Place - The Centurion Bucks builds back post-pan-



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demic - Lucas Darling, James Bonnell, Judith Russo, Colin Riccardi

Public Service/Enterprise Package, First Place - The Centurion Bucks builds back post-pandemic - Lucas Darling, Timothy Hubing

Feature Story, First Place - The Centurion From Four Lanes to the Hotel: Inside the Langhorne Borough's Eatery - James Bonnell

Feature Story, Second Place

- The Centurion Bucks Professor Rebuilds her Lambertville Home After Worst Flash Flood in Town's History -Hannah Boscola

Personality Profile, First Place - The Centurion A Musical Journey in Allegro - Judith Russo

Sports Story, First Place -The Centurion Bucks Men's Soccer Team Are ESAC Champions - Evan Anderson Sports Story, Second Place - The Centurion Phillies' Cinderella Run Falls Short of Storybook Ending - James Bonnell

Layout and Design, First

Place - The Centurion Sawdust and Skateboards - Lucas Darling, Carmen Gisondi

Website, First Place - The Centurion Centurion website - Lucas Darling, Max Mower

Excellence in Reporting on Diversity- Equity, and Inclusion, First Place - The Centurion New Introduction to Queer Studies Course at

Bucks; Governor Tom Wolf Bans LGBTQ+ Conversion Therapy in Pennsylvania for Minors; Disability Rights Advocate Haben Girma: "The Biggest Barrier I Face is Ableism" - Parker DeStefano, Grace Levy, Aileen Gorman Leong, Hannah Boscola

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Movies, Televison, And Pop Culture

RAYMUNDO VARELA-URIZAR Centurion Staff

ISSA ME MARIO!... TO THE MOVIES! You grew up with the classic arcade, video games and toys, and now you get to see your favorite plumbers on the big screen! Before "Super Smash Bros" was on your tiny TV with your Xbox, Playstation, Nintendo, and eventually your Switch in your hands but now it's time for the IMAX!

Remember having your friends over for pizza, bags of Doritos and endless amounts of Mountain Dew for hours of playing Super Mario games on Friday nights after your Blockbuster run in the late 90s and early 2000s? Time to grab your friends and see your favorite duo come to life!

The new Super Mario is set for a theoretical release on April 10 2023.

DIRECTORS: Aaron Horvath and Michael Jelenic

CAST: Chris Pratt (Guardians of the Galaxy, Jurassic World), Charlie Day (Always Sunny in Philadelphia, Monsters University, Fist Fight), Jack Black (School of Rock, Kung Fu Panda, Shallow Hal), Anya Taylor-Joy (The Witch, Morgan)

"WHAT'S YOUR FAVOR-ITE SCARY MOVIE?" It better be Scream! The famous line that made us fall in love with the original Scream directed by Wes Craven! Ghostface is back but this time making his way from Woodsboro to New York City, hunting new and old sets of groups. Hold on to your comfort foods because it's going to be a bloody STAB-a-thon! Just don't answer the phone. **DIRECTORS**: Matt Bettinelli-Olpin and Tyler Gilletn (Ready or not)

CAST: Jenna Ortega (Netflix's Wednesday, X), Courtney Cox (Friends, SCREAM 1996), Hayden Panetierre (Remember the Titans, HBO's Heroes), Jasmin Savoy Brown (Yellow-Jackets)

Melissa Barraera (Netflix's Keep Breathing, Bedrest)

EVIL DEAD RISE

If you like blood, guts, gore, and evil demons, Evil Dead Rise is the movie for you!

Set in the city of Los Angeles, a woman is in the fight for her life and to save others as a sinister book has unleashed havoc in her small apartment.

DIRECTOR: Lee Cronin **CAST**: Alyssa Sutherland (Amazon's The Vikings, Spike's The Mist), Lily Sullivan (National Geographic's Barskins, Amazon's

Picnic at Hanging Rock), Nell Fisher (Northspur, My life is Murder) Author Quote of the Day: "Nothing is stronger than a small

hope that doesn't give up."

Matt Haig, author of "The Comfort Book"

Female Quote of the Day: "Be happy with what you have while working for what you want." — Helen Keller

Sports Quote of the Day: "There is NO substitute for WORK."- Vince Lombardi, head coach, Green Bay Packers (1959-67), Washington Redskins (1969)

Movie Quote of the Day:

"With great power comes great responsibility"- Spider-Man, 2002



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ESports Coming To Bucks County Community College

BRIAN KARTMAN

Centurion Staff Get your gaming controllers and mechanical keyboards STEM and more! Director of Athletics at Bucks Matthew Cipriano exopportunities." But what about those who are not interested in the more



ready folks, because Metro Esports is coming to Bucks in a big way by replacing the Solarium with brand new gaming and Esports lounge area in the Rollins Center located on the Newtown campus. This new space will be the go-to spot for anyone looking to play games for fun or practice for a competitive tournament.

According to the Metro Esports flyers around campus, Bucks County Community College will be one of the few colleges that will be building out their gaming and Esports facility on-site. Coming soon to campus; a state-of-the-art Metro Esports center jam-packed with industry-leading PCs, next-generation consoles, lounge space, weekly competitions, significant events and Esports teams.

This relationship will bring new attention to the institution on a local, national and world stage all while creating additional competitive team opportunities and drawing the community to the college through camps and gaming competitions.

Also providing the usage of the state of art machines, an opportunity to grow our student-athlete participation, expand student engagement, generate possibilities for new revenue streams, build connections between Epsorts and plains the process of making the decision to build out the program on campus, "During the pandemic, we started collaborating with Metro Esports and hosting esports tournaments for our students as well as other students at other schools in our athletic conference. It was a great starting point for us as a department to see the potential and also the challenges."

Organizers of the program have seen early developments of the positive teamwork the Esports program can bring.

"We were collaborating with local colleges like Montgomery County Community College at that time and they were just starting to get going on an esports program [of their own]. That relationship allowed us to explain how a team could be organized and the types of equipment and costs that were involved with a startup." Cipriana explained.

Of course, with the addition of an esports-focused area on campus, the obvious question is:

'Is the college planning on throwing their proverbial hat into the ring that is Esports?'

"Absolutely!" Cipriana answers, "We are already collecting contact information from students interested in learning more about our competitive collegiate team competitive aspect of esports and player-versus-player action?

"Not to worry," says Cipriano. "The facility will host a variety of gaming interests. From the casual gamer to someone who wants to compete among friends in a more intramural setting, to the collegiate team-level competitor. "

Want to get involved in more than just spectating the big matches? Well, you're in luck!

"Metro [Esports] is launching a robust internship program to create accessibility and opportunity through esports for students in both high school and college," Cipriano confirms.

Available internship positions include Business and Event interns, Marketing and Social Media interns, a coding assistant, and graphic designers and video editors.

You can find more information about Metro Esports' plans on the athletics department website, and the Metro Esports Discord server is open for anyone to join.

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Bucks Hosts The True Size Of Africa Event were also unaware of Africa Event



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MEGAN PIZZARO

Centurion Staff For Black History Month, Bucks County Community College's main campus held

an event named "The True Size of Africa" on Thursday, Feb 16 at 12:30 p.m. talking about how map makers have depicted the African continent as much smaller than it is.

Kevin Antoine, Associate Vice President of Government Relations & DE, discussed how throughout history the true size of Africa has been perceived as smaller than it is in reality.

Adding, "It's no accident

that for more than 400 years, map makers have depicted Northern Hemisphere as much larger than they are and the African continent as much smaller than it is.

Unfortunately, this mistake has never been corrected on today's maps. This "mistake" dates back to when the American slave trade was in full effect.

Antoine explains how the Euro-Americans created maps to navigate the Atlantic but noticed it wasn't very beneficial to acknowledge Africa's large size.

They believed that the size of a continent equaled pow-

er, and since they refused to acknowledge Africans as people, there was no way they wanted them to have any form of power.

The Euro-Americans knew this and wanted to make sure to keep control over Africa since it was much larger and valuable than anticipated.

Antoine states "Africa is resource dense such as oil, agriculture as well as precious metals. But its value was mostly in the population for slavery reasons."

Although still depicted as small on global maps, Africa is much larger than perceived in comparison to its neighboring countries. "We are able to fit many countries together within Africa. China, the United States, Europe, India and Japan all fit comfortably together inside Africa." Antoine explains.

It's been over 200 years since the American slave trade ended but our global maps were never corrected or revised for the public.

In the "True Size of Africa" event held by Antoine, he explained that after all these years the unrevised map is what's still being used to educate.

This proved very educational since many attendees were also unaware of Africa's larger size. Education surrounding Africa's size is rarely discussed today even though its size is factually larger than what map makers depict it to be.

So why hasn't it been fixed?

Antoine explains "We as a society have gotten so used to our current map that changing it would be a mass shock, so the education system continues to use the unrevised mapping."

Antoine discussed how back then and even today Africa is extremely valuable to our societal future. "40 percent of Africa's population is under 15, and has the youngest median age which is 19." Antoine states.

Since today there is no reason to depict Africa as smaller than it is, revising our global maps would be crucial in acknowledging their population and size. Africa and Africans are a huge population and the size of our future as a world and should be acknowledged as such.

Staff and Students of Bucks and the local community thank Kevin Antoine for sharing "The True Size of Africa" and providing students and staff with an amazing and insightful educational event.

Is Artifical Intelligence Taking Over Academics?

BRIAN KARTMAN

Centurion Staff

The emergence and refinement of artificial intelligence tools over the years have been staggering to witness, user and an AI bot. Despite the fears that other professors might have about its use as a personal essay writer, Language and Literature Professor Stephen doCarmo isn't "We need to consider the fact that writing is thinking, full stop. And as writing, owing to radical new advances in AI, now stands to become an esoteric skill—something for us; it'll be trouble because it'll take a good bit of the pleasure out of human lives."

There is also the ethical question concerning the use of tools like ChatGPT in an ed as our own. As the months and years wear on, the ethics around AI may evolve, and we might decide the work a chatbox does in response to a request we feed it is effec-

and the release of ChatGPT by California company OpenAI in November of last year has many wondering about the implications of such technology. Schools across the country are banning and welcoming it in equal measure, and ethical quandaries surrounding its use are constantly called into question.

ChatGPT is an internet-based tool that functions as a direct messaging conversation between a human too worried about that aspect of artificial intelligence.

He expresses how, "For the moment, giving my students detailed assignments with lists of requirements we've got to hit if we're going to do well seems to be making ChatGPT too much trouble to bother with."

However, that doesn't mean there aren't other, less obvious consequences of the widespread acceptance and adoption of more AI tools. most humans just won't need to be able to do anymore—we stand to become a way less thoughtful society." doCarmo adds.

"People who learn how to write learn how to think. Not what to think, but how to. I'm concerned we may be just a few years out from a time when most people won't learn how to think anymore. This won't be trouble just because we'll be trusting computers to do our thinking academic setting. Beyond essay writing, there is also the potential for it to be used as a teaching tool, like having an AI explain difficult concepts in simple ways to students who may not fully grasp a subject.

The issue, to Professor doCarmo and many others, is one of original authorship. "Things only get sketchy, to put it mildly, when we try to pass off texts or images or programs ChatGPT has creattively 'our' work."

When asked if he thought there would come a time when AI authorship would be indistinguishable from human authorship, doCarmo simply stated: "We're there already. A couple of days ago I read a column from a New York Times reporter who revealed in his second paragraph that ChatGPT had written his first paragraph. Fooled me."

No AI assistance was used in the writing of this article

Bucks County Community College's Anime Club

DOMINIQUE NEWS

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Bucks County Community College's Anime Club has revamped and reestablished itself after a few years of inactivity by giving Anime fans a comfortable space to indulge in their favorite pastime.

With the recent and fervent popularity of anime in modern culture, and the ever-growing media giants series like "My Hero Academia," "One Piece," and "Dragon Ball Z" have become, Bucks students thought it was time to revisit the idea of a club for Anime fans.

Club President Aaron Raghu says "I would not say I founded it. I would say I revived it," after starting the club back up last semester. The anime club is an outlet for avid anime watchers and lovers. Club members also enjoy learning about and embracing Japanese culture and language.

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room 116 in the Rollins Center, you can find the club watching anime and discussing their recent favorites, as well as new shows and movie premieres with others who share the same enthusiasm and interest in anime.

Raghu says that "people who enjoy anime have no one to talk about it with," and that the club "gives all of those people the opportunity to express themselves freely without anyone judging them." The club gives members a sense of community and belonging in a society where these activities and interests may not be as popular or mainstream as others.

While there are no requirements to join the club, it is advised that you walk in there with a positive attitude and an interest in anime. There are often misconceptions of the club, however, Raghu easily shuts them down. He hopes to clarify that the club is not about adults watching children's cartoons.

Most modern anime is aimed towards adults and in some cases, teen or young adult audiences. It can be violent or visceral and usually contain explicit content and strong language. Contrary to popular belief, anime is not like your ave rage children's cartoon. To learn more information about the club and meeting times, there are flyers spread all throughout campus as well as a Discord server that can be used to see updates and future events. The discord server can also be used to communicate with club members. If you are interested in joining the club, contact Club President Aaron Raghu at Raghua@live.bucks.edu.



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