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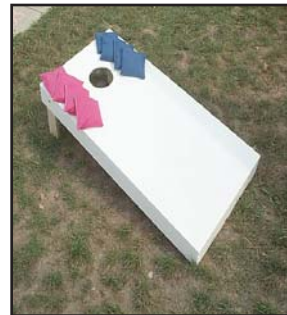


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Relay for Life raises \$15,000 for cancer



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Twins Ashley (left) and Alison Lubold, juniors, are among the key people who helped organize Relay this year. The sisters are deeply involved with Colleges Against Cancer.



By Edward Jesse Frick Jr.

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"When you wish upon a star, it makes no difference who you are."

If Jiminy Cricket were here to witness this year's Disney-themed festivities, he would have been proud of the large number of participants who came out, donated and showed their support for the "Wish Upon a Cure" Relay for Life event against cancer.

Junior Relay for Life chairmen Ashley and Alison Lubold have been passionate about Relay for Life for the past nine years of their lives.

The twins organized the events in hopes of raising \$28,000, but they will not complain about the \$15,000 that was raised by various student organizations and teams.

The Lubolds have participated in their hometown Relay for Life since 2001 and immediately became deeply involved with Colleges Against Cancer when they came to Lycoming.

"We love to organize Relay for Life because it touches people who know that someone out there is trying to fight for a cure," Ashley said. "It is a lot of work and we spend countless hours throughout the year in order to put on this event."

In terms of the money raised, a multitude of student organizations are to thank for helping raise the \$15,000.

Campus Activities Board sponsored an oxygen bar and a teddy bear-stuffing station. To participate in either of these activities only cost 50 cents.

Phi Kappa Psi set up a grill station serving burgers and hot dogs all night and raised more than \$140, and the fra-

ternity's junior new-member Dan Geise raised \$105 to donate his hair which he had been growing for several years. Geise and nine female students donated their hair to Locks of Love.

But it was the women's basketball team that was one of the more popular tables throughout the night. For \$1 you could pie some faculty and staff members, such as head football coach Mike Clark, in the face with a whipped cream pie.

Throughout the weeks leading up to Relay, as well as the money they received from the pie throwing, the team raised over \$1,500.

Another huge hit was the Mr. and Ms. Relay contest. A guy and a gal switch clothes and perform an act in order to raise the most money to become Mr. and Ms. Relay. Sophomore Jonathan Estable and Alison were this year's winners.

This amount of money could not have been raised if it were not for a decent turnout from the student body. Ashley was very impressed with the number of students who showed up, but wished that the students also would show up later in the night.

"It seemed like a lot more students showed up this year, as well as people from the outside community," Ashley said. "It would have been nice if we had more students stay until 6 a.m. though."

The reason that Relay is hosted from dusk until dawn, according to the Lubolds, is to help people experience what a person who has cancer is going through: constantly fighting for a cure. They know that they can not give up the fight, and that is one of the messages that Relay is trying to send to all of those that participate.

Despite being pleased with the turnout, there is always room for improvement.

The Lubolds will both be seniors next year, and they realize that 2011 is their last chance to make a difference for people at Lycoming College.

They want to leave Lycoming on a high note so that future Relay chairmen at Lycoming and members of Col-

leges Against Cancer will keep the program going strong at the college.

The sisters hope that they can attract even more people next year with better fundraising tactics, and increased public relations to let people know what Relay is all about, as well as the date that the event will be held.

"We normally do a Rita's Day in which we get a certain percent of money from how many people come in during a certain time," Ashley said. "We also had the local hair salon Lipstick contact us about creating a team for next year's Relay. They have gift cards for \$10 (which is worth a \$16 haircut) and all proceeds will go toward Relay."

Relay is more than just a one-day event. In fact, it is a year-round process. The Lubold's want everyone to know that it is never too early to start thinking about teams and fundraising ideas for next year's Relay.

They also want people to think about cancer patients who do not have any hair, and how good they would feel if they are able to get a wig made out of donated hair.

"Alison and I would like to thank everyone for their support and dedication for helping and participating in Relay this year," Ashley said. "It was wonderful to see over 36 teams including clubs, fraternities, sororities, etc."

The sisters, as well as the many other people who organize the event work hard to make sure that this event is successful each year.

The Lubolds thanked committee members Aaron Lay, Jeffrey Rosenheck, Robert Hamell, Kayleigh Misner, Ashley Newcomb, Allison Batties, Jenna Miller, Casey Walls, Angela Cecere and their sweetheart fraternity Phi Kappa Psi for helping them with set up and tear down, as well as all the participants and other helpers.

Friends are sometimes pushed aside, and lots of sleep is lost, but the sisters say that they would not trade organizing Relay for the world.

When they see people walking on the track, survivors living and being happy, people with tears in their eyes remembering those who they love who have been affected by cancer, that's when they realize that it was all worth it.

Shooting near campus leaves one dead

Special from the Williamsport Sun-Gazette

A homicide investigation is under way after the Sunday night shooting death of a local man just south of Brandon Park.

City police said Josh Lee, 25, whose only address was listed as Williamsport, was shot to death just before 11:20 p.m. in the first block of Brandon Place.

Lee's body was found slumped into a vehicle parked at 56 Brandon Place, according to witnesses living between Packer and Mulberry streets.

Area residents reported hearing about a half-dozen gunshots, and seeing someone running west and a white van filled with people fleeing east.

Soon after the shooting, Andrew Crane said he saw police using chalk to mark areas where they found shell casings and other evidence in front of his 50 Brandon Place home.

Crane heard someone shouting outside his home around the time the shots were fired.

"You thought you had me (expletive), but I got you now," Crane said he heard a suspect shout.

When the shooting stopped, Crane stepped outside in time to see the van speed away.

"I saw a lot of heads in the van," he said, referring to people inside the fleeing vehicle.

Police said later Monday they are looking for one man they want to interview, but who they weren't ready to call a suspect.

He was seen in the area when the shooting occurred, according to police Agent Stephen Sorage.

"Detectives are looking to speak with a white male that was in the area at the time of the shooting," police Capt. Raymond O. Kontz III said. "(He) is described as being about 5-foot-8 to 5-foot-9 and medium build weighing approximately 170 pounds."

He has short light-colored hair, possibly a goatee beard and was last seen wearing a light-colored hooded jacket with black lettering, Kontz said.

Police provided no information on a possible motive for the shooting.

Sorage, who didn't rule out drugs being involved, said his department is pursuing a wide-open investigation.

Resident Jeff Reeder, whose vehicle was parked where Lee's body was found, owns a garage door that was pierced by a bullet Sunday.

He agrees with Crane that multiple people were involved in the crime.

Reeder said the van full of people turned south onto Elizabeth Street before leaving the area via Washington Boulevard.

He believes the person featured in a police composite sketch is the man who ran west from the crime scene.

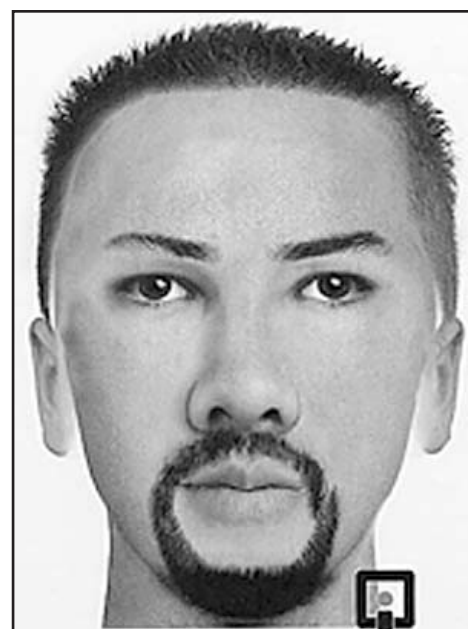
The neighborhood has had a recent crime problem, according to Reeder.

"This is a quiet neighborhood. We've lived here for 21 years and we've never had the problems we've had in the last six weeks around here," he said.

Crane and Reeder said burglars recently broke into a nearby home - in broad daylight.

Reeder has taken an interest in a debate by city government officials who have conceptualized a neighborhood surveillance camera program without installing any monitoring devices.

Reeder said he'd welcome security cameras in Brandon Park. But, should that occur, he's concerned criminals would prowl elsewhere in the city.



A rough sketch of the man being sought by police.

"You put them (cameras) up, they'll just move somewhere else," Reeder said.

Sunday's shooting death comes after four men survived gunshot wounds within a few blocks of each other on Feb. 27 in the 1200 block of West Fourth Street and at the intersection of Memorial Avenue and Stevens Street.

The last reported city shooting death occurred Sept. 9, when a 26-year-old man was slain in the 1400 block of Scott Street.

Michelle Obama launches childhood obesity campaign



By Allie Lyke

The Lycourier Staff



First Lady Michelle Obama hopes people will recognize the severity of childhood obesity and join the "Let's Move" campaign.

Childhood obesity is becoming a serious American epidemic. For the first time in history, the current generation has a shorter lifespan than their parents. Also, one-third of all the kids in this country are either overweight or obese. Although this thought may seem bizarre at first, it is actually inevitable when the social changes that have taken place over the past 30 years are taken into account.

With advancements in technology and the lack of extracurricular activities in grade schools, there is no doubt as to why children are simply becoming fatter. Everything is easily accessible indoors, from video games to microwavable snacks, and even research information. Children don't have to go outside anymore — all the fun and tasty things are inside. There was a time when children walked to school, ate home-cooked meals which included vegetables, and ran during recess and gym class.

First Lady Michelle Obama is looking for a way to bring those days back — or at least something similar. That's why she, along with her husband, Barack Obama, have started the Let's Move nationwide campaign whose main goal, according to last week's Newsweek, is "to solve the problem of childhood obesity in a generation, so that children born today can reach adulthood at a healthy weight."

In order to identify the problem, the source must be found.

The First Lady believes it is the result of society making poor decisions for the future. She states, "Our kids don't decide what's served in the school cafeteria...our kids don't decide to make food products with tons of sugar...our kids aren't the ones calling the shots when it's dinner time. We make these decisions."

Therefore, she plans to travel around the country, speaking to groups ranging from local Parent-Teacher Associations to food manufacturers asking if they would be

part of the Let's Move campaign.

So far some of the nation's largest beverage companies have announced their involvement with the campaign, as well as major sports leagues such as the NFL and the NBA in hopes that they will be able to play a role in influencing children, as well as their parents, to make healthier decisions in their dietary and exercising habits.

Also, with the help of the Community Wellness Initiative, 30 communities across the United States received \$230 million in funding for new programs that promote healthy eating, encourage physical activity and expand access to fresh, healthy foods in communities and schools. But, the solution does not end there. There is still a lot of work that needs to be done. Meal plans in schools need to

be healthier, parents need to be more aware of healthier decisions, quality food needs to be more affordable, and physical education needs to be increased in schools.

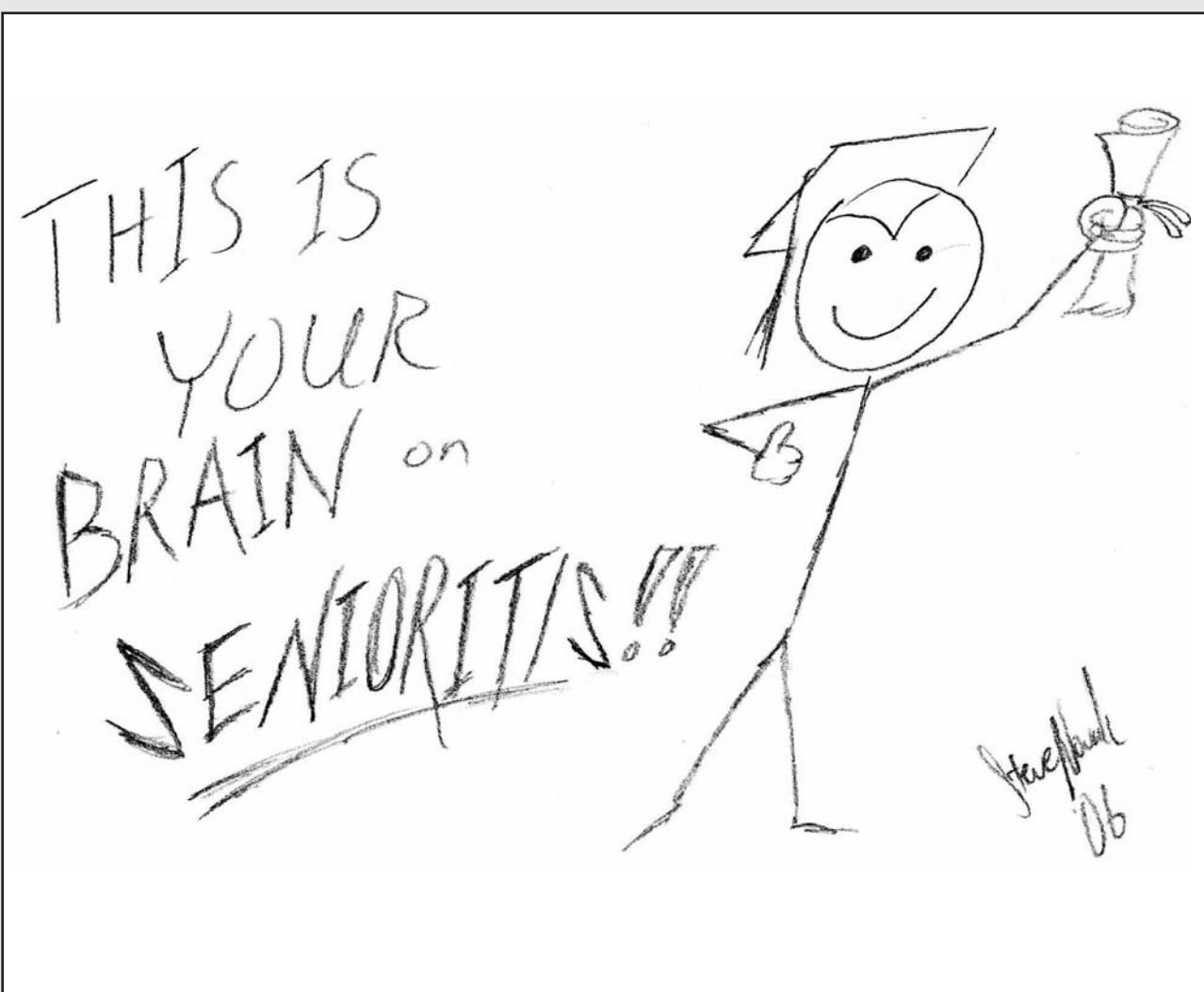
As the First Lady puts it, "Let's Move is about families making manageable changes that fit with their schedules, their budgets, and their needs and tastes (as well as) giving parents the tools they need to keep their families healthy and fit."

The only way this can happen is if the nation steps up to face this challenge that is affecting the future.

Because if our future is dead before us, their will be no future left.

More information about the Let's Move campaign and other initiatives is available online at Letsmove.gov.

The Comics Corner Revisited



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News Briefs

Lycoming College Clean Water Institute hosts Milton Area High School students

The Lycoming College Clean Water Institute hosted 50 Milton Area High School biology/environmental science students and teachers on Tuesday.

The group learned about the connection between the Susquehanna River and the Chesapeake Bay and saw research done by CWI students in partnership with Cromaglass Corp., a Williamsport-based company that manufactures a variety of wastewater treatment systems.

The research will test the efficiency of one of Cromaglass' products to remove nitrogen from wastewater. The research is funded by a grant the CWI received from Ben Franklin Technology Partners.

The students began the day at the sewage treatment plant in Kelly Township near Lewisburg, where the test unit, a 1,200 gallon-per-day Cromaglass wastewater treatment system, was set up for analysis.

They met with Clean Water Institute students Zeb Buck, Lauren Mesko and Lori Smith, as well as Mike Gerardi from Cromaglass, to collect a sample and then returned to the college to hear a presentation about wastewater testing. The day concluded with a tour of the Lycoming campus.

Ritz-Craft Corp. president; Lycoming alumnus Management Studies speaker

Lycoming College alumnus Paul John, president/CEO of Ritz-Craft Corp., presented "Building the American Dream," as part of the College's Institute for Management Studies' James W. Harding Executive Speaker Series last week.

John spoke about his involvement in helping to grow the largest privately owned off-site home building company in America, which has provided home ownership to nearly 40,000 families.

John is a 1985 graduate of Lycoming, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration. He was named president of Ritz-Craft in 1991.

Based in Mifflinburg, the Ritz-Craft Corp. has been building high-end modular homes for more than 50 years. It also has manufacturing plants in Michigan and North Carolina with distribution to nearly 30 states.

Crime Log

Date:	Offense:	Location:
3/16/10	Disorderly conduct	Asbury Hall
3/17/10	Purchase, consumption, possession of alcohol	Asbury Hall
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3/17/10	Purchase, consumption, possession of alcohol	Asbury Hall
3/17/10	Indecent exposure	Skeath Hall
3/17/10	Theft of property	Crever Hall
3/18/10	Criminal mischief	Academic Center
3/18/10	Criminal mischief	Crever Hall
3/18/10	Criminal mischief	Skeath Hall
3/19/10	Disorderly conduct	Williams Hall
3/19/10	Theft by unlawful taking	Athletic Stadium
3/20/10	Criminal mischief	Asbury Hall
3/20/10	Criminal mischief	Mulberry St. Apts.
3/20/10	Purchase, consumption, possession of alcohol	Crever Hall
3/21/10	Criminal mischief	Skeath Hall
3/22/10	Criminal mischief	Asbury Hall

Williamsport Weekend Weather

Friday

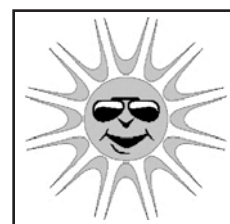
Rain/Snow Showers



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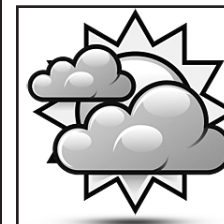
Sunny



High: 53°
Low: 32°

Sunday

Mostly Cloudy



High: 59°
Low: 39°

Habitat for Humanity to sponsor Housing Crisis Awareness Week

By Aliza Davner
College Life Editor



Spring is seen as a time for growth and progress and this spring, the Lycoming College chapter of Habitat for Humanity is hoping to make progress in the fight against world poverty by educating students on the housing crisis affecting not in the United States, but the global community.

To aid in that fight, Lyco Habitat for Humanity will sponsor Act! Speak! Build! Week.

This student-organized awareness week aims to "bring attention, not only of Habitat for Humanity's contributions, but of the incredible need for affordable housing nationally and worldwide," said Sophomore Denyse Walters, one of Habitat's leaders.

Lycoming Habitat for Humanity members have participated in Act! Speak! Build! Week activities in past years, but hope that this year's event will attract more student involvement, according to Walters.

The event, which runs from April 5 through 9, will feature a different activity each day aimed at educating and informing Lyco students on the lack of low-income housing

available to those who need it.

The week will kick off on Monday, April 5, with informational pamphlets on Habitat for Humanity's many projects and contributions in the fight against world poverty handed out to students campus-wide.

On Tuesday, Habitat members will continue to get the word out through informational tri-fold boards, which will be set-up in various buildings on campus.

Tuesday's list of activities will also include a Lyco Habitat-sponsored lunch PDR, which "will feature an informative slideshow," said Walters.

Act! Speak! Build! Week's activities continue on Wednesday, April 7, with Lycoming College's chapter of Habitat for Humanity hosting a panel discussion in cooperation with its local affiliate, the Lycoming County branch of Habitat for Humanity at 8 pm.

On Thursday, both mem-

bers of Habitat and other Lycoming student organizations will be given the opportunity to participate in a letter-writing campaign.

According to Walters, all letters written will be sent "to local representatives expressing our concern for affordable housing options."

The week will conclude on Friday, April 9, with an event called "Shantytown on the Quad."

For \$5 per team, according to Walters, "teams of students will represent clubs and organizations by building cardboard houses on the Quad."

For more information on Act! Build! Speak! Week go to <http://www.habitat.org/youth> programs.

Additionally, any student or Lycoming clubs and/or organizations wishing to get involved in Act! Speak! Build! Week can contact Walters at waldeny@lycoming.edu.

Lycoming professor researching attitudes toward computing

For the past decade, enrollment in undergraduate computer science and engineering programs has declined.

Dr. Eileen Peluso, associate professor of mathematical sciences at Lycoming College, says the fields are suffering from two problems: dropping enrollments of female students since the mid-1980s and falling enrollments and retention overall since 2000.

Her research, "The Impact of Alice on the Attitudes of Middle and High School Students Toward Computing," focuses on Alice, an innovative teaching tool developed at Carnegie Mellon University that is aimed at reversing this trend.

A portion of her project is being conducted at Lewisburg Area High School in Mark Berger's Web design and communications/video classes.

"Students using Alice learn the basic concepts of programming and game creation without dealing with the tedious syntax of traditional programming languages," Berger said.

"The Alice program allows my students to create simple animations and video games in a visual format. It is a great new way of introducing computer programming to middle and high school level students."

The site www.alice.org says Alice is an innovative 3D programming environment that makes it easy to create an animation for telling a story, playing an interactive game, or a video to share on the Web.

It is a freely available teaching tool designed to be a student's first exposure to object-oriented programming. Alice allows students to learn fundamental programming concepts in the context of creating animated movies and simple video games.

In Alice, 3D objects (e.g., people, animals, and vehicles) populate a virtual world and students create a program to animate those objects.

"The researchers of the Alice project have spent more than a decade developing a visual programming environment that allows the students to learn fundamental programming language constructs in an environment that engages students from the start and is sufficiently robust to keep them engaged," Peluso said.

"One of Alice's strengths lies in its rich gallery of classes, allowing a group of students with widely ranging interests to create virtual worlds that are as unique as they are. In addition, its click-and-drag coding environment prevents the frustration caused by syntax errors, such as misplaced semi-colons or misspelled words, which are common when novice programmers begin programming with production programming languages in traditional text-based environments."

Peluso's research has three objectives:

1. Advance the use of Alice at the middle and high school levels of regional school districts;

2. Gather, analyze and submit for publication data on the impact that Alice has on the attitudes of middle and high school students with regard to computer science and engineering in general, and computer programming in particular; and

3. Develop curricular units appropriate for various middle and high school levels and submit them to the free online repository of instructional materials under construction at Carnegie Mellon.

Peluso will survey two groups of students. Those participating in the Alice project will complete surveys at the beginning and at the end of the unit.

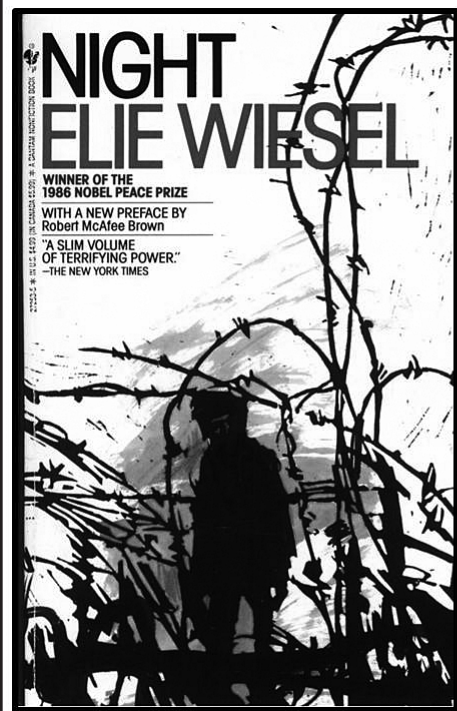
A control group of students who have not participated in the unit will also complete a survey.

"Comparisons of the responses on the two administrations of this survey to those students learning Alice will yield insight into the impact of Alice on the attitudes of the participants," said Peluso.

"Comparisons of the responses between the control group and the participants will yield insight into whether or not it was the exposure to Alice that was responsible for attitude changes."

Peluso also is scheduled to work at the Montgomery Area School District in Chris Ulrich's Graphics I communications classes and Al Stola's multimedia class.

Area teachers interested in participating in the project are encouraged to contact Peluso at pelusoem@lycoming.edu.



6th ANNUAL LYCOMING COLLEGE READ-IN

Saturday, March 27th
Snowden Library Fireplace
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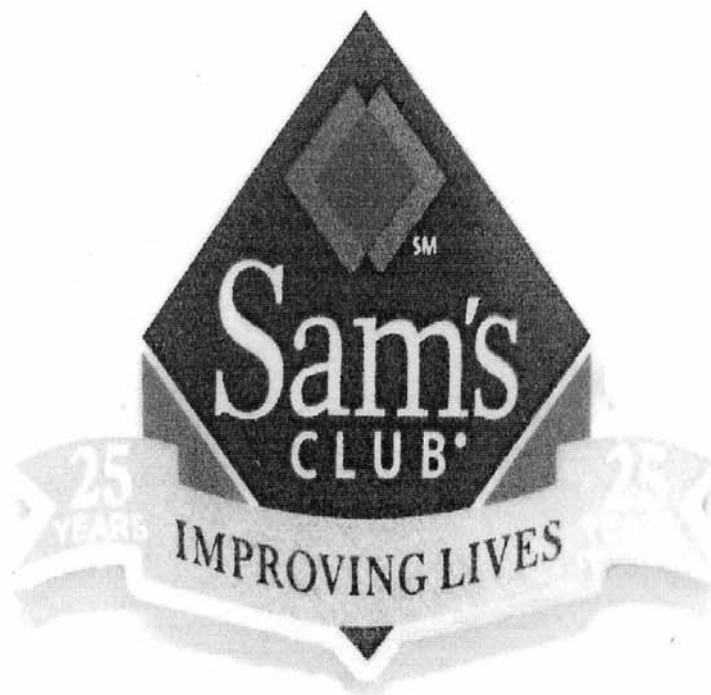
The Lycourier's weekly meeting is at 9 p.m. tonight in the Mass Communications building

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SAVINGS PLAN



Lycoming students gather for a photo after getting their haircut to donate to cancer. Ten people participated in this event, nine women and one male, junior Dan Geise.



Freshman Leanne Bubblez Custodio and junior Holly O'Hara stuff teddy bears at the bear-stuffing station hosted by Campus Activities Board.

Campus Scrapbook

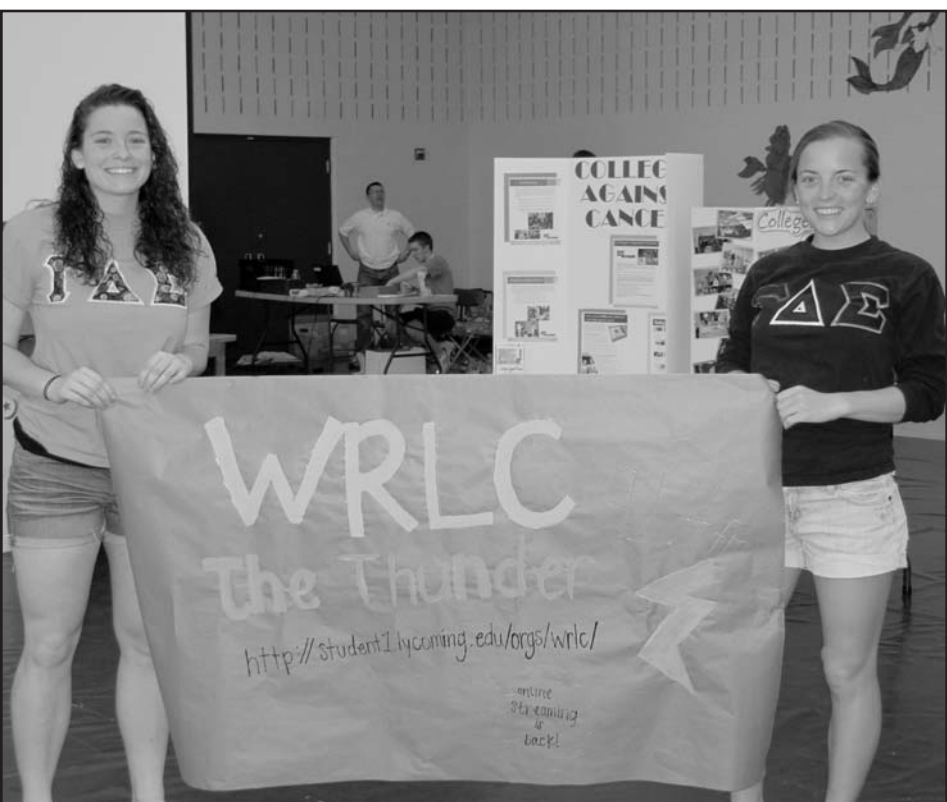
Relay for Life

March 19 - March 20, 2010

Photos by Stephanie Robinson



Students visit the plethora of tables set up by student organizations participating in the Relay for Life 12-hour long event. This photo was taken from the track.



WRLC disc jockeys, sophomore Grace Gargiulo (left) and junior Kate Isenock pose with the WRLC banner. The station DJs played music throughout the night from a makeshift wooden boat located front and center of all the festivities.



From left, Phi Kappa Psi's Jason Heritage, Daniel Angstadt, Corey Fischer, Jesse Schalline, Dan Geise, Chad Lemmons, Robb Wentzel and Philip Cook take a break from grilling burgers. The fraternity raised more than \$140.

March 25, 2010

It's all Greek to Kappa Delta Rho and Alpha Rho Omega



By
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The Lycourier Staff

Fraternity: Kappa Delta Rho

A golden addition to Lyco's fraternity set is Kappa Delta Rho, a national fraternity founded originally at Middlebury College, located in Middlebury, Vt.

Kappa Delta Rho was created in 1905 and the fraternity began at Lycoming in 1953 by 10 founding members including George Kimball, Irving Thurston Coates and Pierce Wordsworth Darrow. Before KDR's formal classification as a fraternity, it was a literary club named Theta Pi Pi.

Kappa Delta Rho represents itself through the color scheme of Middlebury blue and Princeton orange. The blue was selected to symbolize justice, while the orange embodies freedom. On floral terms, KDR is characterized by the red rose, as a beacon of incorruption. Locally, Kappa Delta Rho chose the Tasmanian devil in terms of mascot representation, but the brotherhood's national mascot is the peregrine falcon.

KDR brothers follow the mantra "Honor Super Omnia," meaning "honor above all things." Currently, 19 members adhere to this motto.

In terms of community service, KDR brothers certainly don't exclude themselves. They partake in a national philanthropy known as KDR Kids, which is essentially a service organization designed to aid children by providing not only role models, but lasting friendships.

Annually, KDR is among the many student organizations that participate in Relay for Life by taking donations and walking the track in the Rec Center. Proceeds are then donated for cancer research.

David Ballard, alumni relations and history chairman, offers his insight as to why he chose to be a member of Kappa Delta Rho.

"There were several reasons I joined Kappa Delta Rho. Before I had met any brothers, I was referred to the fraternity from an older non-Greek friend of mine. As I met the brothers I found that I held many of the same ideals and values, but felt that the differences are what brought everyone together. I was amazed that such a diverse group of guys could be such a closely knit group of people," Ballard said.

Further, Ballard has much to say for those independents indecisive in their decision about joining Greek life.

"To anyone thinking of going Greek but who is on the fence, I would say to you that joining a fraternity is a leap of faith, and is not for everyone. Being part of something bigger than yourself and representing your house, just as you would represent your family, school, or country, is something that makes me very proud. By going Greek, you are becoming part of a family that traces its roots back hundreds of years. Another benefit of joining a Greek organization is the alumni base that you now have access too, opening up doors for internships, jobs, and just the advice that someone who has been in your shoes can offer," Ballard said.

Sorority: Alpha Rho Omega

One of the three local Greek organizations on campus, Alpha Rho Omega was founded on April 1, 1981. Thirteen young women stemming from Alpha Sigma Pi fraternity mixed with independents formed the sorority, including founding members Carla Huelsenbeck, Sandy Tashjian and Michelle Macksound.

The women of Alpha Rho Omega characterize themselves by the colors of red, gold and purple. Red is designated to represent lifeblood, gold is set to symbolize prosperity, while purple conveys vitality. Together, all three colors are designed to express royalty.

On a less-traditional note, Alpha Rho has the American Beauty Rose from the Grateful Dead album "American Beauty" as its flower of choice. The Grateful Dead thread doesn't end there, as Alpha Rho is also represented by symbols of the Grateful Dead bear, peace signs and heart (which all serve to denote love), along with the Pegasus as the sorority's mascot.

Motto-wise, Alpha Rho sisters take pride in the quote "Hang the trifle, woman. Take thee honor!" deriving from Act II, Scene I, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," by William Shakespeare. For those who aren't well-versed in Shakespearean language, the quote is designed to remind those to forget the miniscule things



Kaitlyn Ober/The Lycourier

From left, junior Cody Billotte, sophomores Brad Stevens and Rob Wilson, senior John Green and sophomore Eric Yaeger get together for a photo at the local bowling alley during a recruitment event.



The sisters of Alpha Rho Omega pause for a sisterly pose in the Commons.

in life and strive for the best.

Currently, 13 Alpha Rho Omega sisters are pursuing the ideals of unity, loyalty and respect, along with two new members. Annually, the sorority tends to gain an average of eight members.

Alpha Rho sisters definitely do not shy away from community service responsibilities. The sorority participates in a variety of community service projects including donating money every year to a child in Africa, and Adopt-A-Highway.

The major philanthropy, however, is the Quarter Mile of Quarters, in honor of alumna Holly Young's brother, Joe Young, who died as a result of a drunken driving accident. A graduating senior from Hughesville Area High School receives a scholarship established by the Young family. The sorority raises money to benefit it.

Victoria Dennison, chapter president and chaplain, is quite

happy with her decision to join Alpha Rho Omega.

"I decided to join Alpha Rho Omega because the sisters seemed like strong, independent women. I did not feel like I had to change or be someone different around them and I could always be myself. They were very real. When I first came to Lycoming I had no intention of joining a sorority, however once I met the sisters in Alpha Rho, I changed my mind. I have been a sister for almost two years and I do not regret my decision," Dennison said.

Dennison said "If anyone were on the fence about going Greek, I would tell them to go and learn about all of the houses to find out which one suits them best and where they feel most comfortable. Don't listen to stereotypes about any of the houses or about Greek Life in general, because most of the time they are not true."

Scotland offers visitors trips to both medieval past and modern present



By
Pamela
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The Lycourier Staff

Scotland is one of the most picturesque countries in Great Britain. England and Wales are close, but the castles in Scotland make it a memorable place to visit. Edinburgh, Glasgow and the Loch Ness are just some of the must-visit places in this country.

Edinburgh is the capital and can be regarded as one of Europe's most beautiful cities.

The Edinburgh castle has dominated the city skyline for the past 800 years and will continue to do so for years to come. The castle has filled many roles, including a palace, barracks, a prison and a parliament, making it a key part in Scotland's history and culture. This castle is also home to the United Kingdom's oldest crown jewels since the early 1600s.

For a beautiful view of the city, climb up to Calton Hill. You'll be surrounded by classical buildings, including the National Monument for the dead of the Napoleonic Wars, the Nelson Monument and the Old City Observatory.

Just outside of Edinburgh, visit Craigmillar Castle. It is a short bus ride (about 3 miles) and you can escape from the busy city. One of the best preserved medieval castles in Scotland, it was a part of a chain of castles that protected Edinburgh from being invaded. Construction on this castle started in the mid-to-late 1300s.

Animal lovers should travel beyond Scotland's coast to one of two small islands to spend time with puffins. Handa Island and Orkney Islands are two places most famous for their populations of puffins.

Handa Island is a bird sanctuary that can only be accessed by boat (at a cost of about 10 pounds, or \$20).

Conservation volunteers provide information about the island and the bird, and then leave visitors to wander the small island. Puffins are a friendly bird and somewhat look like a mix between a penguin with a black and white body and a toucan with a colorful beak. These animals are very curious about their human visitors.

Glasgow is another must-visit city of Scotland. Glasgow is the largest city and is situated on the River Clyde. Argyle Street,



The city of Edinburgh, nestled in the Scottish highlands, gives tourists a breathtaking view of the natural scenery.

Sauchiehall Street and Buchanan Street have some of the best shopping in the city. Those seeking designer labels, however, should travel to Princes Square and the Italian Centre.

The Glasgow Cathedral is one of the most underrated architectural treasures in Scotland. It is said to be one of the oldest buildings in Glasgow, with one chapel that dates back to the 1200s. The cathedral is also home to a Presbyterian congregation that holds services twice every Sunday. Next to the Cathedral is the St. Mungo Museum of Religious Life and a café.

Scotland is known for its beautiful countryside and fresh-water lochs (or lakes). There are over 30,000 freshwater lochs in

Scotland. The most famous loch is the Loch Ness, said to be home to the Loch Ness Monster. The Loch Ness has almost double the volume of water than all the lakes of England and Wales combined. While the Loch Ness Monster has been generally accepted as folklore, people still insist they see the monster from time to time.

While England and Ireland may be on your list of places to visit, Scotland should be as well. This gorgeous country is filled with a rich history and great culture. Not to mention, where else can you get a kilt? The people are friendly, the whiskey is smooth, and the scenery is breathtaking.

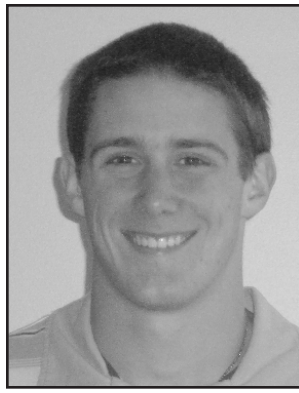
Question of the Week: *What is your favorite song right now?*



Jasmine Sanders
Senior



Samantha McConnell
Sophomore



Chris Petillo
Sophomore



Paige Cole
Sophomore



Justin Hall
Senior

“Shots’ by LMFAO ft. Lil’ Jon.”

“Follow Me Down’ by 3Oh!3 featuring Neon Hitch.”

“Caress Me Down’ by Sublime.”

“Telephone’ by Lady Gaga featuring Beyonce.”

“The Distance’ by Cake.”



Jordan Hollander/Lycourier

Protesters rally outside the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C. over the current health-care situation.

Trip to Washington provides chance to practice First Amendment Rights



By
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people were flying yellow “Don’t Tread on Me” flags, a flag that I proudly hang in my room. There was an electricity in the air, and it made me proud to be an American that these thousands of people could peacefully assemble and practice their right to protest.

I eventually made it to the law schools that originally brought me to D.C., but the most memorable part of the trip was participating in the protest.

The United States needs health care reform, but not this kind. Americans need a bill that promotes individual responsibility and actually helps bring down costs associated with health-care. This bill, which passed the House of Representatives does not. This bill creates more reliance on big government and will wreak havoc on the national deficit. I hope that our Congress and President Barack Obama will come to realize this. If they don’t, there is always the mid-term election in November.

Saturday, I traveled to our nation’s capital. The a trip, sponsored by the Lycoming College Democrats, happened to coincide with a massive Tea Party-led rally on the steps of the United States Capitol building protest the health care reform bill that was being considered for a vote that weekend. While my original intention of going to Washington D.C., was to visit a few law schools that I applied to, I could not pass up the opportunity to use my right guaranteed by the First Amendment and join in the protest.

I do not support the health care reform bill. I believe it is an attempt to socialize healthcare, and amounts to a government takeover of healthcare. I also believe that the federal government does not have the authority to do such a thing, and I hope that the individual mandate requiring people to have insurance or face fines will be tossed out by the courts as unconstitutional. So, I happily joined the tens of thousands of peaceful protestors on the lawn in front of the Capitol building and joined in chants of “Vote No” and “Kill the bill!”

Many of the protestors wore red, white, and blue and carried homemade signs that expressed their outright objections to the bill under consideration.

There were people who were singing protest songs about freedom and liberty and many

Overheard

The best quotes on campus overheard by Lycourier staff members

“If you are going to kill an animal, kill it right.”

-Student Board Room

“One of my boobs popped.”

-Recreation Center

“The currency is Krispy Kremes.”

-The Cafe

“I can do what I want, I have free healthcare.”

-Pennington Lounge

“Julius Caesar; he was stabbed?”

-The Academic Center

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What qualities make a good leader?



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This happened a few times in my life. I remember the excitement of fifth grade. I was finally going to rule the school. Then, just like that, I was knocked back down. It was called middle school. Again I rose to the top, but the same thing happened: high school. Then it was college, and soon it will be followed by graduate school and in my case, a job.

So this goes back to my question: What makes a leader? Is it a hierarchical process? At Lyco, it is a two-way street.

Many leaders on this campus are given the position because they are seniors or juniors. Many people feel like they have to become a leader in a club or organization that they are involved in because simply, there is no one else to do it. However, it should be because they want to do it, not because they have to.

In the end, a leader means someone who wants to help others or lead other in the right direction. A leader should want to lead and in some cases serve others for the greater good.

Though many leaders get rewarded for what they do, they should not become a leader for the reward, it is not always about the accolade and praise. My favorite people are those who do good things and without reward. In the end they are campus leaders for the greater good. Though getting rewarded does help motivate a person to continue being a leader on campus, it should not matter. Awards are nice, but the work that a leader does should overshadow the praise.

With the Leadership and Service Awards banquet coming up in April, I spent some time nominating people and organizations at Lycoming College who display the characteristics of what I believe a leader should be.

Though the voting for the Leadership and Service Awards Banquet is over and the winners will be announced April 14, I wonder what makes a good leader.

I was struck by this idea again after I received an e-mail for Chieftain nominations. Each year Lycoming College hands out the Chieftain Award, the highest honor that a Lycoming College graduating senior can receive. The award is among those presented at Honors Convocation on April 18. It is given to a senior who shows the highest dedication and leadership qualities and who is academically ranked above the median of the preceding senior class. The 2009 recipient of the Chieftain Award was Francesca Pistcitelli.

After submitting my ballot on Webadvisor, I again wondered about who is a true leader.

Many people are natural leaders. They just display the qualities of what a leader should be. Thinking about leaders sends me back to the playground in elementary school. At recess pupils would run outside and go to the kickball field. Then magically two people, sometimes more, would come out of the group of potential leaders and they would lead the rest of the group in choosing teams.

The kids on the playground varied in terms of how they would lead. In this case it was usually by athletic ability and in some cases physical strength. Age and grade also played a key factor. If the fourth graders wanted to play kickball with the fifth graders, naturally the fifth graders would pick the teams. Even in elementary school, age and class meant something.

Though we did not understand it at the time, we usually chose our leaders by some sort of hierarchy. As students got older they would move up in rank until they hit a point that returned them to the bottom.

Witty Observations of the Week

Long Hall employees are behind by an hour: the clock on the tower is still on daylight savings time.

The worst part of St. Patrick’s Day is the day after.

Some people need to think before they get a tattoo.

T-Pain presents 'Freaknik: The Musical'



By Allie Lyke

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On March 7 greatness premiered on Adult Swim at 11:30 p.m. It was not a new "Family Guy" episode; it was not a new season premiere of "Robot Chicken." It was the debut of T-Pain's new movie, "Freaknik: The Musical."

Based in the South, "Freaknik" is a cartoon parody and visual portrayal of the Freaknik Festival, which was an annual spring break meeting in Atlanta, primarily of students from historically black colleges and universities.

Began in 1982 as a small picnic near the Atlanta University Center, it initially was sponsored by the DC Metro Club and was typically held during the third weekend in April to coincide with the schools of the Atlanta University Centers Reading Day. The event increased in size and popularity in the 1990s with dancing, drinking, parties, a basketball tournament and rap sessions.

Despite the high attendance and enjoyment, many residents complained about traffic congestion, lewd public behavior, open urination, noise and trash due to street parties. As a result city leaders eventually

took measures to curtail Freakniks accessibility and hence its popularity. This involved an increase in police security at the festival. And its popularity died which led to the "death" of Freaknik.

The movie, which took two years to create, is the story of how the spirit of Freaknik is revived as a Party Ghost (voiced by T-Pain). As a result, life and energy is brought back to spring break and the South.

As far as being entertaining, this musical is very successful by having appearances from the most popular hip-hop and r&b artists of today. It not only features the voice of T-Pain, but also the voices of Lil Wayne, Rick Ross, Kelis, Snoop Dogg, and DJ Drama. The movie also has appearances from comedians such as Andy Samberg, Bill Hader and Charlie Murphy.

With the music and score developed and written by T-Pain, the songs are filled with bass pumping, rhythmic beats as well as catchy melodies. Every song in this movie has a slogan you will never forget. For example, one of the songs, titled "Save U" is about assisting strippers in reforming their lifestyles. Throughout the song, Freaknik, the party ghost, repeatedly says "I'll Save Ya" which becomes the mantra for the song theme.

Although this is delivering a somewhat positive message, it is not something one would expect to hear on the radio. It is recommended that you do not watch this around small children or at work around your boss. However, if you want a quick laugh, please tune-in to the movie. The combination of lucrative beats, southern slang and mild comedy will blow you away during the one-hour special.

For those who missed the debut, it can be seen online. It is available for free on worldstarhiphop.com as well as youheardthatnew.com.



T-Pain, shown above, is the voice for of Party Ghost, the main character in "Freaknik the Musical."

Film series to relaunch with focus on Hitchcock

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Alfred Hitchcock's smash hit "Psycho," the Christ and Culture film series will feature the acclaimed director's films in all three of its screenings this year.

Hosted by author and speaker Joseph W. Smith III, the series now in its fourth year meets at 7 p.m. on April 9 to view and discuss one of Hitchcock's lesser known films: "Rope," starring James Stewart and Farley Granger.

"Rope" was the first of four Hitchcock-Stewart collaborations, and it also marks the director's first use of Technicolor; but by far its most intriguing aspect is Hitchcock's attempt to make a movie with no cuts.

Shot in uninterrupted ten-minute takes and then carefully spliced together to conceal the edits, the film itself is a sort of "rope" one continuous shot requiring extraordinary coordination of actors, sets and camera movements.

The 1948 film is adapted from Patrick Hamilton's stage play, which was in turn based on the sensational Leopold Loeb murder case of 1924. The storyline about two young men who kill for the thrill of it and then host a dinner party in a room where the body lies concealed climaxes

with a powerful condemnation of Friedrich Nietzsche's "superman" theory.

In addition to the physical difficulties of Hitchcock's unorthodox filming methods, "Rope" presented the director with another challenge: how to incorporate his famous cameo in a single set film with no exteriors.

Smith will examine this and other details on the film in a discussion to follow the free screening. At the same time, the Christ & Culture talks also aim to approach films from a biblical viewpoint, in an ongoing effort to develop a Christian view of the arts.

Christ and Culture will continue the Hitchcock series with "Shadow of a Doubt" in the summer and "Rear Window" in the fall. As for "Psycho" itself Smith will host a 50th anniversary showing of that classic shocker at the Community Arts Center on June . All Christ and Culture screenings take place at Agape Church, 485 E. Third St. in Williamsport. Free refreshments are provided.

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Alfred Hitchcock was the king of unorthodox filming methods.

Uptown Music Collective students send \$5,000 to help aid Haiti

The Uptown Music Collective along with the Community Arts Center held a fundraiser show, titled Lajenès Pou Ayiti or "Youth for Haiti," to help aid in the relief effort in Haiti after Jan. 12th's devastating earthquake.

The performers included Uptown Music Collective students, who performed a wide range of material including rock, soul and pop classics, as well as a jazz piece and a classical guitar quartet performance.

They were joined by the elite choral group from the Williamsport Area High School, Les Chanteuses, under the direction of Kent Weaver.

Students from Milissa Augustine's Dance Academy also joined several of the musical groups onstage adding an exciting visual element to what was already a rich musical experience.

The idea for the benefit came from Jennie Judd, a sophomore at Williamsport Area High School, and Uptown Music Collective student Brandon Route, who is also a sophomore at Williamsport.

"One Sunday afternoon Brandon e-mailed me and asked me if the Collective might be interested in organizing a benefit to raise money for the relief efforts in Haiti," said Dave Brumbaugh, executive director of the Uptown Music Collective.

"I immediately replied that it was a great idea and now you are in charge of organizing it." Route, along with other Uptown Music Collective students Nuria Hunter and Katie Shaw, took on that leadership role and put together the exciting and varied program involving young people from all over central Pennsylvania.

There also was an art exhibit featuring young visual artists from the Greater Williamsport. Their works were displayed in the inner lobby of

the Community Arts Center, with many of the works being auctioned off to support the relief efforts in Haiti.

As a special treat, a small team of artists created a painting during the first part of the performance. The live work was completed by the events intermission, at which point audience members bid on the piece. Finally the music and other events were interspersed with readings from young local poets and a slide show about the situation in Haiti presented by Jennie Judd, who recently returned from helping with the relief efforts there.

The show raised \$5,317. One hundred percent of the proceeds from this event were sent to the relief agency Direct Relief International and designated specifically to the relief effort in Haiti. Direct Relief International provides medical assistance to improve the quality of life for people affected by poverty, disaster, and civil unrest at home and throughout the world. In recent years,

Direct Relief has spent less than one-half of one percent of its annual support on fundraising and less than one percent on administration.

That simple math is why Direct Relief's efficiency and expense ratings are consistently among the best in the United States.

The Uptown Music Collective is a non-profit school of music, located at 848 West Fourth St.

Established in April of 2000, the collective has developed a reputation as the premier source of music education in the area. Private lessons at all levels on guitar, bass, drums, keyboards and vocals, as well as classes and workshops in music theory, songwriting, and styles such as the blues, jazz, classical and rock, are offered.

The primary age range of the collective is 10 to 18 years old, but is open to all ages and levels. Along with private lessons, the collective offers a myriad of programs including its flagship Performance Program. This program educates students about the ins and outs of major and minor performances, including direction, production, preparation and technical aspects of the performances.

The program also brings outstanding student run performances to the area, including the most recent, "Shine on You Crazy Diamond; A Tribute to Pink Floyd," and "The Evolution of Rock: 1951-1991."

For more information about the collective is available online at www.uptownmusic.org.



Movie Retrospective: 'Toy Story,' a classic that never gets old



By Anna Jimenez

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There are some movies that we all remember seeing at the theaters as a little kid, and for most young adults one of those movies is "Toy Story."

Back in 1995, when I was seven years old, I remember going to the movies with my dad to see "Toy Story" for the first time. I was amazed by how great it looked, not knowing what CGI was at the time, and I instantly fell in love.

"Toy Story" follows the secret life of Andy's beloved play things. Woody (voiced by Tom Hanks), the cowboy doll, is Andy's favorite toy, and all of the other toys know it and accept it. Woody loves being Andy's No. 1, but after a birthday party, a new toy comes into play.

Buzz Lightyear (voiced by Tim Allen) is an awesome new astronaut doll that all the kids want to play with. Once Andy gets Buzz for his birthday, Woody quickly gets replaced as Andy's favorite toy.

Woody doesn't take the change very well, and all the other toys can tell that he is jealous of Buzz.

After an argument that Buzz and Woody have, Buzz gets pushed out of Andy's bedroom window; but since he was pushed out by a lamp that Woody dodged, all the other toys blame Woody for throwing him out the window.

Since Andy can't find Buzz, he ends up taking Woody to Pizza Planet instead. However, Buzz sees Andy get in the car and manages to hitch a ride to get back at Woody.

Woody and Buzz end up getting into a fist fight when Andy's mom goes to the gas station, and they both end up falling out of the car, and before they can get back in, the car leaves them there.

Buzz and Woody end up climbing into a truck, which is a delivery truck for Pizza Planet. When they get to the restaurant parking lot, they

sneak inside. Once inside, Buzz thinks he sees his spaceship (because he thinks he is a real astronaut) and tries to climb aboard; but to their surprise Buzz and Woody end up getting trapped inside a claw machine filled with alien squeaky toys.

As Woody tries to find a way out of the "spaceship," he and Buzz get taken away by the claw; and instead of Andy claiming them, it is Sid, the evil kid from next door who mutilates toys.

Woody and Buzz end up going back to Sid's house, and Woody knows they have to get out of there either before Sid destroys them, or Andy and his family move away.

As Woody tries to figure out how to get out of Sid's house, Buzz deals with the reality that he isn't really an astronaut after seeing a commercial for himself on Sid's dad's television.

Buzz and Woody eventually team up with all of the mutated toys that Sid has in his room, and they scare him so bad he can't be around toys at all.

Buzz and Woody still have to get into the moving truck before they lose Andy forever; and with a little help from their friends, they are reunited with everybody and end up being friends.

"Toy Story" is one of the best Disney movies of all time, as well as the first collaboration between Disney and Pixar, which paved the way for movies like "A Bug's Life," "Finding Nemo," "Cars" and "Wally." It is also noted for being a Disney movie that wasn't a musical and



didn't have the characters sing the songs that were in the movie.

Fifteen years after the original film dazzled the screen, "Toy Story 3" is set to be released this summer.

The second sequel to the successful franchise is coming to theaters in 3-D, giving an extra element to the initial opening that we saw as children.

With the new movie coming out, we can all look back on the fond memories we had when we first met Buzz and Woody 15 years ago.

Senior Spotlight: Jessica Nabholz



By
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When Jess Nabholz was younger, her uncle played Major League Baseball for the Montreal Expos which immersed her into the baseball environment. After going to many games, her parents signed her up for a softball league 14 years ago.

"It was something I was pushed into that I grew to fall in love with," Nabholz said.

Since then, Nabholz has played on many teams and has been successful. In high school, she started as a freshman and led the team in hitting. As a senior, she made the All-County first team selection.

At Lycoming, Nabholz plays third base, bats right and throws right. As of this season, her batting average is .460 and has seven RBI's. Nabholz's on base percentage is .400.

Nabholz is four doubles away from breaking the doubles career record here at Lycoming which is a career best 24 set by Jessica Feerrar in her 2000-2003 seasons.

The softball team brought in 12 freshmen this year, which resulted in a lot of adjustments on the team. Other than the freshmen, there are only four other upperclassmen players. Nabholz is one of the captains and thinks their adjustments have gone well.

"I really think they will make huge contributions this year for the team. With their help we are going to be successful," Nabholz said.

Amy Cline, a freshman for the Warriors, believes that Nabholz has helped them all.

"She is a great leader and holds herself well in different situations on the team. We are younger and she has had four years of experience and teaches us."

Janelle Poorman, another freshman on the team, thinks that Nabholz really helped them. "She definitely made the transition better for us. She was very welcoming and accepting."

Nabholz has been through injuries in her past but they don't stop her from doing what she loves.

"My biggest motivators are the struggles I have been through and the ones I am currently going through. Every day I tell myself, you never have bad days, only bad moments."

A current struggle is her aunt being diagnosed with cancer.

Her aunt is one of her role models along with her grandma.

"My aunt is currently fighting cancer and my grandmother had it as well and survived. If they can survive that, I can survive in everyday life and my own struggles," she said.

Last summer, Nabholz joined the Army Reserve and went to basic training in Fort Jackson, South Carolina. A reason that she joined was for money for school and she always wanted to be in the military since there was a strong military background in her family.

One of the obstacles was living in the woods for a week with only three changes of clothing. She believes that boot camp changed her for the better.

"It absolutely changed me. It made me more respectful of others and also has made me realize what's really important in life. Materialistic things really mean nothing," she said.

One of her favorite memories with the softball team will always be the bus rides to and from games last season. They played a game called Yellow Car and competition was intense among the team. The team also played "Apples to Apples" in the van ride down to Virginia.

Cline recalled that Nabholz "picked up a huge mushroom on the field at practice to get extra credit for her Medicinal and Poisonous Plant class. It was so random and so funny and all of us were laughing!"

As a leader on the team, Nabholz finds a challenge in team unity.

"Staying together and understanding our roles are probably the biggest challenge. As a captain, I try to keep everyone motivated and try to let them know they can always talk to me," she said.



Senior third baseman for the Warrior softball team Jess Nabholz has a chance to post a record-breaking season for Lycoming. She needs just four more doubles to break the all-time mark of 24.

"One of Jess's best assets is keeping us together as a team," Cline said.

"She helps us to all stay focused during the game and makes sure our heads are all on the same page," Poorman said.

Nabholz's team goals include making it to playoffs and winning. Individually, she hopes to break her double record and to be a role model for the younger players.

"I realized that as a captain, I need to sacrifice myself for the team and do what is necessary for us to be successful, so as long as we are, I am happy."

Nabholz is studying psychology with a minor in biology. After graduation, she plans on going down to South Carolina for training in June for the Army. The training will be for her job, which is in finance.

The Warriors have a current record of 4-11, 0-2 in the conference, with 25 more games to play. Their next home game is Saturday at 1 p.m. against Arcadia University.

Women's Lax drops conference game vs. Widener



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The women's lacrosse team played against Widener University, Chester, last Saturday in a Middle Atlantic Conference match-up.

Lycoming came out strong and its offense was unstoppable. Going into halftime, the Warriors were winning 8-4 and were feeling good about their lead.

In the second half, the Widener Pride came out with a chip on their shoulder and outscored Lycoming 8-3. The final score was 12-11. The Lady Warriors were down 12-8 with five minutes left to play and scored three more goals to narrow the gap.

Amanda Baker, senior attack for the Warriors, scored three goals.

Baker leads the Warriors in 2010 with 16 points, as well as leading in the goals scored category with 10. Seniors Megan McIntyre, Bri Robertson and Justine Titko all



Senior attacker Amanda Baker dodges a defender on the way to the goal. She leads Lycoming with 10 goals and 16 points for the 2010 season.

scored two goals apiece.

Titko and McIntyre are second and third on the team in scoring, having posted 12 and 11 points this season re-

spectively. Seniors Sammi Jo Bell and Jackie Calbi both scored one goal.

Brittany Bryan, a senior goalie for the Warriors, had 10 stops in the game.

"It is hard to lose to a team we know we should have easily beaten. We know we can play well and it showed here and there on Saturday. We just need to go out and play that well for an entire game," Bryan said.

The loss puts the Warriors at a 2-4 record, going 1-1 in the conference so far. As a team they had 23 groundballs with Titko grabbing seven. The Warriors also took 31 shots.

At the game, midfielder Titko scored her 100th career goal here at Lycoming, and her eighth goal of the current season. She was honored with balloons and flowers.

The Warriors had a home game against Misericordia University, Dallas, Pa. on Wednesday.

"We will definitely dominate the game if we work hard on both offense and defense," Bryan said.

The next home contest for Lycoming will be April 6 against Messiah College, Grantham.

Sports of all kinds show up on the quad with the emergence of spring



By
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With spring in the air, certain things come to mind. It would be hard to argue that the past few weeks in the city of Williamsport have been just what the doctor ordered for many outdoor enthusiasts. With temperatures creeping into the low 70s in several days last week, sports reigned supreme on the quad and the back yard at the Commons nearly every afternoon.

In addition to the traditional yard sports such as football, baseball and Frisbee, there also were some rather unconventional sports making their appearance.

One of the most popular games that was seen behind the Commons throughout the last few weeks was cornhole. Cornhole is a game that consists of two wedge-shaped wooden inclines, peaking at about a foot in height at the back, spaced out facing each other by a distance of 27 feet.

The goal of the game is to toss bean bags (each team of two people receives four bags) into a hole positioned on the back of the platform in order to receive points. If your bean bag lands on the platform, you receive one point. If your bean bag goes through the hole, you receive three points. Teams alternate turns, and points cancel each other out in a way that is quite similar to horseshoes.

Senior Lycoming student Timothy Heagy is quite familiar with the game. "I've been playing cornhole since I was 5 years old," he said, "I played it a lot at Penn State tailgates growing up, and it's always around at graduation parties and summer get togethers."

Another unconventional sport that made its presence known in the springtime sun is ladder ball. Often referred to as "redneck golf" ladder ball is a game of patience and skill.

Two teams of two people are given three pieces of rope about eight inches in length with a ball attached to each end. The object of the game is to throw the rope and get it to wrap around a stand that has three different rungs, loosely resembling a laundry drying rack. Each rung, or "step" of the ladder is assigned a point to-



Cornhole is just one of many popular games that are emerging on quads and at tailgates across the country.

tal from one to three. The goal of the game is to amass an exact total of 21 points before the opposing team.

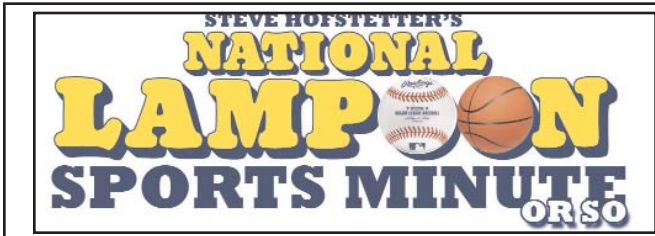
"It's a good lazy summer sport," Lycoming College senior Adam Kohler said. "I played it a lot in high school when the weather was nice and my friends and I were bored. It's been fun that we've been able to play it over the last few weeks since the weather's been so good."

Although many people decided to play cornhole and ladder ball, there were a great many who chose the more conventional ball and glove.

Over the course of the last two weeks, it was nearly impossible to go out on the quad and not see a group of people throwing a baseball. In addition to baseball and the ever popular pigskin, it wasn't difficult to spot lacrosse sticks and Frisbees anywhere.

In addition to those who found their springtime enjoyment through sports, there were equally as many who chose to just pull up a blanket and soak up the sun as spectators.

Although the weather has taken a slight turn downward this week (it is expected to snow on Friday) there is no reason to think that the quad sports will be gone for the year. With the arrival of the month of April, there is a good chance that students will forego video games and the Internet for some good old-fashioned fun in the sun. Spring is here and so are quad sports.



CBS passed on an interview with Tiger Woods, saying that five minutes with the golfer wouldn't be enough. There are hundreds of women out there who disagree.

A former porn star posted hundreds of text messages from Tiger Woods showing his proclivity for aggressive sex. And we thought golfers hated the rough.

The UConn women's team won their March Madness opener by 56 points. The New Jersey Nets were extremely embarrassed.

The New York Knicks plan to give frequently injured guard Raja Bell a tryout. Unless the Mets get to him first.

New Bobcats owner Michael Jordan stressed that he'll be more present than ever before. Which means he'll be reachable by cell phone on game days.

Bud Selig may realign baseball's divisions based on talent. So the Washington Nationals would move to the NBA's Atlantic Division.

Everyone is still buzzing about Kansas being knocked off by underdog University of Northern Iowa. There hasn't been this shocking a result in college basketball since earlier that day.

And Tiger Woods has reportedly given his wife \$150 million to stay in their relationship, and \$300 million to always knock twice before entering his hotel room.