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Debate finishes strong

By Jimmy Van Eerden Collegian Writer

"Grove City College has entered the new sphere of inter-collegiate activity. Although the decision went to our opponents, [the] Grove City men feel that in reality they have won a greater victory for the college ... if present indications foretell anything, Grove City College must be reckoned with in the future in inter-collegiate debating."

The April 4, 1913, edition of The Collegian opened with these words after the inception of Grove City College inter-collegiate debate

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Wolverines swim into sixth



Senior Caleb Courage set a new NCAA record in the 100-meter freestyle at the NCAA Division III championships last week. Courage concludes his Grove City swimming career as a three-time national champion in that event, and has received 18 All-American honors. Full story on page 20.

College stands firm

By Sarah Beth Gross Collegian Managing Editor

Although the recent economic recession seems to affect every aspect of daily life, one area in which the economy's impact has been deterred is the operation of Grove City College.

One reason that the College is not significantly affected by the economic troubles stems from the fact that the College does not accept federal funding.

"We do not take federal or state monies. Thousands and thousands of other colleges and universities do. As a result of

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Scholar visits for writers conference

By Darin Miller Collegian Editor-in-Chief

Yesterday, poet Dr. Scott Cairns spoke on the Grove City College campus and attended classes during this year's Christian Writers Conference. The conference is sponsored by the English department and the Lambda Iota Tau literary honor society.

According to Dr. Andrew Harvey, associate professor of English, the conference is "an annual event designed to provide a forum for exploring the relationship between literature and the Christian faith."

Past conferences have focused on writers such as Dorothy L. Sayers and ideas like Christianity and postmodernism. Last year's conference was held in conjunction with the C.S. Lewis and Inklings Society's international confer-

ence. "The department wanted to get the biggest poet we could find," Harvey said, "and Dr. [Eric] Potter recommended Cairns, whom he met a few years ago."

Potter, professor of English, met Cairns in the spring of 2002 at Calvin College's biannual "Festival of Faith &

Writing."

"I was delivering a paper on recent books by three contemporary American poets: Stephen Dunn, Mark Jarman and Scott Cairns," Potter said.

He said that the conference call for papers had encouraged presenters to focus on work by authors who were attending the conference. Dunn and Cairns were both there.

"As I began reading my paper, I realized that Cairns was in the audience," Potter said. "It was a bit disconcerting, but I forged ahead. Afterwards, he introduced himself and was very gracious about what I had said. I have been following his work ever since."

Cairns was scheduled to deliver the chapel homily, lecture at 4 p.m. in the Rare Book Room in Henry Buhl Library and read selections of his poetry aloud – with a question and answer session afterward – at 7 p.m. in Sticht Lecture Hall in the Hall of Arts and Letters.

Additionally, Cairns planned to visit a creative writing class and have lunch with the Orthodox Christian Fellowship, an on-campus ministry group. Cairns is Orthodox.

The conference's theme was

"Leaning into Poetry and Prayer with Scott Cairns," and Cairns' chapel lecture was appropriately named "Two Gifts: Vocation and Prayer."

Cairns is an accomplished poet, scholar and teacher. He is currently a professor of English and director of the creative writing program at the University of Missouri. He has written numerous books of poetry, including his two most recent works, "Compass of Affection" and a collection of poetic translations of Christian mystics called "Love's

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Speaker to address youth in crisis Renowned journalist Charles Wiley arrives on campus this week

Charles Wiley, a speaker with Accuracy In Media and experienced international journalist and war correspondent, will present "Modern Youth In a Time of Economic Crisis" at 7 p.m. March 31 in the Pew Fine Arts Center Recital Hall at Grove City College.

The lecture is sponsored by the Marriage and Family Working Group of The Center for Vision & Values at Grove



Charles Wiley

City College and is free and open to the public.

Wiley, known as a dynamic and captivating speaker, has lectured nationwide and on five continents.

He has reported from 100 countries and covered 11 wars, including four terms in Vietnam.

He reported for NBC, UPI, the "London Express" and numerous other U.S. and foreign news media. His tenacity led to his arrest eight times by secret police, including the KGB, and imprisonment in a Cuban dungeon while he was a correspondent for New York City radio station WOR.

He went into Afghanistan with the mujahideen during the war against the Soviet Union.

Later during a tour of Kosovo, his visits to troops from many nations included the Russian 13th Tactical Group.

Among his accomplishments, Wiley helped establish guidelines for a free press in Mongolia, was a speaker for the White House Public Outreach Group and lectured in New Zealand at the Civil Defence Academy.

He frequently addresses military audiences in the U.S. and abroad, as well as colleges and high schools.

A graduate of New York University, his freelance articles and photographs have appeared in numerous publications, including the "New York Times," 'U.S. News & World Report," "Newsweek," "National Review" and "Time."

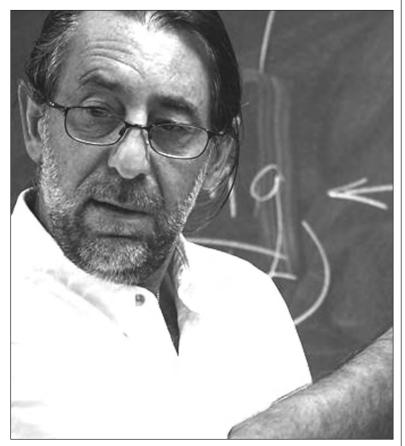
He has appeared on hundreds of network and local programs, including many times on CNN's "Crossfire" and C-SPAN.



Conference from page 1 Immensity: Mystics on the Endless Life." He also published a non-fiction spiritual memoir on his journey to Mt. Athos called "Short Trip to the Edge: Where Earth Meets Heaven a

Pilgrimage." All three titles are currently on sale in the College's bookstore.

Cairns is a decorated scholar, having earned his B.A. from Western Washington University, his M.A. from Hollins College, his M.F.A from Bowling Green State University and his Ph.D. from the University of Utah. In 2006 he was a Guggenheim Fellow. He has also taught at Kansas State University, Westminster College, the University of North Texas and Old Dominion University. He lives in Columbia, Mo., with his wife, Marcia, and their two children.



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Home is ideal place

By Luke Whipple Contributing Writer

Approach any student on Grove City's campus and ask them what they will be doing for their upcoming break and their answer may not be similar to those you would find on other campuses – but they will be the same.

Turning their heads away, with a grin and slight blush, they will say they are doing nothing of importance.

When confronted with this question, sophomore David Janssen responded in the typical fashion, "My answer is kind of boring, so, if you just want my vote, it's that I'm going home to see my family."

The week-long break that the College holds over Easter week is the equivalent to the "spring break" that is observed by colleges and universities across the United States in the weeks between March and early April.

The stereotype for those spring breaks is the image of college students, in the millions, flocking down to the warm beaches in Florida, Texas and Mexico.

Grove City students, however, give into a different sort of stereotype.

In an impromptu survey of 150 students, the overwhelming majority admitted that they will be going home with the intention of spending time with their families.

The second highest response was from students who were participating in one of the many ICOs that are going to perform mission-related work in different parts of the country and around the world.

Only one student responded by saying that he will be taking a trip away from home that is not related to the college.

In the minds of many students, it is the family that matters most.

Echoing these sentiments, freshman Tyler Crumrine said, "I value quality time with my family and have really been looking forward to seeing them again after a long semester."

This probably comes with little surprise to anyone on this campus.

Grove City is known for having students with strong familial ties and a campus culture much different than the typical school.

After several weeks of relentless work, exams and papers, a week away at home sounds very tempting to the average Grover.

"Usually, I just hang out at home," said senior Megan Jones. "It's mostly because school is so hectic and it's nice to spend a day or so on the couch."

The most surprising result of asking students their plans for break was their abashed nature in admitting that they were only going home.

Students seem to believe that spring break is expected to be a time of grandiose trips and Dionysian living.

The great majority, however, will ultimately acknowledge that home is the place they would much rather be.

Junior Abigail Van Patter, who is hosting several friends at her house in North Carolina over the break, said, "I go home every Easter break. The short breaks I stay up north, but I love spending Easter with my family at my home church.

"I think it's important that good friends see where each other are from. It tells a lot about people to meet their family."

If you are a part of the silent and inconspicuous majority that will be happily spending your break at home, realize that you are not alone.

Spring break, for most students, is not spent on the beach's hot sand but in the family's living room.

"This is my first college spring break," said freshman David Cole, "but I'll probably do the same thing in the future – Easter at my house."

Vision and values conference discussed

By Sean Morris Collegian Writer

Dr. Scott Cairns

"Advancing freedom with Christian scholarship," is the slogan of Grove City College's own Center for Vision and Values, a political-think tank started in April of 2005 that seeks to "encourage and support Grove City College faculty and kindred scholars in faith and freedom scholarship and to teach their ideas to students, parents, the business community, the Church, educators and public policy influencers in the U.S. and throughout the world via personal interaction and electronic communication," according to its website. The many outlets for the Center include radio interviews, placements of opinion editorials in newspapers, events such as the annual Ronald Reagan Lecture series, the frequent Freedom Readers Economic Seminars and television appearances, many of which were national including FOX and C-Span.

is its national conference that takes place in mid-April.

This year's conference, scheduled for April 16-17, has the theme "Faith, Freedom, and Higher Education."

The line-up of speakers for the conference includes D.G. Hart, director of academic programs at the Intercollegiate Studies Institute in Wilmington, Delaware and the previous dean of academic affairs and professor of church history at Westminster Theological Seminary in California; author of "A Secular Faith: Why Christianity Favors the Separation of Church and State" George Marsden, author of several books and professor of history at the University of Notre Dame, whose primary academic interests have concerned American evangelicalism and the role of Christianity in American higher education will be present. The conference also includes Naomi Schaefer Riley, the deputy taste editor of the Wall Street Journal and author of the book, "God on the Quad: How Religious Colleges and the Missionary Generation Are Changing America." Michael Medved, the a nationally syndicated radio talk show host, best-selling author, and veteran film critic will speak.

Walter Williams, Professor of economics at George Mason University and a nationally syndicated columnist will also be present, among many others.

In addition, a line-up of Grove City's own acclaimed faculty will be delivering papers and conducting sessions related to their own fields of expertise during the conference.

The sessions of the conference will be delving into the nature of higher education, what higher education truly means, its impact on America, the contributions and influence of the Christianity, and the future of higher education in light of tumultuous times and the death of academia. **Collegian:** The mission of the center is "advancing Freedom with Christian Scholarship", but what is the particular mission of this conference?

Kengor: Same thing. The goal of the conference is to advance that mission, to celebrate that mission, and to look at how and where that mission has been lost in most of modern higher education. We will be taking a long, careful look at the history of

not coincidentally, will occur on the 25th anniversary of the College's historic court case.

Collegian: Is there any one particular panel/session that you are most looking forward to?

Kengor: Not in particular, but I would highlight some of our headliners: Walter Williams is one of our keynote speakers, and George Nash is the other. Williams is, of course, the renowned, popular economist. George Nash is a superb scholar of conservatism, who will be doing a retrospective of William F. Buckley Jr.'s "God and Man at Yale." Of course, George Marsden is kicking off the conference. Marsden is really the top person in the country on matters like the role of the Christian in modern education, and so much more. We will also have Naomi Schaefer Riley of the Wall Street Journal, who wrote the important book, "God on the Quad." Collegian: With current economic troubles and academic dependability in decline in our nation and the world, how important do you see the mission of this conference, the Center, and Grove City College in general? Kengor: More important than

According to the website, the Center's earned media value – the equivalent cost of advertising purchases – in 2004 was worth more than \$4,000,000.

But the Center's flagship event

Students of the College are able and encouraged to attend the conference for a one-credit course this spring.

The deadline to enroll is today. Of course, students are welcome to attend the conference even if they are not enrolled. Full details and schedule of lectures can be found at the conference website. Executive Director of the Center for Vision and Values, Paul G. Kengor, Ph.D. provided The Collegian with a Q&A session regarding matters related to the conference. higher education in America, from the founding of the republic through the start of the university system, up through the progressive movement, and into modern times.

American higher education today is obviously quite different from early in the last century. Certainly, the respect for faith is not there among our dominant universities. "Freedom" in the modern college is too often interpreted as license, totally divorced from the traditional moorings of faith. Freedom without faith is disastrous. Freedom and faith are two halves of a whole. A central reason for the destructive, often chaotic imbalance of the modern university is the removal of that core faith component. Grove City College has not made that mistake, praise God. This conference,

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FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE



Student shares her experiences

Dear Students: In an effort to maintain a connection with Grove City College's students spread throughout the world, each week the Collegian will print a letter from a student studying in a foreign country.

Salut, Grove Cíty!

Transplanting yourself is "as necessary with people as with other sorts of growing things." So said Ernest Hemingway, and I agree. A developing person must steep herself in a rich foreign language and its culture and marinate.

Total immersion, at some point in your life, is necessary and powerful, if merely for the maturity you will gain after dealing with being scared out of your mind at the start. But of all the places to carry out this experience, I think Paris is best.

Hemingway, as you may know, called it his favorite city for "in Paris there is a way of living well and working no matter how poor you are; it's like having a great treasure given to you."

My experience thus far attests to this. The following proposals are all possible with little or no money, but they represent not tourism, but enrichment. They hold no value as insider tips for a traveler's bragging rights, but rather as ingredients to a rich marinade. (1). One of the best places to witness a sunrise in Paris is in the Luxembourg Gardens. You can take a morning run there and enjoy the sunlight reflected in the tranquil waters of the Fontaine Marie de Medici while most Parisians are still sleeping. This is where Marius met Jean Valjean and Cosette in "Les Misérables."

(2). The Arc de Triomphe is the largest triumphal arch in the world after Rome's Arch of Titus and the perfect place to reflect on Western political history. Napoleon ordered the Arch's construction in the early nineteenth century and it became the resting place of his ashes when he died. Here the tomb of the Unknown Soldier honors the memory of France's dead in both World Wars. Nazi storm troopers proceeded through this Arc in 1940, and five years later it served as the site for Paris's liberation parade with the Allies. You have to get there before the traffic while the morning is still quiet in order to hear the solitary guards' footsteps on the marble of the Place de l'Étoile.

(3). Ah Paris, a city where there is now a location to rent bikes every 900 feet -a more frequent sight than metro stations! Parisian drivers are polite to those on two wheels and make room for bikers, in spite of the congested traffic and horn-honking hostility between cars in rush-hour. Round



Courtesy Caroline Harp Junior Caroline Harp in a Paris garden.

the legendary Place de l'Étoile the spaces between the lanes are so large that most bikers do at least twice the speed of other moving traffic. Cyclists zip through red lights if there is little traffic and change lanes as much as they like ... it's loads of fun. On Sundays you can bike along the Seine; the streets bordering the quais do not permit cars at that time so you have the road all to yourself.

(4). For evening entertainment, stand on the steps of the Palais Garnier, a nineteenth century Opera house in Neo-Baroque style, near show time. On nights when its 2,200 seats are not sold out, you can buy them for several Euros minutes before the performance begins. You will find yourself sitting on the highest balcony in a creaky, uncomfortable wooden folding chair and, if you're tall, your legs will be in excruciating pain after thirty minutes. But it's worth it. You can take your mind off your aching joints by looking up at Marc Chagall's incredible ceiling painting in between acts of the opera or ballet.

(5). At sunset, you can unwind on the banks of the Seine listening to street music, admiring the illuminated Notre Dame and taking advantage of a free salsa lesson. In the summer, the cathedral's towers are open late so visitors can climb to the top and enjoy a breathtaking nocturnal perspective of the City of Lights.

Hemingway believed, in regards to Paris, that "you received return for whatever you brought to it," which I suppose is true of many great things. However, I would not consider a foreign experience a simple exchange. Its nature is to create within you two concurrent responses: the fulfillment of becoming a larger person and the appetite for what you know of (savoir), but do not yet know (connaître).

"If you are lucky enough to have lived in Paris as a young man," Hemingway wrote, "then wherever you go for the rest of your life, it stays with you, for Paris is a moveable feast."

Bon Voyage! And Bon Appetit! Junior Caroline Harp

Prizes up for grabs in final days of Bon Appetit survey

The College catering service, Bon Appetit, is asking students for feedback on their meal plan, dining experience and opinions on food in the 2009 StudentVoice survey. The online survey will be posted through Monday.

According to Bon Appetit General Manager JonErik Germadnik, all survey respondents will be entered into a drawing to win several prizes, such as two \$50 gas cards, five pizza parties at the Gee, five gift certificates to the College Bookstore and 30 cash prizes to be deposited on Crimson Cash cards.

To take the survey, visit https://my.gcc.edu/ics and click on the StudentVoice link.

Professor and insider speaks at conference

Dr. Derek Thomas, Reformed Theological Seminary professor and minister with First Presbyterian Church in Jackson, Miss., will visit Grove City College March 30-31 as a speaker for the second annual Grove City College Evangelical Scholarship Conference. as the minister of teaching at First Presbyterian Church.

Thomas is a 1978 graduate of Reformed Theological Seminary and received a Ph.D. from the University of Wales, Lampeter, in Calvin's preaching on the book of Job. He has written or edited 15 books and is currently the editorial director for the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals. The two-day schedule of public events includes a concert by the Grove City College String Quartet and two services in Harbison Chapel. The schedule is as follows: March 30: 4:15 p.m.: Grove City College String Quartet concert, Parker Organ Studio, Pew Fine Arts Center; 7 p.m.: Worship service, "It's All About God's Glory" from Romans 11; March 31: 9:30 a.m.: Chapel service, "Life Under the Cross" from 1 Peter 4:12-19.

Life is calling. How far will you go?

Peace Corps will be on campus Monday, March 30th. Come learn more and meet a recruiter and former Peace Corps Volunteer.

Peace Corps Events

Info Table: Monday, March 30th Student Union from 12 noon - 5pm Info Session: Monday, March 30 at 6pm Career Services Conference Room 115

Peace Corps volunteers work in 76 countries. To date, 62 Grove City grads have served in the Peace Corps.

> Apply Online Now! The application process takes 8-12 months to complete.

www.peacecorps.gov

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Originally from Wales, Thomas is the John E. Richards Professor of Systematic and Practical Theology at Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, Miss. After pastoring for 17 years in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Thomas came to the United States in 1996 where, in addition to his work at the seminary, he serves

Now in its second year, the conference is sponsored by the Student Government Association and the College's religion department. The goal is to celebrate the Reformation and the Gospel. The theme this year is the life and work of John Calvin. For more information, visit www.evangelicalconference.org.

Area experiences power loss

At 5:30 Tuesday morning, there was a power outage which lasted about ten seconds and affected the College, the Borough of Grove City, and some surrounding communities. The Grove City Borough Electrical Department informed Operations that the outage had to do with an error in the transmission of power from First Energy, the area's power supplier. The College was told to expect another blackout Tuesday morning, but the problem was fixed before a second outage could occur.

Vice-President of Operations Tom Gregg '80 reported that the College's systems were unaffected by the power loss, due to battery and generator backups on all electronic and computer hardware. The only known inconvenience was to students whose digital alarm clocks reset at the time of the outage, causing them to oversleep.

Thrasher gives hope to graduating seniors

By Sarah Beth Gross Collegian Managing Editor

"There is no question that the economy, or the state of the economy, is very practically affecting us in Career Services," Dr. James T. Thrasher, Director of Career Services said. "It affects our seniors and probably even our juniors."

One of the main reasons the economic situation affects the economy is because of the hiring freezes.

"I have been out a lot, recruiting companies and caring for our relationships with companies and many of those companies are in hiring freezes," Thrasher said. "This means that everything is on hold for them until they see how this is all going to turn out and when the economy will turn around. It is like a ripple effect. The pebble of a freeze goes in the pond and the waves move out. We are seeing that very tangibly now."

Although many companies have hiring freezes, not all organizations that are laying people off have freezes on hiring.

"Every organization, even if they are firing or you see on the news that they have out-placed 5,000-10,000 people in one day may be, that very day, hiring," Thrasher said. "Every company is hiring In fact, some of those organizations are using this downturn to make their organization leaner and meaner in the personnel department." Thrasher said that companies use economic recessions to shave off employees who are counterproductive or who don't work as well in the organization.

"But that organization is still moving ahead, so we are meeting with seniors all the time and hearing good things," Thrasher said.

The most important thing for jobseekers in economic recessions to understand how to find the available jobs or to create an opportunity for future jobs.

"If [seniors] have been working our four year process then they really have the keys to success," Thrasher said. "We would strongly encourage seniors to engage the process. Engage the process and utilize us in building lifelong strategic job search skills."

Students have the opportunity to learn how to be their own career counselors, by applying the skills they learn in the process at college.

"When times are tough, it is a very good exercise for current juniors and seniors. When students get jobs very easily, in one sense that is wonderful but in another sense that may have come too easily because they are not going to be as well prepared to look for those other positions," Thrasher said. "The seniors who are working very hard right now to find employment are actually undergoing a very good exercise because they will understand the importance of the resume and interview and cover letter and understand how important networking and developing relationships are in the whole process."

The Career Services Office reached out for new relationships, specifically with green jobs and federal opportunities.

"We have come up with 20 new initiatives to help seniors deal with the economic downturn," Thrasher said. "They relate to alternative careers and challenge students to think creatively outside the box where they can use their gifts and abilities to build their skills and experience but also be able to step into a more desirable position when it becomes available."

Thrasher said that, while 50 percent of Grove City graduates will enter graduate school within five years of leaving, a downturn economically also increases graduate school applications among seniors.

He warned that it is important to remember that graduate schools do not want to be seen as a last choice, so seniors should be ready to make a strong case for their interest in graduate schools at this time.

"Our general encouragement is to run the gauntlet," Thrasher said. "Whether the economy is strong or not, I encourage students to have lots of entrees on their platter and we would encourage students very early on in their career to research graduate school and see if that might be an option for them."

New heads appointed

Beginning June 1, the Grove City College communication studies and biology departments will have new department chairpersons.

Dr. William Anderson, provost of the College, said that Dr. Dann Brown of the communication studies department and Dr. Arnie Sodergren of the biology department "have informed [the administration] they would like to have more time to focus on their teaching and scholarship." Because of this they have asked to be relieved of their department chair duties.

"Both have served the College with great commitment and ability," Anderson said.

Brown accepted the chair of Communication Studies when it was reestablished as a separate department in 2003. Under his leadership, communication studies has grown into one of the largest majors on campus, Anderson said. Brown continued the major's emphasis on media and rhetoric and introduced courses on virtual citizenship and the Internet and increased student and faculty research opportunities.

As department chair for 21 years, Sodergren oversaw the hiring of many faculty, the introduction of the environmental science concentration within the department, the growth and strengthening of the pre-health professions curriculum and most recently the increased emphasis upon student and faculty collaborative research, Anderson said. Next year's chairs will be Dr.

Suzanna Gribble '00 for the biology department and Dr. Jennifer Scott '99 for the communication studies department.

Gribble joined the College's faculty in fall 2007 after completing her Ph.D. in Neuroscience at the University of Utah. She holds her M.S. in Anatomy from Case Western Reserve University. Gribble has published research on Zebrafish in several journals and presented posters at several international and regional Zebrafish or biology conferences.

Scott earned her Ph.D. in Communication Studies, with an emphasis in Rhetoric and Public Culture, from the Scripps College of Communication at Ohio University. Scott has published articles in several scholarly communication journals, contributed chapters in two books and performed editorial work on four volumes of the "Communication Yearbook." Scott served for several years as the assistant director of Career Services at the College, then upon completing her graduate work returned to the College in 2006 as the associate director of the Career Services office. She joined the faculty full-time in the fall of 2008.

Collegian Editor-in-Chief Darin Miller contributed.

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taking (even relying on) this source of money, many schools are seeing a severe short-term revenue tightening (especially as to state money)," College President Dr. Richard G. Jewell '67 wrote in his monthly letter to alumni. "We will, I assure you, continue our path of independence, for it is the bedrock of who we have been, are and always will be, and that is a promise." While the economy may certainly affect the personal lives of those involved with the College, core economic principles, ingrained in the College's history, have protected the school from suffering many problems – so much so that Jewell wrote in his letter that "we are not affected at all on the downside," in reference to federal and state subsidies.

many schools in current financial trouble this is a significant factor."

These economics principles were established during the early 1890s, when an economic downturn brought the Pew family into the College's history.

Jewell said that Dr. Isaac C. Ketler invited Joseph Newton Pew to the College to be its Board Chairman in order to help them out of the financial turmoil caused by the economic problems that affected the nation and the College in 1893 (the "Panic of 1893"). It was during this time that the College adopted those principles to which they continue to wrote. "But I have good news ...Through newly identified deferred giving specifically earmarked for scholarships by recently deceased alumni in their estates, plus current gifts from other donors for the scholarship purposes, we will actually have a bit more money available to award next year's students than we did in 2008-2009."

Jewell said that the choice of the incoming freshmen – whether to come or not – does not seem to be affected by the economic recession.

"Already half the class is filled," Jewell said. The other half have just received

male enrollment; however, the College had its economic principles and also worked to add a program for training naval officers that attracted the necessary enrollment. In fact, 3,759 officers were trained over a two-year period at the College.

The College is blessed with sound finances due to clear foresight, based on strong principles. While this does not mean that it will not face challenges, it does mean that it is well-equipped to wait out the economic problems facing the country.

Jewell closed his interview by saying,

A second reason the College has limited negative impact from economic troubles is that the College does not use much of its endowment earnings for operations, as most institutions do.

"In fact, we use endowment earnings for only a bit over one percent of our operating budget," Jewell wrote in his letter. "This is another historically sound, conservative operating principle that we have always followed and whose wisdom is illustrated in times such as these. ... So, the effect on our operating budget is minimal and not catastrophic, though for those

t adhere.

Basically, the College continues with "business as usual," Jewell said.

Though these principles keep the course steady, the College must still look forward to certain risks and threats.

Jewell reported in his letter to alumni that the investment portfolios and returns have decreased, just as they have at all institutions.

The primary area for which endowment earnings are used is for needbased and merit-based scholarships.

"We had an estimated shortfall next year over the amount of existing scholarship funds available this year of about \$1.5 million," Jewell their acceptance letters.

This is not the first time that the College has weathered financial storms. During World War II, there was a significant effect on the College due to the lack of "Since the College operates primarily on its tuition, room and board revenue, it is important that full enrollment be maintained. And we have to continue to do well in that area."



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almost a century ago. Indeed, this "new sphere of activity" has proven to be highly successful as the College continues to develop its reputation as a national contender.

In only the second full year of competition as a member of the National Parliamentary Debate Association, the squad has been ranked as high as seventh in the nation. On March 13-15, they recently finished the season with a trip to California for the National Christian College Forensics Invitational at Biola University.

The debate team returned from the sunshine of Los Angeles with a first-place finish in team quality points (the greatest amount of success per team entered) and a thirdplace finish in overall sweepstakes among Christian universities and colleges from around the nation.

Grove City placed two teams in the junior varsity category and four teams in the open category. Of the six teams that traveled, four broke to the elimination rounds. Junior Luke Juday and sophomore Dayne Batten advanced to the quarter-finals in the open division while sophomores Kelsey Winther and Dan Hanson advanced to the octafinals.

In addition, freshmen Lauren Thomas and John Bianchi reached the quarter-finals of junior varsity, while freshmen Andy Walker and James Van Eerden advanced to the semifinals. Despite not "breaking" to out rounds, the teams of sophomores Alex Pepper and Harrison Ealey, as well as freshman Kirby Gowen and sophomore Brittany Cobb, posted impressive records and were instrumental in the overall success of the team.

After returning, many members of the team expressed gratitude for the opportunity



The entire California debate team contingent stops by the Pacific Ocean for a break in the sun.

to represent the college through healthy competition.

Cobb said, "I really enjoyed the opportunity to represent Grove City on the other side of the country."

Although the final national rankings for the 2008-2009 season have yet to be posted, the Grove City debate team finished the year with an overall record of 202-99, which equates to an impressive 67 percent team winning rate.

Juday, the team captain, and partner Batten led the way with a remarkable year individually. After attending nine tournaments, including nationals, Juday and Batten recorded first-place finishes in six tournaments in addition to claiming numerous speaker awards. After it was all said and done, they finished the season with a staggering 52-12 record.

When asked about the success with his partner, Batten commented, "To be perfectly honest, I never really expected to have a season anything like this one. So, our success came as a bit of a surprise. That being said, I think Luke and I won a lot of rounds this year by making strong, real-world arguments."

Batten continued, "In the end, I think it's all about sticking to straightforward thinking and simple, fact-based logic."

Logic. That's what Grove City College teaches, and it has proven to be an effective tool for educators, scientists and debaters alike.

In addition to the raw success of the individuals and the team as a whole, the debate season has meant more than the final result of a win or loss. Debate has been a conduit for friendships and life learning.

Juday said, "I love the people on the debate team foremost. We've been blessed with an incredible mix of debaters whose talents fit together in a way we couldn't have orchestrated ourselves."

Moreover, Bianchi commented on the larg-

er importance of debate: "My debating experience has built my ability to communicate my ideas effectively while considering many sides to an issue. This provides a basis for civil discourse that is lacking from our society today."

The debate team would like to express particular gratitude to its coach Dr. Steven Jones, associate professor of sociology and and assistant coach Dr. Jason R. Edwards, associate professor of education and history, for their commitment to coaching in debate and in life; their sacrifice of time and energy is greatly appreciated.

In the end, the 2008-2009 Grove City College debate season proved to be successful in more ways than one. As the squad anticipates the beginning of next season, it is often reminded of the words of the United States Senator and 38th Vice-President Hubert Humphrey who said, "Freedom is hammered out on the anvil of discussion, dissent, and debate."

Physics Day draws crowds of eager youth





Courtesy DJ Wagner

Tuesday was Annual Physics Day, a special time for members of the Physics Club to reach out to the community by hosting a program for gifted elementary school children. A group of approximately 20 fourth, fifth, and sixth graders arrived on campus at 10 am to participate in outdoor activities such as measuring speeds with a radar gun and creating waves with a giant spring.



Courtesy DJ Wagner

Indoor activities included playing with boomwhackers – hollow plastic tubes that produce different musical notes – and refracting light through Jell-O. The high-light of the day was liquid nitrogen ice cream, which was readily consumed by all in attendance.



Reverend Father Patrick Henry Reardon delivers a sermon.

Orthodox speaker delivers talk on salvation

By Mary Rimi

Contributing Writer

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"How many orthodox does it take to change a light bulb?"Answer: "Why would you change it?"

This is not the sort of thing that an audience going to listen to the pastor of an Orthodox Church expects to hear, but, for those who attended Harbison Chapel at 7 p.m. on Friday, that is exactly what they got.

The Reverend Father Patrick Henry Reardon spoke that evening to a small audience of Grove City College students, parents and professors. Reardon is the pastor of All Saints Orthodox Church in Chicago, Ill., and is a well-known Bible scholar.

Though he has had an extensive education, his lecture contained no pretention.

After being introduced by the dean of Harbison Chapel Dr. F. Stanley Keehlwetter as a "very distinguished guest," Reardon began to eloquently speak about the Orthodox Church and soteriology, which, breaking it down to its root words for the audiences' sake, he explained as being the theology of salvation.

According to Reardon, since the eleventh century, Western thought on salvation has been dominated by

had a number of sub-points explaining the theology of sacrifice, the triadic structure of Isaiah and man's alienation from God.

Throughout the "alternative chapel," Reardon's knowledge of theology poured from him. He quoted scripture in its original dialogue, though afterwards he translated what he said.

He explained that the word "kadosh" is Hebrew for "holy" and appears 33 times in the Old Testament book of Isaiah. In addition to referencing several books of the Bible, including Hebrews and Psalms, he also cited the works of St. Augustine and Dante and referenced the Counsel of Nicaea.

He remained aware of his audience, however. As the majority of those present were college students, he mixed in humor, at once saying that what God did to Pharaoh was "sent him ten plagues upside the head." While he came across as being highly educated, he never let it cross the line of being pompous, and he made his points clear and easy to understand.

Reardon's discussion lasted for 50 minutes. There was a brief question and answer session before Keehlwetter thanked Reardon for coming, and the audience applauded. Afterward, Reardon remained and was approached by students with questions and comments

Symposium discusses alternative energy

By Elizabeth Mubarek Contributing Writer

"Are there practical, feasible alternatives to coal, oil, and natural gas? How realistic is renewable energy? Will they be able to make a significant contribution in terms of substitutions for fossil fuels?" These are a few of the relevant questions that moderator John Oliver asked of Grove City College students as he introduced the Alternative Energy Symposium.

The Symposium was held in Sticht Lecture Hall at 7 p.m. on March 18. It was part of the Environmental Education Seminar Series, which holds one event per semester. This particular symposium was designed to inform students about the growing necessity to discover and utilize various forms of renewable energy so that society is able to rely less on the depleting sources of fossil fuels. It was sponsored by Grove City College's biology, engineering and political science departments.

Five speakers were invited to the event, each of whom addressed a different solution to alternative energy. The first speaker, John Hall of IQ Energy, spoke on turning waste material into energy to use as fuel. "We have a tremendous amount of growing pressure in this country to reduce our imported fuels. We cannot continue to keep throwing things away the way we have. We have to start using our materials more intelligently," he said.

Bruce Norman, manager for General Electric Corporation, spoke on General Electric's development of wind and solar energy. Wind is currently the most economical, large-scale and renewable resource. Because of its reliability and capacity, GE's 1.5 MW model is the world's most widely deployed wind turbine. GE is a world leader in renewable energy solutions, and they currently have \$5 billion invested as a company. Speaking to the students in the audience, Norman said, "It's a good time in history for you to be in this space."

Speaker Joseph Blake, plant manager for Pennsylvania Biodiesel, Inc., began by asking the probing questions, "Why do we need or want alternatives to petroleum diesel? Is there something better?" It has been determined that sulfur and petroleum diesels are not good for the environment. Biodiesel, on the other hand, is environmentally friendly in that it is biodegradable, nontoxic and does not contribute to acid rain. "When it comes to pricing today we can produce it and sell it cheaper than you can buy petroleum diesel," Blake said.

The fourth speaker, William Wasser, was a unique

Vision from page 2 speaker in that he came to speak from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Wasser is the manager of Goddard State Park. He talked of biofuels in terms of home heating methods and ethanol production. He spoke of using food crops for fuels, though this can create problems of its own, such as an increase in food costs when people are using them for fuel, and also erosion due to the shallow root systems of food crops such as corn.

Wasser spoke of crops such as Switchgrass to serve this need, because it has extensive root systems and "provides some of the best soils in the world." Switchgrass is a fast-growing perennial, it provides wildlife habitat, it is not a food crop and it can be harvested with the same type of equipment that we use to harvest hay and straw today. "Two acres of Switchgrass can heat the average home for a season," Wasser said.

The final speaker at the symposium was the president of Premier Power Solutions, Lee McCracken. He spoke on long term costs and supplies of energy. "In the current economy, the cost of capital has increased for capital intensive industries. The focus on this environment is on what costs me the least. The uncertainty around the economics will have an impact on the cost that is put into the energy sector," he said. McCracken predicted commercial energy consumption will increase 25 percent in the next 25 years.

The symposium as a whole put forth the possibility that by the year 2030, one in four jobs would be in the field of renewable energy. It informed students that, because of this possibility, this would be an ideal field for them to be involved in over the next several decades.

"I thought the symposium did a good job of presenting the renewable alternatives to fossil fuel energy," said Dr. Jan Dudt, associate professor of biology. "The perspective on the future of solar and wind were especially thought-provoking, both in terms of projected viabilities and improved technologies that would influence the markets and job possibilities."

Chair of the biology department Dr. Arnold Sodergren, offered a similar opinion by saying, "Invited speakers did a great job of discussing issues of technology, economics and public policy. Few topics are of more current and future importance to students at [the] College than, for example, renewable energy resources. It was encouraging to see Sticht Auditorium nearly full of students representing both the Hopeman and Calderwood schools."

> for non-[Grove City College] students and especially adults in the surrounding community, to go back to school for two days. That applies to the parents of our students as well. On April 16 and 17, we will once again be widening the availability of a [Grove City College] education.

Anslem of Canterbury.

"In my view, it's too narrow a view of soteriology," Reardon said.

He then went on to explain the view of salvation that was held during the first 1,000 years after Christ.

Reardon clearly stated where he differed with Anslem's philosophy on this issue; Medieval and Renaissance theories assume that there was some need in God that had to be met and satisfied by Christ's sacrifice on the Cross.

"I don't see that. I don't see it in the theology of the first 1,000 years or in the East," Reardon said.

Instead, Reardon explained that his and the Orthodox view is that Christ's passion did not affect God, nor was it for God; it was for man's sake alone that the sacrifice was made.

In addition to his main point, he

with questions and comments.

Sophomore Amanda Lutter said, "I enjoyed learning about the orthodox tradition. I've heard that [it] diverged far earlier than the Catholic [and] Protestant split ... he mentioned a reform made in the seventh century."

Lutter also said that she found the idea that "God does not need sacrifice for His glorification, not to prove His holiness [or] evidence His mercy" to be "impressive," and it made her think about her views on the matter.

Reardon received his education from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Louisville, Ky.), St. Anslem's College (Rome), The Pontifical Bible Institute (Rome), The University of Liverpool (England) and St. Tikhon's Orthodox Seminary (South Canaan,

Pa.).

ever. Our colleges have failed the country in numerous respects, and one of those, which is being felt painfully right now, is the horrendous failure to teach how free economies work and how economies generally succeed. This is an issue that Walter Williams will address, as will I, to a degree.

Collegian: Will we see the values of the College become marginalized if current trends continue?

Kengor: Quite the contrary, [the College] will be more important than ever. Trends change – by definition. We at [Grove City] and the Center for Vision & Values believe in the timeless truths, in Truth Himself and the eternal. What you learn here doesn't die. The secular

at [the College] will never be marginalized, and the stronger you hold to that faith, the less you will be marginalized.

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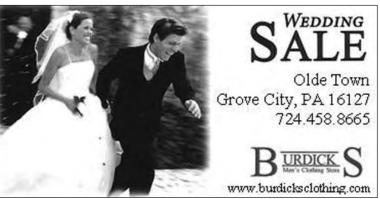
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of that world. The faith you learn

Collegian: Do we see a great deal of support or attendance from those outside the College?

Kengor: Oh, yes. Every year we get 100-200 off-campus visitors as attendees. We will get those numbers again this year. This conference is a great chance The conference will kick off Thursday April 16 at 10 a.m. in Sticht Lecture Hall of the Hall of Arts and Letters. For more information on the conference or the Center itself, please visit www.grovecityconference.org.



News Former College president speaks

By Darin Miller Collegian Editor-in-Chief

The second annual Grove City Evangelical Scholarship Conference, sponsored by the College's religion department, the student government association and the College's chapel program, brought Dr. Charles S. MacKenzie, former president of Grove City College, to speak on the topic of the protestant reformation leader John Calvin.

This year marks the 500-year anniversary of Calvin's birth.

MacKenzie spoke at 7 p.m. on March 16 in Sticht Auditorium in the Hall of Arts and Letters and delivered the chapel homily in Harbison Chapel the next morning.

He spoke at the conference's fourth session on the topic of "Calvin's contribution to American higher education."

"I hoped that students would come away from my lecture with a little better understanding of who John Calvin was and what his influence was and is in vast regions of the world," MacKenzie said later in an email. "Specifically I hope some understand his influence in higher education both in Europe and America."

MacKenzie is currently the distinguished professor of philosophy and theology at **Reformed Theological** Seminary in Oviedo, Fla.

Before this, he was a pastor

in New York City, New Jersey and California, and he also served as a chaplain in the United States Air Force.

Grove City College students know him best for his service to the College, as president from 1971 to 1991 and as chancellor from 1991-92, when he led the College through its landmark Supreme Court case in 1984 – Grove City College v. Bell – which granted the College substantial freedom from government regulation.

He is married to LaVonne (Gaiser '56), a Grove City native and Grove City College graduate.

MacKenzie lectured on Calvin's life, describing the people and events that shaped his views on education. Influences included friends and acquaintances, such as fellow Protestant William Farel and major events in his life, including where he attended school.

"I believe one of the major turning points in Calvin's life was when his friend Farel confronted him and warned him of dire consequences if he put his own selfish desires before the will of God," MacKenzie said. "Farel, cried out 'God will curse you and your desires if you abandon this work which needs you.' Thereafter, for the rest of his life, Calvin tried to put the will of God before his own selfish desires."

During his lecture,

MacKenzie emphasized Calvin's "common grace."

"Common grace is universal and is related to every sphere of life," MacKenzie said. "It curbs and limits the sinfulness of society and opens up new insights on how God relates Himself to life."

Calvin's views on common grace led him to believe in ideas, such as compulsory education – he was among the first in Europe to share the view and to found what has become the University of Geneva.

MacKenzie said that Calvin believed education should serve to discover God's truth hidden in the universe.

"Saving grace was most important to Calvin, since it determined people's eternal destiny," MacKenzie said. "But common grace also was significant to Calvin, since it can help Christians to understand how God relates Himself to all the shifting situations of life."

MacKenzie said that Calvin's ideas on common grace were important to the founders of Grove City College.

"[The College's founders] wanted a school here that would educate men and women ... that they could become leaders in all the different spheres of human [intellect]."

MacKenzie ended the session by telling the students in Sticht to "go out into the world and change the world."



MacKenzie addresses students during chapel on March 17.

"And all the people said," he stated, to which the students responded, "Amen."

During the March 17 chapel service, MacKenzie continued with his theme of young leaders who are called by God and used by him.

He said, "It seems to me that the Scripture teaches that God has a plan for each of you."

He said that the students should pray that God "search" them, "cleanse" them and "fill" them.

"None of us can accomplish the destiny for which we were created unless God is filling us," he said.

The evangelical conference lecture series' purpose is to celebrate the Reformation and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The conference is divided into sessions which are held throughout the year.

The fifth and final session for the year will feature Dr. Derek W. H. Thomas, professor from Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Miss. The session will occur at 4:15 p.m. on Monday in the Parker Organ Studio in the Pew Fine Arts Center and at 7 p.m. on Tuesday in Harbison Chapel. Thomas will also deliver Tuesday's chapel address.

Thetas, Betas auction dates to raise funds

By Athanasios I. Tsiris Contributing Writer

You can buy a nice new pair of pants. You can buy a fancy car and a nice dinner. But the one thing you cannot buy is someone to enjoy it all with you. At least you couldn't until a group of Grove City College students started auctioning off dates with their friends

Senior Breyana Lehman and sophomore Ben Chapman planned the date auction to raise money for a mission trip they are leading to the Dominican Republic. Lehman and Chapman enlisted help from the brothers of Beta Sigma fraternity and the sisters of Theta Alpha Pi sorority.

"We got 30 Betas and 20 Thetas to volunteer themselves," Lehman said. "I went around to local businesses asking them to donate dates as an incentive to get people to bid higher. The 12 highest bidders will receive complimentary gift certificates."

The auction concluded on March 20, and all of the proceeds benefit the Students International trip to Jarabacoa, Dominican Republic, where students from the College will spend two weeks working in various capacities. According to Chapman, "It's unique in that everyone signs up for a specific site they'd like to work at. It's not a trip where everyone is stuck building a house."

the date auction and three more fundraisers they are planning. The date auction raised approximately \$1,000 after a week of bidding in the Breen Student Union. Interested bidders could look at pictures of the people up for auction and bid on their desired date.

"Members were able to find out who had the highest bid at any time," Chapman said. "If they [weren't] happy, our hope is that they [encouraged] their desired date to come back and bid more."

When it comes to being auctioned off sen-

she participated because a lot of her sorority sisters go on mission trips, and she recognizes the need for funding.

Junior Darrius Pugh was also up for auction. "I don't mind doing it because it's for a good cause. Plus if someone bids high enough I could get a nice dinner out of it."

Lehman said she has recieved some negative response from the date auction. "I've been criticized a lot for selling people or prostitution but I don't see it that way. I see it as encouraging people to contribute to a

The students hope to raise \$5,000 between

ior Laura Powell wasn't too worried. "It's not too scary, and I knew I always had my roommates to come buy me if no one else did. Plus it was fun to check up on every else's stats throughout the week." She said great cause."

Fifteen students are going on the two-week trip to the Dominican Republic. Sponsored dates are to Elephant & Castle, Rachel's Roadhouse and the Guthrie Theatre.



Collegian awards Green Eyeshade

During the 2006-07 academic year, The Collegian initiated the Collegian Green Eyeshade Award for newspaper staffers who show exemplary work each week.

Each week, Collegian Staff Adviser Amy Clingensmith '96, with input from section editors, names one or two winners based on work for that issue. Those honored may have written a story, taken a photograph, designed a page, created a headline, forged ahead in advertising, edited an article or advanced the effort in supporting the mission of The Collegian. Weekly winners received a certificate as well as a \$5 voucher to the Gedunk.

The winner for the March 20 issue was junior Ryan Lesser for his article on Cliff Brown.

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OUTSIDE THE BUBBLE.

Obama and children speak with astronauts

President Barack Obama and a group of schoolchildren received a call on Tuesday from astronauts in the shuttle-station orbiting earth, Fox News reported.

"The president told the two crews he was extraordinarily proud of them for their work at the international space station over the past week," Fox News reported. "He wanted to know how they installed the new solar panels and what the impact of that green power would be."

The addition of a panel of solar wings has doubled the crew's available power.

"We're investing back here on the ground a whole array of solar and other renewable energy projects, and so to find out that you're doing this up at the space station is particularly exciting," Obama told the astronauts.

Obama was joined in the call by a group of middle school students from a Washington, D.C. school. The children asked the astronauts what video games they played, what they ate and whether or not there are any life forms in space.

"One of the two former schoolteachers who flew up on Discovery, Richard Arnold II, said the food was pretty good, consisting mostly of dehydrated fare and military-style ready-to-eat meals 'that a few of us ate last year when the hurricane came through Houston," Fox News reported.

Obama asked Sandra Magnus, the only woman on board, if she ever felt like cutting her hair, which flies around her head like Medusa's snakes.

"She said no, and the president called it 'a real fashion statement," Fox News reported.

The one topic not covered during the phone call was the vacancy of NASA's chief position, which has been open since Obama took office. Although Obama has yet to nominate a candidate, Christopher Scolese, the second in command, has been filling in and was present for the phone call.

Tax cuts raise questions from constituents

Questions about the tax cut are surfacing around Washington this week.

"President Barack Obama says he's not ready to comment on a proposal from some Senate Democrats to scrap his middle-class tax cut after 2010," the Associated Press reported. "Obama says he hasn't yet seen what changes are coming out of the House and Senate."

Although rumors surround taxes in 2010, in a Tuesday evening news conference, Obama spoke about his proposed 2010 budget.

"Obama said the budget must move toward health care reform and include an energy policy that frees the U.S. from dependence on foreign oil," the AP reported. "He also says he's looking for an investment in education and a reduction in the deficit."

While a middle class tax cut is in place because of the recovery package, Obama "never expected Congress to approve his plan without some changes," the AP reported.

EU condemns US plan

Czech Prime Minister Mirek Topolanek said Wednesday that President Barack Obama's new plan to spend \$2 trillion more to dig the U.S. economy out of the recession is a "road to hell" which the EU cannot follow, the Associated Press reported.

"It was the strongest pushback yet from a European leader as the 27-nation bloc bristles from U.S. criticism that it is not spending enough to stimulate demand," AP reported.

After Topolanek's comments, many European leaders have responded by claiming that they don't agree; some agreed with the Czech Prime Minister but many, including leaders of France, Britain and Germany, simply ignored his remarks.

Obama visits Europe on Apr. 2 for the G-20 summit in London, England. The recession is to be the main topic of conversation.

'Spider-Man' rescues child

Sitting on the edge of a ledge at the top of his school in Bangkok, Thailand, an 11-year-old autistic boy refused to come down for his mother and teacher on Monday, Fox News reported.

Somchai, who was called after the mother's failed attempts to get her son off the ledge, overheard a conversation between the mother and teacher about the boy's love for comic book characters.

Realizing he could use this to his advantage, Somchai went back to the fire station in order to change into a Spider-Man costume in order to rescue the young boy, Somchai told Fox News.

"I told him Spider-Man is here to save you. No monster will hurt you now," Somchai said. "Then I told him to walk slowly toward me. I was very nervous that he might have slipped if he got too excited and ran."

The boy responded well, breaking into a smile and walking to Somchai with no problems.

The fireman keeps a Spider-Man costume and the costume of a Japanese superhero Ultraman in order to "liven up fire drills at school," Fox News reported.

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Student-faculty committee promotes integrity

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Collegian Entertainment Editor

From chapel speakers to classroom discussions to special reminders in syllabi, academic integrity has been a central concern at Grove City College since early last year. Whether they actively engage in the dialogue or simply wonder how it is relevant, every student is familiar with the significant place this issue occupies in the campus community. But where did

The new process resolves those problems."

Rather than instituting a traditional honor code, the faculty and administration decided to include students in the process of adjudicating matters of academic dishonesty. The vast majority of faculty members voted in favor of this change to the Honesty in Learning policy. The result was the studentfaculty review committee, a new system that attempts to strike a balance between confidentiality and Students can report academic integrity issues on myGCC through the "Student" tab, where an "Academic Integrity" link provides an online form to fill out. Once a form is completed, the computer assigns the report a case number. It is sent to the faculty member in whose class the potential violation occurred and is also sent to Jones and to Kliber for record-keeping purposes.

The faculty member may meet with the student(s) who allegedly

brought into the process," Kemeny said. "The faculty is no longer judge, jury and executioner. Hopefully there will be greater equity and fairness."

Jones uses a random number generator to select individuals from the pools of students and faculty. In special cases, he rules out certain participants – such as sorority sisters of the student in question, or a faculty member in whose class the violation occurred. He also blacks out the names of there are very reasonable explanations [for perceived violations]. All records are destroyed and there is no trail. When it is resolved, they fill out a resolution and nothing is saved in the Provost's office – it's like it never happened."

Elections will soon be held to determine the members of the student-faculty review committee for the 2009-2010 academic year. Last year, 92 students submitted their names for election and over 1,000 students participated in voting. Candidates for the student-faculty review committee must have a minimum grade point average of 2.0, and the administration hopes to draw a variety of students into the group. To students interested in running for the committee, Kemeny said, "Go for it. This should be seen as one of the most responsible, prestigious, worthwhile endeavors and opportunities that students have before them ... The integrity of the process is contingent on the integrity of the people." "We were really pleased with the widespread support from students last time, and we'd like to see that again," Jones said. "This should be something that people actually aspire to on some level. If you want to be recognized by your peers, I should hope you will want to be recognized for integrity."

this ongoing interest in academic integrity originate, and does the conversation have a future?

The discussion of academic integrity began in fall 2005, after the Campus Strategic Plan called for the issue to be explored; the Provost Dr. William Anderson called for a committee to explore issues of academic integrity and possibly establish an honor code. For the next three years, the committee, chaired by Dr. Paul Kemeny, professor of religion and humanities, surveyed the student body, conducted focus groups, and arranged for a Student Advisory Board to study the issue.

"The old system lacked transparency and consistency," Kemeny said. "As the faculty met and we had a student advisory board – plus the 23 focus groups – an ongoing theme was the lack of consistency. transparency.

Starting in January, three panels have met this year. Associate professor of sociology Dr. Steven Jones chairs the student-faculty review committee as a non-voting member and coordinates its activity. Kemeny now serves as coordinator of the Faculty Consultation Panel, an advisory group composed of three professors that is called together to help faculty evaluate the merits of alleged academic integrity violations.

"In all three cases thus far, the individual students have confessed to committing acts of academic dishonesty – so there hasn't been a guilt or innocence discussion before the committee," Jones said. "All we've done is talked about sanctions, and we've signed off on the professors' recommendations for sanctions." committed the violation. If a faculty member has already approached a student after filling out a form and the student acknowledges dishonesty, the faculty member can recommend sanctions, but all sanctions must be moved through the committee.

"There have been differences of opinion about the appropriateness of sanctions," Jones said. "Faculty members have begun clarifying things in their syllabi about what to expect and what penalties will be implemented. We've already seen some clarification there."

If the student claims that there was no academic dishonesty, the committee holds a "hearing" in which the evidence is weighed to determine guilt or innocence.

"This is one of the changes to the old honesty in learning policy, is that more faculty and students are the students involved so that committee members do not know the names of the students accusing or confessing.

Each committee member signs a confidentiality agreement and is thus bound to refrain from gossip. Though there is no guarantee of anonymity, confidentiality is taken seriously. Each meeting begins and ends with Jones' caveat: "I remind you not to discuss this with anyone – not even that there was a hearing." Only the Provost's office tracks whether a student has been involved in multiple incidents.

Any decision of guilt must be decided by a supermajority of seven committee members. This ensures that the five faculty members can never be pitted against the five students.

"If a student is innocent, they are innocent," Kemeny said. "Often

Becoming a 'City on a Hill'

By Alma Jean Mitchell Collegian Writer

Junior Emily Vaccaro started to see the depth of need in the Grove City area when she collected a group of upperclassmen to help out at the Orientation Board's Day of Caring in the fall of 2008.

Matched with community needs through the Grove City United Way, the grove spent the day helping a lady named Darlene with small tasks such as raking leaves, painting a fence, trimming a hedge and cleaning windows.

Junior Shawn Gerber said, "[It was] such an awesome experience that we decided to try and come back and rake Darlene's leaves later in the season." Gerber, Vaccaro and others started talking about how much they wanted to help out with other basic needs in the community. They also recognized a significant problem for Grove City College students: a desire to serve but no idea where to start.

"All needs are important," Gerber said, "but the most apparent needs are those of the elderly and of the many people who are suffering from poverty and who depend on the food pantry."

After their eye-opening experience in the world outside of the campus, Vaccaro and Gerber were determined to share their insight with other students. Gerber said, "The relationship that we formed with Darlene throughout the process definitely served as part of our motivation, as well as the Awakening movement that junior Kirsten Rodgers put together."

Seeing the needs in the community, they were motivated to act on Christ's command to love your neighbors as yourself. Vaccaro said, "As we continued to talk to others about potentially starting something, we only received positive feedback and heard a desire to serve in the heart of the student body."

This student response led Vaccaro and Gerber to start what they call "City on a Hill Ministries," whose goal is to connect students and staff with regular service opportunities in the community. Their vision is to be the "middle man" who will foster the growth of relationships between the College and the community. Gerber said that City on a Hill Ministries is not limited to a group: they hope to create a website that will "connect willing servants with needs that match their interest and availability.'

Vaccaro said she would love to see students using their diverse talents in the service they do. She said, "If someone loves music, let's create a coffeehouse environment for people who come to the food pantry. If someone loves to knit, let's set them up with a place to donate the things they make. I believe that God gave us all specific gifts – let's use them for his glory through service to the community!"

The Grove City United Way, who originally connected Vaccaro with Darlene, is an integral part of the relationship between City on a Hill Ministries and the surrounding community. The staff at the United Way has been working to find new projects and service opportunities, and it is currently recruiting groups to participate in the next Day of

Caring.

Gerber and Vaccaro acknowledge that City on a Hill Ministries is still in the developmental stage. So far they are off to a great start and are excited about what is to come.

Life

Gerber strongly encourages students to seek out opportunities to get involved in the off-campus community. "If you have a servant's heart and are looking for ways to let your cup overflow, then talk to us. We'll try to send you in the right direction," he said.

Vaccaro believes that one of the great things about being involved in City on a Hill Ministries is the flexibility: "You don't have to come to everything!" She also explained that serving is not something that is a burden but rather something enjoyable and fulfilling. Vaccaro currently visits an elderly lady named Jane twice a week, whose "caring yet spunky spirit" always blesses her.

Any students interested in finding opportunities to serve can contact Vaccaro at

vaccaroeg1@gcc.edu or Gerber at gerbersm1@gcc.edu. Vaccaro said that the leaders will send out an email to interested people when they hear about a project.

"It is so easy as a college student to fall into the trap of being focused on ourselves - my grades, my friends, my free time," Vaccaro said. "I have been challenged this year to rise to the calling Christ gives us of surrendering our own lives to allow Him to work in and through us. We have so many students on this campus - think of what an impact we could make in this community!"

THE CAREER CORNER WestPACs

By Emily Dalpiaz Collegian Writer

You don't want to miss the Western Pennsylvania Career Services Association Job & Internship Fair this Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Pittsburgh Indoor Sports Arena. One of the largest fairs in Western Pennsylvania, this event draws students from over 40 colleges and universities that belong to the WestPACS consortium. Over 100 employers have already registered, representing a large spectrum of career fields. To view all attending employers, visit http://westpacs.org.

Pre-registering for the event allows students to attend for free. This can be done on the WestPACS website or in the Career Services Office through Monday. Walk-in registration on event day is \$10.

Student attendees must park at the Pittsburgh Mills Mall in Tarentum for free shuttle service to the Pittsburgh Indoor Sports Arena. Not sure how to prepare for a job fair? Here are a few tips to get started:

Tip 1: Look over the websites of employers you are most interested in. Websites of all attending employers can be found on the WestPACS website. Recruiters always say the students who stand out are the ones who have researched companies ahead of time.

Tip 2: Take copies of your resume. If a recruiter is interested in you, he or she will want to take your resume back to the company. An in-house referral is the most

Sudoku

effective way to get a foot in the door.

Tip 3: Dress as you would for a job interview. Many students attending job fairs do not realize how important the first impression can be, especially when recruiters are meeting with hundreds of students in a single day.

Tip 4: Brainstorm questions to ask before you go to the fair. Having a mental database of questions will increase your confidence when talking with recruiters.

Tip 5: Gather contact information for each recruiter you speak with to follow up with a letter or thank-you note. Making contacts is just as important as finding potential employment opportunities. Take time to write your thoughts about each company after speaking with their representatives as well.

The WestPACs Arts Career Day 2009 will be held here at Grove City College on Apr. 22. This is a great opportunity for liberal arts majors to speak with professionals in arts-related fields. Panels will include public relations/advertising, fine arts/arts management, broadcast/television/film, performing arts and writing/publishing.

The keynote speaker for Arts Career Day 2009 is Ray Carter, Vice President and General Manager of WPXI Pittsburgh.

These events provide invaluable opportunities to connect face-toface with experts in your field and to investigate a large array of career options. Mark your calendar, grab a couple friends and get yourself out there. Your job or internship may be just a networking day away.





By Shawn McGonagle

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Students gather for worship,



The Sign Language Club participated in some of the songs at last Thursday's all-campus worship service.

Andy Drabic





Left to right, junior Tina Horvath, sophomore Melissa McKinney, sophomore Dan Van Matre, junior Shauna Kennedy and junior Kevin Schellhase assisted in leading praise songs and hymns



Sophomore Melissa McKinney sang with the all-campus worship team.

Life

then for wings and basketball



Junior Mike Soriano and junior Frankie Hourigan make cotton candy at Sig Madness.





Sig Madness was highlighted with free food and drinks.



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Senior Bob Terhune makes funnel cakes at Sig Madness.

Courtesy Bob Terhune

Courtesy Bob Terhun Freshman Zack Lewallen and Junior Ryan Lesser sport their Sig Madness t-shirts.

Life

Missionary kids live worldwide

By Beth Hyde and Arielle Bateman Collegian Writer and Collegian Life Co-Editor

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The Wargula Family

Anna Wargula, a sophomore mechanical engineering major served with her family under the Navigators mission group in Okinawa and Sendai, Japan. They spent eight years in Okinawa and another eight years in Sendai.

Their time in Okinawa was spent ministering to the military through Bible studies. While they were in Sendai, they focused more on community missions. For example, Wargula's mom started a women's Bible study.

Wargula grew up immersed in the Japanese culture, and she still considers it home. "I did not feel like a foreigner; I was used to it," Wargula said.

Wargula and her two siblings attended a local Japanese school from kindergarten to sixth grade and were homeschooled beyond that.

The cultural differences provided some awkward moments. A good friend of her dad took the Wargula family to eat river fish, which are roasted on sticks, skin and all. If the fish are female, diners are supposed to eat the eggs as well. When her mom was trying to eat the fish, Philippians 4:13 was running through her mind, Wargula said.

After coming back to the states Wargula saw a stark contrast between the education system in the United States and in Japan.

"The kids in Japan have more responsibility and they are pushed to learn," she said. "There are no school janitors because it is the job of the school children to take care of their classrooms and bathrooms. They encourage the



Courtesy Ned Somerville Ned Somerville and his family serve as missionaries in Mexico.

The Somerville Family

Junior physics education major Ned Somerville is one of eight children. His family serves with Worldwide Evangelism for Christ in Ticuman, Mexico.

Somerville and his family started a missionary training school with the idea of equipping local people to hold Bible studies and other various missionary-led events.

Somerville and his family moved to Mexico when he was 12 years old, and they have lived there for eight years. They built their home from adobe blocks, although it includes a wrap-around porch with a roof, which is uncommon in Mexico.

They live near the agricultural town of Ticuman, which is located in a fertile valley in the state of Morelos, a couple of hours north of Mexico City.

Somerville had a lot to say about the differences between America and Mexico.

"In general, the values [the Mexicans] have are based on people and putting down roots with each other," he said. "People take care of each other. Family is so important! You don't see any retirement homes. It is a very relational culture." He went on to say what a blessing it was to have had the opportunity to live cross-culturally.

Daniel Porterfield, a freshman English major, lived in Turkey for ten years with his sister and parents. Together they served with a mission organization that focuses on bringing the gospel to predominantly Muslims and Buddhist populations.

The Porterfield Family

Porterfield's family moved to Turkey when he was five years old and ministered for the next ten years by planting churches. Now, his father works as an English teacher for kids with special needs. The family continues to live and minister in Ankara while Porterfield attends college in the United States.

"At times it is hard being so far away; it's where I grew up," Porterfield said. "I get to go home twice a year: at Christmas and in the summer."

His family lives in Turkey's small capital city in apartmentstyle houses. He explained that the people in the city add color to their buildings by painting them. Though the city is very western in look and feel, it is not uncommon to see local women walking around wearing the traditional head scarf.

tions with how they speak and how they refer to each other. They do not know who might be listening. One time, his mother was talking on the phone in Japanese, and a voice came on the line and said, "English only."

"You don't say missionary," Porterfield said. He explained that they referred to missionaries as "workers" and used code names for the different missions groups.

As with many missionary kids, Porterfield and his sister were homeschooled for three years, though they later attended an international school located one block away from their home.

As with any country, Turkey offers unique foods and traditions. "My favorite was Döner; it is a kind of sandwich. Fresh lamb meat is cooked and put on fresh bread along with tomato, lettuce and onion," Porterfield said.

He noticed some big differences when he returned to the United States and compared the two cultures.

"The conception of time is so different," he said. "In Turkey, people are more laid back; people are not offended if you are 30 minutes late to an event. Also, personal space is not an issue. People greet each other with kisses."

When considering his experiences, Porterfield referred to "third-culture kids," a phenomenon relevant to people who have spent more time cross-culturally. Third-culture kids have "one culture that you grew up in, one culture that you came from then you make up your own." His time in the mission field has changed his view of cultures and caused them to blend together.

Porterfield spoke of things he misses most about his home: "I miss the culture, the energy of the city and the warmth of the hospitality," he said.

Porterfield is not sure whether he wants to be a missionary later, but now he enjoys going home to Turkey when he can.

The Beale Family

Elissa Beale, a sophomore French/Christian thought major, and Brendan Beale, a senior Christian thought major, spent over 11 years serving with their family under the umbrella of Wycliffe Bible Translators. Six of these years were spent in Thailand, and the remaining five

in Vanuatu, a series of islands near Fiji in the South Pacific.

The Beales have more memories of Vanuatu since they lived there more recently. Their family of six lived in two bamboo huts, one functioning as their living quarters and the other as their bedroom. Their island contained many rats, bugs and lizards, though few larger animals.

People discussing missions tend to emphasize the parents' role, but mission work involves the whole family. Mrs. Beale learned Bislama - Vanuatu's national language – and helped start a Sunday school, and their father worked to translate the Bible into the local language. While their parents worked, Brendan and Elissa had their own ministry: serving as secretaries for their parents, caring for their sisters and doing daily chores.

One important task involved toting water to and from the house, because there was no running water on their island. For showers, they scooped water from a trash can that served as a rain water bucket. On one occasion, they thought they had a leaf floating in their shower barrel; it was actually a dead rat. Elissa said, "[It] had been there for about a week, so we had been bathing in decomposing rat for awhile."

For schooling, Brendan and Elissa attended a local French school two days a week for one year. The rest of the time they were homeschooled.

Their diet consisted of local fresh fruit, potatoes and fish. A cargo ship brought additional food to the island about every six months. "My favorite [food] the coconuts," Elissa said. The siblings' cross-cultural experience changed their perspectives on the United States and on life in general. "My experience has helped me to be able to see outside of the American, Grove City box," Brendan said. "Things that seem so important here, like fashion, really are not that important. There are other people in the world."

mindset of living responsibly.

Wargula misses her friends and the food the most. The Japanese diet consists mainly of rice, fish and vegetables. Wargula pointed out that Japan is very westernized, which meant that she did not have to consume the local diet all the time; her mom was able to fix traditional dishes from the states.

"The biggest difference between Japan and here is that the people are more polite in Japan," Wargula said.

She added, "Respect is a big deal, especially when relating with the older generation. Another difference is [that] Japanese people are more community-oriented while Americans are more individualistic."

"It gives you an added perspective. Living in another culture is a training ground for putting yourself in someone else's shoes," he said.

Somerville also expressed interest in being a missionary in the future. He is exploring many post-college options and doesn't know for sure what God will have him do, but he looks forward to finding God's will and seeing how the missions lifestyle might fit into it.

Because Turkey's primary religion is Islam, Porterfield's family and other missionary groups in the area have to take precau-

"It's been a challenge," he said. "You never know when you're going to say good-bye again."



A bamboo hut also known as the Beale Family residence.

The experiences we have often shape our future, as Brendan and Elissa prove.

"I definitely want to be a missionary later. I want to do medical missions in Africa," Elissa said. Brendan shares the same passion for outreach. He said, "I want to be a pastor, [a] missionary to the States."

Life

Freshmen soar over Grove City

By Camille Ortiz Collegian Writer

Your heart is racing as you wait for the door to be opened. As you see the sunlight pour into the plane, you realize that this is the moment you have been waiting for. All of your equipment is on and tightened, and you feel your partner strapped on behind you. As the moment approaches, you move closer to the open door and see the earth far below you and hear the roaring of the plane engine. Before you have the chance to change your mind, you feel a shove from behind, and you make the jump.

Grove City College freshman Dabney Gordon has first-hand skydiving experience. Twice within the past year, Gordon has made the jump at Skydive Pennsylvania, located just past the Prime Outlets of Grove City. Her first jump was on the morning of her high school graduation with some of her best girl friends.

"A few of my friends thought it would be a fun thing to do with each other before we graduated," Gordon said. "My friends and I are willing to try pretty much anything once."

She enjoyed the experience so much that she decided to jump again last summer with another group of her high school friends. As far as being scared, she said the worst part was when she was in the plane waiting to jump. "I wasn't scared until the door of the plane was opened and there was nothing separating myself and the ground 15,000 feet below me," Gordon said.

Gordon describes her skydiving experience as the most exhilarating thing she has done so far in her life. While many people believe that free-falling produces a sinking feeling like riding a roller coaster, Gordon said that skydiving is not like that at all. "The best way to describe it is like you're floating," Gordon said. "It is absolutely impossible not to smile when you're in free-fall, and for the rest of the day for that matter."

While many people may be questioning how safe skydiving actually is, Gordon assures that the professionals at Skydive Pennsylvania are careful and safety-conscious. "The equipment is checked after each flight and the airplane is checked every one hundred hours of use to ensure the safety of its passengers," Gordon said.

For those who have always wondered what it would be like to go skydiving, Gordon strongly recommends the experience. "If there's something you've always wanted to do but never got around to, then just go out and do it," Gordon said. "I've talked to so many adults who had always wanted to go skydiving but just never got around to it, and they really regret that. I'd recommend doing as much as you can while you're young."



Freshman Dabney Gordon prepares to leap from a plane.



Courtesy Dabney Gordon Freshmen Rachel Johns, Dabney Gordon and Shelby Anderson are geared up and ready in their skydiving harnesses.

Itching to make the jump? Skydiving can be a reality for Grovers

By Arielle Bateman Collegian Life Editor

If you have yearned to view the patchwork of the Grove City

jump with them, but they deploy their own parachute and land solo.

The third option is static line jumping, which is essentially tion, but he believes that the real issue for people is the "unknown factor." Contrary to common fears, parachutes do not easily fail. He said, "Parachutes are Less than 15 percent of the jumpers come from the local area.

In light of his unique profession, Reckard said, "I'm a pretty lucky

Sound Off

"Many people have strange irrational fears, all of which end in -phobia. If you could invent a phobia that described your irrational fear, what would it be and why?"

Ichthynatophobia – I am scared of swimming with fish. ~Sarah Beyer, Junior

Ketchmayomustarphobia – I'm afraid of condiments. ~Breyana Lehman, Senior

Pilloflatphobia – fear of my fluffy decorative pillows becoming flat. Or Naturostrandphobia – fear of not having my hair dyed; fear of natural hair colors.

~Denise Spencer, Sophomore

PDAphobia – the fear of walking in the Oak Room after hours.

~Luke Juday, Junior

Noonafterphobia – the fear that when you go to use your flip flops, they'll still be wet and cold from when you used them for your morning shower.

> ~Elizabeth Simmons, Sophomore

Latealarmaphobia – the fear of my alarm clock not going off. I often get up six times during the night to check it.

~Matt Koval, Sophomore

Lupusdihydrogenmonoxideop hobia – an intense fear of creeking. This isn't my fear, but it is the fear of a few boys I know.

> ~Hannah Schlaudt, Sophomore

Sesquipedilianophobia – fear of multisyllabic words which have little meaning.

countryside while you plummet toward earth, you are in luck. Skydive Pennsylvania, located at 469 Old Ash Road in Mercer, Pa., allows the stout of heart to boost their adrenaline with a skydiving experience.

Skydive Pennsylvania offers three options for first time jumpers.

"We are lucky enough that we have the staff and the infrastructure that ... we can allow people to choose," director Jeff Reckard said.

Most people opt for the tandem flight, where they are strapped together with an instructor for freefall and the parachuted glide to the earth.

More adventurous people can try instructor-assisted free fall, where they receive direct assistance from two instructors who parachuting as jumpers deploy the chute upon exiting the plane.

The different forms of skydiving require different amounts of preparation. Tandem jumping and static line jumping costs \$229, while instructor-assisted freefall costs \$329. Tandem jumping requires a briefing, and participants are almost certain to go the same day, weather permitting. Both instructor-assisted freefall and static line jumping require six to eight hours of prior instruction, and participants might not be able

to jump the same day. Some people schedule their

jump in advance. But if people call on the same day that they would like to jump, Skydive Pennsylvania can almost always accommodate them.

Reckard knows that first time jumpers struggle with intimida-

unbelievably reliable pieces of equipment."

Still, Reckard said, "Jumping out of an airplane is a very unnatural action. ... You will be scared the first time you jump. It's a huge red flag when someone isn't nervous at all."

Reckard and his brother started Skydive Pennsylvania in 1993. A self-described "passionate skydiving enthusiast," Reckard said, "Western Pennsylvania didn't have a modern skydiving center like you might find in other parts of the country. We saw a void. We need to bring skydiving to [it]." Skydiving has increased in popularity, resulting in three-anda-half million jumps per year. The skydiving center brings many non-residents to the area as it facilitates approximately 6,000 jumps annually, Reckard said.

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~Courtney Weber, Junior

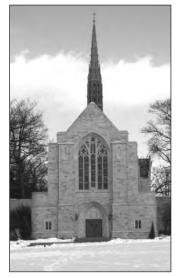
In Chapel this week

Sunday, March 29 Vespers: "Forgiven"

Monday, March 30 Alternative Chapel, 7 p.m. Dr. Derek Thomas Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, Miss.

Tuesday, March 31 Dr. Derek Thomas

Thursday, April 2 John Seward President, Strategic Resources Group, Inc.



Entertainment

Things DO

There's a slew of **senior recitals** this weekend in the Recital Hall of Pew Fine Arts Center, so be sure to witness the talent of your peers. Check out Nathan Bryant and Kevin Etzler at 7 tonight; James Cain and Brian Jinks at 2 p.m. tomorrow; and Beth Lincoln and Jessica VanDervort at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

Come listen to the tunes of Led Zepplin and Stevie Ray Vaughn as the **Crons' House of Blues** features the Burt Barrel Blues Band at 7:30p.m. tonight in Ket Rec. The admission is free and free coffee and bagels are available to snack on.

If you're into downer movies with a positive message, Steel City Ministries will present a showing of the film **"The Pursuit of Happyness"** in the TLC Auditorium Wednesday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m. Pizza will be served at 6:20 and donations for Homeless Ministry are accepted. An optional discussion will follow the film.

The **Etiquette Dinner** is Monday, March 30 at 5:00 p.m. in Old Map. The event is sponsored by AWS and Mrs. Paxton will be teaching proper etiquette to us uncouth students. To attend, RSVP to gccaws@gmail.com with your name and ID number.

Dead Horse Films presents the dystopic movie "Gattaca," starring Ethan

RESTAURANT REVIEW A taste of eastern Africa Indulging in fine Ethiopian cuisine at Abay in Pittsburgh

By Ryan Lesser Contributing Writer

I sat back and watched as our waitress placed a heaping platter of edible goodness onto the table in front of us. "What is that?" I thought to myself. I smelled cinnamon and cumin and perhaps a hint of curry and spice. Once I began to decipher the various types of foods which were piled in front of us, my stomach began to growl. It was time to eat.

Abay Restaurant is an Ethiopian eatery located just one hour from Grove City College in Pittsburgh, Pa. It was established by Jamie Wallace in order to accomplish two main goals: to offer ethnic Ethiopian cuisine to Pittsburgh dwellers and those in town for a visit and to expand the tastes of a city often criticized for an overall lack of diversity, particularly when it comes to dining out.

Upon entering the restaurant, one immediately feels a sense of displacement or removal on account of the general ambiance of the restaurant. The walls are painted with earth tones and decorated with Ethiopian art and artifacts and the furniture is contemporary in style, yet reminiscent of antiques on account of its dark wood stain. The lighting is carefully dimmed to the point of coziness and relaxation, while not dark enough to give off any feelings of coldness. Those working in the restaurant are friendly and helpful but not overbearing in order that they don't detract from the overall experience of the restaurant itself.

Abay offers a full menu, from appetizers and soups to entrees and desserts. Ethiopian cuisine generally consists of spicy vegetable and meat dishes – usually prepared in the form of "wat," which is similar in composition to a thick stew, and served atop "injera," a large sourdough flatbread. Ethiopians eat with their right hands, using pieces of injera to pick up bites of entrees and side dishes.

Ethiopians are generally Orthodox Christians, Muslims or Jews, so pork is not usually a part of their diet. Moreover, on account of various periods of fasting required by the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, Ethiopian cuisine consists of many vegetarian dishes as well.

Abay offers combination samplers for one, two, three or four persons. Such samplers

are commonly ordered at the restaurant for several reasons. First and foremost, this restaurant is a perfect place to share a meal with friends or family. Secondly, such samplers offer adventurous eaters a vast array of dining possibilities. Due to the "eat with your hands; no utensils" nature of Ethiopian dining, one might as well order several dishes and share them with others.

Once our waitress left us with the heaping pile of culinary delight, my friends and I began tearing off pieces of injera and using them to pick up various dishes to eat. We had beef, chicken and an assortment of vegetables. We even had a lamb dish, which was a special for the evening. Everything was absolutely delicious.

Between the ambiance created by the decorations, color scheme and smells; the impeccable service and the food itself, my evening at Abay was quite a dining experience. For those of you looking to try something new or desiring more of a cultural experience than a simple meal, I would recommend dining at Abay.

Check out their website at www.abayrestaurant.com.

RESTAURANT REVIEW New downtown restaurant has something for everyone

By Anna Wood Collegian Writer

It's unlikely Jordan Zorbas ever thought he would be the boss of a restaurant at the ripe old age of seven. And yet his parents bestowed upon him a restaurant in his name.

Monday afternoon, community members and the board of trustees gathered with the Zorbas family outside their new establishment, Jordan's Restaurant and Pizzeria, located next to Grace United Methodist on Broad Street in Olde Town.



mouth watered as the appetizers of fried mushrooms and chicken strips appeared. Each bite continued to burst with flavor and gratify the taste buds.

The pizza was delicious with just enough sauce that the dish swam with flavor. For those who enjoy a thicker, fluffier crust, this is the pizza for you.

"I've gotten rave reviews about it," Zorbas said. "Many people

Hawke and Uma Thurman, tonight at 7p.m. in the TLC Auditorium. Dr. Jonathan Kolm will lead the discussion.

Dream Works' **"Monsters v. Aliens"** begins its week long run at the Guthrie tonight with showings at 7 and 9p.m. Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 and 4p.m.

> – Compiled by Kelsey Keating and Anna Brinkman Entertainment Editors

Mike and Tess Zorbas stood proudly beside their son as he cut the ribbon signifying the opening with scissors taller than he was. "He loves the restaurant," owner Mike Zorbas said.

Monday afternoon was a special day not only for the ribboncutting but also for Jordan's birthday. He pranced around cheerily, telling all the patrons he was the boss and taking orders on his tiny note pad.

The restaurant itself has been a year and a half in the making. "I wanted to have a place where people could just come in and sit down," Zorbas said.

He continued by saying he

Courtesy of Anna Wood Jordan Zorbas cuts the ribbon at Monday's grand opening.

wanted to focus on the familystyle restaurant, and this is a family endeavor. Zorbas is the head chef and his wife, Tess, is the waitress.

Despite its newness, the food has the taste of a good, old style restaurant but remains unique because of the variety of its menu selection and for reasonable prices.

There were a few dishes with

Filipino flavor as well as all-time favorites.

Jordan's boasts an array of flavor that will please everyone, including classic personal and group-sized pizzas and spaghetti dishes. Refreshing salads, savory three-cheese grilled cheese sandwiches and juicy burgers all hold a place on the menu along with subs and various Greek dishes. As we sat at the table, every say it's the best pizza in the area."

Thick, old fashioned fries were served with every sandwich at no extra charge. In honor of Jordan's birthday, each meal was served with a free slice of moist chocolate cake topped with creamy chocolate icing. The desserts sitting in a case, pleading to be consumed, appeared very delectable as well.

The atmosphere was relaxed and friendly. Every customer left Jordan's with a full and satisfied stomach, and every heart was warmed by the friendly and obliging service.

So if you're walking back from the Guthrie one night or just sitting in the library dying for some old town pizza, take a little jaunt down to Jordan's. It will be well worth your while.

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Perspectives

PERSPECTIVES ON EDUCATION

Progressivism to make America the next Babel

By Amy Fisher Contributing Writer

A trend exists today in our educational system that threatens to turn America into the next Tower of Babel. E.D. Hirsch, Jr. pointed out in his book, "Cultural Literacy," that "where communications fail, so do the undertakings - that is the moral of the story of the Tower of Babel." Most would think that Americans have no problem communicating due to the accessibility of e-mail, cell phones and wireless Internet. But they are mistaken. The problem facing us is more fundamental than being able to get in touch with someone at a moment's notice.

The threat to our society is our lack of cultural literacy, defined by Hirsch as "the network of information that all competent readers possess." This "network of information" allows you to pick up this newspaper, read an article and understand the meaning beyond the text on this page. Americans are losing the ability to relate to each other because the knowledge they have in common is slowly decreasing. The reason

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for this upsetting phenomenon

is the progressive trend in education.

Progressivism, the idea that children should learn what they want to learn at their own pace, snubs rote memorization, seeing it as merely "trivia" that has no higher importance. This trivia, however, is the knowledge all Americans should share in order to relate to each other. The lack of knowledge that America's school children possess today is all too apparent.

There are countless stories of children not knowing who wrote the Declaration of Independence or where Chicago is. Or not knowing that Washington, D. C. is not located in Washington state. In one high school Latin classroom, the teacher was asking the students why Latin was a dead language. One girl in the back of the room raised her hand to challenge the teacher and asked, "What do you think they speak in Latin-America?" Stories like these should worry any American citizen about the future of his or her country's children.

Educators have conducted many studies concerning a child's ability to read. These studies have found that often the problem with a child's reading

is not due to lack of skill. The problem lies in the lack of knowledge needed to understand what is being read. The "Iceberg Theory" of Ernest Hemingway applies here: the explicit meaning of a piece of writing is the tip of the iceberg, yet the majority of the information lies beneath the surface. Students today see the tip of the iceberg while the rest of the meaning remains hidden from view.

Researcher R.C. Anderson found that humans use "schemata" - abstract mental entities to store the knowledge they read in retrievable form. For example, when a reader sees the word "bird," they may think of a robin-like creature. When the word "bird" is used in connection with the word

"Thanksgiving," however, the mental image suddenly morphs from a robin to a turkey. Readers are constantly selecting the most appropriate schemata as they digest information. When this schemata is not readily available due to lack of knowledge, reading becomes an arduous and disheartening task.

The common knowledge necessary for cultural literacy among Americans is being further fragmented as a result of

"tracking" students based on their intellectual abilities. Putting the smart kids in one American history class and the not-so-smart kids in another American history class leads to one group of students being knowledgeable about one century in our history, while the other group knows about a different century in American history. Students, even if they are from the same school, do not possess a common foundation of core knowledge, leading to a breakdown of communication.

All of these problems stem from children not being taught basic facts in elementary school. Despite the current objections to rote memorization, it is the most effective way to teach our children "the basic information needed to thrive in the modern world." If children are culturally literate, they will be able to communicate with their peers, they will be able to intelligently read a newspaper article and they will be able to build a successful future. In order to avoid a communicational crumbling akin to the Tower of Babel, Americans must take a vested interest in passing on "cultural literacy" to future generations.

Calculators in classrooms cause Americans to lack math skills

By Lori Hansell Contributing Writer

Americans get their bill at a restaurant and, instead of grabbing their wallet, they grab their cell phone. Why? They need its calculator! This common scenario is indicative of a larger problem in America today: a lack of basic math skills. In the age of teaching "the whole child," basic math skills are no longer thought a necessity, especially when calculators are so easily available. This student-centered approach views the requiring of kids to know basic math facts as too "traditional" and simple rote memorization. Yet, further math understanding cannot be built without these. It is like trying to read without knowing the alphabet. Teachers are under the misconception that they are helping students by being more "student-centered," yet the practice is having detrimental effects on their achievement.

math education has followed the overall education trends in becoming more student-centered, which has resulted in a decline of math achievement. From 1910 to 1950, the percentage of U.S. High School Students enrolled in algebra decreased from 56.9 percent to 24.8 percent and the percentage enrolled in geometry decreased from 30.9 percent to 11.4 percent. The 1989 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Standards for grades K-4 deemphasized complex paper-andpencil computations, the use of rounding to estimate and rote practice. In addition, they put a stronger emphasis on calculators for all the grades, recommending that "calculators should be available to all students at all times." Advocates of student-centered learning, rather than the traditional teacher-centered learning, place a greater emphasis on "problem solving" than on computation. However, things like figuring out the tip are problem

solving. You think through how you get 10 percent by moving the decimal place one place to the left, and 15 percent would then be adding half of that. Similarly, 25 percent is dividing the total in half, twice. None of

ing on a calculator.

This change in emphasis away from traditional teaching is putting Americans at an extreme disadvantage internationally. In the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) conducted in 2007, only six percent of American eighth graders reached the TIMSS advanced international benchmark in mathematics. In contrast, 45 percent of Taiwan eighth graders, 40 percent of Koreans, 31 percent of Chinese and 26 percent of Japanese reached this benchmark. No one can deny the importance of a solid understanding of basic math facts. Americans tend to think they are the best at everything, but obviously the tables have turned. As other nations are increasing in achievement, America is rapidly declining. When Americans are eating out in other countries they should not need to flip open their cell phones to calculate a simple tip. We need to get back to the basics.

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Throughout the 20th century,

this can be done without a strong grasp on basic math computations.

American students today are becoming too dependent on calculators because teachers do not demand quick and accurate basic math computations. It is not demanded, they claim, because in problem solving knowing what to do is more important than actually doing the sometimes mundane computations. Yet, look at estimating. It is used in day-to-day life figuring out how much you are spending at the store, what product is the better deal and how much of a certain product you need. Estimating, again, is a form of problem solving and depends on basic math facts and being able to do quick computations in your head without rely-

Perspectives

PERSPECTIVE ON POLITICS

Elected officials are not public servants

Dear Editors,

"Public servants" is such a fun phrase. It fills me with images of hard working men and women who have nothing and keep the best interest of their constituents at heart. I see the clerks, tax collectors and the legislatures all slaving away for the "best interest" of others. Wow – this has to be the funniest mental image I've had in a long time. The reality is that elected officials can never actually serve society's best interest. Ludwig von Mises and F.A. Hayek proved this years ago, but the fallacy keeps bellowing from the crack pipes of our political class.

Politicians are incapable of actually knowing the preferences of anyone but themselves and are therefore unable to allocate scarce resources. Sure, they can "do good," but at what cost? Consider the Tennessee Valley Authority. If you believe our political class, the entire American South would still be uncivilized and unlivable if it weren't for the gracious intervention of the state. This is simply false. Sure, the state managed to string up power-lines south of the Mason-Dixon, but the resources were forcefully taken from other individuals and other productive processes.

Anyone who holds an elected office ought to never refer to himself as a public servant – doing so only tarnishes the image of America's profit-earning businesses. Profit is earned by a firm when the prices of all the scarce factors of production are less than the price exchanged for the goods by consumers in the market. When this occurs, the firm has taken scarce resources and produced something society finds more valuable with them. "Public servants" don't have prices, profits or markets for the goods they produce. Therefore, they can only guess at the values of those they claim to serve. Then, in order to provide the "best interest," they must raise funds through force and coercion, not voluntary exchange. In fact, the greatest scarcity politicians have to contend with is cumulative IQ.

Any member of the political class, whether a mayor, president, senator or one of our own class officers, is incapable of efficiently spending the money they have seized control of. Not one of these individuals can claim to be a servant to the public. Politicians of all types are using taxation to redistribute resources. We need to move beyond the politician's claim of serving the public good and consider whether the destruction of wealth truly worth the politician's particular view of society's best interest. A reasonable observer will conclude this is rarely, if ever, the case.

- Junior David Gernhard

Perspective on Missions From devastation to restoration

By Brian Eckenhoff Collegian Writer

How many times have you stopped to thank God for the little things in life? In the midst of all you have going on, how many times have you considered yourself blessed simply to see and enjoy the colors of the world around you?

On a recent missions trip to Waveland, Miss., I met someone who regularly does. Her name is Sheryl Adams, and from her I learned that I have much to be thankful for.

I went down to Waveland this past Christmas break with my dad and three men from our church. By spending a week volunteering at the Christian Life Center, we hoped to help with the reconstruction of homes damaged by Hurricane Katrina.

When Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast, she left behind nothing but tons of debris, hundreds of uprooted trees and thousands of people in need, especially in the small beachside town of Waveland.

On Aug. 25, 2005, the eye of Hurricane Katrina, and the nearly 35-foot tidal surge brought with it, passed directly over Waveland and leveled nearly every building in sight.

I did not know what to expect as our group made the 22hour drive down to Waveland. A part of me was ready to see widespread devastation. Another part of me, though, was ready to see God move in tremendous ways.

Like I half expected, there were still boats on land, people living in dirty FEMA trailers and vacant properties where houses once stood. I did not expect, however, to meet someone like Sheryl Adams.

To me, Sheryl Adams embodied the resiliency of her town. Like Waveland, she was not remarkable for her size or stature but for her beautiful spirit of hope and restoration. In the midst of my week working on homes in Mississippi, these

INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE Native of India reacts to 'Slumdog Millionaire'

By Ram Goli Contributing Writer

Lately, I've noticed people coming up to me and asking if I have seen the movie, "Slumdog Millionaire," and my thoughts on it. I wasn't sure why I was being specifically targeted with this question. Some say it is because I grew up in India. I disagree. I think it's because I look like Jamal, the guy who plays the lead role in the movie. I'll answer a few frequently asked questions here about India and this movie to save myself from repeating the same answers to different people. Enjoy the curry.

One: Do people kiss in India?

Nope. Since Indian Independence in 1947 from the British Empire, couples stopped kissing. It is still a mystery where 1 billion people come from.

Of course people kiss in India. Not in public though.

Two: Do people break out in random dances like they do in Bollywood movies?

It only happens on the silver screen where the guy sees the girl on the road and breaks out into a dance for her. In reality, it is a big deal in India just to cross the road without breaking your leg.

Three: Are you going to have an arranged marriage?

After four years of harassment, this is the best answer I could come up with: "Heck yeah, a marriage arranged by God!" Giving a "yes" or "no" answer to this question leads to series of other questions after which I wished I've never been born.



The surprise hit 'Slumdog Millionaire' won eight Oscars.

so that I wouldn't leave any evidence of rubbernecking at this girl. Her voice, soothing to the soul, her smile an antidote to depression, her gentleness an imperative for bliss, the twinkle in her eye and dimples on her cheeks making life worth living! One day as I was deeply pondering my chances with her, intentionally or accidentally, she looked back at me. Voila! I was in a relationship. At least, that's what I perceived it to be. Now in the hindsight, I realize it to be real-insane-ship and not relationship. Here, we ask our peers questions like, "How long you've been dating him/her?" Conversely, "How long have you been peeking at her?" would be a categorically better question to ask me. What about the break up? It happened when a handsome guy in our class got rid of his braces. You connect the dots. Even after six years, I still wonder about my prospects if the other guy didn't have enough money to visit an orthodontist.

two words kept coming to mind: hope and restoration.

Everywhere I looked, there were still visible signs of destruction, but when I looked closely, I could clearly see God's ministry at work.

For over a year, Sheryl Adams and her husband, David, lived in a tent on a concrete slab underneath their house, and yet they were not bitter toward the Lord. Instead, Sheryl was thankful for how God had provided for them day in and day out.

"I thank God all the time," Sheryl said. "I thank Him for the birds ... the blue jays, the owls and especially the hummingbirds. I thank Him for the colors. Oh, I just love all the colors!"

Talk about an incredibly humbling conversation. Here was a middle-aged woman, who had lived through conditions you and I can't even imagine, praising God for the colors of His creation.

If Sheryl and the other residents of Waveland, Miss. can see themselves as blessed by the Lord because of the little things in life, then we can too.

So go on: Go out and thank God for the astounding array of colors that He has given us. By doing so, you just might be able to speak volumes to another person's heart, just as Sheryl Adams did to mine. **Four:** Do love stories like "Slumdog Millionaire" really happen in India?

Love stories happen everywhere. Behind every Jamal (lead actor) is a Latika (lead actress). Here is my romantic story. Think of it as "International Affairs."

Before the days of ubiquitous iPods, I lived in India. Although I attended a co-ed school, boys and girls hardly communicated with each other. I don't remember talking to a girl for more than half a minute until tenth grade. Nor did I shake girls' hands. If you are wondering if I ever hugged a girl in India, I would have gasped, "How could such dirty thoughts cross your mind?" You get the picture. I don't have to extend your imaginations into other diabolical acts. I remember in ninth grade, I would peek at this angelic blue-eyed, brown-haired girl out of the corner of my eye (Why is an Indian girl blue eyed? Genetic mishap?). My heart would strangely pulsate faster. Then I would suddenly start staring at Mr. Sleeping Pill or Dr. Hitler-in-disguise teaching Math or Hindi,

Woe is me, not all romances end in happily "Jai-ho" ever after.

Five: What do you think of Slumdog Millionaire? It is a well made movie, and, of course, poverty in the movie has been romanticized. It had to be, because poverty in its original form is uncomfortable and repulsive. Everyone has a heart that beats for romance – in the East and in the West. The romance story is what gave the movie an international spotlight. Hopefully it serves as a creative way to reach the poor and the broken.

Sports

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S VARSITY TRACK AND FIELD Track team starts strong Teamwork is key in first victory

By Laura Koller Collegian Writer

At the first track and field meet of the season, partial teams from Geneva, Slippery Rock and Thiel competed against Grove City College on March 24 at Thorn Field. Under the leadership of head coach Allison Williams, the Grove City track and field team is focused on building unity through each member's contribution to the team as a whole.

Both on and off the track, the athletes performed their best as individuals and as teammates. Junior Megan Markley, part of the team leadership committee, was injured but still cheered during every race and organized the hand timers at the finish line.

"This was a good time to get practice, and everyone showed support for one another," Markley said.

Seven senior standouts placed in the top three in their events on the track. Seniors Tim Palma, Charlie Roth and Chris Allebach placed second along with sophomore John Fite in the 4x100 meter relay with a time of 44.88. Roth also took third place in the 100-meter dash.

Senior Kristen Carter won both the 800-meter run and the 1500meter run, while senior Darin Miller finished first in the 800meter in less than two minutes, 1:59.03. To cap off the meet on the track, seniors Dan Spaulding and Tim Su took first and second place, respectively, in the 5000 meter run with times of 15:53.76 and 16:45.25.

Grove City swept the men's 1500-meter run with a trio including junior Derek Kruse in first, junior Frankie Hourigan in second and sophomore Cordell



Sophomore thrower Pete Polesnak practices for the javelin.

Oberholtzer in third. Junior Andrew Falcone won the 3000meter steeplechase, and sophomore Brigitte Fryan placed third in the 1500.

"Overall, I was very impressed with how the team did today," Carter said. "I was pleasantly surprised by the freshmen, considering their level of experience on the collegiate level." Grove City's freshmen showed formidable talent at the meet.

Freshman Morgan Osterhouse ran uncontested in the 3000meter steeplechase but finished with a time of 14:10.69. Fellow classmates Heather Good, Mary Trease and Emily Pietrucha all placed second in their events: 100-meter hurdles, 200-meter dash and 800-meter run, respectively.

On the freshmen men's side, Nick Philpot won the 400-meter dash in 53.56 seconds, and Lester Bragg finished third in the 200-meter dash.

In the field, Grove City athletes swept the men's discus and shot put. Junior Tony Clark won the discus with a throw of 43.31 meters, and junior Matt Ridge placed first in the shot put with 13.65 meters. Sophomore Kate Balmer not only won the 100meter dash on the track but also took third in the long jump.

Freshman David Ferreira placed second in both the long jump and the triple jump, while sophomore Christen Vallimont also took second in the triple jump. Senior Megan Fellows and freshman Rachel Weeber placed second in the discus and third in the shot put, respectively.

"I had a great day, and so did my teammates. We work together well, and the rest of the season will be exciting," Ferreira said.

"This was a great day. We performed our best, and it's only the beginning," Williams said. The Grove City College track and field team will compete again tomorrow at California University in the Western PA Championships meet.

MEN'S VARSITY TENNIS Wolverines lose two, rebound for PAC win

By Jared Bailey Collegian Writer

After building a strong 3-0 record, Grove City men's tennis (3-1) picked up its first loss of the season March 19 at the Grove City home opener.

The Wolverines fell to the visiting Purple Raiders of Mount Union by a score of 5-4. Even though the Wolverines managed to win two of the three doubles matches, they dropped four of the six single matches, which brought about the loss.

Grove City's lone singles wins came from sophomore Ricky Garrett (2-6, 6-3, 6-1) and freshman Scott Yanak (6-4, 6-4).

The Wolverines returned to action on March 24 and picked up their second loss of the season by dropping the match to the host, Malone, by a score of 6-3 at the North Canton Racquet Club. The Pioneers of Malone claimed four of the six singles and two of the three doubles matches.

Grove City's lone singles wins came from sophomore Marc Mentzer (7-5, 6-4) and senior Kyle Johnson (6-0, 7-6). Grove City's lone doubles win came from senior Jeremy Dwyer and junior Bill DeRocha who beat the Pioneer team of Tim Springirth and Dan Fahl by a score of 8-2. Looking to return to winning form, the Grove City tennis team hit the courts and picked up its first win, improving to 4-2 overall and 1-0 in the Presidents' Athletic Conference. This match on Tuesday, March 24 brought new life to the Wolverines as they blanked the Waynesburg Yellow Jackets by a score of 9-0.

Grove City went 9 for 9 and won all matches against the hosting Yellow Jackets. Standout performances included juniors Peter Davis and Bill DeRocha who blanked their individual opponents by scores of (6-0, 6-0) each.

Davis returned to the court and teamed up with sophomore Ricky Garrett to blank the Yellow Jackets doubles team of Emile Khoury and Peter Mally by a score of 8-0. This marked Grove City's first PAC win of the 2009 season.

Grove City returned to action March 26 against the visiting Tartans of Carnegie Mellon (11-4) who are currently ranked thirteenth in the nation for National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III. Grove City will host the Presidents of Washington & Jefferson College (1-0) on March 28 in PAC play.



Team updates from last week:

Men's Tennis

Wolverines open conference play

MEN'S VARSITY BASEBALL

By Cory Metcalf Collegian Writer

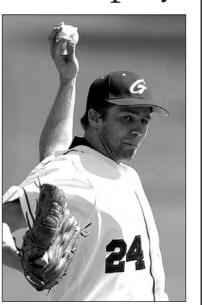
The Grove City baseball team opened conference play with a three-game series against the Titans of Westminster College on March 20 and 21. The team struggled offensively after a three week layoff between their spring Florida trip and their northern schedule.

In Friday's effort, the Wolverines took a 3-1 lead in the top of the fifth with help from a run-scoring single off the bat of senior first baseman Brad Stombaugh.

The lead lasted only until the bottom half of the inning as Westminster was able to tie and eventually take the lead in the sixth inning on a solo home run. The Titans went on to put an insurance run on the board while adding four more in the eighth. Junior Mike Herringshaw made a solid start, going 6 2/3 innings while allowing 4 earned runs on 11 hits. He struck out two in the outing.

On Saturday, the series came to Grove City as the Wolverines looked to take advantage of their home field. In the first game of the double header, the Wolverines were held to just two hits in a complete game shutout. Taking the loss was sophomore pitcher Cory Metcalf, who allowed just two runs on six hits while striking out three.

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Dr. Fred Jenny Senior Zach Hillegas took a nohitter into the sixth inning Tuesday against Saint Vincent. 3/19 – Mount Union 5, Grove City 4
3/21 – Malone 6, Grove City 3
3/24 – Grove City 9, Waynesburg 0

Baseball

3/20 – Westminster 9, Grove City 3
3/21 – Westminster 2, Grove City 0
Grove City 8, Westminster 7 (8 inn.)
3/24 – Grove City 5, Saint Vincent 1
Grove City 6, Saint Vincent 5

<u>Softball</u>

3/21 – Grove City 11, Chatham 2 Grove City 9, Chatham 5
3/24 – Pitt-Greensburg 1, Grove City 0 Grove City 8, Pitt-Greensburg 7

Sports

MEN'S CLUB LACROSSE

Men's lacrosse scores double victory Wolverines trounce Wheaton and Penn State Behrend

By Ryan Lesser Contributing Writer

The Grove City College men's club lacrosse team came away with two victories after a doubleheader at home last Saturday. The men won their first game 9-4 against Wheaton on Saturday morning.

Later that day they had a resounding victory over Penn State Behrend. The Wolverines scored eight goals in the game and held Penn State Behrend to just one goal.

The team opened its season with a 13-2 victory over Kent State on Feb. 23. Since then, the Wolverines have defeated every team they have played, including Pitt in their scrimmage on March 18. After four solid victories in their first four games, the team has much to look forward to for the rest of the season.

The team is led by seniors Pete Tooley, Joel Stiff and Eric Rumbaugh.

"The leadership of this team will play a big part in determining how much success we will achieve throughout the rest of the season," Stiff said.

Talented new additions, including freshmen Kellen Quackenbush and Tim Irwin, have also played key roles in the team's success thus far. Irwin leads the team in goals scored, along with senior Joel Stiff. Quackenbush, usually a midfielder, has been playing attack for the past few games on account of the absence of Josh Hostetler, a junior who has been out-of-commission due to a punctured lung.

There are several components to fielding a successful lacrosse team. First and foremost, talent is necessary. Between the capable, experienced upperclassmen and the talented new additions, Grove City men's club lacrosse is not suffering from a lack of talent in and amongst themselves.

ground-balls, won face-offs and made sure to get "into the box" as quickly as possible.

Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, each member of the team must sacrifice his own pride and ambitions for the larger entity, the team itself. The team must become one and work together.

Grove City has five games left in the season, after a home game against Carnegie Mellon on Wednesday, March 25, which the Wolverines won 17-7. The men's last game, which will take place on April 1, is an away game against Youngstown State University.

Ultimately, the team wishes to go undefeated throughout the rest of the season and ideally make it to nationals.

"I'm excited for this year's team," Stiff said. "If we don't make it to the playoffs, I'd be surprised. We've got a lot of talent on the team this year. We need to continue to come together as one unit, and do all that we can to increase our chances of making it to nationals."

This team really has nothing to lose, and everything to gain. If they continue to do well and win out the rest of the season, they have the potential to advance to nationals and go down as the most successful men's club lacrosse team in the history of Grove City College.



Senior Pete Tooley fights for defense against Penn State Behrend.



Support Your Wolverines! March 27 – April 2

Baseball 3/27 - vs.Waynesburg (H) 1 p.m. DH 3/28 - vs.Waynesburg (A) 3 p.m. 4/1 - vs. Saint Vincent (A) 3 p.m. 4/2 - vs. D'Youville (H) 2 p.m.

<u>Softball</u> 3/28 - vs. Geneva (H) 11 a.m. 3/31 - vs. Penn State Greater Allegheny (A) 4 p.m. 4/2 - vs. Wash & Jeff (H) 4 p.m.

Dr. Fred Jenny

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Women's Water Polo 3/27 – vs. Utica (A) 4 p.m. 3/27 - vs. Gannon (A) 7 p.m.

Men's Tennis 3/28 – vs. Wash & Jeff (H) 11 a.m. 3/31 - vs. Allegheny

Second, the team needs to consist of members willing to work hard. As shown throughout both games on Saturday, Grove City is willing to work. They got



Freshman Kellen Quackenbush has been valuable as an attacker.

Baseball

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In the nightcap of the doubleheader, Grove City fell behind 3-0 before tying the game with sophomore Butch Kriger's threerun double to the gap in left-center field.

The Wolverines took a 5-3 lead in the bottom of the third as senior shortstop Ben Wilson singled home sophomore right fielder Scott Moran. Wilson scored on a double by sophomore DH Marcus Magister.

Senior Zach Hillegas earned the win in relief while pitching one scoreless inning with two strikeouts. Sophomore Kyle Silk started the game while allowing seven runs on five hits. Senior Matt Tindall threw two scoreless innings in relief.

Continuing the conference schedule the Wolverines played host to the Saint Vincent College Bearcats on Tuesday, March 24. In the first game, Hillegas pitched a gem while allowing only one run on two hits through six innings of work. He maintained a no-hitter through five. Tindall held the Bearcats in the seventh to secure the win. Offensively, the Wolverines were paced by senior center fielder and leadoff hitter Seth Thompson who went 3 for 3 with two doubles, followed by senior DH Cody Koontz who doubled twice, and Stombaugh who also went 3 for 3.

In the second game, Koontz singled home Kriger in the bottom of the seventh to secure Grove City's third consecutive home win. Kriger and Stombaugh led the rally with singles to start the inning.

Herringshaw earned the win in relief while allowing only one run through 2 2/3 innings of work. Sophomore Andy Klimek started the game on the hill while allowing three earned runs through three innings of work. Sophomore Chip Hasek worked 1 1/3 innings of scoreless baseball in relief.

The Wolverines boast a record of 5-6 overall and 2-3 in the PAC.

MEN'S VARSITY SWIMMING AND DIVING

Sports

Courage sets NCAA record Eleven All-Americans ranked 6th in the nation

By Andrew Parry Collegian Writer

Last week the Grove City men's swim team made their way into the record books. The team went to the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Championship meet held in Minneapolis, Minn. and competed over the course of four days. Grove City came back one of the most decorated teams to ever compete on the national stage.

Senior Caleb Courage from Shippensburg, Pa. led the way on the first night, along with teammate senior Tim Whitbeck of Saegertown, Pa. The men finished second and third in the 50meter freestyle, respectively, with Courage being the first Grove City swimmer to ever break the 20-second barrier. His final time in the 50 was 19.97, while the third place Whitbeck finished close behind with 20.03.

Courage then went on to compete and place in the 100 backstroke, finishing tenth overall with a time of 50.46 seconds. He was the anchor for the 200 freestyle relay, which placed third overall, earning the relay team an All-American honor. The relay team comprised senior Drew Snyder, freshman Kirk Gagliardo, senior Tim Whitbeck and Courage.

Courage also anchored the 400 freestyle relay, swimming with

Gagliardo, senior Peter Larsen and Whitbeck. This relay team also finished third and earned All-American honors.

On the final morning, Courage swam the 100 freestyle and broke the oldest record in Division III, held since 1985 by Kenyon's Jim Born.

The mark was set at a 43.65, and in preliminaries, Courage broke that record with a time of 43.60. At finals, he won the race with a finishing time of 43.62, becoming a three-time National Champion in that event.

Over the rest of the meet, sophomore Nate Nielsen, freshman Nick Hamilton, freshman Kirk Gagliardo and Courage swam the 400 freestyle relay and placed 12th overall. They swam in a time of 6:47.07, which earned the men All-American honors.

Each of the 200- and 400meter medley relays placed higher than expected with incredible swims not only by Courage but also by Larsen in the butterfly leg of the 400, sophomore Camden Coppelli in the backstroke of the 200, and freshman Clay Beckner in the breaststroke leg of the 200.

The 200 medley relay placed twelfth with Coppelli, freshman Clay Beckner, Larsen and Whitbeck. This race earned each of the swimmers All-American honors with their time of 1:32.33.

The 400 medley relay placed eighth overall, dropping from



Senior Caleb Courage

being ranked 13th. The team, including Courage, freshman Ben Bowser, sophomore Bennett Keefer and Whitbeck, earned All-American honors with a finishing time of 3:25.32.

Other notable performances came from Bowser, who set the school record on the first day in the 200-meter individual medley with a time of 1:52.88, narrowly missing the consolation finals. Gagliardo competed in the 50, 100 and 200 freestyles at the meet.

The overall sixth-place finish was the highest in program history. Consequently, the swimmers came home to a crowd and roar of applause outside of the Physical Learning Center on campus.

Success for the swimmers has now reached its climax, and the Wolverines will start to focus on the upcoming 2009-10 season.



Senior Drew Snyder



Sophomore Nate Nielsen



Freshman Nick Hamilton





Senior Peter Larsen



Freshman Clay Beckner



Freshman Ben Bowser





Senior Tim Whitbeck



Archive



Senior Tim Whitbeck finished his career as a 14-time NCAA All-American.

Freshman Kirk Gagliardo

Sophomore Bennett Keefer