Democracy? psh.

Is something rotten in the State of Penn?

Feelings of apathy towards this lackluster semester have been surmounting among Penn State Wilkes-Barre students, and the election came at just the right time to act as a real-life testament to what can best be described as gross indifference.

Candidates for the two main positions, SGA President and SGA Vice-President ran unopposed. One or two rogue rivals infused the tiniest spark of excitement in the election by attempting to claim the positions by composing a last minute write-in campaign, but despite this, the results were basically a forgone conclusion, and an uninteresting one at that.

The Revolt had a chance to sit Should we be freaking out right now? 

Will budget cuts close campus? Should we be freaking out right now? 

Well, not necessarily, but it got your attention didn’t it? However, the recent budget cuts announced by Pennsylvania governor Tom Corbett are so ridiculous that students at Penn State are probably close to considering dropping out of college permanently anyway. The proposed budget cut plan slashes Penn State’s annual funding from $330 million to $165.1 million. As if students don’t pay enough to go to school, funding for many events, activities, and other programs enjoyed by students throughout campus will now be hacked in

Fake bake: a big mistake

Are you still baking your skin at that tanning salon in the hopes of becoming a bronze goddess (or god)? Well, it’s time to give it up honey, because that look is so two years ago it hurts. Plus, if you keep it up, all you will have to show for your regular tanning sessions is a large amount of wrinkles and sagging skin by the time you’re 30. Yeah, that sounds real attractive. Even Snookie and the rest of the cast of Jersey Shore have given

Bath Salts From Suds to Drugs

Many individuals look forward to coming down after a long, hard day of work by relaxing in a nice hot bath. Adding different scents, bubbles, or even bath salts can create a comfortable calming atmosphere that allows the mind to be free and at ease. I am sure many of the students on campus have watched the news and are aware of this recent epidemic involving bath salts. Sophomore Maria Kayrish works hard during the week by maintaining 

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down and talk with an aforementioned “rogue rival” for SGA Presidency, Ted Carl.

As previously noted, the upcoming SGA President “technically” ran unopposed, but did have some (false?) competition from Mr. Carl who encouraged students to write in his name on the ballot.

There are rules and stipulations restricting students from being allowed to run for a position on SGA, though some are not easily accessible, and some others may even be debatable. Take Carl for instance, who says his votes were not going to actually count because “They said I wasn’t a Senator of SGA for a semester, which is required.” Carl goes on to clarify “…although I was an SGA Rep for a club during the fall semester.”

So why, then, did Carl continue to campaign even though he was flat-out told that he did not meet requirements? I think it was partly to make a point, to take a stand, and partly because he truly did feel that he could win enough votes and then make a valid argument to counter his “non-member” status.

Basically, although he did not/could not win- having a decent amount of students write his name in on the ballot signifies that a change was desired, and that perhaps some adjustments to the voting/election process can be made.

In order to ensure that the students of Penn State Wilkes-Barre are getting the best possible person to lead the campus, it is imperative for them to have multiple candidates to choose from. That was not the case, for a number of reasons, one very obvious reason being that the whole lead up to the election is very hush-hush and uninspired.

Carl points out “not many people know about the election until they get an email about it, right before it occurs. That doesn’t allow students time to participate.”

And participate they did not. It was recently revealed that Carl lost the election by the very slim margin of 23 to 25. That it took only 25 votes to claim the title further proves how little students on campus were involved in the process. Also, of the menial %12 of eligible voters who did actually vote, at least one did so as a joke, writing in “Ron Paul” for SGA President.

Other students have also noted the curious lack of posters, announcements, or campaign materials. One student explained: “It’s almost as though all of a sudden we’re propositioned with this election out of nowhere, and hey look—there’s only one person to even vote for anyway.”

“If I open my email and see only one name, I’m going to click it and give it a vote just because I already wasted my time going to the website, so why not?” added another.

Carl claims that he went around asking people if they knew about the elections, if they knew what SGA does, or if they know the SGA President and said he was met with a number of blank stares and “What are you talking about, man?” type responses.

When approached about complaints directed at the election process, the current SGA President declined to comment.

He says that in running for President, he was on a mission to make SGA as student-accessible as possible. “I feel the president should be someone who is known to the whole campus and that if I were SGA president I would make myself readily available to help the other students.” He adds that he would do the hustle-n-flow required to keep students in the know. He would take the time to get to know people, and take the time to make sure they’re aware of all of the SGA’s objectives. “I wouldn’t take on the responsibility just so I can add it to my resume.”

So although Ted did not win the election, he does raise valid points and he does make it hard to ignore that there is a fair amount of disconnect between the SGA and the students, and that uncontested elections are not helping to bridge that gap.

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half according to the new 2011-2012 Budget Cut Proposal. This cut will dramatically alter student-life at the University, which students have already tried to protest at various campuses. Penn State President Graham Spanier commented that the funding reduction is so steep that “it would alter the very nature of Penn State and with it the University’s ability to support outreach programs felt across the commonwealth…”

Not only will the cut eliminate many possibilities and activities for the campus, but it will most likely also affect the tuition rate for students. The tuition rate for in-state students will inevitably go up, but Spanier has said that “students cannot be asked to bear the brunt of these cuts.”

With the proposal earning the title of “largest single year cutback in the history of American public higher education,” students should feel comfortable knowing that their quest for a higher education will now be made even more difficult (insert eye rolling here). While Governor Corbett may be all set on the idea, the approval of the House and Senate is still required to finalize it so keep your fingers crossed. Corbett has stated that the state “has an obligation to get things right” and can no longer rely on “the quick fix and easy answer.” So why should people with goals and bright future plans be punished? I must have missed that speech. Penn State student Paige Wasilewski has said, “It feels as though we are being punished for going to college, when in reality we are trying to better ourselves.”

Budget hearings are expected in the coming months with the possibility of a testimony from Spanier. Other universities affected by the plan can also make their cases at the hearings. In an interview with state Senator Jake Corman, R-Bellefonte, he has said that “higher education has taken the short end of the stick” in recent years. You can say that again. There may still be a silver lining to this ominous cloud, but as of now, it’s not looking too promising for future college students.
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seventeen credits in addition to working part-time at
Grotto Pizza. “I honestly think that I take more baths
than showers and I can’t even enjoy it now. I used to
use different types of aromatherapy products includ-
ing bath salts, and now I would never try to purchase
them because they would immediately assume that I
was doing drugs,” Kayrish said.

Instead of resting on the bottom of the bathtub, these
salts are being smoked, snorted, or injected to obtain
a high. The ingredients in the powders of these salts
often contain mephedrone and methylenedioxypy-
rovalerone, also known as MDPV, which can cause
hallucinations, paranoia, and rapid heart rates. An-
other effect of this drug is said to cause depression
leading to another worldwide epidemic known as sui-
cide. The chemicals in these products are sold legal-
ly in stores or on the web, however, there have been
warnings issued to enforce the banishment of these
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These are baths salts! They will not get you high.

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While catching a few rays from the sun outdoors
is not the best option in the world either, it is a tad
safer than using tanning beds. High-pressure sun-
lamps found at your local tanning salon emit 12
times more ultraviolet A (UVA) rays than the sun
does. This does not mean that the sun is complete-
ly safe by any means; you should always wear an
SPF lotion while outdoors. If you’re thinking, “I can’t
win—no indoor tanning and when I’m outside I have
to wear sunscreen. Give me a break!” listen
to me. You can still enjoy the sun and catch a tan
but you just need to be safe about it. Self-tanners’
popularity is surging, showing that Americans are
becoming ever aware of the dangers of tanning. They
work by temporarily dyeing the top layer of
skin and as your skin cells slough off, the color
slowly fades. You reapply the product as often as
you like to maintain your color. Several self tan-
ers even contain an SPF in them while still obvi-
ously giving you some color. Wear an SPF of at
least 15 and you’ll be golden, literally.

Sunless tanning lotions are also more diverse
than ever in today’s day and age, catering to light,
medium, and dark skin tones. People with dry skin
can purchase brands containing emollients or hu-
mectants, which add softness and moisture, and
people with oily skin can buy brands with gel or
alcohol-based products. Vitamins, herbal extracts,
antioxidants, and alpha-hydroxy acids are just a
few ingredients that have recently been added to
some products in an effort to expand the benefits
of self-tanners.

If premature aging, fine wrinkles, deep grooves,
blotchiness, sagging, and leather-like skin sound
like a dream come true, then you should definitely
continue fake baking in those death traps common-
ly called tanning beds. But when little kids scream
and high-tail it upon seeing your face, don’t say I
didn’t warn you.

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Alternative Spring Breaks
It’s what the cool kids are doing

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a part of something designed solely to help others in need? Do you receive satisfaction from helping someone out even if it means you having to give something small up? What if doing that good deed allowed you to travel to a part of the country you’ve never been to before, or even better, to a beautiful destination outside of the country? Read on and I guarantee your usual spring break filled with booze, vomit, sun poisoning, and girls who probably shouldn’t be wearing bikinis will start to look like a nightmare.

Maybe you’re the type of person who wants to make a difference in someone’s life, but figure you may as well make a difference in a destination where you could catch a tan as well; it’s the best of both worlds— you help families or animals in need while still basking in the sun’s rays. If this is you, consider a Volunteer Vacation. Some destinations included in a Volunteer Vacation are Australia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Peru, Africa, India, and Fiji. The time frame of a Volunteer Vacation can be tailored to whatever you’re looking for, with the shortest being 1 week and the longest being an entire year. Most duties include but are not limited to: helping to build new homes, improving living conditions for locals, working directly with children to improve their education, donating supplies to local schools, assisting in land conservation efforts, and monitoring and evaluating efforts, and monitoring and protecting wildlife.

Car not registered $10.00, car in the wrong spot $25.00, school schedule on HOLD priceless. We’ve seen them sit in unmarked cars, we’ve watched them ticket our cars from afar, we’ve disobeyed these people once, twice, and maybe even numerous times, at least in our whole college career, and who are they, you ask? “They” are the campus security ticketing team out to get the little money us broke college kids have.

A very well known justifiable argument with this money making scam is that us students are paying to go to this campus and as we all know parking in certain areas is just not realistic because the parking areas are just to small. While we the students pay our tuition, activity fee, blah blah blah fee, and another blah blah blah fee, plus the disgusting yellow tickets that we may get, teachers along with faculty and staff are getting pay checks to come here. Im sure If I was getting a paycheck it really wouldn’t matter were I parked.

This is an angry student giving one. Every year we are hit paying this and that all to better ourselves and our lives. And for what, to get a hold on your student account when the next semester rolls around? I mean how unrealistic and money-hungry are you security villians? This campus is not Philadelphia or any high traffic area school for that matter. We, the students, are your everyday average Joe’s and we should get to park wherever we want. This teacher/student/faculty parking is far from importance. We are catching on to you vultchers and the money your trying to snatch from our little hands . So just remember when you see a vehicle in the visitor lot, is it really a visitor or a revolter driving a different vehicle everyday to school in order to revolt you, your holds, and your determination to force us to pay for such unlawful tickets!

Jobless Fair?
Penn state Wilkes Barre recently just held it’s annual job fair. The job fair was held on April 20th,2011. There were several companies that attended the job fair but what leaves me puzzled is that most of these companies were not hiring. Most of the companies were just looking for interns, which left me frustrated . What is the point of having a job fair for students that are just about to graduate? It’s disappointing to get dressed up and think that this job fair would be beneficial to us, to just leave the job fair in pure disappointment. How are students that are supposed to be graduating in May going to pay their student loans off by doing an internship? Why couldn’t our school do a better job for it’s students at actually finding companies that are hiring. I felt it to be a waste of time. A lady at the job fair from career link even stated “ With the way the economy is, it is very difficult for graduates to find a local job in this area, one would have to look at possibly relocating”. What is a student to do when even a women from career links is saying that there are no jobs?
In the year 1973, a small group of Penn State students put together an event that would later change the world. The event was a dance marathon that consisted of thirty-nine couples that participated and raised $2,000. Since then, the event known as "THON" has become the largest student-run philanthropy in the world, raising funds and awareness for the fight against pediatric cancer. It is noted on THON.org that THON now has 15,000 student volunteers, 700 dancers, and has raised more than $69 million, benefiting The Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital. The Four Diamonds Fund compensates the cost of treatment that insurance does not cover, including expenses that may disrupt the welfare of the child.

The success of Thon depends on the togetherness of the community and dedication of Penn State students and organizations. Canning is one of the most popular forms of fundraising that students partake in. Freshman Colleen Paddock helped to raise money by canning and had an incredible time at Thon 2011. “It was amazing to hear all of the kid’s stories during family hour and being able to see how beneficial Thon truly is. Thon put everything into perspective for me. It made me realize that all of the long days spent in the cold canning were minimal compared to the problems that these children face each day.”

On the weekend of February 18, students from our local branch campus ventured to University Park to take part in Thon 2011. Amy Parry, Chair of the Thon committee, put in countless hours of time and effort in order to make Thon a memorable experience for everyone involved in the club. Amy has participated in Thon for five years and stated that this was by far her most stressful year. “This year was beyond stressful but it was such a rewarding experience being able to see Thon from beginning to end,” Amy said. In 2010, Amy was a dancer in Thon and explained how the pain and exhaustion made everything a blur by the time Sunday arrived.

Penn State Wilkes-Barrians Bob Veneskey and Dara Rose represented our campus in the Penn State IFC/PanHellenic Dance Marathon. “One of my main jobs this year was to take care of our dancers,” Amy said. She explained that the dancers were on their feet for a full forty-six hours while being awake for well over fifty hours. Although Amy only slept for an hour and a half the entire weekend, she stood by her dancers side until the final reveal on Sunday afternoon. At the final reveal, the kids raise large white signs from the end to the beginning. Thon 2011 exceeded all expectations and raised a record $9,563,016.09 for the Four Diamonds Fund, surpassing last year’s $7.8 million. “Thon is one of the most amazing, heart wrenching experiences that you could ever be apart of,” Amy said.

Few entities on this campus dare to deal with anything remotely controversial which is why Dr. Steven Putzel’s recent talk on Leonard Woolf was such a breath of fresh air to the suffocating students of Penn State Wilkes-Barre. The obscure Woolf, who was married to one of the 20th century’s most revolutionary writers Virginia Woolf, is often overlooked. Yet while researching his latest book in London this past fall, Virginia Woolf and the Theatre, Putzel cast a light in the shadows of the Mrs. and found a figure interesting in his own right.

A master agitator, Leonard Woolf’s repertoire of mainly political essays warned the world of the dangers leaders like Stalin, and Hitler posed to the before they assumed power. Putzel, emphasizing the effect this had during Woolf’s day, drew the connections to political figures today, blowing new life into this often overlooked figure.

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Be sure to check The Revolt for Dr. Putzel’s rumored book signing and tour.

Dr. Putzel cries Woolf!
Social Media &
Sports

Social networking sites, namely Facebook and Twitter are taking over every piece of Americana at a rapid pace. Relationships cannot be verified without a “Facebook official” label, and friendships are starting by people getting to know one another’s likes and dislikes through Facebook updates. The idea for NBA Superstar Blake Griffin to alley oop over a car in the Slam Dunk Contest developed from a fan suggestion on Twitter. Global celebrities like Katy Perry use Tumblr to blog videos and random thoughts to fans, and social media jobs at companies have never been more relevant or necessary.

Leading the charge in social media marketing is the NBA. Earlier in February, the Milwaukee Bucks proved exactly how much of an asset Facebook is to engage fans by giving away a pair of tickets to anyone that completed a survey on Facebook. 1,500 fans cashed in on this offer, and the study showed that 57% of the fans logged on Facebook in the past thirty days, which is now the second most visited site in the world, trailing only Google. NBA commissioner David Stern has even embraced the role of social media, as he recently referred to Twitter as the “digital water cooler.” For example, the newly acquired New York Knicks superstar, Carmelo Anthony, has increased his number of views on Facebook and Twitter by 42% since his trade.

In the AFC, the Cincinnati Bengals finished 12-4 and won the first and second playoff games in their franchises history, expect many to follow. Their signal caller was NFL MVP, Ken Anderson. Anderson threw to talented rookie Wide Receiver Chris Collinsworth and Tight End Dan Ross. The Bengals also had a talented defense, led by Eddie Edwards on the line and Ken Riley in the secondary.

In their conferences respective championship games both teams faced very different challenges. The brash attitude of the league is now just a keyboard away from revealing itself. Most recently, Washington Wizards’ Andray Blatche started a verbal war with users criticizing his play, unshackling the following tweet directed at a fan, “oh well I’m a rich piece of s*** so what are u I can buy and sell it ur family”. Perhaps the players take after the NBA quite literally. Minutes after the Green Bay Packers won the Super Bowl, Major League Baseball tweeted “Baseball”, implying that it is now baseball season. Apparently the paid NBA tweeter is just as dim as several of the players, when the NBA directly responded “No” to MLB’s tweet, creating a keyboard away from revealing itself.

Superbowl
XVI

Anticipation for Super Bowl 16 was high. As fans we went through all the ups and downs of the 1981 season biting our nails and on the edge of our seats. Now it was finally time for the champion of the league to be crowned. But first, let us take a look at our contenders: The San Francisco 49ers and the Cincinnati Bengals.

Neither team was expected to be playing football at this point of the season, or even a month prior. Both teams finished 6-10 the year before and to even finish 500 would have been an improvement. Both teams made incredible strides though and were able to double (or better) the number in the win column. The 49ers finished 13-4 behind the arm of their young quarterback, Joe Montana. It was fitting that number 16 would be competing in the 16th edition of the NFL’s biggest game. Of course, Montana didn’t accomplish this single-handedly as he threw to the likes of Dwight Clark and Freddie Solomon. On the other side of the ball, free-agent acquisition Fred Dean recorded 12 sacks and rookie defensive back Ronnie Lott intercepted 7 passes. The future appears bright for Lott.

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On to the big game, the 49ers were able to open up a 20-0 halftime lead over Cincinnati on the strength of Montana who scored on the ground and via a pass to Earl Cooper; as well as two short field goals hit by Ray Werther.
Long Live Leslie Livingstone!

In the last few years, Penn State Wilkes-Barre has seen a sudden surge in its athletic department. Once considered to be the little brother of the satellite campuses, Athletic Director Jack Monick, along with numerous hard working head coaches, has worked hard to get athletics out of the basement and up to the top of the PSUAC. In 2008, Women’s Basketball began competition in the PSUAC, at that time under Coach Monick; the team had the same growing pains anyone might expect from a new team but still fared better than expected. At the beginning of the 2009-2010 season Coach Monick added an assistant coach to his bench, one who would take over the reigns as head coach the following year, Coach Leslie Livingstone.

You’ve probable seen Coach Livingstone running around campus, as she is also an admissions counselor, always smiling and friendly. But underneath that smile is a fiery competitor, who had a pretty good college career herself. Livingstone played her college ball just a stones throw away at Miseracordia University. She graduated in 2003 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Sports Management. On the court Livingstone was hard at work becoming the all-time assist leader at MU, a record she still holds today, as well as being among the tops in the country in steals and assists for NCAA Division III. She was also selected as the Wendy’s Athlete of the Month all four years.

After graduating, Coach Livingstone continued her education at MU, receiving her Masters of Science Degree in Education in 2007. During her first two years in graduate school, Livingstone was an assistant coach for Miseracordia’s Women’s Basketball team and worked full time as an admissions counselor for the University. In 2008, she decided to change venues and began as an admissions counselor for PSU WB.

Now that her playing days are behind her, the need for competition and the love for the game has not faded. Due to injuries, she has had to, on several occasions, actively play during scrimmages at practice to insure that her players get enough work in. “We are a young team, but as the season progresses, we will continue to gel as a unit and continue to improve everyday.” Among her goals for the season, Coach Livingstone has mentioned making the PSUAC play-offs and the USCAA National Tournament.

Her experiences as a player are what drives her, both as a coach and as a person, “Throughout college I always wanted to coach someday. All of my coaches have had a huge impact on me as an athlete and person. Coaching, to me, is a way to keep the spirit of all my previous coaches alive, while adding values that I hope will be influential on the lives of the women I coach.” Now the lights are on and Coach Livingstone has her chance. Beginning her first season as Penn State Wilkes-Barre’s head women’s coach, she has already placed her mark on the program by putting together an extremely tough schedule which includes 6 Division III programs, and yes one of them is her alma mater Miseracordia, as well as game against Division II Bloomsburg University.

In addition to Coach Livingstone becoming the head coach, Ann Brennan, a Professor in PSU WB’s English department, has also come on as an assistant coach. Livingstone said that her and the team are very happy to have Coach Brennan, who, along with Coach Livingstone, has also had to actively participate in practice. A new year, a new coach, a new team; and a talented one at that. Coach Leslie Livingstone and the Women’s Basketball team welcomed everyone to come out to see them play.

With all these new changes, its about time the sports culture on our campus changed. The women’s basketball team, as well as the rest of the athletic teams at Penn State Wilkes-Barre, need you. Don’t let our visiting teams have more fans in the stands then we do, come out and support our teams.

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The opportunity for fans to communicate with their favorite players, and get to know them off the field is undoubtedly the number one reason why social media is taking over sports. However the entertainment value of these new platforms is priceless. Most recently, Washington NFL quarterback Matt Hasselbeck made a joke on Twitter questioning cornerback Darrelle Revis’ intelligence. Hasselbeck quickly deleted the tweet, but the internet is written in ink when living under the scope as an NFL star. Revis responded by telling Hasselbeck “I will smash ur face in”. Facebook and Twitter have developed into integral means of communications for sports journalists, as well.

ESPN’s “Sports Guy” Bill Simmons has developed from a popular journalist into a flat-out celebrity, leading all ESPN columnists with over 500,000 followers on Twitter. Yahoo! Sports and The Sporting News have both used Twitter and Facebook to conduct interviews with athletes, making communications even simpler than a phone call.

One of the most popular hockey agents, Scott Norton, has gone on record with his optimism that social media is taking over sports journalism, as well. Norton stated, “Social Media has been great for myself, my company and my clients as a way to not only interact with the fans, but allow us to brand our clients as whom they are in real life.”

Enough of the answers. Is either team set to win? Are the 49ers in for a side kick attempt. The 49ers recovered Cincinnati’s on the opening kickoff and were able to get Wersching a field goal, but it would miss. Anderson touchdowns (one run, one pass), the Bengals were able to close the deficit to just 6 points. San Francisco saw their championship slipping away and were able to get Wersching in position to hit on two more field goals and recapture their two score lead. Anderson hit Ross on a 3 yard touchdown pass, but it was too little, too late as with only 20 seconds left the 49ers recovered Cincinnati’s on-side kick attempt.

The 49ers are now the champions of the NFL, but after the 16th edition of the Super Bowl it appears as though football fans may still have more questions than answers. Is either team set up for continued success? The 49ers are a very young football team, and Montana proved to be clutch this past season. The team is set to win up numerous championships. Of course, the Bengals may stand in the way of this goal. Anderson provides great veteran leadership to a talented Cincinnati squad. Though the team may have fallen short of the ultimate prize, they should not hang their heads in shame. This is a team that should compete for, and will win a Super Bowl in the years to come.

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Bar Reviews!

Metro Bar and Grill
(1174 Memorial Highway, Dallas)
Safety: 5/5 Smack dab in the middle of Dallas, the cushioned bubble where nice middle-class families thrive.

Atmosphere: 3/5 Clean and casual. Sit on the deck during warmer weather and listen to live music.

Prices: 3/5 Happy hour every day from 9-11pm. Otherwise, the prices are decent but nothing to write home about ($3 for a Miller Lite).

Promotions: 3/5 The occasional DJ here and there inside and Daddy Dex strumming his guitar when it’s warm outside.

+1 for friendly and attentive staff

Overbrook Pub and Grille
(259 Overbrook Rd, Dallas)
Safety: 5/5 Tucked away on a back road in Dallas, you’ll feel more than comfortable here.

Atmosphere: 5/5 Earthy and clean.

Prices: 3/5 The usual- $5-6 for wine, $3 for beer, and $5 for mixed drinks. They do have certain specials on certain days, including clams aka “steamers” on Sunday nights for cheap.

Promotions: 2/5 They may have small gatherings or parties for the Super Bowl and the like; other than that, nothin’ doin’.

Food: 4/5 Pizza, pasta, salads, soup, wraps, Stromboli, calzone, burgers, sandwiches: all are delicious, given in enormous proportions, and reasonably priced. The food always looks and tastes fresh; you won’t be disappointed.

Dallas Tap and Grill
(formerly known as Libations)
(34 Main St, Dallas)
Safety: 5/5 The only danger here are friendly hillbillies looking to play some darts and get drunk for cheap. Plus, Dallas municipal building is right across the street.

Atmosphere: 3/5 Nothing fancy, just a bar and a backroom with a pool table. (If cigarette smoke isn’t your cup of tea, stay away).

Prices: 4/5 $1.50 Lionshead bottles. Need I say more? (If you’re not a fan of the good ‘ol Lions Brewery, you’re not a true NE Pennsylvanian).

Promotions: 3/5 Take some money for the jukebox.

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Just in time for Finals! Check out these fine watering holes near campus for some responsible sustenance and libation.

READ. WRITE. REVOLT.
Spring Break

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working with a variety of game and wild animals.

The cost of traveling to a destination outside of the United States can of course be a little pricey. Most Volunteer Vacations range in the thousands, but a few can be as affordable as $500. It all depends on where you would like to make a difference and how long you would like to stay.

My brother Michael just recently got back from a school trip to Guatemala. During the month he spent there, the student’s main goals were to plan and lead 2 whole days worth of activities each, ranging from exploring bat caves to snorkeling the reefs to hiking the jungle. In addition to these activities, the students helped out at the Highland Village, a poor section of town where a local school needed some sprucing up. The students repainted the school and donated school supplies like notebooks, pencils, and pens. Michael described the experience as “really cool because we didn’t really know what the kids were thinking and they didn’t really know what we were thinking, but at the end of the day, the kids’ smiles were so wide—we could tell that they were happy with what we did for them.”

If a Volunteer Vacation seems a little steep in price, you may want to consider signing up for an Alternative Spring Break. With the help of the United Way, hundreds of young adults and students from across the United States trade their usual spring break for tool belts and an experience beyond the party pool filled with jello shots) to gain an incredible experience, please find out more about Alternative Spring Break and Volunteer Vacations at www.liveunited.org and www.studendcity.com/volunteer. You are guaranteed to make new friends and explore different and exciting places while truly making a difference in less fortunate people’s lives. I bet those 10 Coronas seem pretty lame now, huh?

Spring Break

obviously scheduled during spring break- the earliest starting March 6 and the latest ending March 18- and last about 5 days to a week. Most duties while on the trip include but are not limited to: assisting low-income families with income tax preparation, helping to build new housing or repairing housing damaged by natural forces such as Hurricane Katrina, working directly with children to make their learning experiences more fun and successful, improving facilities at different schools, and planning fund-raising events.

The cost to participate in this life-changing experience is actually very affordable- much less than what you would pay for a typical spring break trip to Mexico. The most expensive fee for 2011 is $250 while the cheapest fee is $150, which includes all ground transportation once students arrive on site, and all meals, lodging, and program fees. Figure in either a flight cost if you plan on flying or gas cost if you plan on driving, and the entire trip could not possibly cost more than $550. All money aside, participating in an Alternative Spring Break promises to provide you with a remarkable experience while making new friends who share similar goals with you. That’s more than you could say for your typical spring break, where the highlight of your week may consist of puking up the 10 Coronas you chugged for a dollar and whale-watching (not the mammal).

If helping people is something you are passionate about and you don’t mind sparing your spring break (and that disgusting blow-up pool filled with jello shots) to gain an incredible experience, please find out more about Alternative Spring Break and Volunteer Vacations at www.liveunited.org and www.studentcity.com/volunteer. You are guaranteed to make new friends and explore different and exciting places while truly making a difference in less fortunate people’s lives. I bet those 10 Coronas seem pretty lame now, huh?

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Duh. WINNING.

The Revolt nab top honors at the The Unofficial Penn State Wilkes-Barre Society for the Advancement of Student Revolutions and Ulterior Motives (TUPSUWBSFTAOSRAUM)

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Aaron J Bomba Leadership Award
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Andrew Watkins
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Kristy Kravitsky
Jennifer Shubilla Award for Social Sensitivity
Anna Miller
Aaron J Bomba Award for Civic Responsibility
Paige Wasilewski
Jennifer Shubilla Award for Academic Fortitude
Shannon Brace

The Award Ceremony was held on April 28, 2010.
Scream 4

Sir Andrew Wadsworth gets the scoop Ben and Jerry style

After over a decade of anticipation, Scream 4 will hit theaters on April 15th. The series was originally intended to be a trilogy, but something prompted Wes Craven to direct a sequel. Not only that, but Scream 4 is intended to be the beginning of a new trilogy. An optimist would say Wes wants to bring something fresh to the horror genre, while a pessimist would say he is trying to cash in on the success of other horror franchises (Friday the 13th, Halloween, A Nightmare on Elm St., Texas Chainsaw Massacre) debuting an updated look in the past decade. David Arquette, Neve Campbell and Courteney Cox will reprise their roles from the previous three films, while Hayden Panettiere and Emma Roberts will make their debut into the new series, perhaps remaining there in all three movies?

That is, if the Ghostface killer doesn’t get to them. The films plot centers around Sidney Prescott (Campbell), the protagonist from the previous three films returning to Woodsboro for a tour of her new self-help book. While in Woodsboro she encounters her friends from the previous films, Sheriff Dewey Riley (Arquette) and Journalist Gale Weathers, along with her younger cousin Jill (Roberts) and her best friend Kirby (Panettiere). Of course, there wouldn’t be a film without the Ghostface killer, so when murders begin to occur when Sidney returns to Woodsboro it is more than just mere coincidence. In this latest Scream installment the killer will presumably look to 21st century horror films in which to pattern his/her killings after. Thus, Sidney and her friends must look to the conventions of a 21st century horror film in order to preserve their lives and stop the killer. When the original Scream was released in 1996 it was groundbreaking. It had the audacity to poke fun at the cliches in the horror genre. In short, it had balls. For Scream 4 to be as successful, it is an absolutely necessity that the director pull no punches. Of course, with Craven reprising his role as director I am confident that this won’t be an issue. After all these years Scream 4 seems like the breath of fresh air the horror genre needs and I am very excited to see what direction Craven takes the series in.

I was able to attend the midnight showing of Scream 4 and was not disappointed. With the movie at least, an eleven dollar ticket and six dollars for popcorn is outrageous! While not the groundbreaking masterpiece the original Scream was, the fourth edition was not afraid to poke fun at its genre or itself. The film was both fun and entertaining, it felt fresh in comparison with all the senseless killing the SAW movies rehash year after year. The film has receiving generally mixed reviews, partly because reviewers expected the movie to be groundbreaking and revitalize the horror genre. My advice to you is not to go in expecting your outlook on life to be changed forever, just to have a little fun.

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Who needs Confuscious when we have SHEEN

Just about everyone, whether intentionally or not, has been following the recent bizarre media storm brewed up by actor Charlie Sheen. It all started when Sheen was fired from CBS’ Two and a Half Men, a sitcom in which he starred, for alleged drug use, being unreliable and displaying erratic behavior. In a valiant attempt to defend his name and reputation, Sheen set out to do as many interviews as possible and ironically boarded a crazy train that was bound to fly off the rails. We thought it would be fun to reminisce with fifteen of his most memorable (and totally ridiculous) quotes.

(As a side note, Sheen is now traveling the nation to bless fans and critics alike with his pearls of wisdom in his Violent Torpedo of Truth tour.)

1. “I am on a drug, it’s called SHEEN.”
2. “Clearly I have defeated this one dude. Winning.”
3. “People say, ‘Oh, you’d better work through your resentments.’ Yeah, no. I’m gonna hang on to them, and they’re gonna fuel my attack. And they’re going to fuel the battle cry of my deadly and dangerous and secret and silent soldiers. Because they’re all around you. Sorry, you thought you were just messing with one dude. Winning.”
4. “I’m sorry, man, but I’ve got magic. I’ve got poetry in my fingertips.”
5. “If you borrowed my brain for five seconds, you’d be like, ‘Dude! Can’t handle it, unplug this bastard!’ It fires in a way that’s maybe not from, uh… this terrestrial realm.”
6. “If you’re part of my family, I will love you violently.”
7. “I’m tired of pretending like I’m not special, like I’m not a bitchen rock star from Mars.”
8. “Every day is just filled with just naps - I’m an F-18, bro. And I will destroy you in the air. I will deploy my ordinance to the ground.”
9. “The only thing I’m addicted to is winning. This bootleg cult, arrogantly referred to as Alcoholics Anonymous, reports a 5 percent success rate. My success rate is 100 percent.”
10. “I’m different. I have a different constitution, I have a different brain, I have a different heart. I got tiger blood, man.”
11. “I have to tell them that last night was a shameful train wreck filled with blind cuddly puppies.”
12. “We need to hack up the person responsible for this bad connection. Hack him up into pieces in front of his children. We need to cut off his face and wear it and go on a very tightly budgeted shopping spree in stores that don’t exist yet!”
13. “People go, ‘What’s going on with this guy? Why does he sound so weird? What is going on in his brain?’ I don’t know. Just one day I suddenly woke up with a new brain.”
14. “I’m not bi-polar, I’m bi-winning. I win here and I win there.”
15. “Guys, it’s right there in the thing, duh! We work for the Pope, we murder people. We’re Vatican assassins. How complicated can it be? What they’re not ready for is guys like you and I and Nails and all the other gnarly gnarlingtons in my life, that we are high priests, Vatican assassin warlocks. Boom. Print that, people. See where that goes.”

Royal

Royal continued from page 10 and only started dating in 2003, two years after they had originally met. They tried to keep their relationship a secret for as long as they possibly could, but the press seemed to uncover the truth. William and Kate were spotted kissing while they were skiing on holiday in Switzerland. After William graduated from University, he decided to join the Army, which made the couple’s relationship that much more difficult.

For those of you who do not check your webmail, our campus is hosting a “Free Fun Friday Formal Invitation” to join in the commons on the 29th of April to indulge in some free cake and sparkling beverages! There will also be wedding photos of the wonderful Penn State Wilkes-Barre staff displayed. It is also noted on the invitation that gifts for the bride and groom of non-perishable food items will be donated to the Back Mountain Food Pantry.

- When Kate walks down the aisle she will be the oldest Royal bride to get married.
- At the Royal Couple’s press conference Kate indicated that she like to be called by her given name ‘Catherine’, rather than Kate.
- If Prince William had chosen to marry before his 25th birthday he would have required the consent of his grandmother, Queen Elizabeth II.
- The British Royal Family will be, as protocol always dictates, the last to arrive at Westminster Abbey, just ahead of the Bride.
- The Royal Family, with a private contribution from the Middleton Family, will pay for all those aspects of the day that constitute the wedding, including the cost of the Abbey service, flowers, dresses, carriage procession, reception and dinner.
- Trumpeters from the Central Band of the Royal Air Force will accolade Prince William and Catherine once they have signed the register making them husband and wife.
- The Royal Wedding of Prince William and Catherine is anticipated to attract a global audience of 2 billion viewers.
- Prince William and Catherine have set up a charitable gift fund, supporting 26 charities, for those who very generously may wish to donate to charity to help the Royal Couple celebrate their wedding.

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Boom. Revolt Out.

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