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## Calendar of Events

**TUESDAY, Feb. 5**  
SGA Meeting  
Noon

Day Time Diversity - Eric Byrd Jazz  
Noon

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 6**  
Hazleton Alumni Chapter board meeting  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 7**  
Colleague Cluster - Michael Polgar  
Noon - 1 p.m.

Bob Tier - Battle of the Sexes

**FRIDAY, Feb. 8**  
Meet the DAA  
Noon - 1 p.m.

## SPORTS- BASKETBALL

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 6**  
Penn St. Hazleton @ Penn St. Wilkes-Barre  
Women: 6 p.m.  
Men: 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 7**  
Penn St. York @ Penn St. Hazleton  
Women: 6 p.m.  
Men: 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY, Feb. 7**  
Women's Basketball  
Penn St. Hazleton @ Haverford College  
1.p.m.



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Going once, going twice...

## Get a date for the right price

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Put away the gallon of ice cream and pause the DVD of the Titanic, there's hope for you this Valentine's Day yet. Tonight a Date Auction is being held in the cafeteria at 7 primarily to raise money for THON, but also to ensure that season of love doesn't become a season of depression. Justin Abraham, president of the Lion Ambassadors, is one of the brains behind the auction and has faith it will go over well.

"What we have is a bunch of clubs and organizations coming together and they're going to auction themselves off to go on dates, and the goal of this is to raise money for THON," Abraham said. "Talking with a bunch of people I've come to realize that word of mouth is the best way to get the notice out there. From what people have been saying, they're showing up and they're bringing all their friends so hopefully it is a successful event."

The Date Auction is indeed shaping up to be something memorable if not successful as this campus hasn't seen anything quite like this recently. At least 20 students, of either gender, will be available to be bid on during this event, which is certainly a lot more than Abraham was expecting, but it's definitely been a pleasant surprise.

"The goal of it was getting

at least two people from each organization to show their support for THON. Then once word hit, everyone wanted to sign up for it and be a part of it."

More people to be bid in theory could mean more money, but the amount of profits raised for THON is hinges on the turnout and Abraham is feeling the pressure to make sure the auction goes off without a hitch.

The idea for the Date Auction itself came to fruition after the Lion Ambassadors attended a conference in Virginia Tech last November where they learned that these kinds of auctions were one of the biggest fundraisers for the school.

Now while the Hazleton Campus is dwarfed by Virginia Tech, there is the common feeling that the community will come together, participate and come through for a good cause. Tonight will very much set the precedent, and if the auction comes up short then an alternative will have to be sought next year.

"If it's not a huge thing then next year they need to create another event to raise money so I'm really hoping this goes extremely well and people have fun with it too," said Abraham. "The one word I associate with Penn State is Family, and because we are a family we should all come together for one collective goal and I feel like that's what we're going to achieve here."



The way things work is simple, every person is started off at \$5 and if no one bids then the price is lowered until someone finally pulls the trigger. If you do bid, and manage to win the person that caught your eye then they're all yours to take for a night of romance or shenanigans as soon as the person auctioned off signs a few things.

"The individual who gets auctioned off has to sign a waiver saying they're okay with getting auctioned off. No liabilities, no being sued, no getting out of it," Abraham said.

Though it's not all that serious as it may seem, in the end it's about having fun, donating to a good cause but most importantly making sure that you're not alone. So scrape some cash together, head over to the cafeteria at 7 and prepare yourself for a night of intense bidding.

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**ICE, ICE BABY!  
Sculptures  
decorate PSU  
HN campus**

Enjoying the ice art are, clockwise, from the top left: Nicholas Corrales, Cynthia Venezualez, Donte Toth, and Yokasta Lara. Below middle, left: Mike Bailey, Megan McGee, Leanne T, Lauren Sharpe, and Ryan. Below top right: Joandra Ulloa and Charisma Grey. Below, right: Julisa Walters and Starlin Colon.



Some members of the staff were also seen enjoying the ice sculpture. At left are: Carol from Alumni, Jackie from Development, Rosemarie from Admissions, and Tracey from the Bursar's office.

Monday, Feb. 4, 2013

**Amanda's Corner**

**15 MOVIES IN 15 WEEKS**



This 1990 Martin Scorsese classic is filled with violence and drama and it stars Robert DeNiro, Joe Pesci and Ray Liotta.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK**

Fred and his wife Edna went to the state fair every year. Every year Fred would say, "Edna, I'd like to ride in that there airplane."

And every year Edna would say, "I know, Fred, but that airplane ride costs ten dollars, and \$10 is \$10."

One year, Fred and Edna went to the fair and Fred said, "Edna, I'm 71 years old. If I don't ride that airplane this year, I may never get another chance."

Edna replied, "Fred, that there airplane ride costs \$10, and \$10 is \$10."

The pilot overheard them and said, "Folks, I'll make you a deal. I'll take you both up for a ride. If you can stay quiet for the entire ride and not say one word, I won't charge you, but if you say one word, it's \$10."

Fred and Edna agreed, and up they went. The pilot did all kinds of twists and turns, rolls and dives, but not a word was heard. He did all his tricks over again, but still not a word.

They landed and the pilot turned to Fred. "By golly, I did everything I could think of to get you to yell out, but you didn't."

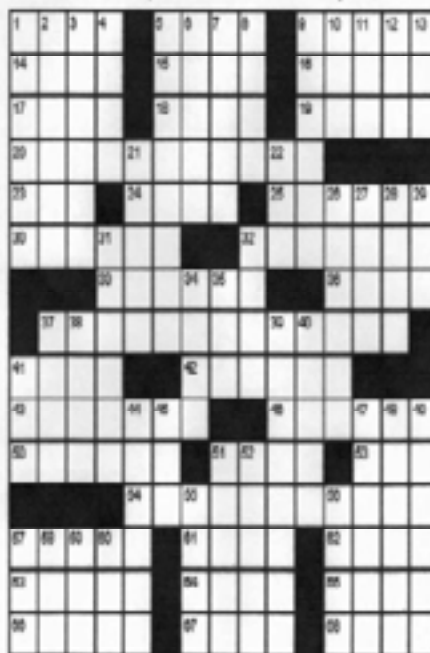
Fred replied, "Well, I was gonna say something when Edna fell out, but \$10 is \$10."

*Courtesy of Gary Fraser at <http://gcf.net>*

**"PUNCH 'EM OUT" By Sarah Keller — Edited By Timothy E. Parker**

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Answers will be in next week's newspaper.

**CHF seeks leader; SYE hosts librarian**

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CHF is functioning without a president at this point. Due to his appointment as SGA Vice President, Casey Petty resigned from that office. Anyone interested in becoming President of CHF should contact him at [cvp5142@psu.edu](mailto:cvp5142@psu.edu). Current areas of service

include working with a local shelter for women experiencing homelessness and promoting awareness of homelessness and poverty.

**Second Year Experience**  
Second Year Experience is hosting Val Lynn, head librarian, to discuss the intricacies of library services and research as an upper level student at Penn State. SYE is Wednesday at noon in G-115.

**G2K...**

**Brianna Bennett**



*In this series of Q & A's you'll be getting to know the people around the PSU Hazleton campus.*

**Where are you from?**

I am from Central Jersey and I'm a sophomore.

**Why Penn State Hazleton?**

"I heard it was a good recruiting school and when I came here to visit I really liked the fact that it was small yet still somewhat modern."

**What is your major?**

"It is Early Childhood Education. I decided to major in early childhood education when I was a junior in High School because I took classes where I was able to work with kids and help them learn. I would like to teach pre-K to fourth grade."

**What are your hobbies?**

Video games, blogging, writing, reading and I have a guitar I'm trying to learn how to play.

**Do you plan to go on to UPark?**

"Yeah, and to any person that is wondering if PSU Hazleton will prepare them for U Park, I'll let you know in a semester or two."

**Do you like to party?**

"I used to party but the workload is bigger now and it's too cold!"

\* **GET TO KNOW** is a weekly feature to help Penn State Hazleton students, faculty and staff get to know each other. If you have a suggestion for this feature, please contact Daphnie Vega: [dmv5121@psu.edu](mailto:dmv5121@psu.edu).

## Give me a 'P,' give me an 'S,' give me a 'U,' give me a what?

Almost all cheerleaders ask for the fans to shout out the school letters. And with much enthusiasm, the fans respond. Additionally, fans will take the extra step to sometimes send a message to the team by spelling out the school letters or some other words.

Students and members of the Lion Ambassadors at PSU HN thought it would be a good idea to show off the letter "H" at last week's men's and women's basketball game in support of their school and teams. The "H" was for Hazleton since the game was against PSU Worthington. The group proceeded to make navy and white shirts for the occasion. However the idea appeared to be better than the ability to get everyone to sit in the correct place to depict the "H." One spectator said it looked more like a lower case "h" than an upper case one. We'll let you be the judge of what the group gathering looked like.



### Men's Basketball

#### PSU HN men's team secures playoff spot

Penn State Hazleton's men's basketball team locked in a spot in the PSUAC playoffs with its win over PSU Worthington last week. The men's team defeated Worthington's squad 83-72. The men's team is now 8-5 for the season. The Lady Lions also added a notch to its win column with a 67-61 defeat of the PSU Worthington team.

Alex Akabogu pulled in nine points and 13 rebounds for the men's team and Dan Fogarty added 10 points. Dwayne Vines was a force to be reckoned with 23 points and 12 rebounds. Miguel Rodriguez posted 17 points to keep the PSU HN Lions moving forward. Rodriguez also had three steals.

Alexis Daly brought in a game high of 28 points for the Lady Lions and had 17 rebounds and three blocks. Taylor Smith had 15 points and Taylor Cannon added 10 points to help with the win.

## Education key to National Black HIV / AIDS Awareness Day

National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day is Feb. 7. It was founded by five national organizations funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in 1999 to provide assistance to Black communities and organizations.

National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day began as a grass roots effort to raise the awareness of HIV and AIDS. It is shaped around the needs of those communities that work hard each and every year to make it a success. Each year, almost 20,000 Blacks in the US test positive for HIV. This amount is alarming if you multiply it times the last five years alone - that's 100,000 Blacks who are now living with HIV or may have died from AIDS related complications.

The goal is for everyone to do something different that inspires young and old, gay and straight, religious and non-religious, etc. to get on board with realizing the value and worth of Black life and acting accordingly.



Feb. 7 marks the 13th year for National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, a national HIV testing and treatment community mobilization initiative targeted at Blacks. There are four specific focal points: education, testing, involvement and treatment.

Educationally, the focus is to get Blacks educated about the basics of HIV/AIDS in their local communities. Testing is at the core of this initiative, as it is hoped that Blacks will mark Feb. 7 of every year as their annual or biannual day to get tested for HIV. This is vital for those who are sexually active and those at high risk of contracting HIV.

Black people from all walks of life, economic classes, literacy levels, shades and tones as well

as communities (large and small) need to get connected to the work happening on the ground in their local areas. For those living with HIV or newly testing positive for the virus, getting them connected to treatment and care services becomes paramount.

Regardless of where you stand on sexual orientation, religious beliefs/values, age, income, education or otherwise, a life is worth saving and working for the betterment of survival has to become a paramount objective and goal.

"We know how it feels to lose someone from an illness, but we also know how to love someone through it. It is time for us to put AIDS behind us by making sure those living with HIV and/or AIDS

know we care. We stand on some strong shoulders that intended for us to survive," says, LaMont "Montee" Evans, NBHAAD National Coordinator.

Some things everyone can do are:

- Get educated about the basic facts related to HIV and AIDS, including how HIV is spread; this information is available on CDC's HIV website.
- Get tested to find out your HIV status. Knowing your status saves lives. To find a testing site near you, call 1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636), visit <http://www.hivtest.org/>, or, on your cell phone, text your ZIP code to KNOW IT (566948).
- Get involved in the community to raise HIV awareness and fight stigma associated with the disease. Speak out against stigma, homophobia, racism, and other forms of discrimination.
- Get treated if they are living with HIV or are newly diagnosed.
- Follow on Facebook: Testing Makes Us Stronger.