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Springfest events announced, students voice concerns

By Tatianna Lewis
Panther Contributor

Springfest is usually the most anticipated week of the spring semester as students are usually excited because of popular activities such as caravan and probate.

However, all of the past chaotic things like the pond incident, and the previous year of streak night when majority of students caused damage to campus police cars and other campus property, along with tragedies that have happened his year, have caused quite a scare for faculty and members of the Campus Activities Board.

CAB director Craig Irving says campus police have concerns about the

students' safety this year due to the situations that has been occurring at Prairie View.

Springfest activities for the week of April 5-11 will include caravan as the kick-off on Sunday night, probate on Monday night, varying on a comedy or a variety show for Tuesday night, super hump day as well as the return of the camel (provided for free rides) for Wednesday. Thursday night will consist of the theme of New Orleans' infamous Bourbon Street with the serving of crawfish; Friday morning will consist of a sneaker and car show as well as an outdoor drive in movie. Currently, Saturday's activity is pending.

"I think Springfest will turn out pretty good because people are looking forward to it. Even though some people

like transfers and freshmen may not know what to expect, they will have a good time," said junior computer science major D'Corie Wimby.

Irving spoke about the activities for Springfest schedule and noted, "Right now, we're looking forward to a good Springfest. Spring fest will occur April 5-11 and there are a lot of events that we're trying to make the best out of as we can." He continued, "It's really hard right now because the police don't know how to respond to the students' reaction to activity on campus. They're worried that the school will get out of hand and safety issues."

Students have voiced concerns about Springfest and how it will affect their outlook

on their school year.

"I'm not really aware of what's going on for Springfest except for caravan and probate because my sorority Sigma Gamma Rho, Inc. is bringing in new members in our chapter. Springfest is approaching fast and I haven't really seen any advertisement for anything," said junior health major Toni Mayze.

Mass Communications junior Christopher Butler viewed the upcoming Springfest differently.

"Springfest is a tradition; more people will be aware and understand what's going on. More students will be more entertained than to be worried about safety issues," said Butler.

University experiences power outage across campus

By Denzel Speights
Sports Editor

Last Thursday, the university experienced a mass power outage leaving at least 20 percent of the campus temporarily without sufficient power.

According to the Department of Campus Planning and Space Management, the primary cause of the mass outage was A.I. Thomas' old transformer being blown out.

"The transformer having reached the end of its useful life, shorted to ground, causing the transformer to fail and the buildings on lines of Feeder 100 [power lines] to go down," said campus planning officials.

This incident led to the cut off of the circulation of power throughout the campus, mainly the south side. Out of the 104 buildings on campus, 20 were affected and had to use emergency generators to produce light. Notables were the MSC, the Recreational Center, Criminal Justice, and A.I. Thomas.

According to Prairie View police, the outage happened around 9:30 p.m. mainly being noticed at the Alpha Kappa Alpha's UC step show in the MSC auditorium.

"At first we thought it was the auditorium, but when we found out it was campus-wide we were defiantly surprised," said junior computer science major Jourdan Kerl.

As a result of the power outage students from the auditorium were stranded and confused over what happened and what caused main lights of the MSC to go out.

"It was difficult for us to actually say exactly what caused the power outage, but we defiantly thought it was caused by the lights and sounds of the auditorium," said Kerl.

The step show was relocated to the student park near the UC courts.

In response to the situation the university's emergency response system, Panther Alert, sent out both calls and text messages to students around 11 p.m. regarding the power outage.

Around 10 Friday morning, 19 of the 20 buildings affected had restored power.

A.I. Thomas was the only building without power. Electricity was reestablished Wednesday afternoon with its new transformer.

"It [power outage] didn't affect us, we relocated all the staff to different offices around campus, so we continued to do business as normal," said vice president of business affairs Dr. Corey S. Bradford regarding administrative operations. The temporary location of administration lasted from Friday to this Wednesday afternoon when the transformer restored power back to A.I. Thomas.

A statement from the university will be provided regarding the power outage sometime this week, campus planing officials said.



A.I. Thomas' new electrical generator.

Billy Smith crowned Mr. Debonair after fierce competition



Jazz Black, The Panther

Sophomore Billy Smith was crowned Mr. Debonair 2015-2016 after receiving the best question and Mr. GQ awards.

By India Foster
Lifestyles Editor

Panthers filled the seats of the Memorial Student Center on Wednesday night waiting for the third annual Mr. Debonair scholarship pageant hosted by the Zeta Gamma chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Once the flame lit on the stage, the games began and each tribute had the chance to compete until the win of the competition. In the opening act, the hopefuls performed

collectively in a dance that set an energetic tone toward the audience.

Alpha Kappa Alpha member Sharay Johnson and Kappa Alpha Psi member Demetri Guest hosted the show keeping the audience entertained and engaged. They also made aware to the audience the steps and procedures that each candidate took to prepare for the pageant like the practices, interviews, and hard work that were put into the show.

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Prairie View's quiz bowl team wins national championship



Courtesy of Herbert Thomas

Quiz bowl members pose with championship trophy and tournament organizers and sponsors.

By Nia Shy and
Jasmine Westmoreland
Panther Staff

Prairie View A&M University's quiz bowl team competed in the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge National Tournament in Torrance, Calif., and won the national championship title after two days of rigorous play and intense competition.

The tournament consists of 48 HBCUs. The HBCUs were selected based on their performance during the National Qualifying Tournament and through voting on the Honda Campus website.

Teams were tested on their knowledge of science, history, literature, current events, pop culture, sports, and various other topics.

First-time team player Chayse Lavallias said, "I did not really know what to expect. I had a fun time being in Torrance and meeting new people."

This is the second time Prairie View has won the national championship; the first time was in 2010. Prairie View has raised more \$100,000 in grants due to the Honda Campus program.

Head coach Herbert Thomas stated, "The thing that excited me the most was the student's eagerness. They were determined to win."

Before competing in the national tournament, they competed on campus in the National Qualifying Tournament. They lost one game, which placed them in second.

"This made them more determined to come out on top in the national tournament," said Thomas.

The 48 universities were divided into eight rooms, with six teams in each room. Prairie View was in the same room as two previous national championship teams. They were one of the top two teams in the room, which qualified them to advance to the Sweet 16.

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Find out what your SGA presidential candidates say they stand for

By Raven Moody
News Editor

The Panther asked each of the 2015-16 presidential candidates to provide a brief summary of who they are and descriptions of their main focuses for next school year. Here are the candidates and their responses.



Hello all, I am Sidney E. LeBeauf, a senior civil engineering major, from Ama, Louisiana, and also your current SGA President. I have worked diligently to represent the student body in the best way possible and it would be my honor to continue to serve as SGA President this upcoming year. I have a passion for helping people and I love my university. I will do all I can to help make positive change on this campus.

- Produce Monthly SGA Newsletters to students, faculty, and alumnae
- Reduced Meal Plans for upperclassmen
- Return of Dead Days
- Male and Female empowerment events
- Wi-Fi Upgrades for Housing areas

No information was provided by candidate
Draylon Leassear.



To the student body of Prairie View A&M University, my name is Brennan Wells. I am a political science major, English minor, honor roll student. As a transfer student I have become a Thurgood Marshall Scholar, interned in the United States House of Representatives, piloted a internship program for Prairie View students and become a IPDA National Champion speaker in debate, only the fourth African American to do so. I have succeeded in my own life due to the sacrifices of others and I have an obligation to give back through servant leadership to the university and students, who have contributed to my success.

If elected I plan on:

- Expanding the size of the eating area in the MSC, including offering better meal options for vegetarians and vegans.
- Reducing the amount of money students pay in tuition and fees
- Increasing the amount of need based and merit scholarships available to students
- Creating solutions to address the retention and graduation rates at PVAMU
- Setting in motion plans to offer students a better wifi service and building a parking garage



Greetings! My name are Jacolahn D. Dudley and I am a junior political science major from Beaumont, Texas, and I am running for Student Government Association President 2015-2016. My campaign is surrounded by the theme "A change we need. A voice we deserve" in addition to three key pillars: Infrastructure, Scholarship, and Legacy. These are all things I feel that can take our prestigious Institution to greater heights. Some of my key points include:

- Updating the lack-luster buildings on campus
- Offering more merit based scholarships
- Expanded student parking on campus
- Enriching the presence of African American culture on campus

Health Services hosts drug symposium

By Denzel Speights
Sports Editor

Last Thursday marked the 6th Annual Drug Symposium presented by Health Services at the Criminal Justice building.

The Symposium was to highlight Drug and Alcohol awareness around or outside of campus as well as making it fun for students to get involve

"The purpose of game show to go is to educate students about the harmful effects of alcohol, marijuana, and prescription drugs," said Darryl Williams, alcohol and other drug educator. This is the second year that the symposium has had the game show for students.

"We thought a game show would be educational, entertaining, and thought provoking as well" said Williams.

Through the symposium students were able to see, here, and communicate not only with the different authority figures on campus but to those outside of campus who have either had trouble dealing with or helped people deal with drugs and alcohol.

Junior mass communication major Joseph White observed

that, "the event was a way for executives at PV, as far as the staff, teachers, the students, and those who care about us, to find a productive way to get us as a community to cut back on drugs if not all together."

After each speaker session students had a chance to win free stuff with the raffle and cash prizes during the game show.

Some of the topics covered were the side affects of drug use, how to party safely, what to do and not to do when dealing with alcohol. One of the game show contestants, junior marketing major Kendra Atkins, said that show was one of the most enjoyable things during the symposium. "Everyone was upbeat and the interactions between the authority like figures were really good as well."

"Students come to us looking for 3 things, the 3 H's. Help for now hope for tomorrow, and a home to belong," said Williams.

For additional help with drug or alcohol questions or problems, you may contact Darryl Williams in the student health and clinic center by email dawilliams@pvamu.edu or call his direct extension at (936)261-1419.

Keshia Knight Pulliam promotes self-empowerment

By Shalun Wells
Panther staff

Keshia Knight Pulliam, an American actress best known for her role as Rudy Huxtable, spoke at the Students Participating in Transcendent Knowledge seminar March 25. Pulliam used her life experiences and success to inspire and motivate students at Prairie View.

Prior to the beginning of the event, many students anxiously gathered around the entrance of the Opal Johnson Auditorium in the Memorial Student Center, to formed a line hours before the event began.

During the pre-interview, Pulliam expressed how honored she was to have the opportunity to speak to the students at PVAMU, saying, "I'm really excited to be here to speak to the student body. This is something I truly enjoy doing...It's a part of my give back."

Pulliam's message to the students of Prairie View is to be "inspirational and pay it forward." Pulliam stated, "We all have a responsibility to pay it forward. We

were put here to be a blessing to others"

Pulliam opened up by giving advice to the student body to operate from a place of abundance vs lack. Pulliam shared with the students of PVAMU the importance of paying it forward and supporting the next individual. Pulliam reminded students that, "What's for me is for me, and what's for you is for you. At no part ever does one take away from the other. There is enough for everyone."

Kamp Kizzy, Pulliam's non-profit is one of the many ways she give back through empowering the youth.

Pulliam stated that she has learned through experience, "if you do not know it exist, you do not know to dream it."

Pulliam, who is an HBCU (historical black colleges and universities) graduate, explained her HBCU experience as the best time of her life.

She emphasized to the students the importance of the decisions you make while in college, and understanding the magnitude of those

decisions. Those decisions you make are setting up the path for the rest of your life. The decisions you make now will impact your future.

"Understanding your power that you possess now. Realize that college is so great. It's where you discover your strengths and weaknesses," said Pulliam.

Pulliam shared with the students that the decisions you make now should be in alignment with where you desire to be. Your actions should match your future desires for your life.

"Your thought, word and deed have to be in alignment with each other," said Pulliam.

Pulliam concluded by asking the students "What are you doing to pay it forward?"

"Always do your best, be impeccable with your word, do not take things personally and do not make assumptions. The ultimate challenge is within you. It is about being a better you than you were the day before. You are your own competition," said Pulliam.

Student entrepreneurs showcase their businesses

By Brea Lewis
Panther Contributor

"Swap Shop" and "Entrepreneur Workshop," had a set up comparable to career fair, where students could walk around to various tables and look at merchandise and sample work with the ability to make purchases, get contact information to, get services at a later time, or even link-up for future collaborations. Some of the tables available in the lineup included hairstylists, artists, clothing designers, fragrance makers, and website owners. A female hair expert even offered the chance for clients to get their dreads twisted on the spot. Two of the most popular tables at the showcase included, "College on the Hill" and New Life Cinema. College on the Hill is a "spoof reality show" created on campus starring various students. Posters posted in Hilliard and around campus have created a buzz for

the show, as well as the constant presence of posts surrounding the show on almost all popular social media sites. At their table, clips were shown from the show as well as flyers available for students to pick up. A representative from the show exclaimed over the opportunity to express their work, "this is our artistry and our passion and there are so many students doing any and everything to express themselves and their individual talents, and I'm just glad that I was able to be apart of it."

New Life Cinema added some interesting diversity to the mix by introducing their new subscriber based website, which allows viewers to tune in and view various short and feature films, while being able to tap into their own creative side and post their own work as comment on what is posted and express what they would like to see. New Life Cinema's focus is expressing narratives that aren't usually shown in the media and an official web launch is expected to be

released soon.

Overall, the showcase was a great way for vendors to gain clientele and experience interacting with other artists and members of the student body. The Fundraising Director of the Pre Alumni Association, Ronald Osborne, expressed the importance of having more events like this on campus. "A lot of people have talents that they don't showcase or have a chance to even showcase. This campus is filled with extremely talented individuals that don't have ways to express themselves in their classrooms. There should be a way for people to get those talents to their peers in a positive light." Stay tuned in to the Pre Alumni Association and the impact they are making on campus. And look out for a "bigger and better" showcase next year, sure to bring a new meaning to the phrase "Prairie View Produces Productive People."

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The Sweet 16 and Elite 8 round were single elimination. Prairie View competed aggressively to knock out the other teams to make it to the final four. During the final four

competition, they beat Norfolk State University, which moved them forward to the final game against Cheney University.

Joseph Dowell, captain, stated "After all these years of hard work, it is nice to see that it paid off."

After three competitive games, Prairie View scored a victory against Cheney University by winning 2 out of 3.

College of Business week of events

Saturday, April 11th

* 9am COB 3K Mini Marathon to kick-off COB Week

Monday, April 13th

* 8:30am to 9:30am Breakfast with the Dean
* 5pm COB Student Organization Open House

Tuesday, April 14th

* Elevator Speech Day (all day)
* 5pm Tie A Tie, Etiquette, & Professionalism Seminar

Wednesday, April 15th

* COB @ Humpday
* COB Student Organization Collaboration Seminar and Workshop

Thursday, April 16th

* 6:30pm College of Business Alumni Where Are They Now Seminar
* College of Business Jeopardy Game Night

Friday, April 17th

* 3pm COB Picnic & Raffle

Miss PV hosts Denim & Pearls



Students came out to Miss PV's event where they designed a pair of their old jeans and had fun.

By Raven Moody
News Editor

Miss PVAMU, Ashlee E. Sherman, eagerly hosted Denim and Pearls as one of the last events of her term.

The event, held on March 30, consisted of icebreaker games, arts and crafts, and a girl talk discussion with topics ranging from confidence, self-respect, self-love, relationships, interacting with other people, how to address conflict, to the image of the image of the "PVAMU woman."

The title of the event is due to the arts and crafts component, where each attendant brought a denim clothing item and had the opportunity to design the item with pearls, paint, fabric, and other decorative materials.

While the ladies decorated their denim, they openly discussed personal experiences and values to broaden on another's views on life obstacles and circumstances.

The two biggest topics was self-love and relationships, and the

young women had a lot to say.

"It's always nice to hear someone else's opinion, outside of your own. It was nice to hear different views. One major thing that I learned was about waiting for the right person and not settling," said Rodessa Allen, a freshman chemical engineering major.

"I had the great opportunity to meet Miss PVAMU face to face, decorate the jeans, and have a woman to woman talk. I think that everyone should have taken away is to always be yourself and always present yourself as a lady," said Dyanmond Brokenberry, a freshman biology major.

"I really just wanted a

campus, in our state, and even in our nation. For women's history month I thought it was important to talk about building self-esteem, empowerment, learning how to encourage one another, but then also being able to touch on topics that are really important to us like relationships," said Miss PVAMU, Ashlee Elouise Sherman, a senior electrical engineering major.

Sherman went on to say, "My main goal that I hope everyone took away was learning how to love themselves, especially for women's history month because a lot of women struggle with. In the media were forced to think that we have to look a certain way in order to be beautiful."

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"Come to these events, they're really good" - Rodessa Allen

fun event. I wanted it to be crafty and informal. We were able to talk about hot topics that occur in our

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The odds were now in each contestants favor as they started to compete in the aspects of the pageant of athletic wear, talent presentation, formal wear, and on-stage impromptu question. Each tribute also had an interview with the judges before the pageant that was worth a total of 50 points.

Soccer, archery, and heavy weight boxing were some of the athletic wear and they all showed their athletic talents dressed as such and the cool and chill side of their personalities.

During the talent portion, the crowd experienced a wide variety of talents such as DJing, drum and trumpet playing, dance, and spoken word. District three, Mr. Ivy, Isaiah Flanagan and district one Mr. Zeta Gamma, Odaro Adu won the crowd's heart with their talents of spoken word and drumming.

Adu played the drums shocking the crowd with a new talent.

"You don't get to feel all the rush and excitement of the pageant until the day, I'm glad I got in it," said Adu. "I didn't know I was pageant material but this is something everyone should try once."

Flanagan spoke about the struggles of African-American men in America.

He won best talent and ended his spoken word mentioning he wants more for his nephew in this world while bringing him on stage with a graduation cap and gown.

Armani, Express, and Ralph Lauren suits graced the stage for the formal section of the Mr. Debonair Games. The tributes came dapper in olive green, gray, and suede suits that blew the audience away.

"DJ Skoo, Timiree Morris' looked the nicest in his suit," said sophomore mass communication major Shelby Harris. "He's dapper all the time so this was a normal everyday thing for him so that was nothing new."

On-stage impromptu was filled with questions to figure out who was the best fit for the title of Mr. Debonair.

Some candidates were shaky but in the end sophomore biology major Bill Smith was crowned Mr. Debonair.

"As Mr. Debonair I want to set up programs to emphasize the fact that as young men we need to act more professional in our environment especially at a historically black college."

Smith's talent was a spoken word from his journal and ending it, he publically announced that he is homosexual.

"Me being gay had nothing to do with my talent," said Smith.

"People who are very close to me knew that I was gay but the thing that made my talent more unique it was something from my personal journal that no one has ever heard or seen before and also the fact that I guess you can say that it was the first time I came out said I was gay."

The pageant was cordially put together with the planning committee headed by Alpha Kappa Alpha member Shatoya McMillian.

"I am overjoyed with happiness right now, the guys definitely came through for me. We are all very happy with the guys and the outcome."

With Smith headed with the new title of Mr. Debonair, Zeta Gamma is definitely proud to have crowned him with the 2015-2016 title.

"Me being gay had nothing to do with my talent," said sophomore biology major Mr. Debonair Bill Smith

Music Review: To Pimp A Butterfly



By Robert Taylor V
Panther Contributor

Infectious truth and agonizing temptation are just two phrases that could simply express the attitude and tone behind "To Pimp a Butterfly" not just an album but a gift given to youth.

A piece of art carefully crafted in the past three years since his second studio album "good kid, m.A.A.d city" that captivates its audience with more than just funk influenced synths and samples; but it offers itself as a contribution for society, to help the growing youth through these dark times.

The funk and rhythmic kept record steadily captures all pieces of black struggle and redemption many have suffered. With twisted bits of K.dot himself, reciting nostalgic filled experiences he opens the album with "Wesley's theory," recapturing his old thoughts on adapting to a sudden change

with money in his pocket but also referring to another mans struggle with keeping it in his pocket.

The artists sense of awareness and constant refusal to be institutionalized becomes a recurring theme within the album said even by himself, "I'm trapped inside the ghetto, and I ain't proud to admit it/ Institutionalized: I keep running back for a visit." captured Kendrick's own struggle with staying as a standard, a standard that only could be changed if he were to change himself, as said in the chorus.

The Compton maniac dives more into the album with a spiritually crafted song "These Walls" getting to the good, bad, and ugly of the human mind. The album itself is frighteningly well put together by a mad poetic genius, "Kendrick Lamar" giving words of wisdom and lessons to the youth.

Freshmen take over the stage



Girl building in the University College step show dressed in nice costumes to compete for first place.

By Michael Hicks
Panther Contributor

It's the spring semester and the Freshmen Step Competition is here for freshmen to compete in a stroll-off to have their own Hump Day on the Hill.

11 buildings had the opportunity to compete in the Freshman Step Competition, but there was only a first place winner for both male and female buildings.

Unfortunately only three male buildings preformed and someone had to claim the title of last place either way it went. As for the female building, eight of them preformed well, but only one came out on top.

To begin the competition each building had to pull a number from a bag to see what the order would be for

the competition to begin. As the captain from each step group picked a number, the audience awaited outside the door to watch who would come out on top.

With a full auditorium, the step groups performed. The crowd roared for their favorite building.

Unfortunately the power went out about two-thirds of the way through the competition. The crowd was in an uproar, but the night was still young. The hostess decided to take the competition to the streets and there it remained and ended.

At the end of the competition every building patiently waited for decisions to be made by the judges. "Drumroll please," said Ariel Thomas, one of the two hosts for the event that night. Building 41 was the best of the best. As she said the

buildings number every female from that building jumped for joy and was very pleased with their accomplishment. As for the male building, building 43 took the first place title.

Although the fight for the best stepping building was settled, the stroll off was left for the following night. Another packed auditorium, and like the night before, group after group performed.

The female building on top was building 47. And the male group that had dominated was a group named C Phi C, and their performance a sight to see.

Last but not least, every building that had a stroll team had a chance to stroll and put their moves in motion at Hump Day. Every freshman who performed in any of these events had their time to shine and use everything they learned.

Bowling team makes history by claiming third SWAC title

By Sports Information

Prairie View A&M clinched its third SWAC Bowling Championship in school history as they held off rival Texas Southern for 4-3 decision at the Bowling ITRC.

The Lady Panthers remained red hot to open the championship round as they bowled a pair of 200-plus games to jump out to an early 2-0 advantage. However, the Lady Panthers would cool off in games three and four as TSU would fight back by squeaking out a 165-156 win in game three and a 188-180 decision in game four to knot the contest.

Head coach Glenn White, the architect of PVAMU's bowling renaissance, had been down this road before as it was beginning to resemble the 2011 SWAC Championship which also came down to the wire against Southern.

White regrouped his team and they responded in a huge way by powering past TSU with a 263-154 margin to set up the clinching match. However, TSU would bowl its highest score of the match (221) as they forced a seventh and final



Photo by Sports Information

Lady Panthers poses with Athletic Director Ashley Robinson

game after the win.

The final match opened up very tight until PVAMU had a strike fest midway to create some much-needed separation as they led 184-158 entering the 10th and final frame. TSU closed out the final frame with a vengeance and briefly led by a few pins but it was too little too late as the Lady Panthers closed the match out with a strong 10th frame and finished with a 222 and the school's third title.

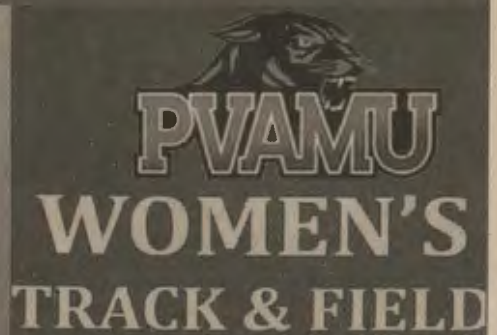
Prairie View A&M had one solid tournament from start to finish as they only dropped one

match out of eight. The team also peaked at the right time as they bowled 11 games with 200-plus pins in two days.

Alexis Borman, a sophomore from Allen, Texas, hreturned to DFW Metroplex and claimed the SWAC MVB (Most Valuable Bowler) honor as she bowled 14 frames, tossing six strikes and seven spares. Borman only allowed one open frame.

The contest was shown this Tuesday on ESPN.

Player of the Week



Freshman Deonca Bookman topped the field in the 400-meter hurdles at the Bobcat Invitational as the Lady Panthers track and field team capped off their first full weekend of activity.

Kentucky, Duke, Wisconsin, Michigan State in this year's final four

7 Wichita State 78	60 Michigan State 7
2 Kansas 65	54 Virginia 2

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Final Four starts Saturday with Michigan State and Duke @ 6 and Kentucky vs. Wisconsin @ 8:40 on TBS

By Reggie Young II
Panther Staff

After plenty of nail-biting games, buzzer beaters, and upsets the Final four teams in the NCAA tournament are finally revealed.

Three of the four teams were all ranked as one seeds prior to the tournament, which means there should be no less than high energy and high talent basketball. To no one's surprise the 38-0 Kentucky Wildcats continue their fight to perfection as they take on the number one seeded from the

West region, Wisconsin Badgers.

All eyes will be on the Wildcats after they puled out a close win against Notre Dame. For Kentucky a perfect season and a national championship is on the line when they play this weekend.

Notables for Wisconsin will be on 7-foot center Frank Kaminski, as prepares to battle against the dominant works of Kentucky's future NBA studs Karl-Anthony Towns and Willie Cauley Stein.

Wisconsin throughout the tournament has proved why they

deserve to be ranked number one next throughout the west region division.

North Carolina and Arizona, who were both ranked in top five at the marks of the tournament, were both sent packing due to the works of Wisconsin.

The other matchup in the final four will include the Duke Blue Devils, led by potential number one draft prospect, Jahllil Okafor, versus the overachieved Michigan State Spartans. The Spartans, who did not look like a sure bet for the

NCAA tournament in January, are on their way to the final four for the third time in seven years. Who would have predicted Michigan State to take out a red-hot number four-ranked Louisville team in an overtime thriller?

For most, Michigan State is the biggest surprise of the tournament, but for Celebrity alumnus Magic Johnson, things are going exactly as he hoped. In a television interview following the game, he stated that he felt this particular run by Michigan State to

the final four had been its best ever and that he hoped it would end with a national championship.

The stage will only get tougher for the Michigan State Spartans, who they have shredded every expectation thrown at them, as they prepare for Mike Krzyzewski and his Blue Devils. Okafor has averaged a stunning 17.5 points per game along with 8.7 rebounds.

Final four starts this Saturday with Michigan State & Duke @ 6 p.m. and Kentucky vs. Wisconsin @ 8:40 p.m. on TBS.

Wild, happy ending for softball team

By Sports Information

Prairie View A&M was on both ends of the spectrum this weekend as they claimed its first SWAC West series of the season as both games versus UAPB were decided in the final inning.

Arkansas-Pine Bluff overcame a three-run deficit with six runs in the final inning while holding off a late PVAMU charge to claim a 10-9 win in the opener.

Similar to yesterday's contest, the Lady Panthers struck first with a 3-0 lead after two innings of play on RBI singles from Amanda Ford and Alexandra Losoya. A fielding error by UAPB during Losoya's hit scored Shelby Fellers for the third run.

The lead quickly evaporated in the third as UAPB tied the game at 3-3 but Ford's second RBI of the game swung the margin back in favor of PVAMU as they led 4-3 after the third inning. UAPB tied the game at 4-4 in the fifth but PVAMU would fight back in the sixth as Kylar Ward-Flowers scored on a UAPB throwing error followed by Destinee Williams' two-

run homer over the right field fence for a 7-4 lead entering the seventh and final inning.

The brakes would fall off for the Lady Panthers in the seventh as UAPB tallied five hits and scored six times as they were also aided by three PVAMU errors en route to a 10-7 deficit. The Lady Panthers rallied to open the bottom of the seventh as Alisa Navarro led off with a single and reached third after Ford's successful bunt single. Navarro made it 10-8 after scoring on Regan Richard's RBI groundout and Ward-Flowers drew the team to within 10-9 with an RBI but that would be the final score as PVAMU flied out to end the game.

After letting one get away in the opener, PVAMU returned the favor to UAPB in the rubber match as they rallied for three runs in the seventh to win the series by a 9-8 margin.

Destinee Williams scored the game's first run in the first inning as she scored on Alisa Navarro's sac fly. UAPB jumped ahead 4-1 in the third as they began to heat up offensively but PVAMU kept the game from slipping away with a four-run fourth which was keyed by six hits and RBIs from Shontel Lopez, Amanda Ford, Jazmine

Hicks and Amber Sorensen.

Once again, UAPB would regain the upper hand as they were aided by a three-RBI single to lead 7-5 heading into the bottom of the sixth. Lopez opened the bottom of the sixth with a double to left center and a RBI groundout by Ford scored pinch runner Tiffany Robertson to draw within 7-6. UAPB moved ahead 8-6 with a run in the seventh but PVAMU kept fighting as drama would unfold in the final inning once again.

Laura Martinez led the inning off with a double to left and Kylar Ward-Flowers tied the game with a two-run homer to right to knot the game at 8-8. Alexandra Losoya drew a full count walk and moved into scoring position after Heidi Woodworth's sac bunt. A passed ball allowed Losoya to move over to third and Lopez put the icing on the cake with an RBI single up the middle to seal the win and the series.

Lopez was sizzling from the plate as she finished 4-for-5 with two RBIs and a run scored. Sorensen, Williams and Navarro had a pair of hits while Williams scored twice. Sabrina Johnson pitched four innings of relief to earn her first win of the season.

HOME GAMES OF THE WEEK

FRIDAY, APRIL 3
MENS' BASEBALL VS. SOUTHERN
@NOON

SATURDAY, APRIL 4
VS. SOUTHERN
@1PM

TUESDAY, APRIL 7
WOMEN'S SOFTBALL VS. ICARNET
@1PM & @3PM

How do you feel about Springfest?



EDITORS' EDITION



"I really hope they actually do a Foam Concert for us. Springfest is usually lame, but that would be something new and fun."

Joshua Bennett
Editor-in-Chief
Senior



"As an exchange student I think it will be cool to experience Springfest. I've heard many good things about it so far, but I want to see for myself."

Raven Moody
News Editor
Senior



"I don't know what's going on with Springfest. Where are the flyers, because without publicity no one will care about it."

Dee Kyles
Copy Editor
Senior



"I feel like Springfest should live up to the same expectations as Homecoming. It's supposed to be the Homecoming for Spring."

India Foster
Lifestyles Editor
Sophomore



"Springfest was fun freshman year but this year I'm not excited. I'm just looking forward to Bourbon Street and the funnel cakes."

Denzel Speights
Sports Editor
Junior

Good Eats: Cooking with Miss Prairie View

Welcome back from Spring Break! I hope each of you enjoyed it; now it's time to get back to eating right! In case you missed the Good Eats Cooking Class that I hosted on March 23, 2015 in the rec center demo kitchen, don't worry! This week's edition will cover the recipes we made in the class which are buffalo chicken lettuce wraps and stuffed French toast rolls! But before I share the recipe let's go over a few tidbits to remember when making chicken.

1. Skip the fryer, go for the oven To give your baked "fried" chicken a crunchy outside coating, bake your coated chicken in the oven at about 400 degrees. Use a glass baking dish coated with cooking spray to place the chicken on. Midway through baking time, turn the chicken breasts over and coat them again with cooking spray to help get all sides of the chicken extra crispy.

2. Healthy Chicken Cuts Chicken breasts are the leanest piece of chicken you can use. Choose boneless and skinless for the absolute healthiest choice. If you buy frozen breasts, defrost them in the microwave before coating and baking. To make chicken fingers, cut each breast lengthwise into thirds. For larger pieces, cut each whole breast into half to make prep easier and the

cook time faster.

3. Use just as tiny bit of oil There's no need for any extra fat when making baked "fried" chicken. Use nonfat cooking spray to coat the pan before adding the chicken breasts. Spray a little bit of cooking spray onto the chicken breast itself, to help the coating get crunchy while baking. There are several varieties of cooking sprays. Some have an olive oil or buttery taste, some come in organic varieties.

Now that you have these basics down, let's get started cooking! This week we'll be making Buffalo Chicken Lettuce Wraps and Stuffed French Toast Rolls!

Here's the recipe for the Buffalo Chicken Lettuce Wraps (Recipe makes 2 wraps)

- Ingredients
- 6 oz boneless skinless chicken breast, cut into bite-size pieces
 - 3 TBSP of buffalo sauce, plus a little more for drizzling over the finished chicken if you prefer
 - ½ C of plain panko chips
 - 1 C of plain panko bread chips
 - 2 large soft leaves of lettuce
 - ¼ C of cooked quinoa (or brown rice)
 - 1 TBSP of diced tomatoes
 - Diced avocado
- Directions (Don't worry it's super

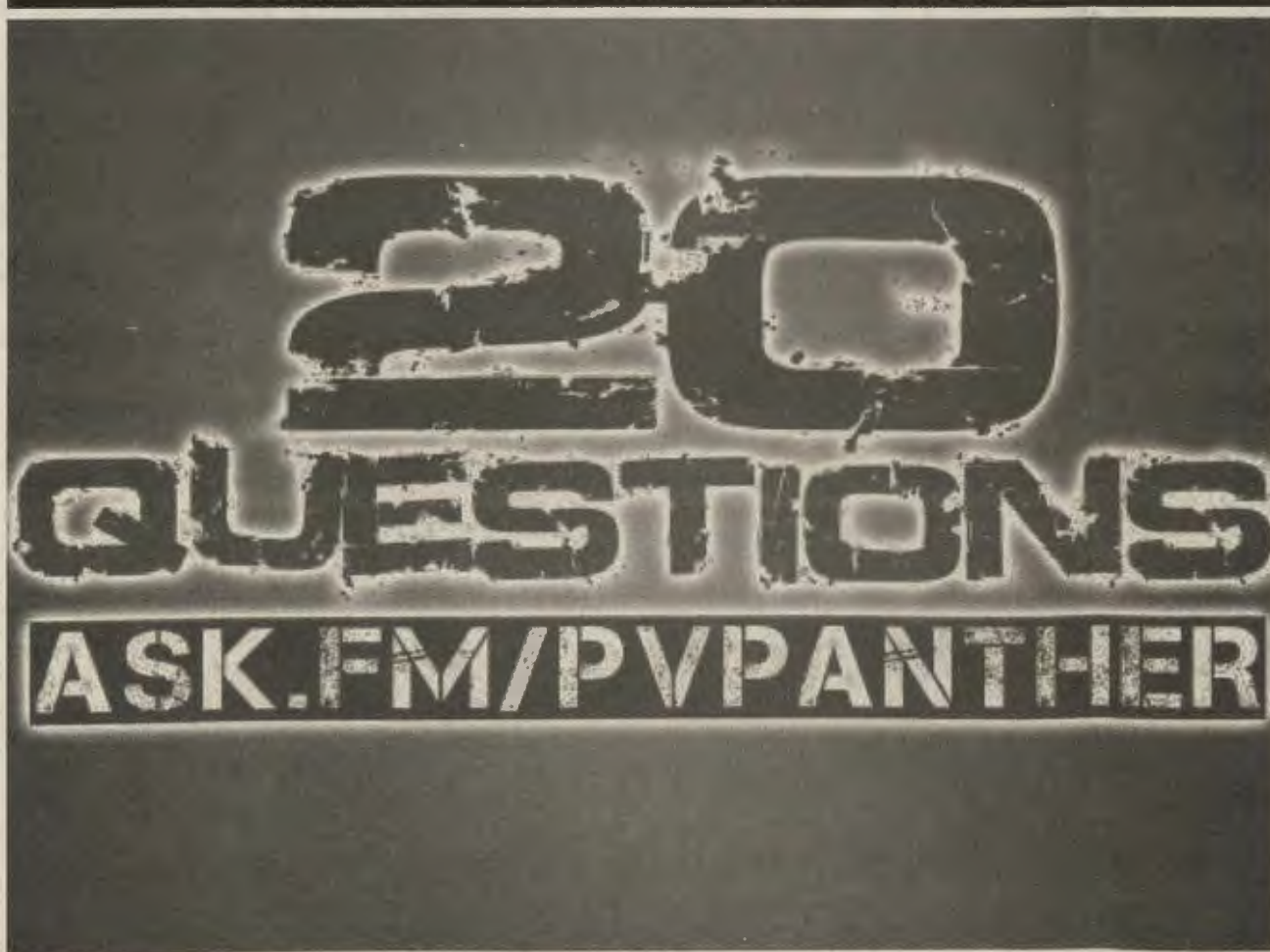
easy!):

1. Preheat the oven to 375 and lightly grease a baking sheet or line with parchment paper.
 2. Toss the chicken in the ½ cup buffalo sauce, cover, and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes.
 3. Pour the breadcrumbs into a shallow dish. Coat each chicken piece evenly and place them on the prepared baking sheet.
 4. Bake for 30 minutes. You can toss the baked chicken with the extra buffalo sauce if you like.
 5. To assemble the wraps, fill each leaf of lettuce with quinoa, tomatoes, and avocado. Top with the crispy baked buffalo chicken, drizzle with blue cheese (or ranch), and sprinkle with green onions. These are also a delicious cold lunch if you prepare the chicken ahead of time and refrigerate it before serving! Also, if you're not a fan of buffalo sauce, feel free to coat your chicken in a parmesan garlic sauce too!
- Alright, now that we've made our buffalo chicken wraps, let's get started with our French toast rolls! Here's what you'll need:
- 2 slices whole wheat bread (the soft, fluffy type)
 - 2 TBSP of Nutella or almond butter
 - 3 raspberries

- 1 eggs
 - 1 tablespoon of unsweetened almond milk
 - 1 TBSP of raw cane sugar
 - 1 TSP of cinnamon
 - butter, for greasing the pan
 - 1 TSP of honey
1. Trim the crust from the bread and flatten it out with a rolling pin.
 2. Place the 1TBSP of Nutella an inch from one end of the bread spread out in a strip. Add raspberries. Roll the bread up and repeat with the other slice of whole wheat bread.
 3. In a shallow bowl whisk the eggs and almond milk and a little cinnamon until well combined.
 4. In a separate bowl mix the raw cane sugar with the cinnamon.
 5. In a skillet set over medium heat melt a tablespoon of butter.
 6. Add the rolls to the egg turning to coat on all sides then place them in the pan seam side down. Cook in batches until golden brown, turning them to cook and brown on all sides. Add butter to the pan as needed.
 7. Add the hot rolls from the pan to the cinnamon sugar and roll until completely covered in sugar.
 8. Drizzle honey over both rolls.
- Enjoy!

I hope you enjoy these recipes as much as I do! Don't

forget to check the Panther each week for a new healthy recipe! Also, please join me as I host Denim & Pearls.. Just Us Girls on March 30, 2015 at 7pm in the MSC Senate Chambers! It will be an empowering workshop designed to uplift and inspire women as we decorate our jeans! Please RSVP by emailing me at Ash.Sherman@yahoo.com Happy Cooking!
Ashlee Elouise Sherman
Miss PVAMU 2014-2015



1. Who went to the Que crawfish boil and BBQ? 2. Was it worth the wait? 3. Did anyone notice the two girls about to fight? 4. Is it true they were about to fight over a guy? 5. Do people still fight in college? 6. Was anyone at the Mr. Debonair pageant? 7. Who else was surprised by who won? 8. Who cheered when he came out the closet on stage? 9. Will that make more guys come out? 10. Who was scratching names off the PV Choice ballots? 11. Is being a senior class officer not enough? 12. Who was happy to see the Kappas at the AKA pageant? 13. Was the "Zoo Keeper" there? 14. Is PV exposed really about to delete their page? 15. Does anyone still use Yik Yak? 16. What is wrong with the wifi? 17. Why didn't Old Skoo win Mr. GQ at the pageant? 18. Who got videos of themselves hopping like a Que? 19. Are they on line or just Dawg wannabes 20. What do you think?

These questions are for entertainment only. The questions submitted are not the views of The Panther. They should be read as gossip only, not as fact. Want to tell us what YOU think? Please bring YOUR comments and questions to Rm. 219 MSC or e-mail us at panther@pvamu.edu.

President LeBeauf speaks out



By: **Sidney LeBeauf**

Our campus continues to evolve into something greater and greater each day. I am glad to see that our new Student Recreation Center is open. It started off as an idea by students and it came to fruition this semester.

We now have a facility that we can be proud of and show off to the world. It's even better to see the number of people utilizing the facility. The Rec will soon be open longer and give us the chance to enjoy it even more.

In due time we will see the opening of a few other new projects on our campus. The retail center is coming along well and I am anticipating its opening, as well as many other students. I am more than sure that this will be

another facility that we can brag about. Our football stadium will be here for the start of the 2016-2017 school year. It will be here before we even notice and it will be a great addition to PVAMU.

The new academic building that will house the College of Business and the College of Agriculture, will be ready this summer, and open for classes this upcoming fall.

We are making strides to continue to prepare for our campus growth and beautification.

Let's keep making ourselves better everyday and continue to represent our campus in the best way possible. We are all great and have the potential to make a major impact in the world.

Let's tap into the gold mines of Prairie View A&M University and find what makes us golden.

Panthers:

TUESDAY APRIL 7, 2015 is the official Election Day for Student Government Association positions.
Your candidates are as follows:

Executive President:

Sidney LeBeauf

Draylon Leassear

Jacolahn Dudley

Brennan Eugene Wells

Executive Vice President:

Marcus Reshaud Washington

Executive Comptroller:

Jamaal Rutherford

Taylor Wilborn

Brian Eddington

Senators:

Genacie Bates (Senator of Education)

Class President:

Morgan Jackson (Senior class president)

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