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## "A Red Carpet Affair"

By **Tiffany Hogg**  
Panther Staff

Dim lights and soft soothing music set the tone for the 2004 Homecoming Coronation Ball held in the Memorial Student Center (MSC) Auditorium, Wednesday, Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

By invitation only, those in attendance witnessed the unveiling of "The Annual King & Queen's Ball, A Red Carpet Affair."

Narrated by Endira Hawkins and Phillip Wade, "The Palace of Pantherland" introduced the royal families of the reigning Mr. & Miss Prairie View A&M University, the President and First Lady of Prairie View, Dr. and Mrs. George C. Wright, the ambassador of Pantherland, Nigel Redmond, Mr. Prairie View '03-'04 Reginald Bachus, Miss Prairie View '03-'04 Lori Freeman, and the outer court which consisted of representa-

tives of various organizations. To set the ambiance of "The Palace of Pantherland," the preparation of the royal chambers was arranged with an African Dance performed by Prairie View's Classic Dance En-

queen Arthrayia Love and king Curtis Ray. Others were second runner-up for Miss Prairie View, Demequa DeRousselle and her escort MacDonald Whetstone, first runner-up for Miss Prairie View, Elan Wilson and first runner-up for Mr. Prairie View, Lowell Coleman. They entered and graced the palace and red carpet where their royal seating awaited.

Placed centerstage, the gold thrones were set for Mr. Prairie View '04-'05, David Harris and Miss Prairie View '04-'05, Christi Cummings.



Mr. and Miss PV at Coronation. Photo by Dawnielle Colquhoun

semble. Dressed in elegant ballroom gowns and tuxes, the inner court included freshman class queen Kaylan Colbert and king Antonio Barnes, sophomore class queen Danielle Williams and king Aaron Holloway, junior class queen Brittany Pollard and king Michael Miller, senior class

J. Stone, a former Mr. University College, sang "She's Your Queen to Be." Once Mr. & Miss Prairie View poised on the red carpet and were seated on their thrones, gifts were presented to them

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## WE WON!

By **Steven M. Kennedy**  
Panther Staff

If you are a current Prairie View A&M student, and you aren't at least a little excited about the 2004 Panther football team, there is definitely something wrong.

Prairie View head football coach Henry Frazier III is accomplishing so much in his first year on the hill that it's hard to keep track of all the progress. When the Panthers defeated Texas Southern for the first time in 16 years on Sept. 4, people started saying that victory alone already made Prairie View's season a successful one.

Then when the Panthers defeated the Paul Quinn Tigers the very next week, more eyes opened and people jumped on the Prairie View A&M bandwagon. After the Panthers started (2-0),

and then lost four straight games, those same people began to say, "here we go again," referring to the fact that they were already losing confidence in the Panthers.

What most of the public hasn't realized is that going into Saturday's homecoming match against the Lincoln Blue Tigers, the Panthers had arguably played the toughest conference schedule of any SWAC team having already played Southern, Grambling State, Alcorn State and Alabama State. Either Grambling State or Southern have won the last seven SWAC championships, with Alabama State reaching the SWAC championship twice in the last 3 years (2001, 2003).

With that competition early in See Homecoming page 7



A PV player slides past commotion on the field. Photo by Marques Allen

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## Three's a crowd: departments expand with new buildings

By Dustin Daniel  
Associate Sports Editor

Prairie View A&M University's enrollment is the highest it has ever been. The increased student population calls for new accommodations.

The nationally renowned electrical engineering, architecture and nursing programs have, for years, represented the university with pride, dignity and a commitment to excellence.

All three degree programs have continued to flourish, showcasing an ability to compete with some of Texas' larger institutions despite less than adequate facilities. For this season, reflecting their hard work, the departments will be housed in new and improved facilities in 2005.

Prairie View A&M University's student body inadequately passed its building capacities. On a campus where the population exceeds 8,000, the electrical engineering department was confined to one floor of the C.L. Wilson building.

Sensing a growing need for increased space, students and faculty members demanded a new building seven years ago. From there, it took off. The \$12 million-

plus facility will become the new home for the electrical engineering school. This 48,707 square foot building will include three floors. It will provide space for the growth of the electrical engineering programs.

Its first floor will be for classrooms, laboratory space and computer labs. The second floor will have research and teaching labs. The third floor will consist of offices for doctoral students, faculty members, graduate students and a general electrical engineering office.

The engineering department has added three additional programs since requesting a new facility: doctoral degree in electrical engineering, master of science in computer engineering and bachelor of science in computer engineering.

The new electrical engineering building will be located next to the C.L. Wilson building. It will officially become the home for Prairie View's electrical engineering school in May 2005. Currently located directly above the electrical engi-

neering department on the second floor of the C.L. Wilson building is Prairie View's School of Architecture.

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Winning a national championship in "Design Building" at this summer's Construction Specification Institute Design Competition in San Antonio, the architecture department sensed the need for growth.

In 2000, their plan asked for a new venue to accommodate an influx of students, as Prairie View is one of only seven historically black colleges, and the only one in Texas, with a fully accredited architecture program.

Like electrical engineering, the School of Architecture added three programs. Along with a bachelor's in architecture, there is also a master's degree in architecture, master's in community development, and bachelor's in construction science. Costing around \$17 to \$18 million for construction, this 100,000 square foot facility will feature two service centers: Community Urban and Rural Enhancement Studies and the Texas Insti-

tute for the Preservation of History and Culture.

It will also feature a museum for the African American History of Architecture, as well as a state of the art woodshop.

It is projected that student enrollment in architecture will continue to grow.

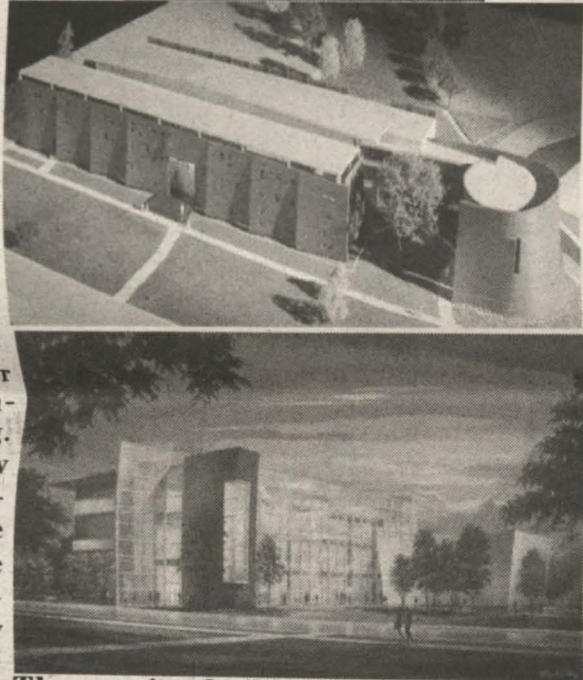
Located in the Houston Medical Center, the nursing program is also expanding in its facility.

Construction for this 100,000 square foot building initially began in September of 2002, as the nursing faculty, alumni and administration needed a home to fit their present and future needs.

Designed by Watkins-Hamilton-Ross architects, the \$43.1 million facility will feature 12 floors, plus a basement.

Of those 12 floors, five will be for the operation of the nursing program.

Amenities include a parking garage, an updated facility security area, a minority health research center, a learning resource center, departments of adult and family nursing, mental and community health nursing, distance education and an administrative area. The remaining floors will be for parking and mechanical services.



The nursing building located in Houston, the electrical engineering and architecture buildings are scheduled to open in 2005.



opportunities it gives to our students to learn more about our academic programs is

worth every minute of time spent."

Like many large

## Students can explore majors and minors at the 3rd Annual Majors Fair

Special to *The Panther*

Undecided majors may now have a better idea of where their academic careers are headed thanks to the Majors fair sponsored by the University College Division of Academic Advisement.

The Majors Fair will take place Tuesday, Nov. 2 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. The fair is designed to assist students in choosing their

majors or minors by bringing together representatives from the various departments and colleges on campus.

Students will have the chance to speak to faculty and staff members and gain insight on the variety of academic programs offered at PV.

Mrs. Lettie Raab, executive director of University College and sponsor of the Majors Fair, said, "This fair takes months to plan, but the

events, the Majors Fair is more than a bunch of people coming together to chat with students," Raab said. "We are forming committees to make the third annual Majors Fair an even better event than last year. We will work with many campus entities to make it happen, and many details are involved, everything from door prizes, to electrical outlets, to creating marketing, and promotional handouts for faculty, staff and students must be con-



worth every minute of time spent."

Like many large

## When it all falls down Alexander Gumby's collection of scrapbooks come to PV



Photo by Brandon Roberts

The Alumni Hall dining facility was opened in the second semester of the 1972-73 academic year. Today it is being torn down to accommodate the changing needs of the university.

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## Alexander Gumby's collection of scrapbooks come to PV

By Shara Boykin  
Panther Staff

Alexander Gumby is a man of wisdom, intellect, knowledge and creativity. He has proudly displayed his scrapbook in the library of Columbia University for 50 years and now Prairie View A&M University is also a proud collector of this one of a kind African American treasure.

Alexander Gumby demonstrates creativity as well as strong will. He began the formation of the scrapbook at the age of 16. Since then, his book has evolved into a masterpiece and is idolized by anyone who comes in contact with the 30 rolls of film.

Columbia News in an online article calls it "the unwritten history of Negroes." In under 50 rolls of film, the book shows clippings from newspapers, letters, photos, and autographs from some of the most prestigious African Americans. This includes Fredrick Douglas, William Lloyd Garrison, Booker T. Washington, George Washington Carver and W.E.B. Dubois.

The collection is full of clippings, pamphlets, photographs, pictures, extracts

from periodicals and also contains 350 letters, signatures, manuscripts and documents. There are also 18 devastation slave documents of events that have taken place in African American history.

The periods range from of 1901 until 1934, when he submitted his collection to Columbia University. It also contains personal letters, calling cards, photos and more from Gumby's life.

"Gumby clipped things that weren't necessarily from the mainstream,

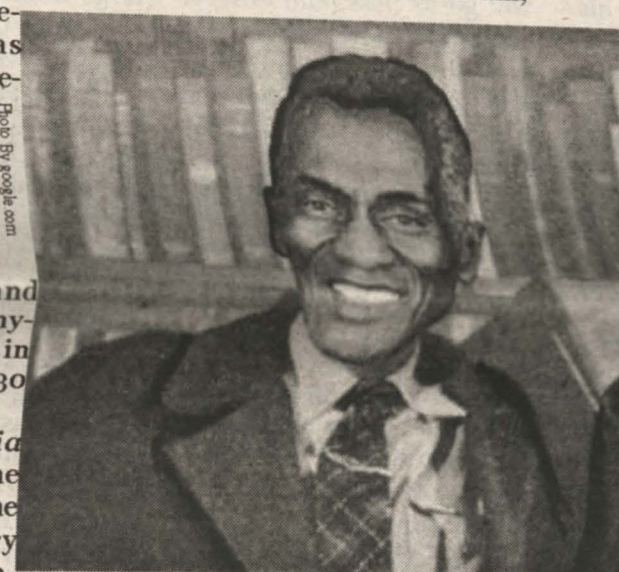
York after attending Dover State College in Delaware.

"At once I became a New Yorker in spirit and principle for I found here more freedom of action than I had ever known before," Gumby said.

With the help of a friend who worked in Wall Street, Gumby opened a studio in Harlem. But Gumby's studio fell in the stock market crash of 1929. Gumby's devastation caused him to be hospitalized for four years.

After he was released, Gumby spent time collecting and putting together his scrapbook. Finally, in 1950, he gave his collection to Columbia University. Gumby died in 1961, but he still lives through the pages of his book.

"Anyone who is interested in preserving a history," says librarian Chris Anglim, "may come and take a look at the film. It is a very good resource of African American history."



Alexander Gumby

but were unique to the black community," says Columbia News. "That's what makes his collection different from others."

Gumby's first clippings were of President McKinley's assassination. He proudly displayed these on the walls in his room. Little by little Gumby's collection grew and he moved to New

If you are interested in seeing Alexander Gumby's scrapbook you can locate it in the microfilm filing cabinet in the periodicals/government document room. It will be viewable to the public in the beginning of the Spring semester.

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US OUT ONLINE AT  
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## Upset by editorial on HBCU status

After reading the editorial entitled "Has Prairie View lost its HBCU status?... Diversity may be the downfall of the university," I couldn't help but get a little upset.

Yes, it is important for Prairie View to maintain its Historically Black College and University status in order to keep providing African-Americans with a quality education to be successful in the world. We should not sell ourselves short of what we, and so many before us, have gained from attending a historically black university.

One of the great things to me, personally, was that when I was a freshman, it was my first time to be in the midst of other people who looked like me and were trying to do something with their lives.

I came from a small, predominantly white high school where most of my black peers weren't even thinking about college. I count it as a blessing that I had the privilege of being accepted at Prairie View and that I am surrounded by my beautiful black brothers and sisters who are getting an education to better themselves.

But, I do not believe that the first eight students who walked on these grounds

are turning in their graves because of an increasing rate of diversification. If anything, they are turning in their graves because of all the violence and mischief occurring on campus.

I am sickened by the things that we have allowed to go on. Young men are getting assaulted and young ladies can't even go back to their dorms from a night of studying alone for fear of being attacked.

Too many times I will go to class, and observe a group of students sitting around outside, just to come back hours later and see them in the same spot. Don't they ever have class?

Then, these same people complain when work needs to be done because someone won't let them cheat on their exams. It is shocking to know how many professional cheaters we have here at Prairie View. Another problem is the way we disrespect our campus grounds. There is trash everywhere, people walking on the grass when there is clearly a pathway right next to the grass, people who do not know the meaning of behavior in a library and the cliques between various groups who like to fight constantly.

My great-grandparents met here when Prairie View still had a dirt road for University Drive. They met here and married after my great-grandmother graduated. I am glad that my grandfather never had a chance to come back here to Prairie View and see his alma mater being treated the way it is.

The enemy is loose on our campus, on the prowl like a ravenous lion, and is devouring constantly. With the large number of supposedly professed Christians at PV, why are we allowing these types of things to occur? Shouldn't we be taking up our cross daily and putting on our armor (as described in Ephesians 6) to cause the enemy to flee from our beautiful campus? The disrespectful attitudes, crime, and blatant disregard for what Prairie View truly stands for is what is causing the downfall of our campus, not the diversity of our student body. I do not think that we, and the alumni, should worry about the "minorities" here at our campus, when it is clear from where the true destruction is coming.

**E. Corrigan,**  
Senior biology major

## The war on Prairie View



By **Christina Johnson**  
Editor in chief

Fellow Prairie View students- can we speak can-

didly for a minute? I have a few concerns to address before I step off my soapbox. We are all young adults, right? You want to be treated as such, right? You want respect? Well, walk, talk, and act the part.

This weekend, I saw the most immature, disrespectful, ignorant acts of my life. What was supposed to be a nostalgic, family oriented, excitement-filled weekend ended in a disaster at the homecoming step show and

afterparty. A simple fight ended homecoming week. A fight ended the first homecoming for many freshmen. A fight ended reunions and tailgating for the alumni. What will a fight end next- someone's life?

There's a war going on at PV. It is not a war of brain versus brawn. It is a war that needs to be waged mentally and spiritually. It's

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## Purple & Gold Poll

How would you rate homecoming?



"Homecoming was alright, even if it did rain."

**Lawrence Zenon**  
Senior, Music Education



"I felt it was ok. We actually won our homecoming game. I was mad about the afterparty. The stepshow was off the chain."

**Ebony Myers**  
Junior, Communications



"Homecoming was alright but I have seen better. Much better!"

**Rashad Donelson**  
Senior, Radio/ TV

By **Andrea Starr**

### Handwritings on the Wall

"I pack my trunk, embrace my friends, embark on the sea, and at last wake up in Naples. And there beside me is the stern fact, the sad self, unrelenting, identical, that I fled from.- Ralph Waldo Emerson."

**Antoinette Mims**  
Junior

What's your motto to live by? Email your "Handwriting on the Wall" to panther@pvamu.edu.

## HEALTH CENTER SATISFACTION SURVEY

The University Health Center requests your feed back to help us better serve our students. This information will be used to assess and implement important health services. Please take a few minutes to complete the following questions. Your time and thoughts are appreciated.

- Male Age \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_
- Female
- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior
- Graduate
- Have not used health services
- Have not used counseling services

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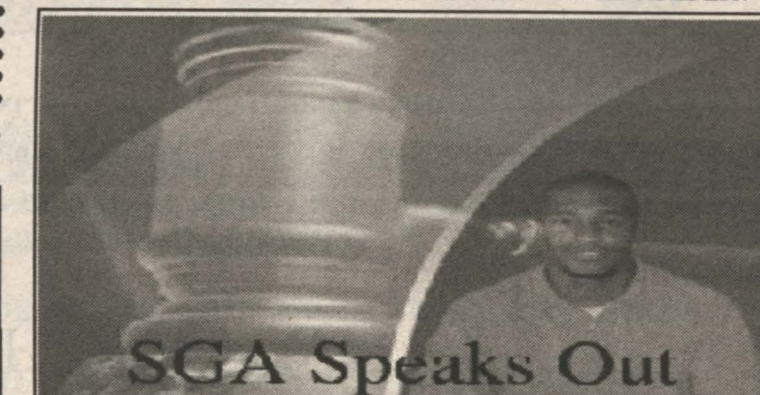
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Please return these surveys to Ms. Parker in the Owens-Franklin Health Center by Monday, Oct. 1.



**Diljit Chatha**

- Hometown: Houston, TX
- Spouse/ Children: Husband and two children
- Occupation: Professor of English
- Favorite Actor: Richard Burton
- Favorite Actress: Jane Seymore
- Favorite Music: Soft music
- Favorite Color: Ink blue
- Favorite Food: Fruit salad
- Night and Day: Day
- One thing you can't live without: Something to read, think or, talk about.
- You are most happy: In the morning or with another person.
- Who do you admire and look up to: Anyone who is down to earth, a high achiever, or ambitious.
- Advice for freshmen: Budget your time and work to your utmost potential.
- Advice for seniors: Take each challenge as an opportunity to grow.
- How would you like to be remembered? Professor who cared for her students' success in academics and later on in life.



With October soon coming to an end, students will be pleased to know that the Student Government Association is still hard at work planning activities for the campus. On October 31, from 2-5 p.m., students will be invited to help paint the "Freedom Path," which will be held the day before the pre-voting celebration. On November 1, at the pre-voting celebration, held from 12-3 p.m., T-shirts will be given away to encourage students to come out to the booths and vote. To bring the pre-celebration to an end students are asked to help "Caravan the Yard" from 10 p.m. until 12 a.m. Students are asked to meet at the MSC in the T-shirts given away at the pre-voting celebration. November 2 students are again asked to help "Caravan the Yard" from 7-8 a.m., which will be followed by a voting breakfast from 8-9 a.m. To bring the festivities to an end there will be a shindig at the Hobart Taylor from 12-3 p.m. and a watch party, supplied with pizza and games, in the MSC Ballroom from 8-11 p.m.

## The BET College Tour Coming Friday, October 29, 2004

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and the inner court. Upon the dismissal of the program, the audience attended a reception hosted in the MSC Ballroom. At 9 p.m. students, staff, and family members filled the ballroom and anticipated the entrance of the inner court and Mr. & Miss Prairie View.

Shortly after their appearance, they opened with a modish waltz to "The Closer I Get to You" by Luther Vandross featuring Beyonce Knowles. Pictures were snapped, cheers were given and then an evening of dining and dancing completed the 2004 Coronation's "A Red Carpet Affair."

Patrick Campbell, Mr. Panther Advisor Leader, stated, "Although there weren't as many people in attendance as previous years, the coronation was still a success and very elegant."

a war between man and himself.

Panthers, our mentality as students and respectable adults needs to change. Playtime is over. All the games you played before you came to college must come to an end. The frivolous and childish rivalry between Dallas and Houston (or whatever city you hail from) must cease. No one cares! When you graduate from PV, no employer will care where you were raised; they want to know if you can perform the duties of the job given to you.

Arguments over what "hood" you're from, the color shirt you wear, who you used to date, who your "boo" is, how tall your "white tee" may be, or what you thought was said about you is irrelevant. You didn't come to school to fight for your life; you came to enhance it.

The "thug life," "vid-

eo hoochies," and "gangsta" wannabees need to get their acts together. You are embarrassing yourselves, the student body, and your school. These are not the ideals the founders of the university wanted us to embody.

The student handbook lists the ideals for the Prairie View man and woman. It states, "Deep in the heart of the Prairie View spirit, are embedded ten basic ideals. These ideals include brotherhood, friendliness, honesty, cleanliness, health, respect, responsibility, service, and individual preferences regarding spirituality."

I can truly say that I have yet to see these characteristics personified in many of the students here. Maybe change will occur before I graduate. If not, idle minds will continue to play in the devil's workshop and the cycle will go on.

GUESS WHAT??

THE PANTHER IS NOW AVAILABLE TO YOU VIA THE INTERNET. YOU CAN FIND ALL OF YOUR FAVORITES LIKE 20 QUESTIONS, PURPLE AND GOLD POLLS, IN THE SPIRIT AND MORE! VISIT WWW.PVPANTHER.COM AND TELL US WHAT YOU THINK.

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- (1) EXPECT A PROSECUTOR TO INDICT CRIMINALS, NOT INTIMIDATE VOTERS?
- (2) EVER REPORTED A CRIME, BUT FELT IGNORED AND DISRESPECTED?
- (3) WANT PUNISHMENTS THAT REALLY FIT THE CRIME?

Answered "Hell,yeah!" to any of the above?  
Elect Sylvia Cedillo to prosecute for Waller County.

SYLVIA CEDILLO:

- ◆ Lawyer - Criminal, civil, and appellate experience
- ◆ Administrator - Prairie View A&M University
- ◆ Expert - School violence
- ◆ Leader - Prairie View City Council (2001-present)
- ◆ Grantwriter - Over \$1 million in funded programs

"Bad officials get elected when students don't vote."

Pol. Ad. Pd. By Sylvia Cedillo Campaign, Sylvia Cedillo, Treas., POB 416, Prairie View, Texas 77446.

Homecoming from page 1

the year any oteam, no matter how talented might struggle. Nevertheless, although the Panthers had lost four games they put up great fights in every contest, averaging 19.8 points per game.

From now until the end of the season, the Panthers' schedule looks easier, have already beaten Lincoln 20-14 this last weekend, and still having to play the Jackson State Tigers (2-5), along with the Mississippi Valley State Delta Devils (2-6). The Panthers have a great chance to make even more history by the end of the season.

Under Panther head coach Henry Frazier III, the team has already beaten Texas Southern, won homecoming, and won three games, and the season is just a little half way over. Sixteen years is how long it took for past PV head coaches to defeat TSU, and three years is how long it's been since Prairie View's last homecoming victory, much less win three games in a single season. Coach Frazier has accomplished in his first year what many PV head coaches before him had been trying to accomplish for 16 years.

After losing four straight games, the Panthers were hungry to get things back on the winning track, and there was no better time to start back the winning ways than on homecoming. In front of a sellout Blackshear Stadium crowd of over 8,000 spectators, the Panthers defense rather than the offense were the ones that got Prairie View on the scoreboard first with a 30-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown by cornerback Jeremy Kindle to put the Panthers up early 7-0 with 9:54 to go in the second quarter.

The Lincoln Blue Tigers quickly retaliated going on a three play 54-yard drive to set up their first score of the game with RB C. Richardson reaching the end zone on a one-yard run to tie the score at seven a piece. Looking to

close out the first half strong, the Panthers put together a time draining 10-play 50-yard drive that resulted in a two-yard touchdown run by RB Eric Woods, to give the Panthers only a 13-7 lead after the extra point failed going into half time.

In the second half Prairie View came out a little rusty, and it proved costly, as Lincoln was able to capitalize after a long 10-play 63-yard drive with quarterback Erik Garcia finding wide receiver T. Davis in the end zone to give the Blue Tigers a slim 14-13 lead with 10:01 to go in the third quarter.

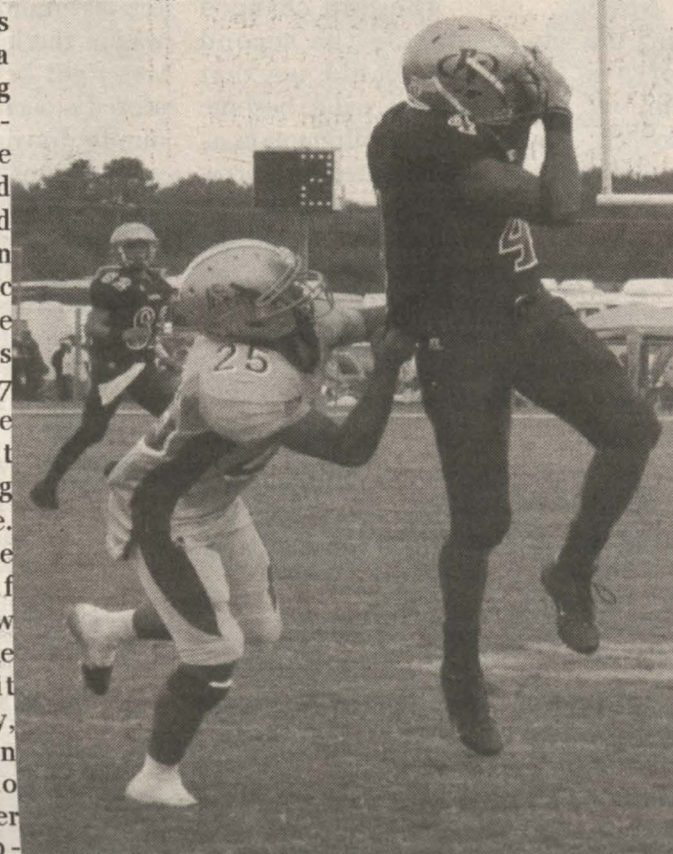
There were no points scored until with 12:51 to go in the fourth quarter when Prairie View QB Chris Gibson found WR Anthony Wright on the eventual game-winning TD with a 36-yard pass to set the score at 20-14. However, the Lincoln Blue Tigers gave the PV fans and alumni a scare, as they were able to get the ball back with a little over a minute to play in the game.

Lincoln QB Erik Garcia who had been scrambling and making plays the whole afternoon had everyone on their feet in the stands at Blackshear Stadium, anticipating that he might be able to pull off the impossible. Nevertheless, Prairie View's defense finished strong only allowing Garcia to complete one pass, to close out the game with a victory 20-14.

Prairie View finished with 59 offensive plays for a total of 241 yards (198 passing, 43 rushing). Leaders for the Panthers were QB Chris Gibson (12 of 22 for 198 yards,

1 TD), WR Kameco Andrews (4 catches for 90 yards), WR Chris Peterson (4 catches for 33 yards, 25 PR yards), and CB Jeremy Kindle (2 tackles, 1 fumble recovery, 1 TD). This Saturday the Panthers look to continue their winning ways as they head to Itta Bena, Mississippi to face the (2-6) Mississippi Valley State Delta Devils at Rice-Totten stadium. Game time is 2 p.m.

Photo by Marcus Allen



A Panther catches the ball midair.

Speaking to *The Panther* after the game, Coach Frazier said, "We were in the game the whole time. You know our motto: We are going to play until the end. A lot of times things broke down for us, but the

kids never hung their heads. They did not hang their heads when we were down by two and three touchdowns to Grambling, and other schools. I knew we were not going to hang our heads against this team that was winless, at our homecoming. We kept fighting and waiting for something good to happen, and it did."

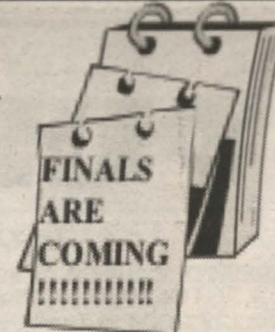
Frazier was elated to be the coach who won homecoming for the first time since 2001. He said, "It feels pretty good. I was 5-0 in homecomings at Bowie State. I explained to the kids that homecoming is a game that you want to win. Everybody is coming back so you want to put your best foot forward. We won the ball game, and I feel really good about it. We still have four football games to play to see if we can somehow win three of our four and have a winning season. That is still our goal."



The Answers

Weekly Update for Freshmen

THE INFO YOU SHOULD KNOW



You must have a grade of 'C' or better in your developmental class (es) at mid-terms to be able to pre-register for the spring!!!! Check out the following URL: <http://calendars.pvamu.edu/> for information about our Quick THEA testing schedule or call 936/857-2747.

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DATES TO REMEMBER (all dates found at the website <http://calendars.pvamu.edu/>)

- November 1 LAST DAY TO DROP A CLASS!!
- November 2 VOTE!!! PV Community Center
- University College will hold its Third Annual Majors Fair in the MSC Ballroom from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

Bldgs #35, #44 and #48 sponsored Breast Cancer Awareness month activities  
Bldgs #41 and #43 social sciences majors took a trip to Giddings State School on Oct. 26  
Bldgs #38 & #41 sponsored a "Rope of the Sexes" seminar on Oct. 27  
Bldg #36 will be sponsoring a LAN party on Oct. 29 at 10pm. If you'd like to participate, call Mr. Neal.

# Who's UCFL's baddest: Bad News or Bad Boys?

By Rashad Morgan  
Panther Staff

The UCFL, University College Football League, is beginning to wind down toward the end of its first season. Last week on Thursday, Oct 21, the teams played to decide who gets to play in the championship game. A couple of these games were truly the battle of the best. Two of the six teams that played were undefeated, and two other teams only had one loss.

There were three games played in total. The first game played was between building 46 and building 36, the second game was between building 37 and building 43, and the last game was played with the Bad Boys of building 38 going against building 45.

The triple-header began at 7 p.m., with Bad News, 46, versus Neal's

building 36. Bad News entered the game being the underdog, because of 36's reputation for blowing out their opponents. Jay Roberts, coached Bad News, while Derek Lindsay, assisted him. Both of them also suited up on offense and defense, because 36 are "no joke." Both teams are known for great scoring offenses. The game started off with high octane, each team going back and forth at each other scoring touchdowns. Each team knew that a loss would knock them out of the championship game. At halftime, Bad News held the lead, only by a small margin.

The lead changed twice during the second half. You could see that each team started to become overwhelmed with emotion, as each team shouted and threw



UC hosts all UCFL games

tantrums on the sidelines, when disagreeable calls, were made by the officials. Within

the last minute, building 36 was in the lead 21-18. This was right before Bad News scored a touchdown at the last minute to win the game 25-21. Building 36 got one more play off before the clock ran out, but it only ended in an incomplete pass as the quarterback tossed the ball to the end zone in desperation. Bad News will be playing in the championship; their opponent would be decided between the winner of Holmes' 38 and building 45.

The second game played was building 43, led by quarterback Braxton Bennet, versus the vulnerable building 37. Leona Aaron coached building 37.

Both teams were playing in their last game of the season, each one wanting to finish on a good note, with a win. Their game was a slow paced one, but eventually building 43 came out on top 14-0.

The last game was between the Bad Boys, building 38, versus building 45. The team labeled as the favorite, the Bad Boys, and was led by Perry Holmes, and came into the game undefeated. The winner of this game would have to play Bad News in the championship. Building 44 began the game with a strong running attack, while the Bad Boys outplayed 44 with finesse and a better sense for the game. The score was tied at the half. The Bad Boys trailed behind late in the second half, until their quarterback threw a touchdown pass to seal the game. The Bad Boys won 19-13, and will play Bad News in the championship, Tuesday, Oct 26, at 7 p.m.

## The Panther Staff



Steven Kennedy

1. Baltimore Ravens
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts
5. Houston Texans
6. Boston Red Sox



Rashad Morgan

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Denver Broncos
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Kansas City Chiefs
5. Jacksonville Jaguars
6. Boston Red Sox



Leona Aaron

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Denver Broncos
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts
5. Jacksonville Jaguars
6. Boston Red Sox



Dustin Daniels

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. New York Giants
4. Kansas City Chiefs
5. Jacksonville Jaguars
6. Boston Red Sox



Lori Mason

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. New York Giants
4. Indianapolis Colts
5. Jacksonville Jaguars
6. St. Louis Cardinals

### PV Picks

1. Baltimore Ravens @ Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons @ Denver Broncos
3. New York Giants @ Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts @ Kansas City Chiefs
5. Jacksonville Jaguars @ Houston Texans
6. Boston Red Sox @ St. Louis Cardinals



Johnnie Powell

1. Baltimore Ravens
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts
5. Houston Texans
6. Don't Care



William Bigglesworth

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts
5. Jacksonville Jaguars
6. Boston Red Sox



Charles Walker

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. New York Giants
4. Kansas City Chiefs
5. Houston Texans
6. St. Louis Cardinals



Kenneth Prosser

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts
5. Jacksonville Jaguars
6. Boston Red Sox



Marcus Williams

1. Philadelphia Eagles
2. Atlanta Falcons
3. Minnesota Vikings
4. Indianapolis Colts
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6. St. Louis Cardinals



# PURPLE HAZE

A PUBLICATION OF THE UNIVERSITY VILLAGE

BY: GREG BELL

### PROGRAMMING

#### Resident Housing Association Committee

The RHA will hold its first information session on Oct. 27, 2004 at the Phase II Clubhouse. If you have questions and want to get involved, we want your ideas! Everyone who is interested in making a difference in their community is encouraged to attend the seminar. Take pride in where you live! Refreshments will be served.



### KLIPPJOINTS

The University Village is proud to announce the addition of Klippjoints Barbershop now open in the Phase II Clubhouse. Klippjoints owner is from southwest Houston and has been in the business for over 10 years. Klippjoints offers all standard cuts (\$8) for both males and females, as well as eyebrow arching. Hours of operation are 11am to 8pm. Klippjoints is expanding and accepting applications for a licensed Beautician. Qualified applicants are asked stop by the shop between normal hours to speak with Tony.



Tamika Bland is a University Village Resident from Pflugerville Texas. She is a sophomore Nursing Major pursuing a career as a Nursing Practitioner.

With the increase in student enrollment, the demand for student housing is up. Have you ever thought about moving off campus? Yes, but I don't want to miss out on the action and the programs that the University Village has to offer.

Can you tell me about your favorite UV Program? I enjoyed the Pageant because I got a chance to see some of my peers perform and express themselves. Not to mention it was very well organized and was quite entertaining! Are you planning on attending any of the RAW (Residents Appreciation Week) festivities? Yes, I plan on going to the car wash, building my own Sundae, and dressing as Beyonce at the Halloween Costume Party.

Do you know how you can evolve in a drawing to win \$1000.00? Yes, by filling out the Customer Service Survey.

### Note

The University Village is offering residents an opportunity to win \$250 or one of four grand prizes: Toshiba 46" Widescreen HD TV, Bose DVD/CD Surround Sound System, Dell Personal Technology Package (Notebook Computer, Handheld PC, and Dell Printer), or \$1000.00 in CASH! All you have to do is complete the Village Customer Service Survey, and your name will be included in a drawing from among all the American Campus Communities survey participants. There will be one company wide Grand Prize Winner and one property \$250 Winner.



## Zook fired but will finish season with Gators

By Mark Long  
Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) -- Florida coach Ron Zook was fired Monday after two-plus years and a stack of embarrassments, but will finish the season while the university searches for his replacement. Athletic director Jeremy Foley satisfied a growing groundswell for Zook's ouster that literally began the day he replaced

Steve Spurrier. "It is clear to us that in evaluating our football program that something is not working," Foley said in a statement. "I accept full responsibility for where we are today and I feel this change is necessary for us to reach our goals."

The latest debacle, a 38-31 loss to Mississippi State, sealed Zook's fate and brought jubilation among those in Gator Nation who

turned www.fireonzook.com into their Internet home page. The site posted this message Monday: "It's happening! It's happening! Oh my God it's happening!"

The Gators blew fourth-quarter leads against Tennessee and LSU this season, and did the same against Miami, Mississippi and Florida State last year. There also were two near meltdowns against Arkansas. There were

other debacles, too, including consecutive Outback Bowl losses to Michigan and Iowa -- games in which the team often looked unprepared.

Zook showed resiliency through it all. He led the Gators to four straight wins in 2002 and five in a row last season -- after it looked like they could finish with losing records. He also has two big wins over rival Georgia. Foley extended his

contract after last season, saying he felt the program was on the right track. The latest problems, however, were too much to overcome. "Anytime a fellow coach is fired, that's disappointing," Mississippi State coach Sylvester Croom said Monday. "Ron's a good football coach who has had an excellent career. I hate that he and his coaching staff and their families have to go through that."

## The true essence behind faith, history and definition

By Harry Bailey  
Panther Staff

In many religious settings you quite frequently hear the word "faith" used. Throughout churches and synagogues faith is preached as a basic fundamental element for spirituality. Many of us are encouraged to have faith when something bad has happened, when we want a good grade in class, or even when we want our favorite sports team to win. Whatever the situation may be, it has the potential to be exercised throughout our daily lives.

In the *American Heritage Dictionary*, faith is defined as, "confident belief or trust in a person, idea, or thing." This definition shows that our faith may be placed in a countless number of things. Faith is commonly associated with deity as even seen with the Johnson Phillips All Faiths

Chapel. On our campus most students profess to have faith in something whether it's spiritual or not. The object of a person's faith is truly what validates it. If someone were to say "I have faith," you would probably respond by saying "in what?" Faith by itself has no meaning unless it is applied to something, and understanding faith in a spiritual matter magnifies its value.

Faith plays a major role in the foundation of Christianity. The Bible highlights several men and women who have demonstrated great faith. Many of these examples are found in the 11th chapter of Hebrews, which is known as the faith hall of fame. From a woman who bore a child at the age of 90, to a man who built a giant arc because God would flood the earth; faithful people have trusted

and obeyed God. Several others have also believed God for the power and victory while refusing to compromise their faith. When viewing the attributes of God, one should understand that He is all-knowing and all-powerful. His Knowledge greatly supercedes even the most intelligent people to walk on this earth. We may seek guidance from God in our daily living, because He alone will not lead us astray.

The biblical description of faith (also found in Hebrews) is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. Easier put, it is the proof and conviction that a certain thing is true. A rational mindset cannot comprehend the dynamics of faith, because none of the five senses are involved. In order to trust God for anything, we must first believe that

He exists. Whoever comes to God must believe that He is, and that He rewards those who diligently seek to know Him. Furthermore "Those who do not have faith cannot see past the physical world around them. They are limited by their temporal circumstances and are blind to what God is doing. But those who open their spiritual eyes can see the spiritual realities which transcend this world. Their hope is in God's Strength." Faith in God gives us hope for the future.

Faith is also used as an instrument by which the gift of salvation is received. It facilitates the undeserved favor that God has freely lavished upon us. Only through faith can salvation be obtained and not by our works. Living a perfectly moral life characterized by doing good works and not harming anyone drastically fails to

please God. In fact, there is nothing we can do to obtain eternal saving favor in His eyesight. Forgiveness for our sins comes through believing the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This acknowledges that He paid the penalty for our sins enabling us to live eternally with Him.

In our society, faith has been diluted. We search for completeness by placing our trust in sources that will only lead to a dead in. In doing so, we are left with a huge void in our lives. We may try to fill that void with sex, drugs or other temporary highs, but all eventually will cause more damage and destruction. If this sounds like a similar situation in your life then I encourage you to place your faith in Christ, because He offers hope for a dying world.

### Mini Church Directory

**BAPTIST**  
St. Peter's Baptist Church  
805 18th St.  
(979) 826-9092  
Rev. Fred Thomas III

Mount Corinth Baptist Church (Hempstead)  
806 7th St.  
(979) 826-2544  
Rev. Lloyd Crosby

**METHODIST**  
MacEdonia United Methodist (Waller)  
MacEdonia School Rd.  
(936) 931-3469  
Rev. Evelyn J. Cox

United Methodist Church (Waller)  
(936) 372-3907  
Rev. Phyllis Carey

**CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
Bailey Chappell Church of God in Christ (Waller)  
3004 Sledge  
(936) 372-2945  
Rev. Allen Abney

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Church of Christ (Waller)  
31918 Waller- Tomball Rd.  
(936) 372-5738

Church of Christ @ Prairie View  
Bledsoe & Randall St  
(936) 857-5922

**NONDENOMINATIONAL**  
Strait Way Ministries Inc. (Hempstead)  
946 Ninth Street  
(979) 826-4155  
Rev. Elder Ronnie & Juanita Jackson

**CATHOLIC**  
St. Annes Catholic Church (Tomball)  
1111 S. Cherry St.  
(281) 351-8106

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Corner Penick & Fitz Lee  
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*Catholic Newman Association*

## Are good men hard to find? How is your self-esteem? What is self-esteem?

By Jamil Hooper  
Panther Staff

"Where are all the good black men?" Haven't we all heard this question asked many times throughout our lives?

African American women of today's society seem to feel that there is a shortage of respectable black men. Why?

Have we produced a generation of disrespectful, unmannered men who do not

have the capability of treating a young lady well? Have all of our young brothers lost the sense of integrity that mothers have tried to instill in

their sons? Maybe black men are not at fault? Perhaps generations of young women have molded an attitude that black men have adapted to, which includes emotions such as callousness and the inability to trust.

Walking the campus of Prairie View A&M University, it's interesting to see the way students react to each other. In many instances, young black men perpetuate a lot of the myths that the media feed to society. Whether it is the foul language young men choose to use as a part of every day speaking, or an overall disrespectful mannerism, it is understandable why many black women feel hopeless when it comes to

finding a "good black man." However, looking at some women, it is easy to see why they experience disrespect. They talk all this talk about finding a respectful man; then, present themselves in a manner that a "good black man" would not honor.

Whether it is by the degrading conversations they tend to partake in, using foul language and shallow speaking, or by the racy manner of dress they choose to wear, some young women do not project a good image. As a result of both these occurrences, black men feel no need to respect young ladies and vice versa. So what we have is an ongoing cycle of disrespect and negative opinion for each other. If this cycle continues, we will have nothing to look forward to but generations of women and men who feel no need to respect each other.

The word "respect" has been used many times throughout this article for one simple reason. Society has forgotten the true meaning of it. Since we have lost the true meaning of respect, we have lost the ability to truly apply it.

If both black men and women would grasp the concept of respecting each other as well as themselves, the search for a "good black man," or a "good black women" would not be as difficult.

The average college student is often pressed for time, under a lot of stress and eating on the go. You may find it difficult to eat right. Here are some tips to keep you healthy while you are a student.

1. Eat a good breakfast. Studies show that skipping breakfast detracts from scholastic achievement. When there isn't time to sit down and enjoy your morn-

ing meal, grab a bagel, piece of fruit, and some juice.

2. If you must eat fast foods, choose wisely. Choose pizza with half the cheese, a regular size roast beef sandwich, baked potato, or green salad with reduced calorie dressing.

3. Keep healthful snacks on hand so if hunger strikes during a late night study session, you won't be



By Raquel Clark  
L/H & A/E Editor

tempted by vending machine candy, chips, or ice cream.

4. Eat plenty of foods that are rich in calcium. People in their early 20s need to build up stores of calcium in their bodies to prevent osteoporosis in later life. If you don't like milk, try to include ample amounts of low-fat yogurt, low-fat cheese, and green leafy vegetables in your diet.

5. If you need to lose weight, do it sensibly. Starvation and/or diets that offer a quick fix usually backfire and are harmful.

6. Sugar provides calories in your diet but few other nutrients and it contributes significantly to tooth decay. Use it sparingly and consider sweetening coffee, tea, cereal and fruit with diet sweeteners instead.

7. The dining hall salad bar can be either an asset or a detriment to your diet depending on how you choose from it. Of course, leafy greens, raw vegetables and fresh fruit are beneficial. But if you choose lots of creamy dressing, you could defeat the purpose.

Self esteem is the opinion you have of yourself. It is based on your attitude to the following:

- \*Your value as a person
- \*The job you do
- \*Your achievements
- \*How you think others see you
- \*Your purpose in life
- \*Your place in the world
- \*Your potential for success
- \*Your strengths and weaknesses
- \*Your social status and how you relate to others
- \*Your independence or ability to stand on your own feet
- \*The way you feel about yourself
- \*Your abilities

This editorial is not your "How to get a man guide." It is my encouragement to all who struggle with this issue. You are beautiful. It doesn't matter if you can shop in the Junior's section or hit up Lane Bryant. Realize the beauty you possess simply by being yourself. Know that there is no one else in the world like you. Although you may look at your differences as flaws, they are really evidence of your individuality.

It's time for us to start ignoring the air brushed image of beauty in the magazines, and get down to reality. Nobody is perfect, but everyone is beautiful in his or her own way. I am making a vow to myself. From now on there will be no negative comments to myself. I will be my biggest supporter and not my biggest critic. I will love myself from the top of my head to the sole of my feet. I am beautiful!

Give me your opinion on my section. Email me at [panther@pvamu.edu](mailto:panther@pvamu.edu) Attn: Raquel.

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## Touch the Sky Bar

By Brent Stepney  
Panther Staff

Are you looking for a party spot, where mature and sexy adults venture? Formally known as Cody's, welcome to the Sky Bar. The Sky Bar is an elegant club where you can mingle with some professional business people.



The main bar



The Blue VIP Room

Even, if you're looking for some time to socialize, with that special companion, the Sky Bar is for you. This club exploded on the scene in 1999. It is known for its unique venue, which is a penthouse on top of an office building. The feature music is jazz and the Sky Bar even has live performances from famous jazz musicians. One of the club's talented performers is Scott Gertner. Gertner is the

fabulous martini. The setting is romantic, and it will impress your lady or man. The dress code is strictly enforced. No tennis shoes or baseball hats allowed. This is the place where you can actually show your skills through conversation or your dancing moves. Catering to an upscale crowd of contemporary adults from 21 and up, this club has a spectacular view of Houston's dramatic skyline.

Are you interested in writing? Come join *The Panther*! We have meetings every Monday at 5 p.m. in room 219 of MSC.

## Homecoming kicked off with praising

By Kenyatta Allen  
Panther Staff

Homecoming is here again for the Prairie View Panthers. The homecoming festivities began on Sunday, October 17, 2004. With the Gospel Explosion starting everything off, students looked forward to a successful homecoming.

On Sunday, the university gathered promptly at 6 p.m. to celebrate their love for God. Surprisingly, there were a lot of students who gathered together to praise God. The mistress of ceremonies was a member of a church in Hempstead. Between acts she kept the audience laughing with little jokes and kept the spirit moving while telling students to keep praising Him.

The first act was the St. Agnes Missionary Baptist Church Choir from Houston, Texas. They got the crowd warmed up with two different songs. Although they were an older crowd, they were very energetic and everyone loved them.

The second act to perform was the University Dance Ensemble. They received a standing ovation.

Next to perform was Prairie View's own Baptist Student Movement. As they approached the stage in black and gray the mistress of ceremonies made a comment saying that it looked like the whole student body

was in the choir. As the choir and the audience laughed, BSM finally got themselves situated onto the stage and blessed everyone with two songs that had beautiful voices with lots and lots of energy. PV's Mime Ministry also took the stage. They mimed to a song by Kirk Franklin and received numerous applause. That is when the spirit really got moving!

Next up was four young ladies whose performance dealt with multicolored flags. A praise danced to Byron Cage's "Praise Is What I Do" set the atmosphere for praise. The audience was crying and clapping as the dance continued.

The University Chorale stepped up next in their purple and gold robes singing "My Life, My Love, My All" by Kirk Franklin. The last act of the night was truly a blessing. As Mark Gordon and his choir stepped to the stage, they got the audience to thank God for all his many blessings.

Junior Lunita Anderson said, "I really, really enjoyed the Gospel Explosion, and I'm glad that I went. I felt that I was really blessed." Freshman Angel Porter said, "I thought that this was a very good way to start off homecoming." As the explosion ended, many felt like homecoming 2004 started on a good note.

### Panther Pastime

Here are some things you can do when you're bored

1. Step off a curb with your eyes shut. Imagine it's a cliff. To get any benefit out of this one, you have to have a good imagination. Don't step off immediately, build up to the jump. Study the ravine below. Feel the winds at that altitude. Step off and ...AHHHHHH!!!!
2. Stare at the back of someone's head until they turn around. This works on the "I have the feeling I'm being watched" principle.
3. Pour water in hand, make sneeze noise, throw water on back of another person's neck. This is always a good gag. For an even bigger reaction, act like you're not sorry at all for what they think you did. Comment instead on how big that sneeze was or about how there was a lot of mucus in that one.

info courtesy of www.members.evansville.net

### 8 reasons to become a vegetarian

\*Avoiding meat is one of the best and simplest ways to cut down your fat consumption. Modern farm animals are deliberately fattened up to increase profits. Eating fatty meat increases your chances of having a heart attack or developing cancer.

\*Every minute of every working day, thousands of animals are killed in slaughter houses. Pain and misery are common. In the US alone, 500,000 animals are killed for meat every hour.

\*There are millions of cases of food poisoning recorded every year. The vast majority are caused by eating meat.

\*Meat contains absolutely nothing - no proteins, vitamins or minerals - that the human body cannot obtain perfectly happily from a vegetarian diet.

\*African countries - where millions are starving to death - export grain to the developed world so that animals can be fattened for our dining tables.

\*Meat can include the tail, head, feet, rectum and spinal cord of an animal.

\*A sausage can contain ground up intestines. How can anyone be sure that the intestines are empty when they are ground up? Do you really want to eat the content of a pig's intestines?

\*If we eat the plants we grow instead of feeding them to animals, the world's food shortage will disappear virtually overnight. Remember that 100 acres of land will produce enough beef for 20 people but enough wheat to feed 240 people.

info courtesy of www.giveusahome.com

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## Ludacris "disturbs tha peace" homecoming

By Roderick Pullum  
Panther Staff

ATLien Ludacris and his Disturbing Tha Peace family have been a mainstay in the public eye for the last five years since Luda's platinum debut album. Nowadays DTP has a great deal on its plate due to expansion. The label has grown to house additional stars like Chingy, Shawna, and I-10. While overseeing the projects of his artist roster the CEO and breadwinner of the crew is prepping to drop his fourth solo album.

This year Ludacris and his ATL brethren invaded Prairie View to headline the annual homecoming concert. While the crowd was filling the Baby Dome and being warmed up by the DJ Chris Luva Luva, Ludacris sat down with *The Panther's* Roderick Pullum to chop it up about his new album, voting and even his nemesis from Fox News Bill O'Reilly.

**RP: The music industry is real fickle and just lasting five years is an accomplishment in itself. With this being your fourth album in that time span, do you see yourself retiring the mic and just focusing on the business aspect of what you're doing in the near future?**

**Ludacris:** Right now I'm not thinking about stopping anytime soon. I'm just keeping it moving man. I'm definitely getting things in place to where if I wanted to stop I could. But I'm not really thinking about that right now.

**RP: Do you have any other business ventures you're involved in**

**right now, and what plans do you have for the future of Disturbing Tha Peace?**

**Ludacris:** I am involved in a lot of other business ventures, but I like to keep them on the low because I don't want to have all of my business out there all the time. I just think that it's wise not to do. As far as DTP goes, we're just trying to build a legacy and continue to find new artists as well as developing the talent we already have. I want to make sure we always implement more



than fair business practices, because we want everyone to get their money. And we want to make stars out of everyone.

**RP: How do you feel about the role the entertainment industry has played in this year's voting awareness campaigns?**

**Ludacris:** I'm along with it, I'm trying to promote that myself and I think that it's important for everyone to exercise their right to vote. So getting the awareness to everyone out there, I'm all for it.

**RP: We know you have a bitter history with Bill O'Reilly from Fox being that his negative comments about you were instrumental in Pepsi**

**dropping your endorsement deal a while back. What are your thoughts on his recent sexual harassment scandal that's been in the news lately?**

**Ludacris:** I'd just say that Karma is real and basically he knows how it feels to have his name dragged through the media in a negative manner the same way he does everyone else. So you know that's Karma at its finest.

**RP: Being that you're an entrepreneur and not just an artist, what advice could you offer to people out there who are trying to break into the business side of the industry?**

**Ludacris:** I would say experience is the best teacher. Even if you start on a small scale, be getting artists of your own or working at a record company as an intern I would say try to get in where you can get handson experience versus just reading about it.

**RP: What do you have planned for the show tonight? Are you going to do new songs off Red Light District?**

**Ludacris:** The thing is we're not going to be able to do new songs off the album, and I'd like to personally apologize to the fans. Something went wrong with the equipment that was supposed to be here so we're limited to what we can do on stage tonight. Something like this should never happen, and I

What is it?  
Red Kool-Aid  
Where do you get it?  
From the store  
Why do you drink it?  
Because it's so good  
How much does it cost?  
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mean straight up, somebody's probably getting fired. But you can definitely say I apologize, but it was out of my control. I feel bad, I wish I could do a lot of the songs off the new album but I'm definitely going to go out there tonight and do what I've got to do. I'm going to try and give the fans what they want to the best of my ability, 'cause I always keep my fans happy.

### Fall fashions



By Blackspot  
BET.com staff writer

Summer's gone and the cool weather days of fall are setting in. It's time to toss the white tees (sorry Franchise Boyz) and break out the warm wear for the coming months. Before you run to your local hot spot for gear, you might want to think about what's going to be the next look and what's going to make you look like a Homey Da Clown wannabe.

### ATTENTION

Interested in designing or writing? If so, you are just the person we have been looking for. Come Join the Yearbook staff!!!! The yearbook staff will kick off in full motion on Thursday, October 28, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the MSC room 219. All ideas and suggestions are welcome. For more information email the year book editor at:

yearbook.king@sbcglobal.net

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**The inflatable carnival was deflated in activities**

By Shakyla Giles  
Panther Staff

There was the usual cotton candy, snow cones, and popcorn but there were only about ten activity stations at this year's inflatable carnival.

The carnival has been a homecoming tradition for quite some time. However, after this year, some students are questioning whether or not it should return for next year. Erica Pointer, a sophomore communications major said, "Last year's carnival was a 100% better than this year's. There wasn't very much to do."

One major dissatisfaction that was expressed by the student body was the absence of the Sumo Wrestling station. For those who don't know, the Sumo activ-

ity required each contestant to put on a stuffed suit that simulated the large size of a sumo wrestler complete with a helmet that had a ponytail. Then, they started to fight. For those who have never seen this done before, you

activity was to stick to the wall, but the students may as well have jumped onto the wall without the suit on because not only did they fall down as quickly as they jumped up, many of them bounced off the cushioned area.

Although the carnival was short on activities, you couldn't tell by its attendance. The crowd was tremendous in size and overflowed onto the closed off por-

tion of the parking lot. While students were standing in line for an activity or for the free food, they were entertained by a live D.J. who played the latest hits. Furthermore, a PV party isn't one unless they play the PV Shuffle. It was fun to see the students express their school spirit. Amazingly, there were no fights!

have missed out on something that is ridiculously hilarious. Also, some of the activities were a little "worn out" such as the Velcro Wall. Each person put on a suit that was covered with the sticky part of Velcro while they jumped up onto a wall that was covered in the soft part of the Velcro. The concept of the whole ac-



**Panther Poetry Lounge**

**"Untitled"**

By Raquel Clark

Amazed by your presence,  
I'm in awe of the man you are.  
When I'm near you I get a positive vibe  
Persuading me to be all I can be.

Your smile adds sunshine to my darkness,  
Just to look at you is a treat.  
You are the kind of man I've dreamed of  
So Godly, beautiful, and sweet.

I know good things come to those who wait,  
For I've waited for your kind for so long.  
We match like black Ken and Barbie,  
We flow like beat and song.

And although you are my sweetest wish,  
I cannot expose how I feel.  
I want to be in order,  
I want to abide in his will.



1. Why did Epsilon Gamma Iota steal everybody else's routines?
2. Why did the Sigmas intro look like a praise dance?
3. Where can you find a blanket with rose petals, underwear, and a scream mask?
4. Who had the lights flashing during their show to cover up stepping errors?
5. What was up with the one float in the parade?
6. Which sophomore's towels caught on fire in the laundromat?
7. Shouldn't the pep squad be put on Kanye West's "Work Out" plan?
8. Can we hold stepshow auditions before a stepshow?
9. Was Kappa Kappa Psi mad because they received second place?
10. Isn't Tau Beta Sigma their sisters?
11. Whatever happened to "one band one sound?"
12. Who was laid up with an old alumnus?
13. Is he paying tuition?
14. Which was faster, Roy Jones getting knocked out, or the Baby Dome afterparty?
15. Who was "eating out" on the side of building 16?
16. Which Blue and Gold family stole food from Denny's?
17. Who was happy to see the old cheerleaders back on the field?
18. Which U.C. LCM started crying when she got stung by a bee?
19. Aren't we glad the old school Deltas came to save the show for the new school Deltas?
20. What do you think?

This is for entertainment only. The questions submitted are not the view of The Panther. 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](mailto:panther@pvamu.edu). Questions are printed at the discretion of The Panther

**October/November 2004**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>Every Sunday:</b> Church @JPAFC 10:45 a.m.	<b>Nov 1st:</b> LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW WITH GRADE OF "W"	<b>Every Tuesday:</b> Gamma Phi Delta Bible Study @ JPAFC 7 p.m.-9 p.m.	<b>Every Wednes- day:</b> Sociology Club @Woolfolk 5 p.m.	<b>28th:</b> CAB Haunted House @ MSC 10 a.m.	<b>29th:</b> BET College Tour @ Hobart 7 a.m.- 10 p.m.	<b>30th:</b> CSO Social @ Stu- dent Park 2 p.m.
<b>Every Sunday:</b> Poetry Night@ Pae- sanos 7 p.m.	The Divine Nine "A Thin Line Between Love and Hate" Seminar @ MSC 7 p.m.	<b>Nov 2nd:</b> Rho Chi Psi Meet and Greet @ UVII 6 p.m.	<b>27th:</b> UC Majors' Fair@ MSC 9 a.m.	Gamma Sigma Sigma Picnic @ Student Park 5 p.m.	Phi Beta Sigma Lock- In to raise money for cancer@ New Gym 10 p.m.-8 a.m.	Bee Luther Hatcee Theatre Production @ Little Theatre 8 p.m.
<b>Every Sunday:</b> "Change Clothes" @Club Hush 5 p.m.	SIFE Talent Compe- tition Auditions @ NSCI 8 p.m.	The Divine Nine "Interview Etiquette" Seminar @ MSC 7p.m.	CSO Yardshow @ MSC 11 a.m.	Alpha Phi Sigma Fundraiser Auction @ Library 6 p.m.		
<b>31st:</b> Go To Church with the Pan Hellenic Council @JPAFC			Tau Beta Sigma Meet & Greet @ Student Park 6 p.m.	Alpha Phi Alpha Vot- ing Seminar@ Banks 6:30 p.m.		
			Zeta Phi Beta Semi- nar @UVIII 7 p.m.	Rodeo Club Hal- loween Hayride @ 7 p.m.		
			<b>Nov 3rd:</b> SIFE Talent Compe- tition Auditions	Sociology Club Poet- ry Night Fundraiser @ UVCI 7:30 p.m.		
			Alpha Phi Alpha STD Seminar@ NSCI 6:30 p.m.			

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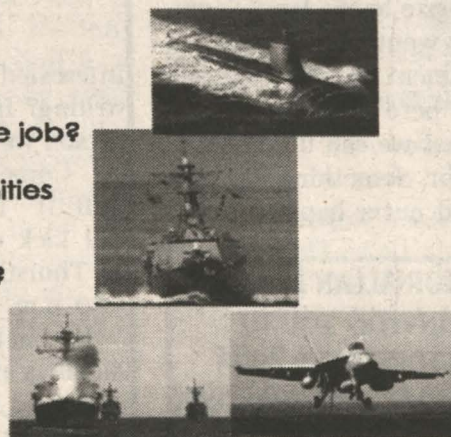
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