

FROM FRONT PAGE

MCKENZIE

McKenzie has also written two books and has another due out in June. "Not Without a Struggle," published in 1996, has been praised for its analysis of female leadership in four varied religions and cultures. The book also counsels to African American women and includes the "The Leadership Commandments for Women."

She received a bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland, a master's degree from Howard University, and a Doctor of Ministry degree from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. She is married to former NBA star Stan McKenzie and has three children.

"I came from Africa in late December, where it is probably 95 degrees today," McKenzie began. "I just came from Baltimore, where it's about 45 degrees. I am having my baptismal snowstorm of 2002, and I want to thank you for that."

She soon switched gears to address the

question, "What has happened to the American dream?"

McKenzie plowed powerfully through a litany of descriptions of what the American dream entails, each time asking what has happened to that dream. She spoke of a dream where America is a melting pot and everyone has rights, where citizens live long enough to enjoy their retirement, where success is determined by skill rather than heritage, where the rules are the same for everyone, where everyone can vote and speak their mind and every child receives a proper education.

"What has happened to the American dream where the only color necessary to purchase a home or sign a lease is green?" McKenzie asked. She spoke of King in particular, noting that he challenged an unjust system and turned a hostile community to a community of love. His struggle was for the entire American society, and his legacy has been given to this generation.

"His congregation became the world," said McKenzie. She urged everyone present to remember not just his eloquent words, but his actions as well. He was willing to take a proactive stance and to be open to ideas that were outside of his immediate frame of reference. McKenzie stressed that this generation must be proactive as well and not give in to despair.

"We live with the hope that it may be Friday, but Sunday is coming," she said. Sept. 11 shook the world by revealing a new generation of terrorists, and everyone, forced to re-examine their priorities, developed a renewed interest in their loved ones. People became more patient for the sake of security and hugged their families more often. "In just one morning, we went from CNN straight to our knees," McKenzie said.

"We now have the opportunity to turn towards love of God and swallow our fears," McKenzie said. "This is a war fought in our

own hearts and our own minds." She attributed part of King's success to the fact that he was able to bring diverse groups to the table of decision and challenged everyone present to begin looking at one another based on the qualities beneath the surface. She encouraged the celebration of diversity and the active pursuit of King's dream. King worked on the front lines of the battle for equality, committed to his cause and never panicking. Suppose, she mused, Moses or King David or Christ had panicked? Suppose Medgar Evers or Rosa Parks had panicked?

"King didn't panic, and neither must we," McKenzie said. She left the listeners with the message that it is this generation's task to redeem the dream now. "The dream is in danger now more than ever," she said. "At the same time, this is the best time for the dream to come true."

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

- asked by Kelly Walsh



"A dolphin because I've always loved the ocean and I am a free spirit."

Melissa Powell
Communications, 06



"A crab so I could live on the beach."

Charlie Mulson
Business Management, 02



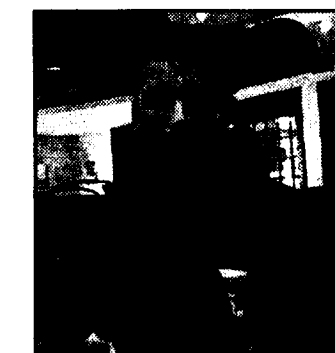
"A fox because Craig thinks I'm foxy."

Kolbe Gray
Marketing, 02



"A penguin because they stick together."

Theta Phi Girls



"A tiger because they are big and strong."

Craig Ferguson
Marketing, 02

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should be treated equally and everyone can reach their potential if they work hard. It's something that our children should learn."

The message seemed to connect with the students. "I learned) about how he taught people about African Americans. (It doesn't) matter what color people are; they are still friends. (It doesn't) matter what color your skin is; it just matters how you feel about yourself," said Breonna, a second-grader from GECAC.

A few second graders from Burton had

much to say about Martin Luther King.

"He changed the bad laws into good laws," Zachary said. "He helped people".

"When they hurt he helped them," Khary added.

"This is our first event to celebrate Martin Luther King Day," said event coordinator Mila Cooper. "The committee wanted to demonstrate our commitment to service and outreach because Dr. King was big on service. We invited elementary schools to come here with us. They are just here to celebrate the whole meaning of Martin Luther King Day and have some fun."

The children did have fun and were even treated to pizza for lunch. Storyteller Bettye Walker also entertained them.

"We are trying to teach them to dream like Martin Luther King, to believe in their dream, and to give them the self-esteem and confidence to persevere their dream," said Cooper. "We teach them some of the things Martin Luther King believed in like peace and love and being treated fairly regardless of their differences, even at this young age."

A second-grader name Keith summed up what he learned during the day's events by saying, "Martin Luther King is a true American."

Martin Luther King's journey

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Key events:

- 1957 Atlanta's nonviolent independence celebration (Ghana)
- 1959 Studies nonviolent protests of Mahatma Gandhi (India)
- 1960 Becomes co-pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta
- 1961 Arrested, jailed for all-in at Rich's department store, Atlanta
- 1963 Jailed for participation in protest in Birmingham, Ala.; writes "Letter from Birmingham Jail"
- 1963 Leads march in Washington, D.C.; delivers famous "I Have a Dream" speech
- 1964 Awarded Nobel Peace Prize, Oslo, Norway
- 1965 Assaulted while leading anti-segregation march on City Hall in Chicago
- 1965 Arrested in voting rights march in Selma, Ala.
- 1968 Assassinated in Memphis, Tenn.

Have you heard the Buzz?

by Leanne Acklin
staff writer

The Buzz Poets will rock at Bruno's tonight. That's right, Pittsburgh's premier modern rockers, the Buzz Poets, are scheduled to play 90 minutes in Bruno's Café today, starting at 8 p.m. Sponsored by the Lion Entertainment Board and Student Activities, the show is guaranteed to jam-pack the minuscule space between Bruno's stage and the bar in the back.

Word has swept through campus for about a week. Before posters for the show went up, Behrend students were ready for their favorite local band to come back. What makes these boys so popular? Hard-hitting music with an in-your-face show.

"They kick frat boys in the [crotch]," said Sean Daley, MIS, 04, a Buzz Poets fan and obvious non-frat boy.

Carolyn Gette, Comm, 06, will be hitting up the show for another reason. "I'm a girl that chews Copenhagen," she insisted. Along those same lines, Ashley Hammond, MIS, 06, blatantly remarked "I'd do 'em."

The Poets are in the middle of a slew of Pennsylvania dates which will take them from Erie to Reading, Pittsburgh to Indiana,

and even through Punxutawney to sing sweet songs such as "Copenhagen Girl", "Pretzel Sex", "Psycho," and "Parasite" to the innocent, sleepy rodent held in such high esteem. Currently the boys are promoting their new self-titled release, the fourth album from the five-year-old group. "Buzz Poets" features singles such as "Lemonade" which includes catchy guitar hooks, light-hearted lyrics, and whacked-out, insane tongue trips courtesy of singer/songwriter Tripper.

The CD also includes the ballad "Angel Eyes," a tribute to the Distorted Penguins' brilliant former front man "Magic" Dave Mussen. The entire band pulls the new CD off amazingly, as members weave their parts into an electrifying conglomeration of emotional energy. And if you've heard Tripper, Phil MacDowell (vocals/guitar/songwriter), Tim Gaber (bass/vocals), Ron Lavella (drums), and Justin Sarra (keys, dj) on CD, then you know half the story.

To find out the other half, you have to see the Buzz Poets in their best form - live and in your face. The music bursts with energy; the live show makes it explode. The show is free and sure to be packed, so come early to get your view of the band that always brings Behrend students out of their holes.

Students seeking bargain textbooks turn to Internet

by Erin McCarty
news editor

College students have a lot of expenses, and not least among them is books required for classes. It is not uncommon for a student to spend several hundred dollars for books in a given semester. Some students, however, have found ways to minimize that expense through networking and savvy shopping strategies.

Christine Kleck, Communications 06, is one such student. She recommended searching for books online or discussing the price of books with friends to find out where books can be purchased at the most reasonable price. The first step is to find out ahead of time which books a class requires.

"Many teachers who know that students are eager about their up-coming classes will discuss the books that you will need, or you can just go to the bookstore to get the book information," said Kleck. "Friends who have already taken the class can help a lot, too, by giving you the ISBN number, the book itself to borrow, or even the book for purchase at a reduced rate."

Even students who don't know anyone who took a particular class before them may have the opportunity to buy a used book from a student. Many students post lists of books that they would like to sell on the bulletin boards around campus. Others put their books in the SGA book sale that occurs at the end of the semester.

Tem Tiagha, a student at University Park, created a website, www.taqoh.com, which currently caters to the Penn State campuses of University Park, Beaver, Altoona, and Erie, in order to provide an online board where students could request and offer rides to off-campus destinations. This section, called "Ryde Guide," was soon followed by other features allowing students to post information about upcoming events, share their opinions about faculty members, and buy and sell various items.

"Taqoh's most popular feature is the 'Paperweight' (textbook) section where students

can post up their school textbooks for sale," said Tiagha. The posting board includes the course number of the class for which the book is needed, the title and condition of the book, and the e-mail address of the seller. Dozens of University Park students have taken advantage of this section, but as the other campuses were only recently added to the site, many Behrend students are unaware of this resource.

The Internet is a bargain-hunting student's most powerful ally, and several sites are especially popular. Www.addall.com is a database that allows students to search the entire Internet for their textbooks. In order to use this, the student must have the ISBN number of the book handy and know which edition is needed. This search often leads to www.half.com, a branch of www.e-bay.com. The prices here tend to be very reasonable, leading to great popularity among students.

"I got a \$10 book once for like \$1.83," said Kleck. To search the site, plug in the ISBN number of the book in question. A credit or debit card is necessary in order to purchase a book. Once the credit card information has been provided, the website will notify the seller, who then has 24 hours to confirm the order and another 24 hours to ship the book out. The shipping costs are minimal, and registering on the site is not difficult. Selling books is also fairly straightforward. Just post the information about the book, and half.com will provide the average selling price, which you may lower or raise as you choose.

Other sites on which students can buy or sell books include www.bookopoly.com, www.amazon.com, and www.barnesandnoble.com. No matter where you choose to get your books, the important thing is to be prepared.

"I keep an ongoing list of ISBN numbers in my purse, so wherever I go - bookstores, garage sales, book fairs, web-surfing - I can see if they have the books I need at the prices that I am willing to pay," said Kleck.

The Office of Student Activities would like to congratulate and recognize the efforts of individual fraternity and sorority members of the Greek system at Penn State Behrend. These students excelled in their studies during the Fall 2001 semester. They are honored here by their inclusion in this Greek Honor Roll. In order to be listed, they must have obtained a minimum GPA of 3.5. The Fall 2001 inductees are listed in alphabetical order.

- Kolby Baker.....Sigma Tau Gamma
- Joshua Boyce.....Sigma Tau Gamma
- Matthew Eury.....Tau Kappa Epsilon
- Miranda Galbreath.....Alpha Sigma Alpha
- Traci Hamm.....Theta Phi Alpha
- Judd Hornstein.....Zeta Beta Tau
- Christopher Kwitowski..Tau Kappa Epsilon
- Amanda Lecker.....Alpha Sigma Alpha
- Tim Meyers.....Sigma Tau Gamma
- Katie Miller.....Alpha Sigma Alpha
- Douglas Smith.....Zeta Beta Tau
- Janelle Totin.....Theta Phi Alpha
- John Williams.....Zeta Beta Tau

Congratulations and keep up the good work!!

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