Campus News

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X-Men Origins: Wolverine leaked on internet

On Tuesday, March 31, an unedited and effect-less digital copy of 20th Century Fox's latest comic book film was stolen and leaked onto the web. According to the FBI's investigation, the file had been downloaded over



10,000 times. Although the first site that the video file was posted on has been shut down by authorities, the film has already spread to hundreds of different websites making the file's removal virtually impossible. The only silver lining to the situation is that several film critics have already gotten a copy of the new movie. Most are impressed with it, despite it's lack of special effects and editing.

Michel Vick to work construction

Upon leaving prison, the ex-professional football player has a position waiting for him at WM Jordan, a Newport News construction company. He is expected to work a 40-hour week at regular pay. Although the specifics have not been established in the original agreement proposed by his lawyers, the reason for Vick's new career is supposedly due to his plea for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy. There has been no word from Vick or his representatives on whether he plans to return to football.

Jupiter's Great Red Spot dying

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The storm that has existed in Jupiter's atmosphere for eons is slowly becoming smaller. What used to be the size of three Earths placed side by side has been decreasing by one kilometer per day since 1996. It is predicted that by the year 2040, the gargantuan hurricane that was once a more elliptical shape will eventually become a perfect circle.

Although no scientist is sure what makes the spot red or what is the cause of the shrinkage, satellites tracking the storm have noticed a drastic decrease in the wind speeds of the titan's outer rings. Most astronomers speculate that the storm is just following the natural cycle of birth

> and decay. www.cnn.com



April Fool's Day Computer Virus

On Wednesday, April 1, a new computer virus infected over a million computers. Though the virus has not actually done anything yet, authorities and nervous PC owners are waiting for the other shoe to drop. Computer specialists speculate the virus will most likely be used for identity theft or fraud. The worm, known as Conflickers, is capable of stealing financial information, shutting

down web pages, tracking keystrokes, and sending spam from other infected computers. It operates by generating over 50,000 new URL's per day, which it uses to simultaneously control millions of infected computers all over the world. The worm attacks only Windows based computers, leaving Macs safe from harm. www.cnn.com



North Korea Threatens Japan

Japanese citizens wait in an ever-growing state of anxiety as North Korea prepares to launch a test rocket over Japanese airspace. Japan, angered over this disregard of their airspace and land, has stated that they will shoot down any foreign aircraft in their area. North Korea then threatened to attack Japanese military and civil-

ian targets if that happened. Regardless of threats, Japan has mobilized its missile defense systems, as well as, moving several U.S Naval ships with similar capabilities. Both Japan and North Korea have begun fueling rockets and aircraft for combat.

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Three Teenage Girls **Kidnapped from** Cleveland Neighborhood

In the course of the last six

years, three teenage girls have been kidnapped from the same neighborhood. Although both Cleveland office FBI agents and police detectives have sifted though hundred of leads looking for a common factor; no trace of the missing girls have ever been found since their disappearance. It left most investigators disheartened. All three girls were taken on their way home from their jobs and school. The first was reported missing in 2003 at the age of 16. In 2004, a 14 year old was last seen at a pay phone. The latest victim is another 14 year old who was originally reported as a runaway,

but no evidence suggests that she left of her own accord. The FBI has not abandoned the search and has no plans of doing so in the near future. www.cnn.com

Mother & son plot murder via text message

A 16 year-old teenage boy

conspired with his 43 year old mother through text message to murder his father. The boy cornered and stabbed his stepfather in the chest 15 times before fleeing the scene. The man survived and was hospitalized for several days. After the father was admitted, police obtained a search warrant to check the boys cell phone. Upon searching phone records, authorities found several messages describing detailed plans on how the mother and son should murder the stepfather. Both suspects are in custody and facing charges of attempted murder and conspiracy to commit murder. The victim is still in hiding for his own safety.

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PCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, **APRIL 3**

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AST Change Wars for Pageant Reed

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Fac/Staff Pilates Junker Center 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Open Swim Junker Center 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Fac/Staff Yoga Junker Center 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, **APRIL 4**

Junior Olympic Volleyball Tournament Junker Center 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

LEB Weekly Movie -The Curious Case of **Benjamin Button** Reed 117 10 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Varsity Softball Game **Outdoor Athletics Facility** 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Martial Arts Club Junker Center 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

Junior Olympic Volleyball Tournament Junker Center 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Protestant Campus Ministry Worship Smith Chapel 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, **APRIL 6**

Varsity Waterpolo Junker Center 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Women's Film Series: Flower of Evil Reed 117 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Senior Salute Reed Wintergarden 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

> TUESDAY, APRIL 7

Choirs of Penn State Behrend Water Pong

Erie Hall 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Volleyball Spring **Practice** Junker Center 6:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, **APRIL 8**

Varsity Softball Game Junker Center 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, **APRIL 9**

Alpha Sigma Alpha **Initiations** Logan House 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

> Senior vs. F/S **Basketball** Junker Center 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Varsity Water Polo **Junker Center** 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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