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The long awaited albums of 50 Cent

and Kanye West finally surfaced

who would sell more was a bit

in the first week. I must admit I

sales was not the only letdown.

Let's start with the Kanye West

album "Graduation." The album

kicks off with the hot track "Good

Morning." The beat is hot and the

chorus of "Good Morning," which

is followed by some oooo-ing and

I do not see this being a big single. But have no fear music lovers; the

album gets better. We move on to

the second track, "Champion." This

song is fresh! Kanye goes through

the trials and tribulation he's gone

Kanye on a personal level of how

his family struggled when he was

young helps to put him back on the

human level, where we can all look

at him with true respect - not simply

respect for his music. This of course,

leads into his next tracks, "Stronger"

and "Can't Tell Me Nothing," which

if you have not heard by now, you

better get your butt on Ruckus and

formulate your own opinion.

through to get to where he is. Seeing

repeated several times, is not catchy.

lyrics are decent. However, the

Sept. 11. However, the hype about

unjust. Kanye blew past 50 with the

selling of over 260,000 more albums

expected their total sales to be a lot

closer. Unfortunately, the number of

## ENTERTAINMENT

## TJ Rockwells: great for a big appetite, small wallet

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Mouth-watering steak aroma, large crispy fries and one-pound burgers that require two hands and a clenched jaw to bite into. If this

outdoor seating is preferred. Both meat is outstanding.) Both meals are is relieved when a huge plate of hot, areas, fully equipped with bars and menu fluctuating with everything cent charge per switch. from burgers to homemade soups to

splendid and come

tables, offer a taste of America's best with chips, though the waiter sneaks dining experience. Guests consist in the availability of rhino French of college students as well as moms fries while the blinded consumer and dads, all who are given a large rests unaware of the additional 99

The water and soda quickly arrives

in large beer mugs to sip on while the cooks hasten their pace. Some yummy drinks alcoholic include the mudslide, the Bloody Mary or TJ's giant, bright blue voodoo juicy which serves two people. Or perhaps one desires the six-beer-for-a-buck

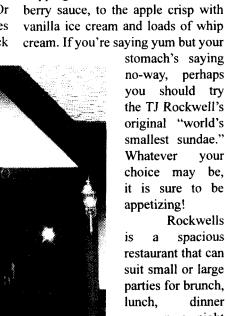
savoring food arrives and is carefully placed in front of him. Unfortunately, the restaurant's wooden structure causes a swirl of flies to come as the food does. Respectfully, the concerned staff checks up on guests every 10 minutes to see how they're doing and offer refills of water.

A full stomach is required for exit of the restaurant because there's no other way out! With the huge meals, who has room for dessert? Well, if you do, there sure is an array of treats for your selection - from the scrumptious fried cheese cake dripping with whole strawberries and berry sauce, to the apple crisp with vanilla ice cream and loads of whip cream. If you're saying yum but your

> no-way, perhaps you should try the TJ Rockwell's original "world's smallest sundae." Whatever your choice may be, it is sure to be appetizing!

Rockwells a spacious restaurant that can dinner

ham, omelets and turkey, as well as the twice-a-week outdoor seafood fest with shrimp, clams and crabs. Just eight miles from campus, TJ Rockwells is highly recommended.



suit small or large parties for brunch, lunch, or even a night out for drinking with the pals. Some special TJ Rockwells' events include

> Now let's fast-forward a little bit to the middle of the album where I had to hit the "What on earth were you thinking" button, "Drunk & Hot Girls" may quite possibly be one of the worst songs to ever enter my ears! The only semi-nice thing I can even say about it is that the beat is all right.

Things slow down towards the end of the album and even get a little bit awkward when you get to "The Glory." The beat simply does not match up with the song. Sadly,

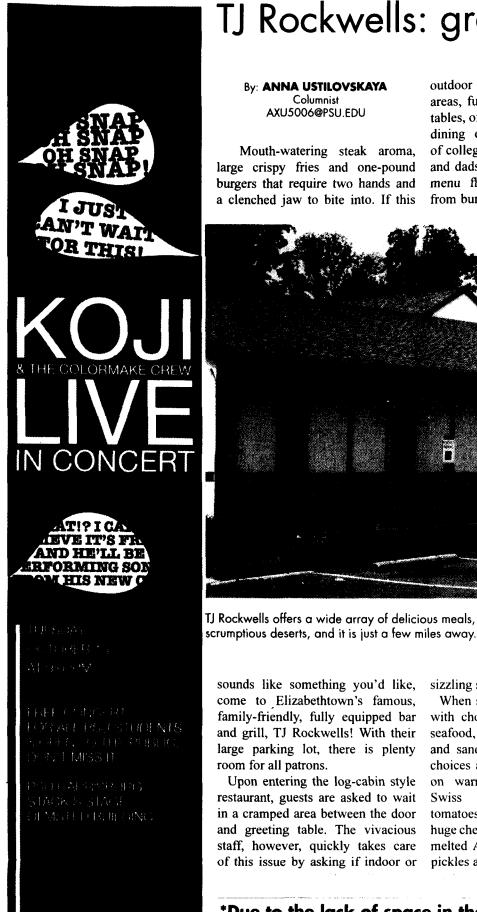
"Graduation" does not end strong. Kanye stumbled across the stage when reaching for his diploma on this one. Overall I'll give the album three and a half stars simply because his concept is fresh. Some of the lyrics are pretty tight but the way that Kanye lends them to the listener's ears is weak. It's almost as if you can picture Kanye in the studio reading off of a paper rather than speaking from his heart.

Next, let's take a peak at the 50 Cent album "Curtis." The beginning of the album is a little difficult to get into. The first four tracks focus on 50's career in a gangsta sense. If you are into that kind of thing, then you will not be wearing out your skip button trying to get to "Come & Go" or "Ayo Technology." I must say that "Ayo Technology" is a pretty hot track. The lyrics are certainly 50's style and Justin Timberlake makes an interesting accent to the track.

50 then lets listeners have a peak at his softer side in "Follow My Lead." This track is pretty mellow for 50 Cent but it still has an impact. Don't get too nervous because he spends the next two tracks reminding you that he is still a thug at heart.

The album gets a little kinky as we get to "Amusement Park" and "Peep Show." I can honestly say that I will never think of amusement parks the same! But 50 redeems himself with his song "All of Me." This track is probably as close to a love song as we will ever hear from the mouth of 50 Cent.

50 Cent concludes the album "Curtis" with the track "Touch the Sky," where he puts in his final words about taking down anyone who gets in his way. Though the music in 50's album flows more easily alongside the lyrics, it is overall a weaker album when compared to Kanye's. I give this album three stars simply because I feel that I have heard it all before. We all know that 50 is a thug and does not exactly have the most respect for women. Maybe he will wow us with something more original next time.



sounds like something you'd like, sizzling strawberry-filled desserts. come to Elizabethtown's famous, family-friendly, fully equipped bar and grill, TJ Rockwells! With their seafood, steaks, fajitas, burgers large parking lot, there is plenty room for all patrons.

restaurant, guests are asked to wait in a cramped area between the door tomatoes and Texas sauce, and the and greeting table. The vivacious staff, however, quickly takes care of this issue by asking if indoor or

TJ Rockwells offers a wide array of delicious meals, from steak, fries and juicy burgers to

When seated, guests are presented with choices of drinks, appetizers, t h e and sandwiches. Two great tasting choices are the roast beef sandwich Upon entering the log-cabin style on warm sourdough bread with Swiss cheese, pickles, lettuce, huge cheeseburger which comes with melted American cheese, tomatoes, pickles and lettuce. (The thick, juicy

sample. Once order is placed,

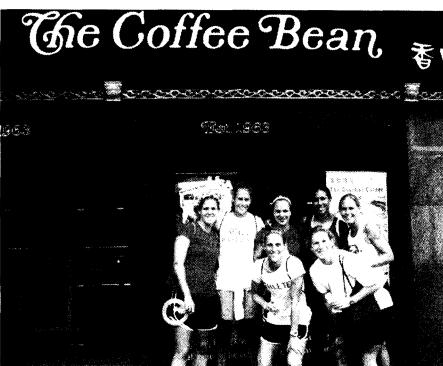
guests are left with little pieces of famous Sunday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. paper to draw what they think their brunch filled with pasta, biscuits, meal will look like while they wait. This distraction mechanism is cleverly composed with staff and restaurant rating requests. Approximately 30 minutes later, the starving customer

> while covering Swedish star Victoria Svensson.

Tuesday, Sept. 18 brought the final match of round one for Group B.

> USA beat Nigeria 1-0 with Lori Chalupny's first World Cup goal. Chalupny scored the second-fastest goal in Women's World Cup history just 55 seconds into the match. Team USA wins the match and the group. Team USA beat England 3-0 on Saturday, Sept. 22 to advance to the semifinals against Brazil. Team USA's goals came from Abby 48th Wambach in the minute, Shannon Boxx in the 57th and team captain Kristine Lilly in the 60th minute. This marked Wambach's fourth goal of the tournament as well as her 100th career cap.

When asked about her predictions for the Cup, Brighid Wood said, "Anything can happen on any day in athletics. I think what we are going to see is the team in the best shape fitness wise who can stay healthy is going



The 2007 USA Women's World Cup team traveled overseas to compete in the

\*Due to the lack of space in the Sports section, we chose to run this story in this spot. Enjoy.\*

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## US women's soccer team heads to finals

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As the 2007 FIFA Women's World Cup heads into the semifinals, Team USA is ready to take on Brazil. The No. 1 ranked team in the w orld kicked off their run for the cup Tuesday, Sept. 11 with the oldest team, whose average age is 27 years and 4 months, in the tournament. Experience is something Team USA has. Captain Kristine Lilly is the only player who has played in all five Women's World Cups as well as starting in every World Cup game the USA has pla yed.

More than 35,000 fans turned out to see the opening game of Group B, the hardest in the cup. USA and North Korea battled for a 2-2 draw in slick rainy conditions that persisted throughout the match. Team USA outshot North Korea 21-18, but they couldn't make shots materialize. USA goalkeeper Hope Solo couldn't get a hold on the ball in the 58th minute as Kil Son Hui blasted one from the top of the penalty box. Solo tried to scramble for the ball but the slick conditions made it difficult. "It's a day in the life of a

goalkeeper," Solo commented on North Korea's first goal, which slipped through her hands. "The conditions are slick and it is wet out

there, but it happens." The draw is not a loss however. Both teams receive one point for the draw.

Forward Heather O'Reilly completed her first game in World Cup competition with a goal in the 69th minute.

our heads high," said O'Reilly. "We got a point and that is important at this stage in the tournament. We got the first game nerves out of the way and under our belt. We just need wins from here on out and I think this team is capable of that."

Penn State Harrisburg Communications student and unofficial soccer guru Brighid Wood said, "Heather is an amazing athlete

to another. She was all but on the

and person. She has competed with a minor head wound. Wambach left the age group and full national the game to get stitched up. She was squad throughout her college career, off the field for nine minutes while sometimes flying from one game the USA was forced to play 10 vs.



FIFA semifinals an finals, beating England and Nigeria.

2004 Olympic team for Athens 11. Solid defense when she broke her shin in a friendly match. The timing was too close to the start of the g ames and despite knowing that, she still made a valiant attempt to return to the team in time for the games."

Wood'ssoccercredentials are virtually endless. She's played Division I soccer at Seton Hall in addition to at Chengdu Sports an international competition with Center "I think we are walking away with a national club program. She also Abby holds several licenses with the was National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

She is currently working with the JT Dorsey Foundation Soccer, which teaches inner city children how to play soccer and achieve both academic and athletic success.

In the 55th minute Wambach cracked heads with a North Korean player while defending a cross, resulting in

allowed USA to hold off further advancements by North Korea.

Team USA faced Sweden on Friday, Sept. 14 to a crowd of more than 30,000 Stadium. Wambach unstoppable against Sweden, scoring both of Team USA's goals.

Team USA played solid defense as forwards put constant pressure on the Swedes. Wambach scored her 79th and 80th international goals.

Leslie Osborne and Lindsay Tarpley played very well in their World Cup debuts. Osborne was relentless



to make a serious run for the cup." Team USA continues their run for the cup Sept. 27 at Dragon Stadium in Hangzhou.

Full coverage of the 2007 Women's World Cup is provided by ESPN Networks and ussoccer.com

