



## La Roche unveils new athletic complex

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La Roche College's soccer team kicked off the 2014-15 season with new turf.

The college finally finished renovations on its athletic fields.

La Roche spent \$2.7 million to improve the athletic fields, said David Day, the men's head soccer coach and the Director of Student Development.

"We renovated an area that was in great need. We took a 10-acre site and made it an absolute gem," he said. "That's about 20 percent of our entire campus."

The renovations include a pavilion, a new press box, new benches, a new scoreboard and turf.

Day said, "As the project developed it became clear that restrooms and a concession stand should be

included. Colleen Ruefle, VP of Student Life, really pushed for those things to enhance the fan experience and make sure we had adequate support facilities."

The pavilion is equipped with indoor bathrooms and a concession stand. Previously, the fields were limited to port-a-johns and a concession stand set up under a tent.

The new turf and press box benefit the soccer team.

"We often had to adjust our practice and game schedule according to weather or field conditions. The field is just so heavily used that we didn't really have any other option but to get artificial turf," the soccer coach said.

"From a recruiting standpoint it gives us a real advantage in this

region. It is also helping us to play better soccer. We can pass more easily and don't have to worry about strange bounces or bad touches," he said.

The press box and stands switched sides after the renovation. The stands now face the Providence castle.

The press box gives a great view of the field. This allows for great footage of games, which allows the team to see their mistakes and improve from them, he said.

Players like the new field, also.

Kevin Kowalsky, junior goalkeeper, said, "Playing on the new turf field is incredible compared to playing on the old grass field. It's great not having to worry about the weather and if the field is too worn down to play

on. We as a team are much better playing on turf than we are when we play on grass."

Kayla Bartok, junior midfielder, said, "It is a huge difference because the old field was unplayable a lot of the times and it was always very hard to practice on because of the holes and dirt on the grass field. Now that we have a turf field it is a lot better to practice and play on. I think that the whole soccer team can agree that it was a much needed change that we really appreciate it."

"The field will have an immediate and positive effect on our enrollment. La Roche is now a destination for our community," Day said.

La Roche celebrated the renovations on Saturday, September 6.



View of the new field.

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New scoreboard and pavilion.

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The new pavilion with attached restrooms.

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New bleachers and press box.

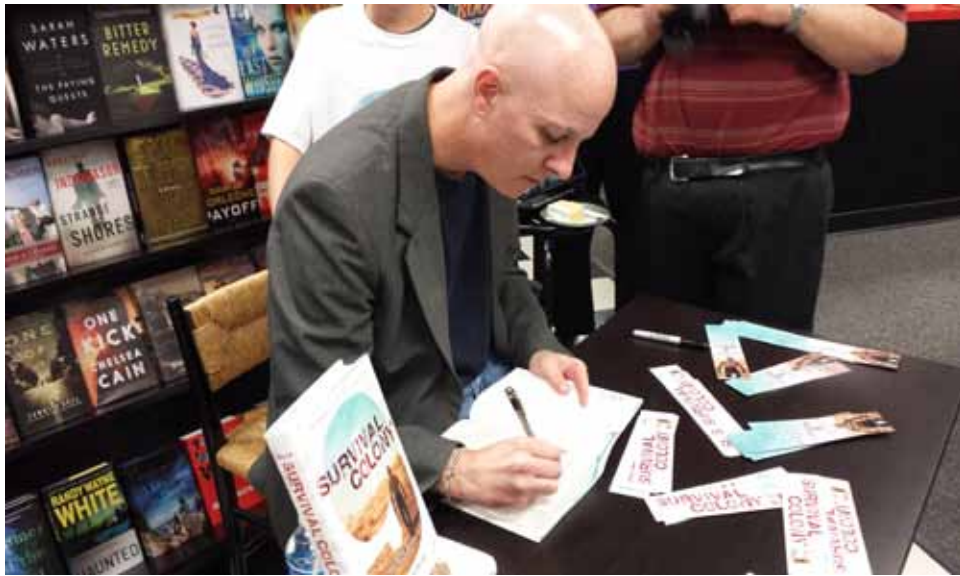
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# Faculty

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## “Survival Colony 9” book release

BY CLAY MALONE



Dr. Bellin signing books at the “Survival Colony 9” release.

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On Tuesday, September 23, friends, family, colleagues, and students gathered into the Mystery Lover’s Bookshop in Oakmont, PA for the release of “Survival Colony 9,” English professor Dr. Bellin’s debut novel. The front of the store was crowded with chairs, many people unable to find a seat in the packed shop.

Bellin started the event by reading two excerpts from the book, answered questions from the crowd, and signed copies.

During the question and answer after the reading, people asked questions about the writing of the book, Bellin’s literary influences for the novel, and the publication process.

A week before the launch party I was able to sit down with Dr. Bellin and talk about the book. Dr. Bellin has been writing since he was 8 or 9 years old. Even though “Survival Colony 9” is his first work of fiction,

he has published scholarly books. The conception of the idea for “Survival Colony 9” first came in 2011 and the first revised draft of the book was finished later the same year.

In 2012, Dr. Bellin found an agent that was interested in the novel and they began to work together, but they did not see eye to eye on the project so he fired her. With a second agent, he sent out the revised version of the novel in late 2012. McElderry Books, an imprint of publication juggernaut Simon & Schuster, accepted the book for publication in March 2013.

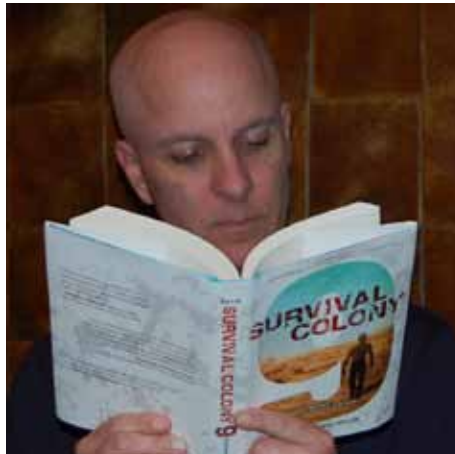
Everything was not easy in between, however; Bellin told the crowd at the launch party that there was a certain aspect of the monsters in the book, the Skaldi, which the editor did not like, but that he wanted to keep in the novel. “She was right,” Bellin told the crowd. For the sake of spoiling the plot, he did not tell us what ability was taken away from the

Skaldi as a result of this decision, but said that it would have made them far too powerful and impossible to kill.

I asked Dr. Bellin during our interview what drew him to writing this story for the Young Adult (YA) age bracket (traditionally 14 to 18). He told me that his kids started to get to the age where they began to read YA literature and he always enjoyed the genre, so he decided to write “Survival Colony 9” for that age group.

“Survival Colony 9” is about the journey of a 14-year-old boy with memory loss who travels around a post-apocalyptic wasteland in mobile Survival Colony 9, trying to survive both the harsh, unforgiving desert and the Skaldi, mysterious monsters that hunt the last surviving humans.

Bellin likened the plot of the book to that of “The Lord of the Rings” in that there are two plots happening at once; the over-arching plot is that of survival. Fighting against the Skaldi and scavenging for food, gas, and other supplies in the wasteland.



Dr. Bellin reading his novel.

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Then there is the story of Query, the protagonist, and his coming of age and struggle to overcome his amnesia.

One thing that his editor really pushed him to do in the novel was make things worse for the characters. In a post-apocalyptic setting where the characters consider termites a delicacy and normal meals consist of boiled tree-bark soup and tough roots to gnaw on, it’s hard to imagine that things could get much worse.

“If I’m going to do this, I want to push the envelope,” Bellin said, talking about the amount of danger he puts the characters in throughout the course of the novel.

The story of “Survival Colony 9” can stand by itself, but Bellin has book two of the possible trilogy completed and revised with a third that is a completed draft. No publication date is set.

Copies of “Survival Colony 9” will not only be in traditional bookstores and online, but McElderry struck a deal that book will be sold in select WalMarts across the country.



Dr. Bellin talking to Michele Bisbey at his book release.

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## Local musician joins La Roche community

BY BRANDON RODRIGUEZ

The Space Pimps. Ever heard of them? Probably not. Rishi Raj Bahl, La Roche’s new marketing professor, is a local musician and founded the pop-punk band.

Prof. Bahl grew up in Pittsburgh and graduated from Shady Side Academy at age 17. He received his B.A. at 21, and his M.A. shortly after. He’s currently in the process of acquiring his Ph.D. in Communication and Integrated Marketing from Duquesne University.

At age 19, with his best friends, he started a band called The Space Pimps. He can easily be described as a music man. He started in his family’s garage and they eventually toured the US, Europe, Australia, Japan, and China.

At first the band gained critical acclaim after they participated in

Warped Tour and signed a record deal when he was 21. Per year, they have around 80 to 90 shows including music festivals.

Throughout his life, Prof. Bahl has been all around the world touring with his band. He has lived in New York and Los Angeles for short periods. However, he said, “Pittsburgh is the best home in the world.” The new marketing professor said he loves Pittsburgh’s un-superficial and loyal population.

The musician said he loves Pittsburgh sports and attends games whenever he can. His free time is devoted mostly to his interest in sports and The Space Pimps. When he can, the professor donates his time to animal shelters in the city.

Prof. Bahl is an easy-going kind of guy, and is a very good listener. He

describes himself as “cerebral” in nature. He said he loves music utmost and loves to listen to the stories of others.

The Pittsburgh native said he draws inspiration from his mother and father. His father was born in Africa, but he is of Indian heritage. Despite not having a lot of money and overcoming obstacles, his father became a doctor. His mother was born in Wilkesburg and attended La Roche College, eventually becoming a nurse.

Growing up he had two success stories to draw from and shape his life. He expressed that everyone has a dream and that he has been living his.

We welcome Rishi to our community and we hope he will enjoy his stay as he continues living his dream.



Prof. Bahl singing with his band.

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# Autumn

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## A seasonal to-do list

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With summer now making its seasonal exit, fall is moving in. The leaves are changing, Pumpkin Spice is everywhere, and the warmth is turning cooler.

During fall, there various amounts of things to do. This lengthy list includes: bon- fires; pumpkin patches; Halloween parties; haunted houses; the list goes on.

To narrow it down, here is a list of activities around Pittsburgh and La Roche College to fill the fall festivity cravings.

A popular activity to do during the fall season is visit a pumpkin patch. In Pittsburgh, there are multiple pumpkin patches that host their own seasonal fall festivals and Halloween themed gatherings.

Two of the local ones are located at Reilly's Summer Seat Farm and Soergel Orchards Family Farm.

Reilly's Farm, located on the border of North Hills in Mount Nebo, hosts tier "Harvest Festival of Fun," beginning at the end of September and runs through the end of October.

Open to families of all ages, Reilly's has scheduled hay rides to take customers through their pumpkin patches to pick out the perfect pumpkin for carving.

After picking out a pumpkin, kids can enjoy other activities including: a petting zoo; scarecrow making; face painting; and the Boo Barn haunted house. There is also an assortment of refreshments to purchase including

caramel apples.

The price for Reilly's is \$7 per person.

Closer to La Roche College in Wexford is Soergel's Orchards Family Farm.

Every Saturday and Sunday beginning September 20 and running through October 26, Soergel's holds their annual fall festival.

With free admission, Soergel's offers things to do for both kids and adults, such as face painting and hay rides.

Other activities include: a corn-stalk maze; hay tunnel; a pirate ship play area; and visiting the various farm animals in the barn.

Tickets for this are \$1 per person.

Adults can enjoy the Gift Barn, the Amish Furniture store, as well as the market and Garden Center.

Both kids and adults can enjoy the numerous types of refreshments, including Soergel's famous apple cider.

While pumpkin patches and farms are enjoyable, there are other events that can bring out the scare in fall and Halloween.

Throughout Pittsburgh, there are Halloween haunted houses that will make you jump and still enjoy yourself.

The first, located in Etna, about ten minutes from La Roche, is The Scarehouse.

Ranked as one of the "America's Scariest Halloween Attractions," The Scarehouse is sure to give you a fright with its three sections of



Two goats from the petting zoo.

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themed haunts.

This year, goers will enter into the worlds of The Summoning, "100 years of dark secrets," Creepo's Christmas in 3-D "A twisted tale of holiday horror," and the annual Pittsburgh Zombies: Black Out! "The lights are going out. The dead are getting in."

Tickets are purchased either half an hour before selected date or in advance on the Scarehouse website. The cost is \$24.99 and goes from September 19 through November 1.

College students get \$7 off their tickets on Thursdays and Sundays.

Another popular haunted house is located at the Hundred Acres Manor in Bethel Park.

For the cost of \$18, scare-seekers get to visit six haunted areas of the Manor: Dead Lift, Damnation, Torture Tank, The Family Unearthed,

The Maze, and Brine Slaughterhouse.

This haunted fest at Hundred Acres Manor scares from September 12 through November 2.

The last haunted place in Pittsburgh to go is Kennywood's Phantom Fright Nights.

For a \$32.99 ticket at the gate, Halloween lovers can ride some of Kennywood's classic rides while being followed and spooked by some of Kennywood's monsters.

Besides being able to ride the rides in complete darkness, there are other attractions that can be visited. These include: Death Valley Ghost Town; Haunted Noah's Ark; Dark Shadows Maze; Kennyville Cemetery; Gory Park; Fear Festival, and many others.

Phantom Fright Nights starts September 26 and goes through November 2.

## Hundred Acres Manor open for another year of scares

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Hundred Acres Manor's new Zombie Paintball arena.

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Hundred Acres Manor, a Pittsburgh nonprofit haunted house that's been featured on The Travel Channel, is open for the 2014 season with new attractions. Patrons should be prepared for even more scares with the new Torture

Tank attraction and walk-through zombie paintball.

Hundred Acres Manor, often called HAM, was featured on The Travel Channel in 2013 as one of America's scariest haunted house attractions. The haunted attrac-

tion claims to be built over haunted grounds in Bethel Park. "Their top priority is to take you to the edge of sanity than throw you over the edge into abyss," The Travel Channel said about HAM. The local haunted house has been well-received by Haunt World Magazine, Top Haunts Magazine, Onezumi Studios, and Industry Lurks Inside.

Hundred Acres Manor features 6 walk-through attractions for one price: Dead Lift, Damnation, the new Torture Tank, The Family, The Maze, and Brine Slaughterhouse. The attractions are located on one mile of land.

The local sponsor of The Walking Dead debuted their zombie paintball attraction on September 12, 2014. Patrons are given one paintball gun to protect themselves against zombies during the walk-through attraction. The attraction, which is a separate price from the haunted house, sold out on opening night.

General admission tickets are \$18 per person and V.I.P. tickets that allow you to skip the line can be bought for a higher price. Zombie paintball costs \$25 per person and V.I.P. tickets can also be bought for

the attraction. On-site tickets must be paid for with cash, but there is an available ATM.

HAM also offers student discounts on select days. College students can get \$10 general admission tickets on any Wednesday, with proper college ID, and \$3 off a general admission ticket any Thursday or Sunday with proper college ID. The nonprofit haunt also offers military discounts on Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday.

HAM is a nonprofit organization that regularly donates to the Homeless Children's Education Fund and Animal Friends. The haunt has donated over \$1 million to these two charities. All of the haunted house's employees are volunteers and their passion for scaring is what makes HAM so successful.

Hundred Acres Manor is located in Bethel Park at 1 Hundred Acres Drive, about a 40 minute drive from La Roche. Parking is free. The haunted house is open Friday and Saturday from 7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. and Sunday through Thursday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. during October. Hundred Acres Manor will be closed on October 6, 7, 13, and 14.

# Education

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## How education makes the world a better place, starting with you

BY ALEXANDRA SETCHENSKA

Getting an education is about more than just having a successful career. Education is a door that opens your world to understanding, tolerance, and hopefully, peace.

The media today shows us that the world is not a peaceful place. Ignorance, intolerance, and hatred seem to rule many. Above all, the media tells us that the people ruled most by those negative qualities belong to extremist religious groups.

Edward Bobinchock, a La Roche Religious Studies professor, offered a view of why religion seems to contribute so much to world conflicts. "In order to get some insight, we have to go back and look at, 'What is the human person?' and as human persons, we are people-in-the-world-with-others-in-the-presence-of-mystery," he began.

That mystery, he said, is often times what believing people call God, which is the origin of religion. People of different faiths interpret the meaning of life differently; they interpret God differently, which can cause conflict, he said.

"I think it's a fact of human existence how we view the world, and how we think, affects how we act," he continued. "And when you

believe strongly about something, you're going to do that out in your daily life—that is the beginning of the conflict."

There is a belief in society that religion shouldn't be talked about. Religion is a highly charged topic, because so many are involved and have strong opinions about it. But how can we cultivate an understanding for other religions if we don't talk about them?

"The study of world religions—or any religion other than your own—should open you up to understand what other people believe, and why they believe it," Bobinchock asserted. "So, I believe that a course in World Religions is important in any academic situation."

Students, faculty, and staff at La Roche are always in the presence of diversity. People of different backgrounds, countries and religions all share the halls and classes on this small campus. Yet, we do not experience the same conflicts here that are expressed out in the world. We as students are all striving for a greater goal, and we do it through the knowledge that education brings us. And it is through this education that we are able to be more understanding of others.

"We always fear the unknown,"

Professor Bobinchock said, "and the more we can understand, or appreciate, or probe the unknown, the better we can be open to the possibility of it."

"I believe that's what toleration is," he revealed.

Bobinchock said that although religions are never going to agree on many things, toleration can help people stop persecuting others for having a belief that is different. "Most religions are culturally bound, and therefore you have a mixture of culture and a mixture of religious belief," he stated. "I think that part of the struggle between East and West is cultural, which expresses itself in religion."

Post 9/11, it is difficult to talk about other religions in America, especially Islam. There seems to be a rift in the United States between the predominant religions and Islam, which cannot be bridged. And how can it? There are people who see someone who looks from Arabian origin, and immediately think he or she must belong to a radical Islamic group.

Professor Bobinchock says a lot of that is due to interpretation. "When you look to interpret your religious tradition, you can interpret it in a variety of ways."

"Many times in religious ques-

tions, people become fanatical about it," he explained. "I think we have people who misinterpret Islam and what Muhammad was really saying, and with Christianity we've had misinterpretations, like the Crusades."

"I am not sure I know of any one religion that promotes violence," he admitted. "Most religions promote peace, care, and concern for other people."

"And I believe that many people in the West make judgments about Islam," he added, "because of their encounter with radical Muslims, who are even disavowed by other Muslims."

"So I do think that, yes, education is one of the great antidotes to violence and ignorance."

As we look toward the future, it is important that we ask ourselves how this toleration and understanding that exists in La Roche can exist in the world around us. It's up to us to show the world that we can coexist without violence and bloodshed, that no matter our religious beliefs, we honor the sanctity of human life.

The next time you think about your future, think about this: How can your education help make the Earth a better place?

## La Roche unites Pittsburgh Promise students

BY MARTIKA COOK



Laura Oknefski stands with Pittsburgh Promise students

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On September 11, La Roche College officially welcomed Pittsburgh Promise students by hosting a Promise kickoff event for the first time. While Pittsburgh Promise recipients have

attended La Roche in the past, this is the first time they were brought together as a group.

The Pittsburgh Promise is a scholarship program given by the Pittsburgh Foundation to students

who meet the requirements. One of the requirements for this scholarship is that students hoping to receive the scholarship for college must have attended a Pittsburgh Public School or schools chartered by PPS.

"Before this event, I thought I was the only one," sophomore student Jamilia Beverly said. "It always seems like we're outnumbered."

According to Laura Oknefski, Director of Retention and Assessment, La Roche is home to about 50 Pittsburgh Promise students this semester. "Compared to the hundreds of students who attend La Roche it seems like a really small number," Oknefski said.

It was a small gathering of students and staff, but the impact this event had on the students was a great one all the same. "I don't feel so alone anymore," graphic design major Federica said. "It's good to know that there are students at La Roche who come from similar backgrounds."

Biology major Ashley Coleman agreed with Federica. She said while the students at La Roche are nice and generally welcom-

ing, many of them are from the surrounding area and can't really relate to the position of students who grew up in inner city neighborhoods.

"We don't come from decent, well-equipped schools and we live in what are considered poor areas," she said. "Just getting to this point was a struggle. I wouldn't be at La Roche or any college if it weren't for the Pittsburgh Promise."

"We've never done anything like this," Oknefski said. "This group is really about just making these kind of connections, being a support for each other." When students were asked if they'd like to make the group permanent by making it an official club, the response was a unanimous yes.

If made permanent, the group will focus on the success of the students throughout their college career and preparing them for life after college. "This was a great start," Oknefski said. "Of course the group will be open to other students but this event was really just a way of showing the Pittsburgh Promise students that La Roche is here for them."

# Outside

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## The benefits of the great outdoors

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In the blink of an eye, another summer has come and gone. Each year, however, I notice a strange sight.

People are not outdoors anymore. My neighbors own a swimming pool and trampoline. Not once did I see them outside this entire summer. Playgrounds and community parks are abandoned. What happened? The socialization with others in an outdoor environment is now seldom. Technology is overtaking the lives of all. Useless online social media, pointless video games, and small screens are overtaking the lives of many. In this ever developing world, one thing has never changed; the outdoor world is a wonderful place to explore. Million-dollar views are ever-present. We can reap the health, educational, and social benefits that the great outdoors has to offer.

First off, the outdoors offers a unique sense of well-being. The feeling of taking a deep breath of fresh air is unmatched. Whether it be walking on a wooded trail or camping by a lake, one can get in touch with their inner being. During summer months, I despise the confinement of the indoors. Nothing is as refreshing to me as warm sunlight and the sounds of nature. I feel as if that's how it should be. We should take in what the outdoors has to offer. If we do experience the outdoors, we appreciate it even more.

In addition, the outdoors offers health benefits to those who take advantage of it. Countless studies show that outdoor recreation reduces stress. Fresh air contains negative ions, which are linked to improved feeling of well-being, increased alertness, and decreased anxiety. Wheth-

er walking around a scenic lake or jogging through a wooded trail, we improve our health through exercise and oxygenation.

In addition to the health benefits of the outdoors, we can learn about nature as well. By personally experiencing nature, we learn about plants and animals in a way textbooks simply cannot match.

For example, about nearly 80 types of trees are located within Pittsburgh area. Trees are much more than providers of paper and shade. Their importance is sometimes overlooked. Each of the nearly eighty types of trees within Pittsburgh present a unique benefit to the environment. By using nature as our guide, we can learn about the characteristics of trees within our community and their benefits.

Early October is a beautiful time of the year in Western Pennsylvania. The views of changing leaves are picture-perfect. When combined with Pennsylvania's unique landscape, parks and walking trails are a prime location to view the changing of seasons. Aside from its foliage, Pennsylvania boasts a vast spectrum of wildlife. Countless birds and mammals are present within this region. When exploring the outdoors, we see rare, remarkable sights. By exploring nature in person, we can learn about its unique wonders.

I work part-time as a food server within a retirement community. During summer months, residents are constantly outdoors. When they come to dinner, I overhear stories of their daily outdoor experiences, such as bird watching or sitting outside on their patios enjoying the beautiful

weather. By going outdoors, we are able to leave the technology behind and socialize with others face-to-face.

Outdoor recreation allows those of all ages to meet and build friendships with others. Families can bond over an evening campfire. Friendships can grow even stronger through unique outdoor experiences. Looking back at this past summer, my best memories were outdoors. Overnight fishing, bonfires, and four-wheeling in the mountains made my summer one to look back on. Reminiscing on shared experiences with others will always bring a smile to one's face.

In this world overrun by technology, I wonder what the future holds. I think to myself, what stories will we have for our generation? We will not remember (or tell a story, for that matter) how we spent our life in front of a television or computer screen.

I saw a picture with two young boys fishing, sitting on their tackle boxes. Underneath the picture was a caption that states, "Because the best memories aren't made playing video games." I encourage you to not only experience it yourself, but encourage others as well.

Invite someone for a walk on a local trail. Take a loved one fishing. While exploring nature, leave the technology behind. Look around, take in what nature has to offer. Whether it is a brisk ten-minute walk on a wooded trail or a weekend camping trip, your outdoor experience will be something not only look forward to, but reflect back on with a smile.



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# Off-Campus

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## The history of Northway Mall

BY GARRETT LANGER

Malls are a place of commerce and gathering like the markets of the ancient world, so what happens when people stop gathering?

Walking through the Northway Mall has a very eerie quality. In the main enclosed area there are only two shops left. The Mama Lucia's, which has been in the mall in some capacity since it was enclosed, and a massage parlor. The floor below has seven of the surviving stores. There are only nine constant residents in the mall.

The infrastructure is beginning to show decay. The escalators, near Mama Lucia's, have become loud, and the smell of burning lubricant is suffocating. The floor is riddled with cracks and broken tiles, which continue downstairs as well. The one beautiful glass escalator, on the side with Marshals, has become loud and slow after years of neglect. It too has a distinct smell of burning oil.

The question is then, why would anyone go there? The answer to that

has a lot of history.

This is not any ordinary mall. It has a rich, important past, and a bright future on the horizon.

To understand this mall you must understand the history of the North Hills. This was a large rural and agricultural area in the 1940's. Only trucks used the infamously busy McKnight Road, because there was nothing on it. That soon would change.

To understand and gather all of the historical information of the Northway Mall, the assistance of an expert was needed. Ross Township has a large and exceptional historical society. The leader of this society is John Schalcosky. John is the founder of The Odd, Mysterious & Fascinating History of Pittsburgh and The Advanced Case Designer at National Brokerage. He was extremely knowledgeable on the past and future of the mall.

According to John, in 1953, the mall was opened as stand strip mall. It was not extremely popular until a

radical new idea was brought to the owners of the mall. A plan was laid for an unknown idea: an enclosed mall. At the time, there was only one other enclosed mall in the United States, which was in Chicago.

Despite the old mall not being as popular, it began to attract businesses. One new business was a McDonalds Franchise. The owner was Jim Delligatti. Located in the now Seibert Plaza, Jim Delligatti made the first Big Mac. Though his home in Uniontown usually takes the credit, John stated that Jim Delligatti has said it was that store in a few interviews.

John said that the mall had a few very cool niche appeals to locals and travelers; the first glass elevator in United States and a birdcage. The birdcage was removed in the 1990es, but the escalator remains. John hopes the escalator will remain in the mall.

Time moved on and the area around was growing. McKnight Road became an area of interest for

shops and businesses. The Northway Mall propelled the economy of the area, but brought the decline of the mall.

The mall started to face competition as the mall became out dated. The pervious owners failed to make changes to keep up with the mall or its customers. They went as far as making this mall, famous for being enclosed, partial opened.

What is next for mall? Just as it was in 1954, it is a deserted shopping center with few visitors. Once again, a new architect has a grand new vision for The Northway Mall. The renovating process is beginning soon. John said, "If you talked to the architect his excitement will make you excited." A construction crew has arrived, and new stores have signed up to be in the reconstructed Northway Mall. Along with new restaurants and buildings. The future of the mall, at least for now, looks bright.

## Enterprise car share new addition for residents

BY SARAH TURNBULL



Enterprise car parked in the faculty parking lot

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Stuck in your dorm room on a Saturday night? Feel like everyone's having fun but you? Well worry no more. Now there's a way for those of us without cars to get out more.

La Roche College has teamed up with Enterprise to implement a new-

car sharing program on campus.

According to La Roche's Public Safety Director, David Hilke, the car share program is a service for resident students who don't have cars. The program is also meant to free up parking spaces for students that commute.

Joining the car share program is simple. Renting the car costs \$11/hour and \$64 for the entire day.

The cars are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and can be used overnight for \$35. You must be 18 or older to participate, and students under 20 need parental consent.

Hilke said, "It's another service for students. And it doesn't cost the college anything. Most places won't let you rent a car if you're under 25."

Hilke is optimistic about the effect the program will have on the college.

## Interested in writing, layout, or photography?

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