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News From Around PA

Bucknell University's has been recognized by Campus Pride, in partnership with Compete magazine, as "one of the top-10 safest and friendliest programs in the country for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) students." Athletics Director John Hardt said, "Diversity is a priority at Bucknell and a significant component of the University's strategic plan."

Pennsylvania State Equality Coalition attended the firstever White House LGBT Conference on Feb. 16. The conference focused on LGBTQ health and was hosted at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. The opening speech was delivered by openly-gay Director of the Office of Personnel Management John

Berry.HHSSecretaryKathleenSebeliusofferedthe keynote speech.

University of Pennsylvania, beginning this fall will offer gender-neutral housing to all students. Ron Ozio, director of media relations, says, "You have to be open to it. A girl would never be assigned to a boy as a roommate or vice versa--just randomly." Students don't have to choose their opposite sex roommate; they simply have to check a box on a form indicating their openness.

New from National Scene

The most recent National Incidence Study of Child Abuse and Neglect that children living with two married biological parents are at the lowest risk of suffering abuse, eight times less likely than children living with one parent and an unmarried partner. (The perpetrator is typically the person who is not related to the victim and not the biological parent, as some have mistakenly supposed.)

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rights of chaplains and members of the military to express their biblically based views of homosexuality, because current law leaves them open to harassment and disciplinary actions.

Congressman Bob Filner (D), from San Diego, is asking the Navy to name a ship after the late homosexual activist, Harvey Milk. Filner thinks Milk should be honored because of his "support for <u>equality" in the military.</u>

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