In May the Office of LGBT Awareness will bid adieu to two wonderful seniors, Julia Bernhard and Sean Coyne as they walk in graduation. Each of them has been involved in the Office since their freshman or sophomore years in one capacity or another. They have each brought positive energy and commitment to making Bucknell a more inclusive campus. We will miss them greatly and wish them all the luck in their future endeavors.

Julia Bernhard is graduating with a B.S. degree in Psychology and Sociology with a minor in Religion. She has participated in FLAG&BT since her sophomore year, and was the Treasurer during the 2009-2010 school year. She has also worked in the LGBT Office for the past two years, and has been the Student Manager for one. Julia does a variety of tasks around the Office including maintaining websites, creating posters for guest speakers and calendars of the year’s events, making slides for the LCD screen in the LC Mall, fixing computer problems from set up to email, cleaning out cabinets and closets, keeping Fran on task, and, of course, writing The Rainbow Review. Julia hopes to work as a Research Assistant in the Philadelphia area participating in public health research programs. Eventually, she plans to return to graduate school to earn her master’s degree in Public Health.

Sean Coyne is graduating with a B.S. degree in Animal Behavior with Honors. His activities included Varsity Track and Field as a sprinter and hurdler, research in the Primate Labs, and Mortar Board Society. He became a member of FLAG&BT the end of his sophomore year, got involved with the Safe Space program in the beginning of his Junior year, and officially worked in the Office as a student intern his senior year. Sean’s main contributions to the Office of LGBT Awareness were adapting the current Safe Space presentation to meet the needs of athletes and getting many athletic programs and coaches involved in seeing and participating in the Safe Team program. Additionally, Sean helped coordinate bringing speaker Brian K. Sims to campus to give his presentation titled, “Athletes & Allies: A Conversation About LGBT Athletes & Teammates.” Sean will be attending the University of Chicago for a master’s degree in Comparative Human Development, working with Rhesus Macaques in Cayo Santiago, Puerto Rico.
The Office of Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Awareness, is committed to making Bucknell a safe place for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community. This is accomplished by supporting student groups and efforts to educating and increase awareness about LGBT issues and current public policy concerns. The office is guided by an Advisory Board comprised of students, faculty, staff, and administrators who are interested in and committed to the mission of the Office.

Given that Bucknell is dedicated to prepare its students to be morally responsible citizens, and given that societal attitudes are changing, the University attempts to promote attitudes and behaviors among its students which will create a climate of mutual respect and empower us all to appreciate diversity.

Current Safe Spaces:

“A safe space is a place where anyone can relax and be fully self-expressed, without fear of being made to feel uncomfortable, unwelcome, or unsafe on account of biological sex, race/ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, cultural background, age, or physical or mental ability; a place where the rules guard each person’s self-respect and dignity and strongly encourage everyone to respect others.”

Excerpt from The ALLIANCE at Bucknell: Creating Safe Space Powerpoint

Fraternities:
- Chi Phi (chapter and house)
- Delta Upsilon (chapter and house)
- Kappa Sigma (chapter and house)
- Lambda Chi Alpha (chapter)
- Phi Kappa Psi (chapter)
- Sigma Alpha Epsilon (chapter and house)
- Sigma Phi Epsilon (chapter and house)
- Tau Kappa Epsilon (chapter and house)

Sororities:
- Alpha Chi Omega (chapter and suite)
- Alpha Delta Pi (chapter)
- Chi Omega (chapter and suite)
- Delta Gamma (chapter and suite)
- Kappa Alpha Theta (chapter and suite)
- Kappa Kappa Gamma (chapter and suite)
- Pi Beta Phi (chapter and suite)

Sports Teams:
- Men’s Cross Country Team
- Men’s Lacrosse Team
- Men’s Swimming and Diving Team
- Men’s Track and Field Team
- Women’s Cross Country Team
- Women’s Field Hockey
- Women’s Lacrosse Team
- Women’s Rowing Team
- Women’s Swimming and Diving Team
- Women’s Track and Field Team

Others:
- Languages and Cultures Residential College
- Residential College Staff 2009-2010
- Social Justice Residential College

Call x7-1609 and schedule a Safe Space program for your hall, group, fraternity, sorority, athletic team or administrative/departmental office.

Totals for the Year:
- Greek Life Seen: 94%
- Greek Safe Chapter: 92%
- Greek Safe House/Suite: 81%
- Men’s Teams Seen: 40.4%
- Men’s Teams Safe: 40.4%
- Women’s Teams Seen: 63.1%
- Women’s Teams Safe: 63.1%

346 out of 681 athletes have seen Safe Space presentations: 50.8%

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