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New mayor and councilman take office

BY RACHEL CIRONE

Staff Reporter

Vance Funk III was sworn in as mayor at a special ceremony Tuesday night at the city's Municipal Building.

The ceremony, held a week after the election, was packed with supporters, campaign members and university sorority and fraternity members.

City Secretary Susan Lambblack said one week is a short period of time for transition.

"They get thrown into the water and either sink or swim," she said.

Funk said he was also surprised by how quickly he was sworn in.

"I was amazed," he said. "It doesn't

give you any time to celebrate."

Funk said he does not believe the transition will be too challenging because he has been attending city council meetings since October and served as city treasurer for 13 years.

Lambblack swore Funk in, who then swore in the other council members, including newly-elected 6th District Councilman Kevin Vonck.

Vonck, a research assistant at the university's School of Urban Affairs, said one of his reasons for running was to represent students and youth in the city.

"They have been under-represented for a long time," he said.

Funk and Vonck attended a seven-

hour orientation prior to the ceremony, she said.

"It is a lot of information to absorb in one day and they have to be back for the meeting at night," Lambblack said.

Funk said they went to department meetings to meet members and heads.

However, Funk said the orientation was not too overwhelming.

"Eighty percent of what they told me I already knew," he said, "but Kevin's getting it for the first time."

Vonck said the orientation was intense but still a great learning experience.

He said he has a pile of documents to read to get him up to date on issues and procedures before the first council meeting

on Monday.

"It will take a meeting or two for me to get adjusted," Vonck said.

Lambblack said after Funk was sworn in, Deputy Mayor, Jerry Clifton, 2nd District, was elected and other officers were also appointed. New members then adopted the rules of procedure.

In response to the ceremony, Funk said he was eager to begin his term.

"I am definitely excited," he said. "I can't wait to get started."

As a lawyer who deals with disputes and problems every day, he said, he is prepared for the challenge of taking over a lot of unfinished business.

"The margin of victory established a

mandate for the council to change the way they do some things," Funk said.

In the beginning of his term, he said, it is important to attend more community meetings in order to introduce himself to the public and establish his philosophy.

"It will be hectic the first six months," Funk said, "but government slows down in the summer."

He said he will be spending less time in his law office so he can focus on his duty as mayor.

Funk said in order to take on his position, he had to give up running an elementary school volleyball league, which he did for 20 years.

Students prepare for Women's March

BY RENEE GORMAN

Staff Reporter

Various student groups and musicians gathered on the Trabant University Center patio Tuesday to raise awareness for the March for Women's Lives in Washington, D.C., Sunday.

Musical acts such as Sarah O'Reilly, Matt Winn, Suspicious Aloysious, Amanda Kaletsky and Jordan Leitner serenaded the crowd, while members of various student organizations kept busy persuading students to purchase bus tickets to the march.

In between bands, organizers of the rally read quotes from people who supported maintaining women's reproductive rights.

Senior Kate Haney, a co-organizer of the rally, said the March for Women's Lives is a march to defend women's reproductive rights, such as access to safe abortion, birth control and family planning.

She said the rally was organized to gain support for the march and to sell bus tickets.

Freshman Ashley Bram-Johnson said 12 buses have been offered to members of the university and the community.

Haney said there were 300 tickets available, and at the time of the rally, there were only 44 tickets left.

Approximately 1 million people will be attending the march, she said.

"The March for Women's Lives on Sunday is not a march strictly about abortion," Haney said, "but it is also about everything constitutional."

Roe v. Wade, she said, the Supreme Court case that legalized abortion in 1973, only passed by a small margin.

Sophomore Jen Kutney, a member of Men Against Rape Society, said she thought the rally was a great idea.

"We need to show people that women aren't going to let their rights be taken away by the government," she said. "It's not fair."

Junior Jordan Leitner, a musical performer at the rally, said he plans to attend the march on Sunday.

"I'm all about supporting women's rights," he said. "I think we need more male feminists in this



THE REVIEW/Jessica Duome

Students and musicians rally support for the national March for Women's Lives in Washington, D.C. this Sunday.

world."

Senior Megan Burgess, a member of the Prolife Vanguard, sat near the rally holding a sign stating the dangers of abortion.

She said it is important for her and other members of the organization to have a presence at the rally.

"Everything they're saying about safe, legal abortion is false," Burgess said. "Women are still being killed, physically mutilated and emotionally and physically harmed."

The Prolife Vanguard will also be making an appearance at the March for Women's Lives, she said. They will be peacefully protesting on the sidelines.

Junior Sarah Archbald, a spectator at the rally, said she thought the cause of the rally was important.

"College campuses once were the center of political movements," she said, "and now students are more concerned with fashion."

The rally was sponsored by Students Acting for Gender Equality, Hillel, MARS and Residence Life.

VX gas controversy continues with Army

BY STEPHEN MANGAT

Staff Reporter

This week witnessed another round in the controversy concerning whether toxic water from a VX gas neutralization plant will be treated at a local DuPont plant and released into the Delaware River.

Just prior to last Monday's deadline, the Army accepted a formal complaint by the governors of Delaware and New Jersey voicing their objection against the Army's plan.

Greg Patterson, official spokesman for Gov. Ruth Ann Minner, said initial reports that stated the Army rejected the letter are incorrect.

"It's an official comment with the Army," he said. "Obviously the governors expressed clearly that this isn't a good material to have in the river."

Marilyn Daughdrill, spokeswoman for the Chemical Materials Agency, a provisional Army agency designed to store and eliminate chemical weapons, said the governors' comments were not the only ones they received.

"We have received comments from more than 750 individuals ranging from total support to total opposition," she said. "We will go through all comments and address any issues they might comment on to see what course of action we should take."

On Monday, the Delaware River Basin Commission disputed the tests DuPont used to verify the company's claim that the treatment would not have a significant impact on the environment.

Tom Fikslin, head of Modeling and Monitoring for the DRBC, said the commission wanted more tests to determine the effect the new wastewater would have on the level of treatment at the facility.

Administered by officials from Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, the DRBC supervises water supply and quality for the entire watershed that drains into the Delaware River basin.

Anthony Farina, spokesman for DuPont, stated in an e-mail message DuPont will not ignore the concerns of other groups.

"We are committed to working closely with the regulatory agencies in Delaware and New Jersey and the Delaware River Basin Commission to address their questions and resolve any issues that they may have concerning the safety of the proposed project," he said.

DuPont has conceded that approximately 80

percent of two phosphorus-type acids would leak into the river, but the company stated in a 350-page report that the concentrations of the acid would not approach levels that could cause damage.

Also, DuPont has agreed to let the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention complete a formal review of the Army's proposal before moving forward.

Patterson said the CDC's report will not affect Minner's objection because it address different issues.

"The CDC is about human health," Patterson said. "The governors' letter is based on environmental effects, not health problems."

On Monday, the Mid-Atlantic Environmental Law Council at Widener University submitted an objection on behalf of the environmental group Green Delaware, calling for a full environmental impact study.

Allen Muller, president of Green Delaware, said the Army is trying to avoid the law.

"The National Environmental Protection Act says when federal money is being spent, environmental consequences must be looked at," he said. "In our view, the Army hasn't complied with the NEPA and they're just trying to weasel out of complying with the law."

Daughdrill said the CMA received the objection and that it will be reviewed along with all the other comments received.

The resistance of these environmental groups comes on the heels of the joint letter from Minner and New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey exhorting the Army not to send the wastes to the DuPont plant in nearby Deepwater, N.J., and instead dispose of them near Newport, Ind., where they are currently stored.

With the Army having agreed to consider the complaint, Patterson said the next step is the Army's and DuPont's.

"There is no permission that [the] Army and DuPont have to get from Delaware, but New Jersey has not completely agreed that they have nothing to get in New Jersey," he said.

"If they decide to go forward with their plan despite the governors' and other environmental groups' wishes," Patterson said, "there's really nothing we can do."

Daughdrill said the Army is waiting on an outside review before proceeding with the project.

"The Army won't award any contracts until the CDC has done their review," she said.

Old College frats to be offices

BY NICOLE A. SARRUBBO

Staff Reporter

The former Sigma Nu and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity houses on East Main Street, near the Carpenter Sports Building and Elliott Hall, are being turned into offices for the department of foreign languages and literature, with renovations beginning this summer.

David E. Hollowell, executive vice president and university treasurer, said the former fraternity houses are going to be renovated to house the department of foreign languages and literature, which is currently scattered throughout Smith Hall, Delaware Avenue and other parts of campus.

Hollowell said the buildings will accommodate approximately 62 offices and the preliminary

plans include building a quad between the surrounding structures with walkways that will create an overall look that fits in with the university's campus.

The fraternity houses were sold to the university in November and December 2002 after both fraternities were suspended from campus, he said.

The university bought Sig Nu's house for \$600,000 and Sig Ep's house for \$700,000, Hollowell said.

Marilyn Prime, director of student centers, said after numerous judicial violations, both fraternities were suspended.

She said the university has done a good job of maintaining the buildings, including keeping the heat on throughout the winters so the pipes would not freeze.

"The conditions of the houses were very poor when the fraternities left," she said.

Ramona Adams, assistant treasurer for receipts, real estate and risk management, said the university owned the land both fraternity houses were located on. The fraternity members leased the buildings through their fraternities and the university.

She said Sig Nu was suspended from campus for failure to comply with university regulations.

"They were in default of their lease because they did not comply with regulations," she said. "The key was their failure."

Joe Capodanno, director of volunteers and chapter development for Sig Ep, said the former chapter was removed from cam-

pus in December 2001 because they were on probation and violated it by having a party during homecoming.

The renovations to the former "fraternity row" involve removing the one-story side-piece from Sigma Nu's house and creating a vestibule to connect the two structures, Hollowell said. There will also be an elevator installed in the new part of the building to make the buildings handicap-accessible and because each of the houses' levels are slightly different than the other.

Hollowell said having the foreign language faculty housed in one location will be beneficial to the department because it will help them to work better as a unit.

"This is really something to



Digital image courtesy of David Hollowell

The university plans to construct office space in the former Sigma Nu and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity houses.

help the department," he said.

The preliminary plans for the buildings include gutting the inside of the buildings,

Hollowell said, and creating offices, conference rooms, a fac-

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PATRIOT renewal debated

BY KATIE FAHERTY

Copy Editor

President George W. Bush began his campaign this week for the renewal of certain aspects of the controversial PATRIOT Act that are set to expire in late 2005.

When Congress passed and President Bush signed the PATRIOT Act in October 2001, some of the provisions were labeled "sunset," meaning they would cease come December 2005.

Mark Corallo, spokesman for the Justice Department, said the PATRIOT Act is a necessary tool in the fight against terrorism.

"Every one of the provisions set to sunset in December 2005 are vital to our ability to protect citizens from future attacks," he said.

The act was constructed by the Bush administration and Congress to respect civil rights, Corallo said. The most important aspect of the PATRIOT Act is that it enables the sharing of information between law enforcement and intelligence officers.

There are many terrorists from al-Qaida training camps in the United States, and the PATRIOT Act has helped uncover some of them, he said, including cells in Lackawanna, N.Y., Seattle, San Diego, Portland and Houston.

"We would have had a better chance at preventing 9/11 if the PATRIOT Act had existed then," Corallo said.

Drew Fennell, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Delaware, said the ACLU is strongly opposed to a renewal of the sunset provisions.

"These provisions were radical," she said, "and there are good reasons to allow them to sunset."

Corallo said there is no reason for the controversy surrounding the PATRIOT Act because many of the tools included in the act have been used for decades. They are now simply applied to thwart terrorists.

Fennell said this is the very reason why the PATRIOT Act is not needed. There were ways to obtain information on suspected terrorists prior to the PATRIOT Act that did not infringe Fourth Amendment guidelines.

"Disregarding the Fourth Amendment is not necessary to obtain the information that law enforcement and intelligence communications seek," she said. "The Fourth Amendment is in fact a barrier to police activity. It's supposed to be a check on police power."

Richard Sylves, political science professor, said much of the controversy surrounding the act is that local and state law enforcement now seem to be working for intelligence agencies.

Another existing issue is the government's "sneak and peek" strategy, which allows them to enter a house when no one is home and search or seize anything they find.

"It might be judged unconstitutional," Sylves said.

He said he expected to see more cases brought to the Supreme Court, which may result in the overturning of certain parts of the PATRIOT Act.

"I think you're going to see a backlash against the PATRIOT Act and even the Department of Homeland Security," Sylves said. "After a while people will start to say we went too far."

Fennell said the ACLU does not object to the majority of the PATRIOT Act. Although

the organization's focus is on the sunset provisions, there are other parts not set to sunset that the organization finds faulty.

For example, she said, Section 213 allows for secret home and business searches without ever informing the suspected person, unless he or she is eventually brought to trial.

Fennell said an alternative to the controversial portions of the PATRIOT Act would be the Safety and Freedom Ensured Act, recently introduced in Congress. The SAFE Act, a bipartisan effort, would still allow law enforcement officials to combat terrorism but eliminate aspects such as secrecy.

Corallo said the SAFE Act would leave the United States vulnerable. The Justice Department has already suggested to Bush that he veto it, should it pass in both houses of Congress.

"It basically undercuts the advancements made by the PATRIOT Act and returns us to pre-9/11 vulnerabilities," he said.

Corallo said he believes the request for the renewals will pass when voted on by Congress.

"The Congress is going to realize we've been lucky these past two years, and the PATRIOT Act is responsible for this," he said.

Fennell said to renew these provisions "strikes at the heart of our civil liberties."

Corallo said the PATRIOT Act has a higher level of oversight by the Judicial and Legislative branches than any other law on the books.

"Never will you hear us say we should infringe on people's rights," he said, "but we have to use every tool the Constitution can give us."

In the News

U.S. TO REHIRE FORMER BAATHISTS, IRAQI ARMY OFFICERS

WASHINGTON — The United States is moving to rehire former members of Iraq's ruling Baath Party and senior Iraqi military officers fired after Saddam Hussein was ousted, in an effort to undo the damage of its two most controversial policies in Iraq.

The U.S. governor of Iraq, L. Paul Bremer, proposed the policy shifts to broaden the strategy to entice the powerful Sunni minority back into the political fold and weaken support for the insurgency in the volatile Sunni triangle, two of the most persistent challenges for the U.S.-led occupation.

Both policies are at the heart of national reconciliation, increasingly important as the occupation nears an end.

The Bush administration is now fleshing out details, which it hopes to conclude this week.

But U.S. officials said the United States, backed by Britain, has decided in principle to "fix" or "soften" the rigid rules that led to the automatic firing of Iraqis in the Baath Party from jobs ranging from top government positions to teachers and doctors, U.S. officials said.

The U.S.-led coalition is already bringing back senior military officers to provide experienced leadership to the fragile new Iraqi army, with more than half a dozen generals from Saddam's military appointed to top jobs in the last week alone, U.S. officials said. Gen. John Abizaid, chief of Central Command, is working to identify other commanders to bring back in, officials added.

"The decisions made a year ago have bedeviled the situation on the ground ever since. Walking back these policies is a triumph of the view in the field over policies originally crafted in Washington," a senior U.S. official involved in Iraq policy said.

Ironically, the two policies were the first actions taken by Bremer, who brought them from Washington, when he arrived in Baghdad to assume leadership of the U.S.-led occupation last May.

The administration insists that neither move is a policy reversal, but foreign policy experts said it will appear that way in practice to Iraqis.

U.S. SHARPLY CRITICIZES SPAIN'S UNEXPECTED TIMETABLE FOR TROOP WITHDRAWAL

WASHINGTON — After announcing its decision last weekend to withdraw forces from Iraq, Spain has raised further anger in Washington by giving notice of plans to pull out faster than expected, a move Bush administration officials said Wednesday is complicating military operations in Iraq and could put lives in danger.

Initially, officials here had expected the withdrawal to start in a month or two and be carefully coordinated with U.S. military commanders in Iraq.

But the Pentagon received word earlier this week that about half of Spain's 1,300 troops would be leaving within the next 10 days and the rest within 20 days after that.

A senior administration official said the United States completely respects Spain's political decision to remove its forces, but the way it is being done is a big disappointment.

The official added that this is not the way allies should treat each other because it is disappointing and unprofessional.

Such unusually blunt and angry language reflected the depth of the official irritation generated by Spain's plan and undercut efforts Wednesday by Spain's top diplomat to smooth over the episode.

After talks in Washington with Secretary of State Colin Powell, Spanish Foreign Minister Miguel Angel Moratinos denied any new tensions in U.S.-Spanish relations since the government of President Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero was installed last weekend and announced the troop pullout.

"We are looking to the future. The decision to return the troops is a decision of yesterday," Moratinos said. "We have a strong friendship with the United States. And the determination of both administrations is to work together in areas that are the common challenge for all of us, first and mainly, the fight against terror."

Scott McClellan, spokesman for the White House, expressed U.S. regrets over the Spanish decision.

"This is a time of testing," he said. "It's important that we stay the course and help the Iraqi people as we work to transfer sovereignty and build a free and democratic future for the Iraqi people."

Following Spain's lead, two other countries whose forces in Iraq have operated under the Spanish headquarters also have announced plans to end their involvement. Honduras is pulling out 370 soldiers and the Dominican Republic is withdrawing 300 troops.

To replace the departing forces, which have been responsible for securing areas in south-central Iraq, U.S. commanders have shifted 1st Armored Division troops who had been based in the vicinity of Baghdad.

The division, which had been scheduled to leave Iraq this month after a year of combat duty, had its stay extended by 90 days last week.

U.N. LAUNCHES INVESTIGATION INTO OIL FOR FOOD

UNITED NATIONS — The Security Council unanimously endorsed an independent investigation Wednesday into charges that U.N. officials mishandled the Iraqi "oil-for-food" program, allowing Saddam Hussein to illegally pocket billions of dollars.

Former U.S. Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker, named as chairman of the three-person investigative panel, insisted on securing the Security Council's formal support before launching his inquiry, saying it was important to "make sure that member states knew what they were getting into."

The resolution requires all U.N. member states "to cooperate fully" with the inquiry.

The U.N. oil-for-food program was established in 1996 to allow Iraq, then under U.N. sanctions for the Persian Gulf War, to sell oil and use the revenue to buy humanitarian goods.

Oil sales outside the program were prohibited. The 15-member Security Council set the terms for the program.

Allegations of corruption emerged in January in the Iraqi newspaper Al Mada, which published a list of 270 dignitaries, officials and journalists from 46 countries who allegedly received vouchers from Saddam's regime to buy millions of barrels of oil at a discount. The coupons allegedly were resold at market value to oil refinery middlemen.

The General Accounting Office, the investigative agency of the U.S. Congress, has said Saddam's government illegally obtained more than \$10 billion through the oil-for-food program.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan announced last month he was launching an inquiry into the corruption allegations, but Security Council endorsement of the probe was initially resisted by Russia. Moscow relented after Annan called Foreign Minister Sergei V. Lavrov, who until last month was Russia's ambassador to the U.N.

— compiled by Erin Burke from L.A. Times and Washington Post wire reports

Court considers sentencing

BY CARSON WALKER

Staff Reporter

The Supreme Court heard arguments Monday in a case that could force new sentences for 124 convicts on death row in Arizona, Montana, Idaho, Nebraska and Colorado.

Andrea Esquer, spokeswoman for the Arizona attorney general, said the case, *Schriro v. Summerlin*, will determine whether the 2002 ruling in *Ring v. Arizona*, which extended the right of trial by jury to the sentencing phase in capital punishment cases, applies retroactively to cases that occurred prior to the ruling.

"I think the court made a philosophical decision in the ruling of *Ring v. Arizona*," she said. "The court felt the right of trial by jury extended to sentencing and didn't end once convicted."

Esquer said Arizona would be greatly affected if the court found in favor of Summerlin, the defendant.

"In Arizona the ruling will affect 86 cases if the court decides against Arizona and sides with Mr. Summerlin," she said.

Robert Deans, information specialist for the Death Penalty Information Center, said if the court finds in favor of Summerlin, it could cause a major backup in the court systems of those states affected by the ruling.

"The ruling would mean new sentencing hearings," he said. "That could take some time and would be based on availability of courts."

Richard Bonnie, director of the Institute of Law at the University of Virginia, said although the ruling would greatly affect a handful of states, it would not have any impact beyond that.

"The ruling would not carry many implications beyond the particular states affected by it," he said.

However, Esquer said if the court finds in favor of the defendant, certain members of death row in Delaware could also receive new sentencing.

In Delaware the jury recommends the sentence," she said, "but the judge hands down the final sentence."

Steve Wood, public information officer for the Delaware attorney general, said it is unclear whether it would affect any cases in the state.

"When the United States Supreme Court decided *Ring v. Arizona* it invalidated death penalty statutes in states where juries play no role whatsoever in the sentencing," he said, "but the Supreme Court explicitly declined to decide whether statutes in states like Delaware, where juries play an advisory role, will remain constitutional."

Wood said it is only a matter of time before a court rules on whether *Ring* applies to states like Delaware.

"We expect that sooner or later either the Supreme Court or

the Court of Appeals Third Circuit will determine whether or not the ruling announced in *Ring v. Arizona* was violated by Delaware's death penalty statute as it existed at that time," he said.

No matter what the court decides applies retroactively, and Delaware has since adjusted their death penalty laws in accordance with the *Ring* ruling, Wood said.

Bonnie said it is hard to predict how the court will rule in the Summerlin case based on previous cases.

"The court has itself given inconsistent signals on [the death penalty] issue," he said.

Esquer said lawyers from Arizona remained confident they had sufficiently presented their side of the case and that the ball was now in the justices' court.

"We don't make predictions," she said, "but I can tell you that the lawyers that argued this morning felt confident that their arguments were heard and given a fair hearing."

States move to curb emissions

BY JENN GUGLIELMINO

Staff Reporter

Individual states are actively pursuing strategies to combat global warming in the absence of a federal policy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Neil Brown, spokesman for PSE&G Power and in affiliation with the National Resources Defense Council, said the buildup of greenhouse gas emissions in the environment causes global warming, with carbon dioxide being the biggest concern.

He said statistics included in a NRDC report on April 14 revealed that few of the power plants being targeted for high pollution rates are using available emission-control technology to lower the amount of harmful gases they release into the atmosphere.

K.C. Golden, policy director of Climate Solutions, an organization that explores practical solutions to global warming, believes the federal government is not doing enough to combat global warming.

"At the federal level, it has been a major disappointment," he said.

Golden said individual states are stepping up and taking the necessary precautions to begin to fight this problem. California is one of the pioneering states that is currently planning to limit the amount of global warming pollutants emitted from cars.

Other northeastern states, especially New York, have also expressed their intentions to follow in California's footsteps.

Golden said.

Whether the issue of global warming should be a matter of the federal government or left up to the individual states has been the source of an ongoing debate.

Brown said he believes global warming needs to be built into national policy.

"Global warming is a phenomenon that is of tremendous importance and is truly a matter of global and international concern," he said.

Golden said the Climate Stewardship Act of 2003, a bipartisan bill introduced before Congress, is the first national attempt at a comprehensive climate policy. Its aim is to reduce the amount of the heat-trapping gas emissions that contribute to global warming.

The bill will be argued before the Senate as early as next month.

"We are encouraged that we are at least seeing signs of motion at the federal level," Golden said.

Debbie Reed, director of the National Environmental Trust's global warming campaign, said the Bush administration is opposed to the Climate Stewardship Act.

The administration's plan for global warming is the Climate Change Act, she said. Under this policy, the goal is to reduce the intensity of greenhouse gas emissions by 18 percent until 2012.

This would equate to a 14 percent increase in the overall net emissions of the policy, Reed said.

The White House could not be reached for comment.

Golden said while the effects of global warming can still be curbed, the environment has already sustained some permanent damage.

"Once you put carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, it is there for 100 years," he said.

The atmosphere has a rationed layer of gases acting as insulation, which regulates temperature and makes Earth the only habitable planet, he said. When carbon dioxide and other global warming pollutants are released into the environment, the ratio is off-set and the temperature consequently rises.

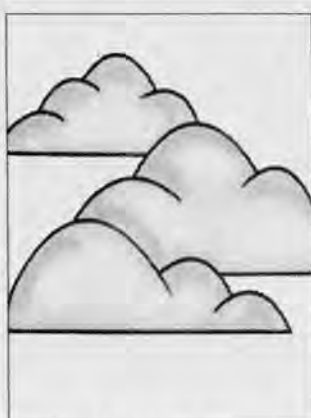
"The result is not going to be an extreme rise in temperature but rather a disruption to all the systems that depend on the current temperature to function properly," he said.

Golden cited the decrease in the accumulations of snow packs as an example, which is already decreasing by 60 to 70 percent. This decline affects the hydro-powered systems that rely on water from the melted snow to run.

Extreme weather incidents, such as last summer's deadly heat wave in Europe, are also increasing as a result of global warming, he said.

"It is absolutely imperative that we reverse this immediately," Golden said. "Action must start now."

THREE-DAY FORECAST



FRIDAY

Mostly cloudy,
highs in the 60s



SATURDAY

Mostly sunny,
highs in the 60s



SUNDAY

Partly cloudy,
highs in the 60s

— courtesy of the National Weather Service

Police Reports

BB GUN SHOOTER TARGETS HOUSE

AN UNKNOWN person shot through the backdoor of a house on Ethan Allen Court in the Cherry Hill Manor complex between approximately 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Wednesday, Newark Police said.

Cpl. Tracy Simpson said the shooter did not appear to be attempting a break in and did not injure anyone.

However, a hole was made in the outer panel of glass on the back door, she said.

Damage to the door is estimated at \$100, Simpson said.

She said there are no suspects at this time.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM VEHICLE

An unknown person broke into a car parked in a lot adjacent to the Apartments at Pinebrook on Wharton Drive between approximately 10 p.m. Tuesday and 5 p.m. Wednesday, Simpson said.

The person broke into the 1996 Subaru Outback and removed seat cushions and a Pioneer radio system, she said.

The removed items are valued at \$220, Simpson said, and damage to the dashboard resulting from the break in is estimated to be \$150.

She said there are no leads in this case.

NEWARK POLICE DETAIN DRIVER AND PASSENGER IN HIT AND RUN CASE

Newark Police assisted New Castle County Police with a

vehicular accident on Welsh Tract Road at approximately 2:50 p.m. Tuesday, Simpson said.

The assist occurred right outside of Newark Police's jurisdiction, she said.

The vehicular accident involved a driver who fled the scene, Simpson said, and Newark Police detained the person.

However, because the accident occurred outside Newark jurisdiction, she said, New Castle County Police took the detained man into their custody.

Simpson said no injuries resulted from the accident, and New Castle County Police will continue with the case.

— Stephanie Andersen

Construction at Pencader begins

BY JIA DIN
Staff Reporter

Construction of the new Pencader residence halls has begun and will replace the existing buildings to improve the quality of students' living spaces.

Linda Carey, director of housing assignment services, said three large buildings will replace the 12 individual buildings that currently make up the Pencader residence halls.

"The Pencader buildings are getting older," she said. "It was deemed advantageous to construct new buildings."

The construction process involves two phases that will take approximately two years to complete, Carey said.

Currently, the tennis and basketball courts in front of the Christiana Towers are being relocated farther down Pencader Way to make room for the first phase which consists of one large building, she said.

After the first building is completed in the fall of 2005, a section of the old Pencader residence halls will be demolished, Carey said. In this area, the second phase consisting of two buildings will be constructed.

The remaining old buildings will be demolished after the second phase is finished, she said.

In the fall of 2005, some students will be living in the new buildings while others will reside in the old ones, Carey said.

She said during the construction, there will be the same amount of

rooms to accommodate students. "We will never lose spaces," Carey said.

Robert Stozek, associate vice president of facilities, said the initial plan was to renovate the Pencader complex.

"After we developed that plan and developed the costs," he said, "it really didn't make sense."

"We would have had newly renovated dorms but still wouldn't solve a lot of the problems that existed."

Mechanical and security issues have been a concern with the existing Pencader complex, Stozek said.

The declining water and heating systems and the lack of interior hallways are some other concerns with the current Pencader complex, he said.

Carey said the new buildings will have suite type arrangements where two bedrooms are connected to one bathroom.

"Suite arrangements will probably be in more demand and will meet our programmatic efforts more than the Pencader buildings do now," she said.

Barbara Kreppel, associate vice president for administrative services, said the total cost of the Pencader project is \$72 million.

The university will borrow money through bonds, she said. The principle and interest of the bond will be paid by student residence hall fees. There has been a proposal to increase residence hall fees to cover these costs, which is still pending.



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Phase One of the Pencader construction project has begun, and is expected to be completed in Fall 2005.

The housing services department will be working with residence life to determine whether student programs, such as the LIFE program, will be placed in Pencader and what demographic of students will be living there, Kreppel said.

Carey said there will be approximately 1,000 beds in the new buildings, compared to the 750 beds now available in Pencader.

The extra 250 beds are not due to an expected increase in size of the incoming freshman class, she said.

Stozek said there will also be renovations in existing residence halls throughout West and East Campus over the next six to 10 years.

The additional beds in Pencader will provide a location to place people while their residence hall is being renovated, he said.

City countersues reservoir contractor

BY LINDSEY L. LAVENDER
Staff Reporter

There is a new controversy surrounding Newark's nearly completed reservoir located behind Timothy's Restaurant on Paper Mill Road.

The city recently decided to countersue Donald M. Durkin Contracting Co., the company hired by the city to build the reservoir, as well as Federal Insurance Company.

The contracting company decided to sue Newark in February because it felt the city was in breach of its contract.

Carol Houck, assistant city administrator, said the city was forced to terminate the contract when the contractors failed to show up to work after they said they would not finish the job.

"Durkin is suing us because they think we wrongfully terminated them," she said, "and we are countersuing the company in order to protect the project and move forward in order to complete the reservoir."

Houck said the city did not wrongfully terminate the company because it was its duty to complete the project.

Federal Insurance Company, which is employed by Donald M. Durkin Contracting Co., has not sued the city, she said. However, Newark is suing the insurance company because it is not meeting the obligations of the surety bond.

Any time any public agency is involved, Houck said, it provides a bond that says if the company cannot complete its work, the insurance company will find a way to finish the project.

"Any costs that the city would not have incurred if the contracting company would have stayed on the job is what the city would seek for reimbursement," she said.

Houck said the contractors did not continue to perform on the job, and there are clauses in the contract allowing termination under certain conditions.

"Essentially, since September of 2003, Durkin had a very limited presence at the site," she said. "We tried negotiating, but it just would not work."

Houck said the reservoir was originally supposed to be completed in December, and the city is hoping to have it finished by the end of this year.

"We are hoping to put some sort of incentives in to get the reservoir finished," she said. "If the reservoir is not done by a certain date, the city would have excess costs in water."

Mayor Vance A. Funk III, who was sworn in on Tuesday, said he would not be briefed about the reservoir controversy until the beginning of next week.

"However, I do know the city is waiting for the independent evaluation for Durkin's concerns because the city believes there are no safety problems concerning the reservoir," he said. "It's diffi-

cult to know who is telling the truth."

Funk said he has not yet met with the city's attorney.

Former Mayor Harold F. Godwin said the contractors told the city they would not complete the reservoir, although they knew the specifications of the project when they signed the contract in 2001.

"Durkin sued the city for breach of contract," Godwin said, "but there is no breach of contract. They said it could not be completed, not us."

He said the reservoir's design is standard, and it has been used thousands of times all over the country.

"The city sued Durkin's insurance company, Federal Insurance Company, to make sure they come forth and deliver a reservoir on their surety bond," Godwin said. "It's a legal step."

He said Donald M. Durkin Contracting Co. still wants to complete the reservoir and is demanding an additional \$1.9 million to do it.

"They want to add the same amount of money to match the next lowest bid," he said.

The contractor's bid \$9.6 million to build the reservoir initially, he said, and with the \$1.9 million more they are requesting, they will match \$11.5 million, the same amount as the next lowest bid.

"That's all Durkin is trying to do," Godwin said. "There's no magic to do this, they agreed in writing for a price they bid on for a specific design."

Committee will address university recycling policy

BY LISA ROMANO
Staff Reporter

A new recycling committee was created at the last Faculty Senate meeting April 12 as an outlet for students to take an active role in cleaning up the university.

Carmine Balascio, engineering professor and chairman of the Faculty Senate, said Jim Brophy, history professor and president of the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate, brought the recycling issue to the forefront.

Brophy said he proposed three areas of improvement, including improving recycling procedures, a curriculum to educate students about the environment and methods to improve on other sources of energy such as wind and solar.

Burton Abrams, economics professor, will act as the chairman to the newly formed recycling committee.

"Recycling affects everyone in society and we envision a very active role for students," he said.

Balascio said the committee is looking at the issue of recycling at the university and will make recommendations on new strategies.

Abrams said the committee hopes to address questions of logistics, such as how much is recycled and how it is working.

The university wants to take more of a leadership role in recycling, he said. Other universities have recycling programs with student participation, and they have been successful.

Balascio said the committee will do research with other institutions on how they operate and see if it is feasible at the university.

Brophy said the university has been recycling for close to 15 years. However, in the last 10 years the university has not kept pace with national trends.

The university recycles 10 to 14 percent of solid wastes, he said, as opposed to the 30 to 40 percent recycling done by competing universities.

Abrams said the committee felt the university was not doing an appropriate job with recycling and resources.

The Faculty Senate made a formal charge to appoint the committee this semester, he said.

The charge then goes to university President David P. Roselle for approval before the Senate and administration can begin implementing it.

There has not been a formal inventory of how much paper the university recycles, Abrams said, although they do recycle industrial products such as oil



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The university Faculty Senate has created a committee that aims to improve university recycling procedures, educate students about the environment and consider alternative energy sources.

and batteries.

Senior Eric Hanichka said recycling is a simple way to improve the environment.

"It doesn't take too much work to recycle," he said, "so why not do it?"

Brophy said a number of student groups, including Delaware Undergraduate Student Congress and Students for the Environment, are interested in the issue, and the committee welcomes their support.

Medical board ranks poorly

BY MELISSA MARGAVICH
Staff Reporter

The Delaware medical board was ranked 48th in the country for having a low rate of serious disciplinary actions against state doctors, according to a national consumer advocacy group.

Public Citizen's Health Research Group, using data from the Federation of State Medical Boards, reported last Wednesday that Delaware only had four serious actions in 2003 with 2,337 physicians.

The serious disciplinary actions can include revocations, surrenders, suspensions, probations and restrictions.

Dr. Sidney Wolfe, M.D., director of Public Citizen's Health Research Group, said Delaware needs to improve several factors if it wants to improve its ranking.

There are many changes Delaware could make, he said. It is imperative the state provides adequate staffing and funding as well as better leadership on the board.

"It is an issue the state legislature should pay more attention to, and something should be done about it," Wolfe said.

These characteristics are what establish the best boards from the worst boards, he said.

"If the individual boards can affect variables in a positive way," Wolfe said, "the state will likely do a better job in disciplining doctors."

Arizona was one of the lowest rated states, he said, but when it fired the head of the board and hired more staff, numbers improved. Currently, Arizona is ranked fourth.

Dr. Karl McIntosh, vice president of the Board of Medical Practice of Delaware, said it is difficult to make comparisons between states because of different budget and population sizes.

He said comparing boards from different states is like attempting to compare apples, oranges and pears.

"Our primary mission on the Board of Medical Practice is exclusively to protect the public, not to protect doctors," McIntosh said.

He said he feels Delaware will have a higher ranking next year.

Delaware has one of the most transparent boards in the country, McIntosh said. The state is one of the few that requires a person-to-person interview before the granting of a license.

McIntosh said the quality of Delaware's investigations of serious disciplinary actions has increased over the past two years, as staffing has increased. The number of investigators rose over that time from approximately two to five.

He said the board realized they needed to address public concerns in a more timely fashion and have a more in-depth quality of investigation.

Last year, McIntosh said, the board considered 39 complaints which resulted in six disciplinary actions.

McIntosh said he believes the 15 percent disciplinary rate shows the board is improving.

Carole Shotwell, director of the Wyoming Board of Medicine, which was ranked second in the Public Citizen report, said she believes the Public Citizen rankings are only a rough estimate of the effectiveness of each individual board.

Small rural states have an advantage over large urban states, she said.

"States with small populations have hands-on involvement as opposed to other boards that have a huge state bureaucracy to deal with," she said.

She said she believes since board members know each other personally it is easier to punish doctors who the complaints are against.

"This personal knowledge makes a huge difference," Shotwell said. "The state practicing small numbers makes it a lot easier to know what is going on to take appropriate action."

Public Citizen has calculated the rate of serious disciplinary actions per 1,000 doctors in each state and compiled a national report, which is ranked by the rate of disciplinary actions that year.

There was a total of 2,992 disciplinary actions taken by state medical boards in the United States in 2003, which increased 4.5 percent from the 2,864 serious actions taken in 2002.

State-by-state performance is spotty, according to the Public Citizen data. Ohio, for example, was the only one of the nation's 15 largest states that were represented in the 10 highest rated states. Illinois and Pennsylvania, which are also among the country's largest states, have consistently been at the bottom of the rankings.

Delaware counties must cut pollution levels

BY ANDREW G. SHERWOOD

Staff Reporter

Each of Delaware's three counties is over exposed to ozone pollution according to tougher new air quality standards, the Environmental Protection Agency said last Thursday.

The state now faces a 2010 deadline to cut the level of ozone and has three years to install a plan to do so.

Ozone is a compound formed when pollutants emitted by cars, power plants and other sources chemically react with nitrogen in sunlight. The resulting ozone causes respiratory problems and can trigger allergies or asthma.

Cynthia Bergman, spokeswoman for the EPA, said ozone standards are violated when average ozone exceeds 85 parts per billion over eight hours, as opposed to the former rule of a maximum of 125 parts per billion in any one hour of the day.

The new rules allow one such violation per year during a three-year period.

Four violations were recorded in Delaware counties in 2003.

The three counties were designated as "non-attainment areas" with moderate ozone pollution.

Debbie Heaton, conservation director for the Delaware chapter of the Sierra Club, said the state is making progress, but the federal rules need to be tougher.

"If we took every car off the road and shut down every plant, the atmosphere would still be bad because Delaware is downwind from big cities and industries, a lot of pollution comes from out of state," she said. "Delaware can't fix it alone, it needs a stricter federal program."

The Sierra Club, along with other environmental groups, believes the EPA's program is moving too slowly, she said, and needs stricter standards and faster timelines.

Ali Mirzakhali, administrator of air quality management for the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, said Delaware is implementing regulations to lower ozone.

Most major industrial factories in Delaware have installed pollution control systems to reduce ozone levels, he said, but the remaining pollutants primarily come from local cars and regional pollution that blows into Delaware from other states.

"It's unrealistic to expect an individual state to solve the ozone problem alone because air pollution does not stop at state lines," he said. "Much of our problem is transported here from other states."

DNREC, along with the Sierra Club, would like to see stricter controls on power plants that send large quantities of pollution across state boundaries, he said, but no rules controlling transport pollution exist yet.

Cars and trucks contribute approximately 30 percent of the pol-

lutants that cause ozone, he said, and although EPA regulations have improved emissions standards, government regulation alone cannot do it all.

One of the ways Delaware is cutting down this pollution is promoting public transport.

Delaware public transit is offering free rides on days when ozone levels are high, he said.

The EPA, Bergman said, expects Delaware to meet the 2010 deadline of lower ozone levels.

By labeling Delaware's three counties "non-attainment areas," she said, they are now subject to more rules to help them reach ozone level goals.

Local transportation and air quality officials, she said, will be required within one year to coordinate planning to ensure that transportation projects, such as road construction, do not affect the area's ability to reach its clean air goals.

Heaton said the Sierra Club believes the new rules and timelines are more protective of human health, but still are not enough.

"The Bush administration has proposed a separate rule that would reduce the levels of transport pollution," she said, "but this rule will not go into effect for another 11 years."

"In the mean time, Delaware's beaches have the same poor air quality as Philadelphia, and we continue to breathe this stuff."

Newark considers meter changes

BY JESSIE HELWIG

Staff Reporter

The Newark Traffic Commission made a decision to remove parking meters on East Main Street Tuesday, and also discussed changes in meter times to better accommodate students with evening classes.

A decision was previously made to modify the parking lot behind the Galleria on West Delaware Avenue in order to create a gate-controlled parking area.

This system will have each person parked in the lot to pay his or her fees before exiting.

Because of this change, large trucks that generally made deliveries in loading zones behind the Galleria will not be able to do so anymore.

Andrew Haines, parking administrator for the Planning Department, said a new loading zone must be established on Main Street to make up for the loss of delivery space.

"A loading zone directly in front of the Galleria would not be most desirable," Haines said.

Instead, he suggested a spot farther down the street in front of Grotto's Pizza.

"Companies don't seem to object to front door deliveries," Haines said.

Tom Parkins, a citizen representative of the traffic committee, said he was concerned with the possible removal of meters with shorter time limits around the location of the new delivery zone.

"People need those meters to go pick up a pizza or grab a coffee," he said.

Despite Parkins' concern, the committee voted unanimously to remove four meters on Main Street in front of Grotto's, in order to create space for the new loading zone.

Haines said the loss of these meters



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Some parking meters on Main Street will be removed once the Galleria parking lot becomes automated. The city is also considering extending parking meter time limits to accommodate students taking night classes.

should not affect citizens who want to visit Main Street for a short period of time.

"There will be a 10 minute grace period of free parking in the newly gated back lot of the Galleria," he said, "this should make up for the loss of the short term meters."

Parking meter times in the vicinity of campus and traffic issues for Delaware Department of Transportation were also discussed at the meeting.

The Traffic Commission received a letter from a graduate student who asked the members to consider extending meter times for students with three-hour night classes.

Roy Lopata, director of the Planning Department, said this is a new issue for the commission.

"It's odd we've never heard this before," he said.

Carol Houck, assistant city administrator, said the meters currently only consolidate those who park for two hours.

Houck said students who use metered spaces for parking during three-hour classes do not always have time to put in more quarters during a break from class.

"It is cheaper to pay the meter than buy a parking pass from the university," she said, "and therefore many students use them."

The committee considered the proposed extensions of meter times but decided further information was needed to determine which meters should be changed and how difficult it would be to change them.

The suggested change in meter times in the vicinity of the university was tabled for discussion at a later date.

Police address recent crime

BY TIM PARSONS

Staff Reporter

Newark and University Police addressed recent crime statistics, including the rise in rape, burglary and theft, during the city's Town and Gown meeting Monday.

Newark Police Chief Gerald Conway spoke about the general trends of criminal activity in Newark from Jan. 1 through April 10.

"Our part one crimes, like rape, theft and burglary are up about 9 percent from [this] time last year," he said.

According to Conway, nine rapes have already occurred in the Newark area this year. Only two occurred in 2003 during this same period from Jan. 1 to April 10.

Cpl. Tracy Simpson of Newark Police said nine rapes have been reported.

Conway said all but three of these reported rapes were "acquaintance rapes," which means the victim is familiar with the person who committed the act.

"Being an acquaintance rape does not make it any less of a crime," he said, "but it does make it easier to investigate."

Simpson said students can take certain precautions to avoid these types of situations.

"You have to take away the opportunity for the criminal to commit the crime," she said. "Always walk with another person and stay in well-lit areas, even if it means taking a little bit longer to get somewhere."

Simpson said if people have no other choice but to travel alone, they should contact Public Safety, who will escort them home safely.

Conway also spoke about part two crimes. Part two crimes include criminal mischief, alcohol and drug investigations, noise and disorderly conduct.

"Generally, our smaller type crimes like criminal mischief and alcohol related investigations are down from this time last year," he said, "but as the weather gets warmer, there will probably be an increase in these activities."

Conway said alcohol investigations are down from 160 during the Jan. 1 to April 10 time period in 2003 to 120 during the same time period in this year.

Simpson said the new alcohol enforcement unit might be one reason for this decrease.

"While these officers are on duty, they make a stronger focus on alcohol enforcement," she said.

The duties of these officers include going to liquor stores and monitoring for underage sales and making sure that establishments are not serving alcohol without any accompanying food items, Simpson said.

Capt. James Flatley, senior assistant director of Public Safety, stressed that students should not let their guard down.

"Students should always lock their doors, even when they are in the room," he said. "Students should also never let anybody they do not know into their building."

Flatley said nothing special has been done to help reduce these crimes.

"Public Safety has been very productive," he said. "We have been operating the same way for the last three years. The same number of officers are still out there."

Veterans relate complexity of politics in Israeli Army

BY KELLY MCHUGH

Staff Reporter

Three Israeli Army veterans fielded questions from students regarding their feelings about President George W. Bush and U.S. news coverage of Israel and Palestine during a forum sponsored by Delaware Israel Public Affairs Committee Tuesday night in Perkins Student Center.

Hagit, Eyal and Maya, who did not disclose their last names for security reasons, are members of Israel at Heart, a private organization that travels to campuses to present a positive image of Israel to Americans.

Maya, a 25-year-old business student who was born in Israel and grew up in the United States, said Israeli politics are more complex than Americans may think.

Hagit, a 25-year-old law student, said she agreed and referred to an old Jewish proverb.

"If you have 100 Jews in the room, you are going to have 101 different opinions," she said.

However, Maya said Israelis of many political stripes like President Bush's foreign policy.

"We like Bush for one reason," she said. "He is good to Israel."

However, Bush's domestic policies are too conservative for most Israelis, she said.

"Israel is a liberal country," Maya said. "We don't have a death penalty."

While many Israelis supported the United States' invasion of Iraq, Maya said, they still feared they were in danger during the conflict.

The Israeli Government provided everyone in the country with a gas mask in preparation for a potential attack.

"We were praying that nothing happened," she said.

In addition to worries over a chemical attack, Maya said she feared the rest of the world would believe Israel had asked the United States to invade Iraq.

"We were afraid we would be blamed for Bush coming into Iraq," she said.

Although they said they agreed with U.S. policy toward the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the speakers expressed displeasure with the way it is covered by U.S. news organizations.

Maya said she is disturbed by the media's portrayal of Israeli attitudes toward the Palestinians.

When an audience member suggested the lives of Israeli soldiers are more precious than those of Palestinians, she strongly objected.

"Soldiers lives aren't more valuable than anyone else's lives," she said, waving her hands. "We don't want to kill innocent Palestinians."

Eyal agreed, and said during his time in the army, every precaution was taken to avoid killing civilians.

"We only ever fire at someone in self defense," he said. "You can only shoot someone who has a weapon in their arms."

Hagit, who has studied Arabic, said she believes some Palestinian religious leaders mislead their followers by encouraging suicide bombings.

"I've read the Quran and it does not encourage this," she said. "The phrases are totally taken out of context."

Despite continued violence in the region, Maya still encouraged attendees to visit Israel.

"Israel is a state of mind," she said. "It's a very hectic state of mind."

Junior Emily Siegel said she recently returned from Israel and could relate to the speakers'



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Students discuss Middle Eastern politics and U.S. foreign policy with former Israeli Army soldiers at an event sponsored by Hillel Tuesday.

descriptions of the country.

"What they were saying reminds me of when I was there," she said. "It's nice to hear from people in the army who have a different view."

Sophomore Brian Albert, a member of DIPAC and an organizer for the event, said he found out about the opportunity to host the veterans in

January.

He said the discussion was an interesting and nontraditional way for students to learn about Israeli politics and society.

"It's fun for students," Albert said. "It's not just some old guy talking at you about Israel."

U.S. reflects five years after Columbine shootings

BY LEAH CONWAY

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As last Tuesday's anniversary of the shootings at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo. approached, legislators and interest groups have continued working at the state and national levels to help prevent a repeat of the nation's worst school shooting.

Delaware state Rep. Terry Spence, R-18th District and Speaker of the House of Representatives, said Delaware has been largely sheltered from serious school violence.

Spence said he attributes this to a number of laws put into place, such as the mandatory reporting of any crime in a public school to local police and to the state school board.

In addition, he said there is an implemented code of conduct enhancing safety. There is also a phone number to the attorney general's office for suspected threats of any kind.

"The 1-800 line is utilized very often," he said. "Originally they only had one officer investigating the calls, but the number was called so often they had to hire another one."

A number of the calls the office receives help police prevent crimes, he said.

"We want our public schools to be a safe environment," he said. "We took precautions before anything really serious has happened."

Deborah Barron, director of public affairs for Americans for Gun Safety, said the most important advancement in the past five years is a number of states, including Colorado and Oregon, closing gun show loopholes.

Closing the gun show loophole requires people buying guns at gun shows to first go through a background check, she said.

"Before, criminals and kids were able to buy guns with no questions

asked," she said.

Studies done by the AGS show a direct link between top gun trafficking states and an open loophole, Barron said.

"All 10 of the leading crime gun exports states have it open," she said. "These states are a major source of interstate crime gun."

Barron said another important issue on the table as the five years has passed is the question of the reauthorization of the Assault Weapons Ban in Congress Sept. 13.

Top legislators are currently lobbying to make sure they stay banned, she said.

John Norton, press secretary for the Children's Defense Fund, stated in a press release that on the fifth anniversary of the Columbine shootings, the CDF laments that the United States still lacks a comprehensive and common sense gun safety policy to keep children

safe.

The CDF attributes this failure to three things. Congress has not yet renewed the 10-year-old Assault Weapons Ban, gun show loophole background checks stalled in Congress and the budget cuts in the White House for juvenile programs for at-risk youth.

The Hi-Point Carbine used at Columbine was purchased at a gun show from an unlicensed dealer, currently exempt from federal law that requires background checks on gun purchasers, he said.

Norton said, in addition, one of the guns used in the Columbine shootings was a military style TEC-9. Assault weapons are currently prohibited in the Assault Weapons Ban soon to expire.

Graham Ousey, sociology professor, stated in an e-mail message that Columbine and other similar incidents, as horrific as they may be, are isolated and rare events.

"There is no clear evidence to suggest that crime in schools is running rampant," he said.

Ousey said assault weapons were actually banned prior to the shooting. However, assault weapons produced before the legislation were "grandfathered in" so that they may still be sold and purchased.

The National Rifle Association, a powerful lobby against the Assault Weapon Ban, he said, has pledged to support the candidate who pledges not to renew the ban.

The NRA was unavailable for comment.

"Since there have been several school shootings with some similarity to Columbine, it would be foolish to assume that it can't happen again or to get attention from classmates," Ousey said.

Students host blood drive

BY AARTI MAHTANI

Staff Reporter

In a process resembling an assembly line, more than 100 students gathered in the Trabant University Center Multipurpose Rooms Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon to donate blood to the Spring Blood Drive.

After lining up before receptionists and nurses, students gave their general information and received a free T-shirt. Following a long questionnaire and testing blood levels, 51 students who did not have medical problems were able to donate blood.

After the procedure, students were given snacks such as pretzels, cookies, water, soda, fruit, juice and crackers, while resting for a few minutes.

Shay Robb, school program coordinator for the Blood Banks of Delaware and the Eastern Shore, said she organizes the blood drives at the university by recruiting student organizations to sponsor the drives.

"I meet with the sponsoring groups a couple of weeks prior to the blood drive date to provide them with the recruitment and scheduling materials," she said.

Junior Matthew Pomerantz said he tries to donate blood at least three times a year because he thinks it is a great cause and a relatively simple process.

"It takes about 30 minutes of your time," he said, "and I can save three lives."

Pomerantz said he donates

often because blood donors are badly needed, and he finds it easier to donate on campus because it is more accessible to him.

"There are people who can use it better than I can," he said.

Senior Alison Skahan said she donates whenever there is a blood drive, or approximately every two months, and is used to the pain that accompanies the procedure.

"I'm a nursing student, so I see the need for blood all the time," she said.

Skahan said blood drives are important because there is a vast shortage of blood and it makes people aware of it, especially students who would not normally go out of their way to donate at a blood bank.

Robb said blood drives are important within high schools and universities to promote a positive image of blood donating to potential young donors.

"The future of the community blood supply relies on young donors who are willing to give blood as a regular part of their lives," she said.

Marianne Lazovick, a supervising nurse on duty during Tuesday's blood drive, said because of the nice weather, the turnout was less than expected because many students did not walk through Trabant and notice the blood drive was taking place.

"We come about seven times a year," she said. "The colder weather is always better



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Students donate blood at a drive sponsored by the Resident Student Association in Trabant this week.

to get students to donate because they come in Trabant and become aware of the blood drive."

Robb said the Resident Student Association sponsored the April blood drive and assisted on Tuesday, while Lambda Kappa Beta sorority and the

Student Nurses Organization wanted to participate and work the drive together on Wednesday.

She said university blood drives have been taking place for approximately 20 years with continued success.

Event honors Holocaust

BY E. KULHANEK

Staff Reporter

Students from Hillel Student Life organized a name reading in the Trabant University Center for the second year in a row Monday to honor Yom HaShoah, also known as Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Members of other student groups, including Haven and numerous fraternities and sororities, as well as interested students, read the names and ages of people who died during the Holocaust over a loudspeaker.

Sophomore Rebecca Kirzner, co-organizer of the event, said Hillel did the name reading to pay homage not only to the victims of the Holocaust, but to the survivors as well.

"The Holocaust was the most atrocious, devastating era in the past century," she said.

More than 13 million people died during the Holocaust, she said, and almost one-third of those were children.

Approximately 6 million Jewish people died during the Holocaust, Kirzner said. Other targeted groups included gypsies, homosexuals, Jehovah's witnesses and disabled people.

"The reason why we have this event is that it is incredibly important to remember the victims so that this never happens again," she said. "In a different time or place, it could have been any one of us."

Yad Veshen, a Holocaust memorial museum located in Israel, provided Hillel with the list of names. Other items on display were several pictures depicting

images like rail cars, a milk can and a pile of shoes that belonged to the victims.

Junior Ruth Ginsburg, co-organizer of the event, said she hoped this event helped raise awareness of discrimination that is still taking place today.

"Not just Jews, but anyone who wasn't what Hitler wanted them to be was persecuted," she said. "So many people are discriminated against because they are not what others want them to be."

Sophomore Ashley Bram-Johnson, who took part in reading for the event, said it is important to hold events like this so no one forgets what happened.

"It is amazing that some people can deny that this travesty took place when there is so much evidence of Nazi cruelty toward the victims and survivors in the concentration camps," she said.

Freshman Jason Fishkind said he took part in the reading not only because of his Jewish heritage but also because his fraternity, Sigma Alpha Mu, helped sponsor the event.

"I would like students to be aware of the tragedies that happened instead of being apathetic about it," he said. "Peace would be a good thing."

There was a poster available for students to sign to show their support for the victims and their families.

Hillel also sponsored a documentary film shown at the Perkins Student Center later that night about the Auschwitz concentration camp.

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Swedish students get a taste of U.S. college life

BY GRETA KNAPP

Staff Reporter

After e-mailing across the Atlantic Ocean for three months, 10 university students from the Learning Integrated Freshmen Experience met their pen pals, 10 Swedish students from Calmare Internationella Skola in Kalmar, during a reception at the Blue and Gold Club Wednesday afternoon.

Meghan Biery, LIFE program coordinator, said the LIFE students volunteered to write to the Swedish students as a way to expand their cultural knowledge and understanding.

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U.S. reflects five years after Columbine shootings

BY LEAH CONWAY

News Features Editor

As last Tuesday's anniversary of the shootings at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., approached, legislators and interest groups have continued working at the state and national levels to help prevent a repeat of the nation's worst school shooting.

Delaware state Rep. Terry Spence, R-18th District and Speaker of the House of Representatives, said Delaware has been largely sheltered from serious school violence.

Spence said he attributes this to a number of laws put into place, such as the mandatory reporting of any crime in a public school to local police and to the state school board.

In addition, he said there is an implemented code of conduct enhancing safety. There is also a phone number to the attorney general's office for suspected threats of any kind.

"The 1-800 line is utilized very often," he said. "Originally they only had one officer investigating the calls, but the number was called so often they had to hire another one."

A number of the calls the office receives help police prevent crimes, he said.

"We want our public schools to be a safe environment," he said. "We took precautions before anything really serious has happened."

Deborah Barron, director of public affairs for Americans for Gun Safety, said the most important advancement in the past five years is a number of states, including Colorado and Oregon, closing gun show loopholes.

Closing the gun show loophole requires people buying guns at gun shows to first go through a background check, she said.

"Before, criminals and kids were able to buy guns with no questions

asked," she said.

Studies done by the AGS show a direct link between top gun trafficking states and an open loophole, Barron said.

"All 10 of the leading crime gun exports states have it open," she said. "These states are a major source of interstate crime gun."

Barron said another important issue on the table as the five years has passed is the question of the reauthorization of the Assault Weapons Ban in Congress Sept. 13.

Top legislators are currently lobbying to make sure they stay banned, she said.

John Norton, press secretary for the Children's Defense Fund, stated in a press release that on the fifth anniversary of the Columbine shootings, the CDF laments that the United States still lacks a comprehensive and common sense gun safety policy to keep children

safe.

The CDF attributes this failure to three things. Congress has not yet renewed the 10-year-old Assault Weapons Ban, gun show loophole background checks stalled in Congress and the budget cuts in the White House for juvenile programs for at-risk youth.

The Hi-Point Carbine used at Columbine was purchased at a gun show from an unlicensed dealer, currently exempt from federal law that requires background checks on gun purchasers, he said.

Norton said, in addition, one of the guns used in the Columbine shootings was a military style TEC-9. Assault weapons are currently prohibited in the Assault Weapons Ban soon to expire.

Graham Ousey, sociology professor, stated in an e-mail message that Columbine and other similar incidents, as horrific as they may be, are isolated and rare events.

"There is no clear evidence to suggest that crime in schools is running rampant," he said.

Ousey said assault weapons were actually banned prior to the shooting. However, assault weapons were "grandfathered in" so that they may still be sold and purchased.

The National Rifle Association, a powerful lobby against the Assault Weapon Ban, he said, has pledged to support the candidate who pledges not to renew the ban.

The NRA was unavailable for comment.

"Since there have been several school shootings with some similarity to Columbine, it would be foolish to assume that it can't happen again or to get attention from classmates," Ousey said.

Students host blood drive

BY AARTI MAHTANI

Staff Reporter

In a process resembling an assembly line, more than 100 students gathered in the Trabant University Center Multipurpose Rooms Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon to donate blood to the Spring Blood Drive.

After lining up before receptionists and nurses, students gave their general information and received a free T-shirt. Following a long questionnaire and testing blood levels, 51 students who did not have medical problems were able to donate blood.

After the procedure, students were given snacks such as pretzels, cookies, water, soda, fruit, juice and crackers, while resting for a few minutes.

Shay Robb, school program coordinator for the Blood Banks of Delaware and the Eastern Shore, said she organizes the blood drives at the university by recruiting student organizations to sponsor the drives.

"I meet with the sponsoring groups a couple of weeks prior to the blood drive date to provide them with the recruitment and scheduling materials," she said.

Junior Matthew Pomerantz said he tries to donate blood at least three times a year because he thinks it is a great cause and a relatively simple process.

"It takes about 30 minutes of your time," he said, "and I can save three lives."

Pomerantz said he donates

often because blood donors are badly needed, and he finds it easier to donate on campus because it is more accessible to him.

"There are people who can use it better than I can," he said.

Senior Alison Skahan said she donates whenever there is a blood drive, or approximately every two months, and is used to the pain that accompanies the procedure.

"I'm a nursing student, so I see the need for blood all the time," she said.

Skahan said blood drives are important because there is a vast shortage of blood and it makes people aware of it, especially students who would not normally go out of their way to donate at a blood bank.

Robb said blood drives are important within high schools and universities to promote a positive image of blood donating to potential young donors.

"The future of the community blood supply relies on young donors who are willing to give blood as a regular part of their lives," she said.

Marianne Lazovick, a supervising nurse on duty during Tuesday's blood drive, said because of the nice weather, the turnout was less than expected because many students did not walk through Trabant and notice the blood drive was taking place.

"We come about seven times a year," she said. "The colder weather is always better



THE REVIEW/Jessica Duome

Students donate blood at a drive sponsored by the Resident Student Association in Trabant this week.

to get students to donate because they come in Trabant and become aware of the blood drive."

Robb said the Resident Student Association sponsored the April blood drive and assisted on Tuesday, while Lambda Kappa Beta sorority and the

Student Nurses Organization wanted to participate and work the drive together on Wednesday.

She said university blood drives have been taking place for approximately 20 years with continued success.

Event honors Holocaust

BY E. KULHANEK

Staff Reporter

Students from Hillel Student Life organized a name reading in the Trabant University Center for the second year in a row Monday to honor Yom HaShoah, also known as Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Members of other student groups, including Haven and numerous fraternities and sororities, as well as interested students, read the names and ages of people who died during the Holocaust over a loudspeaker.

Sophomore Rebecca Kirzner, co-organizer of the event, said Hillel did the name reading to pay homage not only to the victims of the Holocaust, but to the survivors as well.

"The Holocaust was the most atrocious, devastating era in the past century," she said.

More than 13 million people died during the Holocaust, she said, and almost one-third of those were children.

Approximately 6 million Jewish people died during the Holocaust, Kirzner said. Other targeted groups included gypsies, homosexuals, Jehovah's witnesses and disabled people.

"The reason why we have this event is that it is incredibly important to remember the victims so that this never happens again," she said. "In a different time or place, it could have been any one of us."

Yad Veshen, a Holocaust memorial museum located in Israel, provided Hillel with the list of names. Other items on display were several pictures depicting

images like rail cars, a milk can and a pile of shoes that belonged to the victims.

Junior Ruth Ginsburg, co-organizer of the event, said she hoped this event helped raise awareness of discrimination that is still taking place today.

"Not just Jews, but anyone who wasn't what Hitler wanted them to be was persecuted," she said. "So many people are discriminated against because they are not what others want them to be."

Sophomore Ashley Bram-Johnson, who took part in reading for the event, said it is important to hold events like this so no one forgets what happened.

"It is amazing that some people can deny that this travesty took place when there is so much evidence of Nazi cruelty toward the victims and survivors in the concentration camps," she said.

Freshman Jason Fishkind said he took part in the reading not only because of his Jewish heritage but also because his fraternity, Sigma Alpha Mu, helped sponsor the event.

"I would like students to be aware of the tragedies that happened instead of being apathetic about it," he said. "Peace would be a good thing."

There was a poster available for students to sign to show their support for the victims and their families.

Hillel also sponsored a documentary film shown at the Perkins Student Center later that night about the Auschwitz concentration camp.

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ulty lounge and a language laboratory. Timothy F. Brooks, former dean of students at the university, said this is an excellent usage of the property since the university is always short of faculty offices and it has such a prime location.

Hollowell said the construction of the former houses is scheduled to start this summer and the project should be completed by fall 2005.

Although the Greek community is losing these two fraternity houses, he said, part of the current Pencader construction includes building two more duplex houses on Laird Campus to create more on-campus housing for fraternities and sororities.

Linda Carey, director of housing assignment services, said the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority will be moving into "sorority row" on Pencader Way next year because its current house is being torn down.

The new Pencader project, which will be completed in fall 2006, will eventually create 250 bed spaces for students, she said.

Ryan Jacobsen, director of new chapter development for Sig Ep, said his fraternity would love to be included in that project, especially since the new Sig Ep chapter is looking to build a substance-free residential learning community.

Junior Dan Miller, president of the new Sig Ep chapter at the university, said he believes Sig Ep's nationals are interested in a house but knows there are some restrictions surrounding fraternity houses in Newark.

Roy H. Lopata, director of planning in Newark, said new fraternity and sorority houses are no longer permitted off-campus.

He said Newark regulations pertaining to Greek houses are designed so new fraternities and

sororities need to work with the university to find housing on-campus.

The university owns 16 percent of the land in Newark, he said.

Carey said although the 2003 Fall Semester began with 152 extended rooms, she does not think the university needs to utilize the former fraternity houses to provide regular housing for students.

"We're always in a crunch situation in the fall, meaning we have to have some extended housing," she said, "but I don't think we're so overcrowded that we need to go into those fraternity spaces."

Carey said although the location of the former fraternity houses on East Main Street is closer than Laird Campus, some students enjoy the more secluded environment of Laird Campus and utilize the university bus system.

Jacobsen said the former fraternity house on Main Street was in dire need of repair and would have probably been too expensive for the chapter to repair.

He said Sig Ep has a written agreement with the university that if the new Sig Ep chapter proves itself to be an outstanding fraternity on campus, the university will help them to find a house when they are ready.

Jacobsen said \$300,000 of the sale from the former Sig Ep house was put into an educational endowment, which pays \$12,000 a year to the chapter for scholarships for members at the university.

"I know some students feel the university is against Greek life," he said, "but all of my key conversations with the administration at the university, from the president to the director of activities, have been very positive and very helpful."

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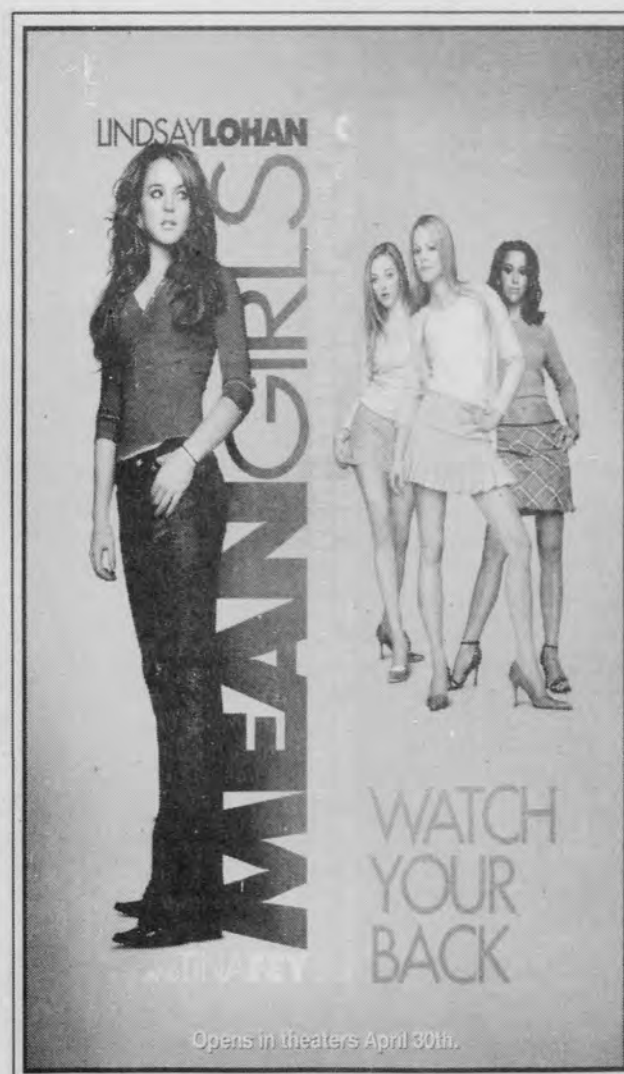
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Editorial

A8 April 23, 2004

Recycling

The Faculty Senate tackled a major issue at its April 12 meeting that everyone on this campus knows is seriously lacking compared to other universities — recycling.

One faculty member acknowledged that this university recycles 10 to 14 percent of its solid wastes, compared to the 30 to 40 percent that competing universities recycle.

The Faculty Senate recognized this deficiency in environmental reform and decided to form a committee to improve the system and educate students about the environment.

The Review commends the Faculty Senate for taking the initiative to get involved in improving the current recycling program and for engaging student activity on the issue.

Various student organizations have been working hard in

recent years to try to improve the university's recycling programs, unfortunately without making much headway.

While students might have limited reach when it comes to convincing the university administration to change its policies, their efforts combined with those of the Faculty Senate will be much harder to ignore.

The university is clearly not keeping pace with the rest of the country when it comes to recycling.

It is encouraging to see members of the faculty trying to bring this issue into the spotlight — not only by planning to bring improvements to the university's current system, but also by planning to educate the student population about what they can do to help.

Review This:

The Faculty Senate should be applauded for taking the issue of campus recycling head on.

VX Gas

The Army recently accepted a complaint from the governors of Delaware and New Jersey in regards to its plan to treat waste water from a VX gas neutralization plant at a DuPont facility near the Delaware River.

The governors' objections join more than 750 other comments the Army has received.

DuPont has issued a lengthy report that admits two phosphorus-type acids would leak into the river, but not to a level that could cause health problems. DuPont has also agreed to review a report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention before moving forward on the Army's project.

However, even if the Army

takes every individual complaint into consideration and even if DuPont promises to listen to the CDC's analysis of the Army's proposal, there is nothing the states can do to stop the Army

and DuPont from moving forward if they decide to do so. The National Environment Protection Act requires all environmental consequences to be taken into consideration when federal money is being spent on a project of this nature. No one will dispute the fact that the Delaware River

is already one of the most polluted environments on the East Coast. We can only hope that the Army and DuPont consider every factor before making a decision.

Review This:

The Army and DuPont should take objections from the governors of New Jersey and Delaware very seriously.



THE REVIEW / Dan Lasowski

Letters to the Editor

Students are not as apathetic and uninvolved as some would believe

The students outlined in the April 20 issue of The Review about joining the campaign trail for the 2004 elections are not the only ones on campus doing their part to engage in the political process.

Amid the well-kept lawns and shrubbery of this campus, there has been a revolution afoot. For almost six months now, in some cases longer, dorm rooms have been buzzing with discussion, student organization offices lively with organizing and meetings at loud coffee stores have been full of anticipation and excitement. All of this has been happening under our very noses here at the university.

These students, myself and Students Acting for Gender Equality, the organization that I help lead, have been planning for what is

bound to be a historical event in women's history — The March for Women's Lives. The march is a massive event happening this Sunday, April 25 in Washington, D.C. that will bring together supporters of women's rights and reproductive rights from around the country.

And who said kids at this school were apathetic? Not only has SAGE been organizing for this event all year, but delegations and supporters from Hillel, the Men Against Rape Society, Haven, the Campus Greens, Amnesty International and countless other people — your peers — have come out of the woodwork to support a woman's right to choose, a cause that they firmly believe in.

What better time than now to be involved in politics? A hotly contested presidential election is just around the corner and it is now that we need to speak out for what we want changed come November 2004. I commend the students who are volunteering for political campaigns, and I also commend the women

and men of this campus and its community who have come together to fill five busses full to capacity to attend the march in Washington this Sunday.

I think every time I open The Review there is a column about the college life in some respect — whether it is about being lazy, drinking, missing class or other perks and peevs of university living. Here, my fellow students, is an astounding fact: there is more happening here on campus. Amazing things, things that inspire people, things that make people feel like they are making a difference. The March for Women's Lives is one of those things. Cancel your plans for Sunday, you know they were going to be lame anyway, and get on the bus to D.C.

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Bob Thurlow

What About Bob?

Either way, I have taken it upon myself to inform you of the evils of your ways so you don't piss me, or any other rational college student, off. I have previously lectured about driving through students while they are crossing the street, cell phone abuse and the importance of showering, to name a few, but I feel the beautiful spring weather will allow me to comment on new fads that seem to be appearing (as well as those irritating quirks that never seem to go away).

Before I start, I just want to lay down a little ground rule for everyone out there — think before you do things. I guarantee your annoyance factor will go down at least 35 percent. But now, I can get into the body of my rules.

1 a. I know the weather is picking up, but that does not mean you have permission to force your body into a tight pair of shorts. It might be hot, but trust me, you are not. I don't know how many times in the last week where I just shook my head as I saw way too much of someone — and this goes for guys and girls. My advice is to look in the mirror before you leave and check to make sure not too much skin is hanging over that beltline.

1 b. Also, now that it is spring, it is officially mating season, but there is no reason to bring out the bizarre wardrobe. Some species attract mates through bright colors and pheromones, but that does not mean you have to. Neon green Hammer pants or overloading on the cologne does nothing. Trust someone who knows about these things. Also, if you find yourself carrying around an oversized tropical drink umbrella to shield yourself from the sun, you might want to come up with a good reason soon before someone tries to steal your lunch money.

2. Shower. I can't stress this enough. Use soap. I'll give it to you.

3. This is a multi-tiered one for all of you hippies out there. First of

I thought I made things perfectly clear to all of you last fall about the do's and do not's of surviving on campus, but apparently not everyone saved their copy, or maybe times have changed.

all, just because it's sunny out doesn't mean you have to play your bongo drums or O.A.R. songs on your guitar outside. Secondly, if you find yourself throwing around a Frisbee (I assume that's what all hippies do), please don't purposely throw it down the paths between buildings where there is no way for the people on the paths to get out of the way. That's just stupid.

You hit me with a Frisbee, I shove it up your ...

4. This goes to a lot of you out there (especially those with those stupid ass trucker hats), it doesn't hurt to get your hair cut. What works for Ashton Kutcher doesn't necessarily work for everyone.

5. I have previously complained about the 'princess' phenomenon, and I think my rantings have all but eliminated that evil, but I still see many people, girls in particular, who are always striving to be the center of attention. You don't always need to be the center of everything, so here's a suggestion: shut up.

6. I have no problem with people holding conversations before class, but try not to talk too loudly about sensitive subjects. I know too much about this random chick's sex life who sits behind me in one of my classes. By the way, if one of your female housemates is taking criminal justice, she might be having sex with your boyfriend.

7. I thought this one was one of those unwritten laws, but some of you don't understand it, so I have been forced to put it into words. When walking behind someone, it does not follow proper guidelines to walk at the same speed of the person when you are within 10 feet of the other person. It's just creepy. If you are that close, either speed up or slow down. I also thought it was assumed that it is against protocol to walk three or four people across during peak walking hours (10 a.m. through 3 p.m.). How about some courtesy, people?

8. There is absolutely no excuse not to shower.

While these are not all of the things college students do to bug me, they are a few of the main things that you can change to make my life easier. Good luck.

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Atheists face social stigmas like other minorities



Mike Fox

Will Write For Food

To be a minority comes with its inherent hardships, so to be a minority by choice takes true courage.

I'm an atheist, and in case you haven't heard, we're all immoral, un-American, confused sinners who want to destroy religion everywhere it exists. Secularists face discrimination and stereotypes like all minorities.

Like most non-theists you'll meet, I'm a former Catholic. I won't get into the infinite metaphysical concerns about theism and atheism, but I'll simply say that I simply do not believe in the existence of God, any gods, of any religion, past or present. Why? I choose not to accept the premises.

Each religion is like its own medicine: what's therapeutic for some might not be for others.

Now that I'm not Christian, I'm a minority, but part of a very large minority. According to a 2001 survey, 14 percent of

Americans reject religion, and only 3.7 percent belong to a non-Christian religion. So it's safe to say that secularists make up a significant portion of the U.S. population.

Telling family members you have become an atheist could be very much like coming out of the closet on homosexuality.

As I've said, being an atheist comes with its social stigmas. My ninth grade English teacher asked me in class, not out of malice but mere topical curiosity, "Where do your morals come from?" I could hear my classmates whispering — "atheist," "an atheist," "he's an atheist."

Some Christian in my high school once asked me suspiciously, "So you looked at all the religions in the world and reached this decision?" I responded with a curious look, "Have you?" Not every religion can be the right one.

On a national scale, non-theists have been conspicuously scorned. Tom Brokaw had the testicular fortitude to say on live TV that "there are no atheists in foxholes," a World War II-era canon that secularists are cowardly. If he had made a similar generalization about any other minority he'd be unemployed right now.

Eagle Scout Darrell Lambert was expelled from Boy Scouts of America in November 2002 for refusing to recant his atheistic beliefs. In 1998, two 16-year-old Scouts, who refused to take an oath to God, were awarded Eagle Scout badges after a seven-year legal battle.

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Ellen Johnson, president of American Atheists, a political action group, has received death threats from numerous individuals simply because of her beliefs.

The most conspicuous anti-secularist sentiment came after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, when it seemed that patri-

otism and religion had become one and the same. The United States looked more like an Iranian theocracy or Vatican papal state.

The infamous Pledge of Allegiance case and other church-state separation legal battles have portrayed secularists in a negative light because they misunderstand our motives. I, like most secularists, will tell you that I believe in freedom of religion as much as freedom from religion.

The Washington Post ran a column earlier this year discussing a possible backlash against secularists if the Supreme Court rules that "under God" in the Pledge would make it unsuitable for public school recitation. I believe there will be a backlash no matter what the court rules.

If the court rules against the Pledge, it's likely most Americans will see secularists as traitors or fanatics who are using the judiciary to destroy religion and America's spiritual heritage.

But if the court rules in favor of the Pledge, these same Americans will laugh in our faces with a blunt, "We told you so!" setting back years of progress in the church-state separation movement.

In closing, I'd like to leave you with an excerpt of the oral arguments before the Supreme Court on the Pledge case on March 24. Michael Newdow, the original atheist plaintiff, had just argued that the current Pledge is intrinsically divisive:

Chief Justice Rehnquist: "Do we know — do we know what the vote was in Congress apropos of divisiveness to adopt the under God phrase?"

Newdow: "It was apparently unanimous. There was no objection. There's no count of the vote."

Rehnquist: "Well, that doesn't sound very divisive."

(Laughter)
Newdow: "It doesn't sound divisive if — that's only because no atheist can get elected to public office. The studies show that 48 percent of the population cannot get elected."

(Applause)
Rehnquist: "The courtroom will be cleared if there's any more clapping."

Mike Fox is a managing news editor for The Review. He has heard "The Passion of the Christ," but he hasn't seen the book was better. Send comments to mkfox7@yahoo.com.

Comic strip explores unseen side of war



Ben Andersen

Ben There, Done That

This is perhaps the most vivid picture of non-deadly injuries we will get from the front line of the war in Iraq.

The Gary Trudeau political cartoon began a story where B.D., one of the running characters, received serious injuries in the war. After cutting away from B.D.'s misadventures in the war-torn country for a few days to cover President George W. Bush's press conference last week, this week's comic opened in a powerful fashion.

The first panel opens completely in black with just the word, "hey." The reader finds out that B.D. had been hit and watches as the medics work to save his life. In Wednesday's edition it is discovered that he lost his left leg.

Not your average comic strip.

Many people will inevitably read this as an attempt by Trudeau to sensationalize his comic to attract attention. They may see him as just another writer or comedian taking advantage of the soldiers for his own gain.

This is not true.

Like any artist, Trudeau is using his medium to capture an aspect of war that is too often overlooked.

Americans keep track of the rising death toll in Iraq, but we ignore the thousands of soldiers who come home without an arm or a leg.

The story being told in Doonesbury this week exposes many readers, including myself, to a graphic visual of war that cannot be understood

through words on a page alone. There are many talented writers in Iraq, but humans are drawn to pictures.

"Thirteen soldiers were wounded yesterday when a roadside bomb exploded under their jeep."

It is not the same as seeing a picture. Even if it is illustrated.

To be a political cartoonist, like Trudeau, and ignore mounting casualties during wartime is either negligent or ignorant.

Unlike Garfield or The Family Circus, Doonesbury is a serial meant to inspire political thought.

Trudeau is similar to a journalist in this manner. He cannot stay out of Iraq any more than a political cartoonist from the editorial section can.

The recent strips, while demeaning the current White House, do not devolve into the outright Bush-bashing going on in other comic strips or newspaper op-ed pages.

The Boondocks is a classic example of this type of unfair, yet hilarious anti-Bush rhetoric floating through our liberal funny pages.

A few weeks ago Boondocks ran a few strips featuring President Bush and the campaign slogan, "Isn't almost good enough?"

Stating that presidential hopeful John Kerry did not have a plan to put a base on the moon — compared to Bush's plan that it was "almost" feasible — the strip asked when it comes to moon bases, isn't "almost" good enough?

While most strips are trite like Boondocks, Trudeau has created one that is touching and poignant. It is rare to see comic characters crying in the newspaper. It is just not funny, but here it works.

I know, it sounds very silly to be in college and be inspired to write about a comic strip.

Unfortunately, this may be the most accurate view of the war we as civilians may ever get to see. With Geraldo Rivera running around television we are never going to get an accurate picture of what is really going

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on over there.

I believe most Americans do not know how bad it really is in Iraq. I cannot speak for the morale of the troops, but I am sure it must fall at least at the same rate as it does here at home.

As we found out earlier this week, summer is coming, and summer in Iraq is much worse than the Delaware humidity.

If the point of this editorial was to say get the troops out or to criticize the government, it would have been done by now. No, the point is there is an opportunity here to see a side of war we usually miss.

It would be a shame if we continued to miss it.

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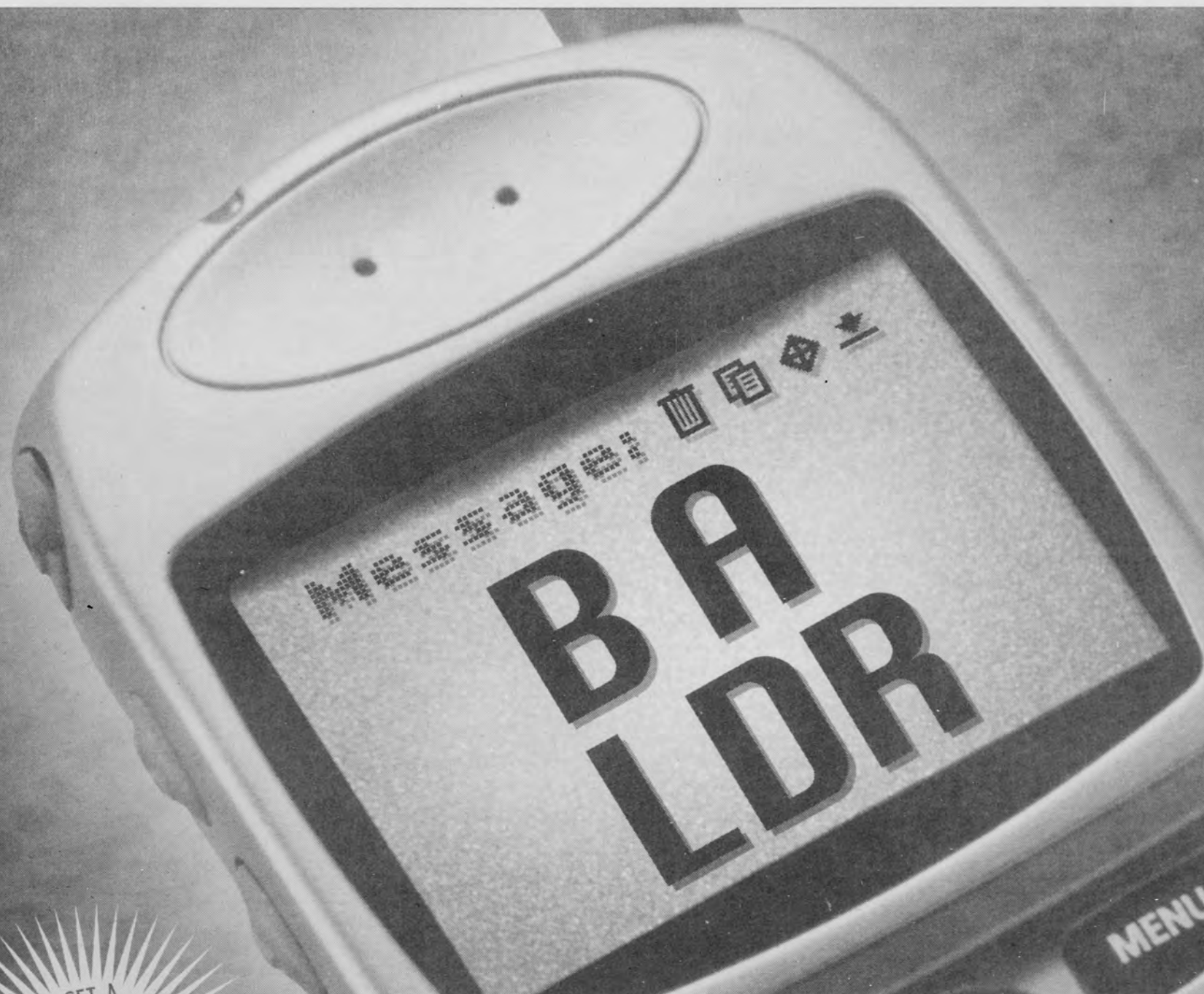
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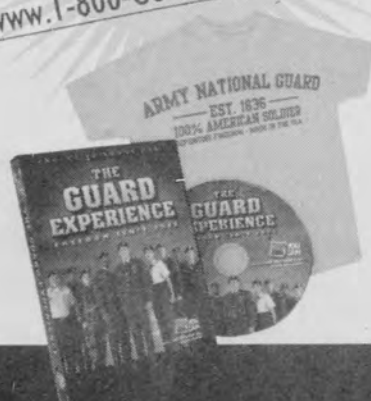
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Cicadas return from 17-year slumber

BY SARA J. GRAHAM
Staff Reporter

They're coming. Just when you thought it was safe to enjoy the warm weather, millions of bugs will be making their appearance, interrupting Frisbee games and welcoming summer nights with their itchy lullaby — an event 17 years in the making.

Brood X, the cycle that last affected Delaware in 1987, will emerge again from the ground at the beginning of May in several Eastern states. Periodical cicadas, or Magicicadas, are flying, plant-sucking insects often confused with locusts.

They appear in large numbers, but without the doomsday foreshadowing suggested in the Bible and destruction associated with locusts. They also look nothing like locusts, with their wide-set red eyes, jet-black bodies and clear wings.

Rob Line, manager of the Natural Areas Program in Delaware State Parks, says periodical cicadas have an unusually long lifecycle for an insect, living underground as nymphs for 17 years. Millions of periodical cicadas crawl out of underground tunnels to become adults, making their presence known with loud chirping and an overwhelmingly large population.

The severity of the brood is often relative to a specific location. In

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Funnyman Jim Norton visits UD

BY CALLYE MORRISSEY
Entertainment Editor

Best known for his appearances on Comedy Central's "Tough Crowd with Colin Quinn" and the cancelled radio show Opie and Anthony, comedian Jim Norton left no topic sacred during his sold-out performance in Trabant Theater on Monday night.

Local Klondike Kate's Quizzo host Geno Bisconte warmed up the crowd with rants on NASCAR fans ("Want me to speak slower?"), buying rental cars ("it's like marrying a retired prostitute.") and his disgust for game shows ("Alex Trebek is an asshole."). Although waves of "boos" can be heard echoing through the room at more controversial remarks, such as buying his 2-year-old niece a stripper pole when she becomes interested in becoming a dancer, the crowd warms up to Geno in anticipation for the main attraction.

Tonight, Norton takes the stage wearing an oversized blue university "Just 'U' Do It" T-shirt, but not without one small complaint.

"I'm afraid I'm going to sweat and the words will rub off on my chest," he says.

Norton, who describes himself as a "slug boy" with "man tits," looks more like a bald munchkin from "Wizard of Oz," with the only difference being that he is a full-sized person with an interestingly egg-shaped head.

During his set, Norton gives his stance on a plethora of topics, including the New York blackout, penis problems, girlfriends, pornography, the return of Opie and Anthony, California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, visiting troops in Iraq, hanging out in Cancun for MTV's Spring Break special and being dissed by rapper 50 Cent for a photograph.

No matter what the topic is, Norton always seems to end up talking about his disgust for his penis, especially when it refuses to cooperate. During a specific instance when his penis declined to rise, he describes it as "a moist pink slug and I wanted to pour salt on it."

Norton doesn't omit talking about the show that gave him his start. Opie and Anthony, the radio shock jocks that were thrown off the air in August 2002 after their "Sex for Sam" contest led to listeners having sex in a church, are on their way to returning to radio. Norton tells the audience they are waiting for their contract to expire, and once it does, they will be back, even if only on satel-

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Stay hydrated with cold beverages

BY LAURA BOYCE
Features Editor

Finding a way to cool off and relax under the hot rays of the beating sun hasn't been the easiest task to tackle during the 80-degree days Delaware has had recently.

A few cold, mixed drinks, however, might be the perfect answer to tolerating the beads of sweat rolling off the forehead.

Whether barbecuing in the backyard with friends, lounging in a shady spot next to a loved one, reading a juicy novel in a hammock or soaking in the glowing sun — sipping on a summer-inspired drink is sure to chill anyone out.

Mix up a few of these concoctions, courtesy of www.mixed-drinkrecipes.net, and turn this weekend from blah into hoorah. Cheers!

Non-Alcoholic

Southwest Smoothie

Ingredients:

1/2 cup sliced banana, mango, papaya or guava
2 cups milk
1 Tbsp. honey

Directions:

Place all ingredients in food processor or blender with a steel blade. Cover and process on high speed until smooth. Strain if using mango.

Serves: 3

Difficulty: Easy

Cotton Candy Cooler

Ingredients:

2 oz. cotton candy mix
1/2 part orange juice
1/2 part sprite

Directions:

Shake with ice, and pour into glass. Enjoy!

Serves: 1

Difficulty: Easy

Cowboy Punch

Ingredients:

2 bottles white grape juice
1 large bottle club soda
2 large bottles 7-Up

Directions:

Mix together all ingredients. Chill thoroughly. Serve well chilled. Tastes like champagne.

Servings: 10

Difficulty: Child's play

Summer Fruit Cocktail Cooler

Ingredients:

2 cups diced nectarines
10 ounces frozen strawberries
1 cup orange juice
28 oz. club soda or seltzer water
Mint sprigs

Directions:

Combine nectarines and partially thawed strawberries. Add orange juice in blender. Whirl until smooth. Pour into chilled glasses until 2/3 full. Slowly add club soda and garnish with a mint sprig.

Servings: 8

Difficulty: Easy

Banana Banshee

Ingredients:

1 oz chocolate syrup
1 banana
2 scoops ice cream
Ice

Directions:

Blend

Servings: 1

Difficulty: Easy

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Get your facts straight before seeing the film

The Alamo may be a Hollywood creation, but here's the real story

BY MIKE FOX
Managing News Editor

The siege at the Alamo on March 6, 1836 was the climatic battle of the Texas Revolution, which was ignited the year before when Texas declared its right to secede from Mexico.

To encourage settlement and trade in Texas, the Mexican government began selling cheap lots of land to Americans in the 1820s and 1830s but on two conditions: slaves were not permitted in the province (Mexico had abolished slavery), and settlers had to convert to Catholicism.

Most of the American pioneers ignored these mandates. Mexico had been plagued with political turmoil since its independence from Spain in 1821. When the Texas Revolution erupted in 1835, Mexico was governed by the military dictatorship of Gen. Antonio López de Santa Ana, arguably one of the most incompetent military figures in history.

Santa Ana's military power often conflicted with attempts to establish a constitutionally stable Mexican government. Texan settlers became disillusioned with the dictator's arrogance and proclaimed their right to self-rule in protest of Santa Ana's termination of the latest national constitution.

Although the Texas revolutionaries appointed Sam Houston the head of the rebel army, disunity and ill-equipped soldiers crippled the effort. Also, the United States was generally

divided over whether to support the Texans.

The Alamo changed that. More than 300 revolutionaries under the command of William Travis garrisoned inside the former Spanish mission. Santa Ana was determined to crush all Texan opposition and lead thousands of Mexican soldiers northward to confront the rebels in San Antonio.

Davy Crockett, the famed pioneer and former frontier congressman, and Jim Bowie, inventor of the knife that bears his name, were among the soldiers inside. After a violent battle, nearly all the Texans inside were dead. Every man who survived, including Crockett, was executed on Santa Ana's order. Other Texans and a majority of Americans vowed revenge for Santa Ana's savagery. "Remember the Alamo," the infamous battle cry, was born. Houston's army defeated the Mexicans at San Jacinto on April 2, and Texan independence was secured. The Republic of Texas was admitted to the union in 1845.

A boarder dispute between Texas and Mexico in 1846 resulted in the Mexican War, another crushing defeat for Santa Ana, resulting in the loss of more Mexican territory to the United States. Houston served as governor of Texas, adamantly opposing his state's secession during the Civil War, to no avail.

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New meaning to stop, drop, roll

BY LAUREN FRIEDMAN
Staff Reporter

Frozen turkeys and fire safety — a combination not often used in the same sentence, let alone the same breath.

As Ralph T. Baker distributed frozen turkeys, along with the annual \$1,000 bonus to his employees, the turkey's netting sparked an idea in his head, one which could aid fire safety.

While driving his truck, thoughts raced between his company's finances, employee Christmas presents and the recent fire at Las Vegas's MGM Grand Hotel, in which 700 people were injured and 85 died. His mind revisited the image of a mesh turkey netting, this time as a tunnel coming out of a window and a man escaping through it.

The decision to expand his idea led to the dissolve of his family-owned petroleum-trucking company within three years. But it was the idea of a lifetime.

"I never invented anything, I was never a fire fighter — I was a trucker," Baker says.

His invention, the Baker Life Chute, can hold up to 90,000 pounds at once, deploys within five seconds and can be used immediately. A mesh material encloses a blue fireproof casing.

Those afraid of heights find solace in the fact that the person riding inside the Life Chute cannot see the ground through the netting. One can only see their own feet and the person in front of them.

In addition to its many positive life-saving aspects, the Life Chute does not need any professional supervision and can be deployed by anyone.

"America put people on the moon 253,300,000 miles away and they come home safely. But 250 to 300 feet in the air a person does not have a chance to get out of a building that is being ravaged by fire, earthquake or terrorism," Baker says.

Tears well in his eyes as he speaks of the horrors of Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. He explains how his product might have saved thousands of lives.

As a result of the attacks, his product is gaining more recognition now than it has in the past 24 years because people are more aware now, he says.

The people in the World Trade Center had an hour and 45 minutes to evacuate, Baker says. The people in the upper levels could not do anything to escape, a situation his chute might have been able to alleviate.

"We understand that every high-rise in every city must have a secondary means of egress if it's out of hook and ladder reach," Baker says.

The Wilmington Fire Department bought six chutes due to the effectiveness of the Life Chute.

The city of Newark's Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co. ladders reach the seventh story of the Christiana Towers.

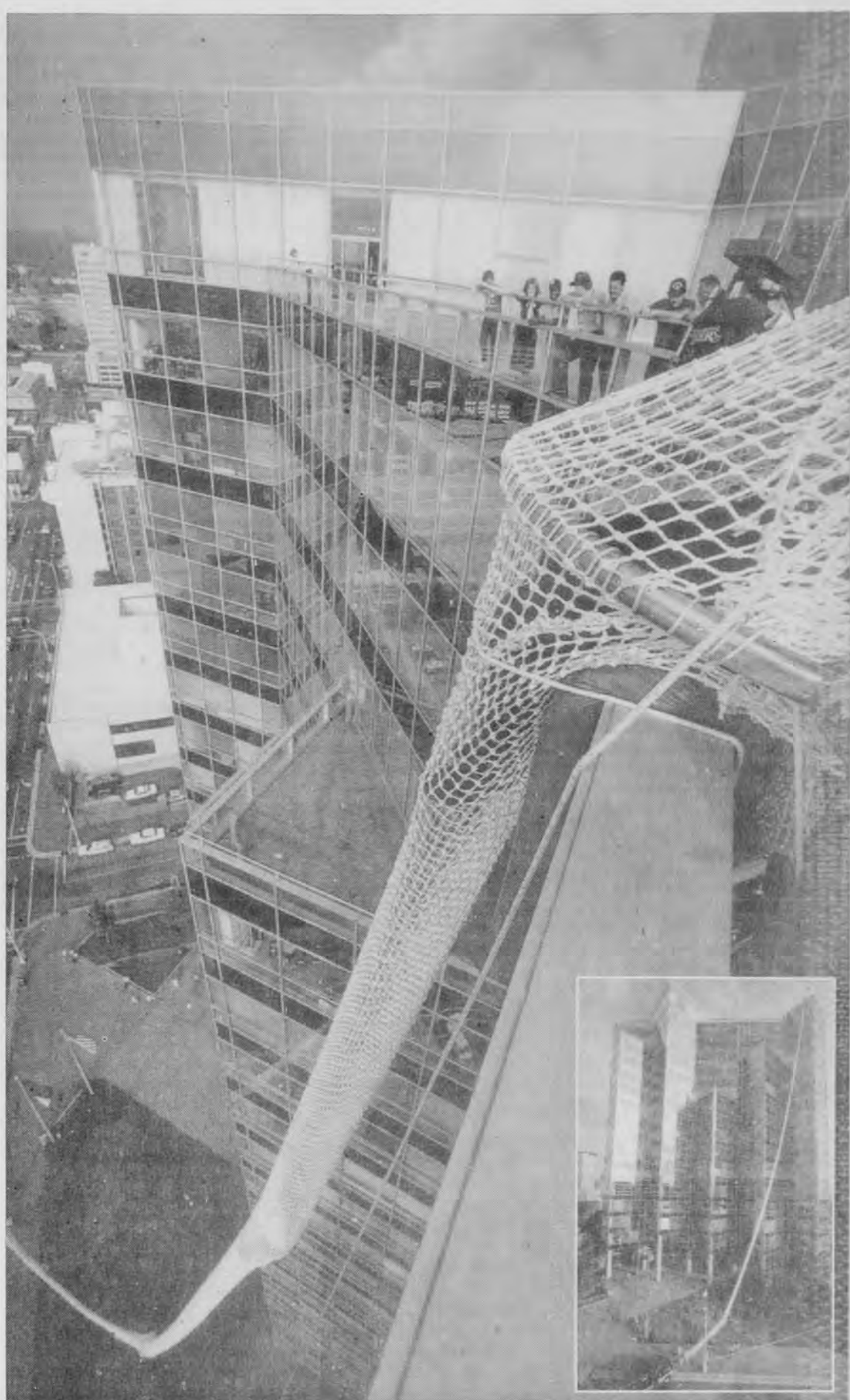
This leaves 10 stories with little or no help, he says.

Baker's company is strictly in favor of sprinklers, fire alarms and any other safety devices in place. "Our chute is a last ditch effort when all else fails," Baker says. "It may be the only way out."

The idea of no other alternative route is something that is on the forefront of Baker's mind at all times. He sleeps, eats and breathes fire safety.

Baker is not the only one whose brain is on fire at all times.

Burnie Alexander, university fire marshal in the occupational health and safety department, also has his mind filled with smoke and fire all day long.



Courtesy of Ralph T. Baker

The Baker Life Chute is tested at the Integon Building in Winston Salem, N.C.

According to Alexander, the key to escaping from any building, especially high-rises, is the stair towers.

"They are designed so they are safer than the rest of the building," he says. "As long as the doors are closed, people will have a really good chance of getting out safely."

However, Baker says he feels the Life Chute would be an asset to the university.

"I would think that the university would welcome installation with both of the [Christiana] Towers especially since we had a demonstration in 1984 with the Lieutenant governor and many TV stations," he says. "Now that they have sprinklers, there is more of a reason for a Life Chute because when all else fails, it's there to fall back on."

Although taking the staircase, located on each end of the hallway and the middle, may seem like a reasonable idea, Baker says, in the case of a raging fire they might not be available.

Hose, Hook and Ladder fire companies have aerial ladders that extend from 65 feet to 120 feet, or 10 stories high.

All Newark fire companies available to students have ladders

that end at 100 feet, extending seven stories in the air.

Alexander says these ladders can do the job.

In an extreme fire, emergency rescue workers will climb up the building's emergency stairwells and physically carry people down from the flames.

In addition to the trained professionals, Resident Assistants are trained during the summer by the university police department and Newark Fire Department on how to properly escape from the buildings.

Also, every room on campus has a map of emergency exit routes and written instructions explaining how to exit the building.

The university has done much work over the past decade trying to make the campus more "fire safety friendly." In 1991, sprinklers were installed in the Towers, a predecessor to most other universities. In fact, during the Seton Hall University Fire in January 2000, the university had already installed sprinklers in the highest buildings in Newark, the Christiana Towers.

Alexander says he feels the idea of the Life Chute is not feasible for the university because the Christiana Towers already include protection into the buildings' struc-

ture.

However, companies, cities and states nationally and internationally are showing increased interest in investing in the Baker Life Chute. Russia, London, Honduras and places scattered around the United States have all been attracted to the mesh tube.

Although Baker held a demonstration at the university in April 1984, exactly 20 years ago, the university never bought his product, to his disappointment.

Alexander says he is at ease with the current standards.

"Knowing what I know about the [Christiana] Towers, I'd feel comfortable [living] up there," he says.

Currently, Baker has 32 chutes set up for air traffic control towers for the U.S. Air Force as far away as Tokyo, Japan.

Proving that great ideas stem from unlikely places, the Life Chute has gained popularity through its effectiveness. Although it has taken almost a quarter of a century for the Life Chute to finally catch on, Baker predicts his product will finally make it in the near future.

Future Fab 5 eyes women in fashion distress

BY AMY KATES
Copy Editor

Staying in on a Tuesday night and tuning in to Bravo could help men attract women even better than that pastel popped-collared shirt does, as they have the opportunity to take notes from the men of "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy."

The men featured in the Bravo hit show not only get a hip, new wardrobe, but a crash course in culture, arts, fashion, grooming and crash new furniture for their spiffy new pads.

This experience is now being offered to women as Bravo announces its release of "Queer Eye for the Straight Girl" for women who have not yet mastered the art of differentiating between a Manolo and a "Ma-no-no."

Bill Brennan, spokesman for Bravo networks, says 13 episodes have been ordered and will begin airing in early 2005. He adds that the show and format are still being developed, but viewers can count on a team of fashion-savvy stylists helping women who are not blessed with the gift of a killer sense of style.

Executive Producer David Collins of Scout Productions created the original series, Brennan says, and the idea was spawned in an art gallery.

"David saw a straight guy being compared by his wife to some gay men who were all attending an art gallery opening," he says. "She was basically say-

ing, 'Why can't you dress and look more like them?'"

Thus, "Queer Eye" was born. "Queer Eye" has enjoyed immense popularity and the creation of a spin-off of "Queer Eye" seemed the next logical step, Brennan says.

"In general, we knew we had something special with 'Queer Eye' and expected that it would generate a lot of attention," he says. "It was so fresh, there was nothing else like it."

Brennan says although he was not surprised at the show's popularity, he was surprised at how quickly the show took off.

It would be easy to apply the spin-off to fans because of the show's appeal, he says.

"The show has a very broad appeal — women, men; straight and gay; young and old. I think the success lies in the show's humor and heart, the appeal of the Fab 5 and the relationship they develop with each straight guy," Brennan says.

"And there are the great 'straight guy' stories or narratives."

Junior Melissa Johnston, salon coordinator for Wavelengths Styling Studio Inc. says although she does not think she would be the first candidate chosen for the new series, she would not mind it.

"What fashion-conscious guy would mind hanging out with the Fab 5?" she says.

Johnston is a fan of "Queer Eye" and favors Carson, the fashion guru, adding that she has gained

a lot of insight from watching "Queer Eye."

"I have learned a lot of tips from this show, such as don't drink red wine when you're out because it stains your teeth, and use old favorites and incorporate them into your updated wardrobe," she says. The salon where Johnston works has seen an increase in "metrosexual" patronage, she says.

"The term 'metrosexual' describes men who are straight but are very in tune with their appearance and are often influenced by the gay culture," she says. "I would say there is definitely an increase in our male clientele who would fall into the metrosexual category."

Johnston says more male clients are beginning to receive treatments usually associated with women.

"Many of our male clients get their hair colored and foiled, are very meticulous about their hair, get their eyebrows waxed, use our tanning facilities, and from time-to-time come in for manicures and pedicures," she says.

"I think the [new show's] idea is exciting and could be a lot of fun. If the show catches on the way the first 'Queer Eye' did it, could be a huge success," she says.

Johnston thinks it will be tough to say which sex will prevail as more stylish.

"I think it will be a close call between the two sexes. I think in the long run it will depend on who keeps up their new style."



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A new group of five gay men will be chosen to help women become fashion savvy.

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The sheer number of odd situations I encounter, both voluntarily but more often involuntarily, makes it shocking that I can be embarrassed by anything.

Monday evening, for example, after 20 minutes of belting the same three verses of Marvin Gaye's "Sexual Healing," drifting into various other tunes when the lyrics escaped me, I turned off the water to hear the sound of my neighbor's voice.

"Dude, you want another burger?"

I thought in a moment of paranoia that he was standing in the bathroom with me, spatula in hand. Then, I realized the window had been open during my entire vocal performance as a group of guys stood below.

It's OK. That doesn't embarrass me. I'm used to things like that, it's just another story.

These types of things happen to me all of the time. I am that girl you saw fall in the street on her way to class, the one who waved excitedly thinking she knew you as you pulled the sun visor down in your car. I was definitely the one who knocked the giant fence over just as the music turned off at a frat party on Homecoming.

I have been living a clumsy life for as long as I can remember. Give me a noun and I'll give you a story.

There is one thing, however, that I will

Let's not talk about sex, OK?

never get used to. Not so much one thing, but a whole category. Pictures, television shows, words, songs and — gasp — objects that are overly sexual.

I blush, cringe, yelp and run when faced with most sexual issues. I cannot help it. There is nothing I can do.

When I watch old episodes of "Sex in the City," which I surprisingly enjoy, I think if my friends ever decided to talk about why they love their v*g&n@\$ during breakfast, I might overturn the table.

I'll tell you about the time I went the wrong way down the stage at my high school graduation, or when I spilled an entire side dish of balsamic vinegar on my teacher as a waitress — but don't talk to me about sex, baby.

The first time I involuntarily revealed my extreme embarrassment was when I sat in the passenger seat of my friend's green Camry back in high school. It was a nice day out and, being teenage girls (although I don't like to admit I ever thought this way), we were naturally blaring music out the windows, giggling at stoplights and singing along to the words of songs.

My friend slipped in a tape she found in the center console, and chuckled.

And that is when it all went downhill.

The first two verses of "Put it in Your Mouth" seemed OK, kind of nice actually. A girl sang about missing her man. He left her, she felt sad and blue. But then do you know what she said when his best friend took her to his house?

My body went into spasms and I screamed. As the explicatives flowed out speakers and

Akinyele rapped about (can't say it) I would have done anything to escape.

It was at this moment when I realized I cannot handle raunchiness — a discovery that also caused my friends to ridicule me ever since.

I have this strange natural reaction that makes my arms flail, legs kick, all before gathering into the fetal position. Immature? Maybe, but also unstoppable.

One time, my friend and I were in The Mood on South Street, "browsing" the aisles looking at everything from toys to ... well, you know. I acted casual, cool almost. "Act like you aren't disgusted," I said to myself as I checked out the absurd lingerie.

My friend approached me and kind of whispered, "OK, I'm ready, lets get out of here."

"Oh, you're done?"

"No, your face looks so grossed out that it's making me feel awkward for being with you in here."

Yikes.

The most recent time my body seizures at the site of something overly sexual was when Entertainment Editor James Borden opened the book, "Guide to Getting it On," last week. People gathered around him and laughed, some appalled but all still able to look through the sketches of positions, et cetera. When I went over to see the book, it happened. I lost control and screamed a girly, "Eww!" before covering my mouth with both hands and sliding away from the crowd.

"Calm down," one of them said.

I can't.

But you know what? As long as I can learn to control this reaction to extreme embarrass-



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ment, I'll be fine.

There is nothing wrong with not wanting to see or hear raunchy things — in fact, I think our society is way too comfortable with their sexuality and people would benefit from taking a step back.

I'd be happy without seeing Tony Soprano "doing things" with his mistress and although I have learned to laugh at "Put it in Your Mouth" a little, though sprinkled gags, I could definitely do without it. Could you?

Nothing is sacred anymore. Our society has become way to comfortable with sex in general. It is fine for people to talk about concerns and experiences, I guess, but I don't need to turn every corner, or turn to every station to see distasteful things.

It might seem strange for a junior in college to react so strongly to displays of sexuality, but I think society would benefit from having more people who feel like me — without the uncontrollable, violent acts of disgust.

Norton leaves no topic sacred at Trabant show

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lite radio, where the FCC can't control them. In fact, there is a "countdown until radio gets real interesting" on the Internet awaiting the June freedom of Opie and Anthony.

Norton rants on his experience of going to MTV's Spring Break in Cancun for a comedy special and attempting to talk to the college women.

"There was no way to hide what a scumbag I am," Norton says. "I have mushy man-tits and I do fart jokes for a living," Norton says.

On the other hand, Norton eyes the females in the crowd.

"There are really hot girls here, and I'm not just sucking up."

Sticking with college-friendly topics, Norton proclaims his love for free downloading programs such as Kazaa. Norton jokes that even though many think pornography is disgusting, it is almost solely responsible for the advances in high-speed internet connections.

"When it comes to video, you have to make a decision, 'do I want to jerk off now or in six hours?'" he says as the crowd erupts in laughter.

Although he is from New Brunswick, N.J., Norton spends a lot of time in New York City and describes his

experience during the blackout.

"The mayor suggests that we go out and check on our elderly relatives — I don't think so. The last thing I need is to stay in a stifling hot room with my grandmother."

One of the most amusing parts of Norton's set comes when he describes various celebrity encounters and boasts of his online photo album. His Web site features a gallery of photographs, including Norton posing with celebrities such as Laura Bush, The Osbourne Family, Rick James and former mayor Rudy Gulliani.

He describes his encounter with "Hustler" publisher Larry Flynt. When Norton asked him a question, he says Flynt mumbled some unintelligent garble, due to his paralysis after being shot in 1978.

"He's got balls — although he can't feel them," Norton says affectionately.

After the show, Norton rushes out into the hallway to sign autographs and sell copies of his CD, "Yellow Discipline," to eager fans. He gladly poses for photos and is genuinely cordial in person.

"I had a great time performing here. The crowd was good because they haven't been cursed," he says. "Apparently, there are a lot of college campuses that don't think. Political correctness is a lie, so I'm really happy that the crowd was great."



Courtesy of Gene Kritsky

Two adult cicadas mate. Delaware residents will see an influx of the insects beginning in May.

Learn a cicada's life

Millions of cicadas will emerge from the ground

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the past, states like Ohio have been more affected by the great numbers of cicadas, Line says.

He recalls his experience with the 17-year cicada as a teenager in Ohio.

"I remember going into neighbors' yards and raking them into piles after the adults died."

After the cicadas arrive above ground, they latch themselves onto trees to shed their skins. Like something out a science-fiction movie, their backs split and the adult emerges from its exoskeleton, spreading its wings and leaving a clinging shell behind.

Compared to their boring existence as a root-sucking nymph below the ground, life above ground is a party for the periodical cicadas. They emerge primarily to attract mates and reproduce. Living in the tops of trees, the male makes its unmistakable chic-chic song to attract the female.

Line says it's like karaoke night.

"The best singer is the one who gets the girls," he says.

After mating, the female lays her eggs inside the tips of a tree branch. The adults die days after their emergence and mating, Line says. The party is over.

Charles Bartlett, professor of entomology at the university, says although damage to plants marked by dead tips of branches will be minor, the arrival of the cicada in Delaware may be an annoyance to some people.

"There are going to be plenty of people who aren't thrilled at seeing them," he says.

Common annoyances come from the sheer number of cicadas expected to emerge.

Line says the inundation of cicadas every 17 years is a survival strategy used to ensure that enough cicadas will reproduce during their short time on earth. There are so many cicadas that even if every predator tried to eat all of the bugs, they could not be wiped out, he says.

With so much condensed cicada activity, it's not uncommon to be hit by them as they fly from tree to tree.

"They can see," Bartlett says, "but that doesn't

mean they're terribly bright or coordinated at flying."

In addition to being caught in cicada flight crossfire, the dead bodies of cicadas expected to litter the sidewalk may also be an annoyance.

Much like college students, their lives above ground will consist of fraternizing in large groups, being loud, having sex and, of course, leaving a mess behind. Unlike college students, however, Mother Nature will take care of their mess.

"Animals that are opportunistic will eat them," Line says. "Ants will eat a 'bazillion' of them."

Although annoying, cicada carnage has its place in biodiversity.

Gene Kritsky, biology professor at the College of Mount St. Joseph in Ohio, says cicada bodies make great fertilizer.

Resourceful humans can also make use of the cicada for food in addition to fertilizer. Several groups in America have been known to eat cicadas, Kritsky says.

Native Americans used to boil them, and settlers used to bake them into rhubarb pies. Speaking from experience, eating cicada salads and stir-fry, Kritsky says they taste like asparagus. Cooking them like popcorn shrimp, battered and deep-fried, is another favorite.

"With that I like to use a honey mustard sauce," he says.

The phenomenon of 17-year cicadas is so infrequent that entomologists everywhere are excited to see where the red-eyed guys will pop up most densely.

Line says he thinks the cicadas will be localized in forest areas that remain untouched.

This is important because the periodical cicada spends its underground life feeding on tree root sap, Line says.

He says he thinks Newark will be one of the most densely populated areas because many of the permanent forests in Delaware surround White Clay Creek, particularly 25 acres of forest behind the university's football stadium.

So get ready Newark — the cicadas are coming.

Easy drinks to wet your whistle

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Alcoholic

Fat Ho on a Bike

Ingredients:

- 1 oz. amaretto
- 2 oz. cola
- 1 oz. tequila

Directions:

Mix ingredients in a glass with ice

Servings: 1

Difficulty: Easy

Strength: Regular

U-238 Punch

1 quart rum

1 quart vodka

1 quart strawberry juice

1 quart orange juice

1 quart pineapple juice

1 pint fresh strawberries

1 pint orange wedges

Directions:

Mix all ingredients well. Chill. Serve as a punch.

Servings: 12

Difficulty: Easy

Strength: Hangover-City

Porch Crawler

Ingredients:

- 1.75 liter cheap vodka
- 1 case cheap beer
- 6 frozen lemonade concentrates (pink for better taste)

Bag of ice

Directions:

Mix. Sounds nasty, but give it a try.

Servings: 20

Difficulty: Child's Play

Strength: Strong



QB Sack

Ingredients:

- 3 oz. Bacardi 151
- 2 oz. dry gin
- 1 oz. Jack Daniels
- 2 oz. fruit punch

Directions:

Put three ice rocks in first, then liquor, then fruit punch.

Servings: 1

Difficulty: Easy

Strength: Hangover-City

Roller Coaster

Ingredients:

- 1/2 part Kahlua
- 1/4 part vodka
- 1/4 part peppermint schnapps

Directions:

Mix. Shoot

Servings: 1

Difficulty: Easy

Strength: Strong

A cicada recipe to feed your appetite

Cicada Recipes: found at www.biology.clc.uc.edu/steincarter/cicadas.htm

In any cicada recipe it's best to use newly-emerged (or teneral) cicadas. They should be collected at mid-night when they emerge from the ground and are molting. They will be soft and should be blanched, by boiling them for one minute then draining them.

Cicada Stir-Fry:

Ingredients:

- minced onion, coriander (cilantro), fresh gingerroot
- sliced carrots, chopped cauliflower and/or broccoli
- water chestnuts and/or other vegetables of your choice
- bean sprouts and snow peas
- blanched teneral cicadas

In a wok or other suitable pan, heat a couple of tablespoons of vegetable oil. Add ingredients in the order listed above when those in the most recent addition are partially cooked. Serve over whole grain rice and add soy sauce.

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Cub Scouts Cross Bridge, Not Water On April 26,2004 at 7:00 pm at the First Presbyterian Church in Newark. Dens 6 and 3 will be crossing a small bridge to become Webelos I (We be loyal scouts). Crossing the bridge symbolizes advancing from bears to Webelos and means that scouts have completed all of the required achievements from the Cub Scout Bear Book. For more information on local Cub Scouts, contact leader Heidi Skopowski or visit www.scouting.org

The Australian American Society of Wilmington, Delaware is now accepting applicants for the 2004 Music Scholarship Competition. First prize worth approximately \$8000, is an expense paid trip to the International Academy Mozartium in Salzburg, Austria, for a six week term next summer. Second prize is \$500 cash, and third prize is \$300. Applicants must reside in Delaware or within 25 miles of Wilmington and be active music students with a minimum of four years of classical training. Vocalists must be between 21 and 35, and instrumentalists between 18 and 30 years of age.

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2004 NFL DRAFT

This year, Delaware has a strong possibility of seeing four members of its Division I-AA Championship team drafted into the NFL. Offensive lineman Jason Nerys and defensive end Shawn Johnson are on many teams' draft boards and could be taken as early as the fourth round, but quarterback Andy Hall and safety Mike Adams are also being eyed-up by several teams, so they should not be ignored. Tight end Rick Lavelle is also being talked about by NFL scouts and has a decent chance of signing with an NFL team.

- Bob Thurlow

Adams overcomes odds

BY JON DEAKINS
Sports Editor

It was Aug. 29th, 2002. Thursday night, under the lights. A new era was kicking off as K.C. Keeler began his reign at the helm of the Hens.

No. 5 Georgia Southern was in town and no one was as hyped as strong safety Mike Adams.

"That whole summer I had worked so hard and re-dedicated myself for the new coach," Adams said. "I felt untouchable. I felt like I was 16 again and nobody was going to tell me nothing. I was strong, fast and I was good."

All game long Adams was making play after play, disrupting the famous Georgia Southern option. With two minutes left in the game, "Pops" as most know him, went down in pain.

"I do remember him getting hurt," Keeler said, "and I do remember standing over top of him on the field and I said to myself, I am going to lose some ball games because of this injury this year. However, a year from now the Delaware football family will be very pleased to have him back as our captain. I knew it right then and there."

The loud eruptions of the 19,000 fans came to a abrupt halt as Pops was lying on the field. Adams' hip had popped out of place.

"It hurt so bad," he said, "and I just couldn't stop crying. I swear before I looked down, I thought my leg was off."

Growing up on the streets of Paterson, New Jersey, Pops saw things that most kids would not.

"I witnessed a lot of things growing up that no one around UD has seen," he said. "I've seen people get killed, people get shot, I have seen stabbings, I have seen people get jumped for no reason, I have seen old ladies get robbed. People don't really understand where I come from. All of it is real."

Adams was always athletic and naturally fast. He developed friendships playing football in the streets against rival neighborhoods. Adams gleams as he remembers the battles he had with two of his closest friends Gerald Hayes and Marcel Shipp of the Arizona Cardinals. Shipp is the starting running back for the Phoenix-based franchise, while Hayes will be the second team middle linebacker in this his second season.

"Pops is a true leader as a person," Hayes said, from his Arizona residence. "We just clicked from the start."

All three friends played football together at Passaic Tech High School, where head coach John Iurato had Adams playing quarterback his senior year. Hayes and Adams were two of the hardest workers on and off the field at Passaic, knowing that football was their one tick-

et out of Paterson.

"If it wasn't for coach Iurato I would not be here right now," Adams said. "He made it all possible and took me under his wing. I don't know my father and he was the father figure in my life. He steered Gerald and I in the right direction and made us men. He made us players."

His grandmother, who is his legal guardian, raised Adams but his mother was always around. He can still recall the days of him and his six other siblings fighting in the apartment over the television.

"Growing up like that ... that ain't the way for nobody to live," he said, "but we had to do it. I tip my hat to my grandmother and my mother for staying so strong. My father wasn't there. I don't even know what he looks like."

When it came time to choosing a college and a football program Pops could not wait to get away from Paterson. He said that it is impossible to even drive through Paterson if you are not from there because "something bad will definitely happen."

After playing with Shipp and Hayes and seeing their success with colleges, Adams knew he could do the same. He ended up choosing Delaware because it was one of the only programs that paid him 100 percent. He was being recruited by I-AA programs such as Pittsburgh and Oklahoma, but these other schools were taking too long to commit.

"They were giving me the run-around and my time was running out at Delaware. My coach gave me some advice and this is what I tell the recruits coming in now. 'You go to school to get an education first. Football will be there,' I took that and ran with it."

As a freshman Adams had a problem with the culture change moving to Newark. He often found himself staying home in his room at Pencader talking to Hayes in Pittsburgh. Newark was a far cry from the atmosphere Adams was accustomed to in Paterson.

"If you see a white person in Paterson," he said, "they are either buying drugs or they are somebody's landlord. No lie. I didn't fit in here, but I knew I couldn't go back to that."

"I realized the problem was me and not other people."

When he first started at Delaware, he was in the physical education major. One day though, his advisors came to him and told him that he had to take a swimming class to continue the major.

"I'm a black man," he said jokingly. "I swim like a rock."

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Hall shines for scouts

BY DAN MONTESANO
Managing Sports Editor

He forced them to notice.

He made them ask around about the kid from Delaware who refused to let his team lose. He made it so he simply couldn't be ignored.

Delaware quarterback Andy Hall forced NFL scouts to notice him when he separated his shoulder against Villanova but refused to sit out and eventually led the Hens to a comeback win. He forced them to notice when he took the Hens down to play Division I-A Navy, in front of a hostile crowd on Navy's homecoming and walked out with another comeback win.

Hall forced NFL teams to notice when he took the Hens on a dominating march through the Div. I-AA playoffs, culminating in a 40-0 demolition of Colgate in the championship game in front of a televised audience.

NFL scouts, who judge so much on 40-times, bench presses and workouts when evaluating a player for the draft, simply couldn't ignore what Hall did on the field in 2003.

Hall, who has a chance to be a late-round pick in this weekend's NFL draft, knows his accomplishments on the field can't be ignored.

"The workouts in front of scouts were an advantage for me," says Hall, who ran a 4.68 40-yard dash and showed impressive arm strength during his workouts. "But with that being said, how you play in the season is more important than how you work out."

"If you have a great season and workouts are also good, it only solidifies your chances of being drafted."

Hall has drawn the most interest from the Philadelphia Eagles, who own three seven-round draft picks and may select Hall in the last round or sign him as a free agent.

"To get drafted is really a great achievement," Hall says. "But signing as a free agent might be better because you can decide which team might be a better fit."

Hall impressed scouts during his "Pro Day," when a number of NFL teams send scouts to evaluate a potential draft pick. In addition to his impressive 40-yard dash time, Hall also displayed a 30-inch vertical jump and performed well during various passing

drills.

Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler feels the workout was just a small glimpse of what Hall can bring to an NFL team.

"After the workouts, I was walking off the field with a quarterbacks coach and I asked him 'what do you think?'" says Keeler. "And he said it was a pretty good workout. I just pointed at the lights and said, 'Coach, when the lights come on, he's even better.'"

"Andy's just a different guy."

When the lights were on in 2003, Hall shined brightest. He set school records for completions in a season with 234, as well as total offense in a season with 3,474 total yards on his way to being named the Atlantic 10's Player of the Year.

Hall was also a first team All-American selection and finished third in the Payton Award voting, which goes to Division I-AA's top offensive player.

He finished his career at Delaware sixth all-time in passing yards and fifth in total offense, despite playing only two years for the Hens after transferring from Georgia Tech.

But perhaps more impressive than his numbers is the way in which he led the Hens to a school record 15-1 season and Delaware's first ever I-AA National Title.

Hall played almost half the season with various injuries, including the separated shoulder suffered against Villanova, as well as a broken bone in his hand, a hip pointer and a sore back. Yet despite the injuries, Hall never missed a game in 2003, showing a toughness that Keeler knows will take him a long way in making an NFL roster.

"I sat with Andy Reid [head coach of the Philadelphia Eagles] at the Maxwell Awards, and he said that he had heard so many things about this Hall kid," Keeler recalls. "About how tough he is, and all the intangibles he brings to the table."

"What Andy did this year, all the courage and the comebacks, that's what legends are made of."

Hall's agent, Hadley Englehard of Enter-Sports Management says the combination of Hall's success in 2003 and his individual workouts have greatly increased his stock in the draft.

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Andy Hall - Player Profile - QB - #12

Andrew Steven Hall...born Nov. 26, 1980...son of Wendell and Susan Hall...has an older brother...his dad runs an airplane business and flies to many UD games...consumer economics major at Delaware.

Height: 6'1"

Weight: 218 lbs.

Teams interested: Philadelphia, Indianapolis, Seattle and New York Jets.

Note - All player profile biographies are courtesy of Delaware Sports Information.



Mike Adams - Player Profile - FS - #24



Michael Carl Adams...born March 24, 1981...son of Mary Adams...family communication major...serves as a Peer Mentor in Delaware's H.E.N.S. (Helping Each Newcomer Succeed) program in which upperclassmen help freshman student-athletes adjust to college life...works with children at North East Treatment Center.

Height: 5'11"

Weight: 195 lbs.

Teams interested: Denver, Philadelphia, Jacksonville, Pittsburgh, Seattle and Indianapolis.

New team, same results Transfer dominates at Delaware

BY ROB MCFADDEN
Sports Editor

When Shawn Johnson woke up the morning after Delaware's 37-7 quarterfinal victory over Northern Iowa last season, he discovered that he could barely move his right arm.

The 6-foot-4, 270-pound defensive end had been injured in the third quarter of the previous day's game, tearing the labrum and rotator cuff in his shoulder. But Johnson had returned to the field to finish the game.

"I felt it, I knew that something was really messed up," he said. "But I had to go back out there."

Johnson was unable to practice the following week and his status for Delaware's semifinal game against Southern Conference champion Wofford remained uncertain until game day.

"I woke up and I couldn't move my arm past my shoulder," he said. "I knew I had to do whatever I could to play. We had come this far and I couldn't let my teammates down."

Johnson had his arm shot up with pain medication. Without full use of his right arm, the right-handed lineman proceeded to play arguably the best game of the season. He tallied nine tackles and 3.5 tackles for loss, including a fourth-down sack of Wofford quarterback Trey Rodgers in the fourth quarter. He also had a hand in stopping three third-down conversion attempts.

Johnson said Wednesday that his Dec. 13 performance against Wofford remains a source of pride. It is also a good example of why Johnson, a consensus first-team All-American, will most likely be selected as a late-round pick in this weekend's NFL Draft.

Unfortunately, Johnson's shoulder injury has caused his stock to drop significantly. While most

players immediately began training after the final game of their season, Johnson had surgery and was in a sling for a month. After two months of rehab in Arizona, Johnson was left with just two weeks to prepare for his April 7 workout for NFL scouts.

Johnson performed as well as could be expected, but most scouts are now predicting he will be drafted in the sixth or seventh rounds as opposed to the fourth or fifth.

Johnson was the only Delaware player that was invited to the 2004 NFL Scouting Combine in Indianapolis, Ind., which was held Feb. 18 to 24. He was put through a series of medical checks, workouts and tests that are designed to enable the NFL to get a good look at each prospective draftee.

Though Johnson was unable to participate in any of the workouts, he did go through two days of medical checks and took several tests. One of the tests was the Wonderlic, a 12-minute, 50-question intelligence test. The test is designed so that most people are unable to complete it and a score of 21 is considered average.

Johnson scored a 42, the second highest result out of all players that attended the combine.

"I was in the zone," he said. "I don't know what to say — I just took the test."

Johnson has a degree in biological anthropology and anatomy from Duke, and until it became apparent that he would have a shot at professional football, Johnson had planned to attend medical school after graduation.

At a time when hundreds of players are vying for the attention of NFL scouts, Johnson's intelligence and reputation as a smart player have undoubtedly helped his stock.

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THE REVIEW/File Photo

Senior co-captain Jason Nerys led the Hens offensive line that anchored the championship team.

Hens unsung leader excited for draft

BY MATT AMIS

Senior Sports Editor

In recent years, the NFL Draft has become something of a complicated ordeal, in which posturing skills and business savvy are just about as important as 40-yard dash times.

Elite college players and their accompanying agents (and family members) often have played out certain teams they want to play for and coaches or players to play with.

Not Jason Nerys.

The 6-foot-3, 310-pound All-American senior guard could potentially be Delaware's highest chosen player in this weekend's NFL Draft and the first offensive lineman taken in 33 years. But the opportunity in itself would be reward enough to Nerys.

"Does it matter? I mean, I'd love to get drafted as high as possible. But realistically, I just want to get the opportunity to get on a team and show what I can do," Nerys said. "I'll play for anyone — anyone who's willing to give me a chance."

"A lot of people have these things in mind, but not me. I just want the opportunity to get into a camp and whoever's playing next to me, that's fine."

A source close to Nerys told

The Review that at least five NFL teams — the Bengals, Jaguars, Patriots, Jets and Browns — have contacted him and a representative from one team has said that "[Nerys] could play very quickly for us."

Nerys is currently ranked 17th in the nation among offensive guards by Draft Insiders Digest following a dominating season in which he anchored K.C. Keeler's spread offense. Once more, he was physically the Hens' strongest player, and holds the school bench press record at 465 lbs. and also led the team by lifting 225 lbs. 26 times in pre-season drills.

If drafted, Nerys would become the first Delaware offensive lineman drafted since Conway Redman in 1971 by the Washington Redskins in the sixth round.

His physical presence alone is imposing, but that isn't the only thing that will draw NFL attention.

"He is just a worker. He has the talent, but he has also made use of every ounce of his talent," said Keeler.

"I'm a tough player and I give 110 percent all the time. Any team that drafts me will get a hard-work-

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Pro Hens talk about the NFL

BY JON DEAKINS

Sports Editor

There are those out there that said this could not happen. Delaware is good, but come on. It's just I-AA.

In order to play in the National Football League, one has to be the best of the best, they say. Yes, the skeptics are certainly out there.

But there are also those that have made it big time and believe in these Hens. These former teammates know what situation the fabulous "Hens four" are in and can relate. They too had similar dreams of making it to "the league" after their Delaware careers ended.

For Jamin Elliott and Keith Burnell, however, it's not a dream anymore. They are living the life.

Elliott starred at Delaware during the 2000 and 2001 seasons. The 6-foot 187-pound wide receiver was drafted in April of 2002 by the Chicago Bears in the sixth round, and after playing in two games as a rookie for Chicago that season, Elliott was looking forward to get more playing time in 2003. But on August 25, right before the regular season began, the Bears waived Elliott.

Just as Elliott was watching Delaware begin their 2003 championship run in late November, he got a call that would change his life.

The New England Patriots offered him a contract, giving him the opportunity to win a championship of his own.

"I definitely kept up with the team while I was in New England this past year, said Elliott from his new Chicago residence. "I talked with Pops (Mike Adams) regularly, but I had to stop talking to him during their playoff run. I didn't want to jinx him on anything like that."

While playing for the Oakland Raiders, Burnell also kept up with Hall and Adams during the season, his team-

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Johnson impresses

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But the uncertainty over his health is likely one of the reasons teams have been unwilling to tell Johnson, well, much of anything about his position on their draft boards.

"It's kind of a crush," he said. "They'll say, 'yeah, I like you a lot,' but they're real secretive about it. They don't want me to tell my agent that they're interested because they don't want another team to trade up to take me first."

"I really have no idea when I'll be taken or where I'll go. That's what makes this day coming up so nerve-racking."

One possible destination that came to light last week was Tennessee. The Titans flew Johnson down for a visit on April 13, which is a good sign because teams are only allowed to fly in 20 players.

Unlike the other prospective pros at Delaware that were members of last year's championship team, Johnson was on the NFL radar well before he arrived in Newark. A three-year standout at Duke, he made his mark in 2002, his junior season, when he led the Atlantic Coast Conference with 12 sacks and 19.5 tackles for loss. He was a first-team All-ACC selection and many scouting organizations were listing him as one of the top 10 defensive ends in all of college football as he headed into his last year of eligibility.

But despite the personal success he had found in his junior year, Johnson felt his time at Duke was over. The Blue Devils managed to win just two games from 2000-2002 while losing 32 — a demoralizing feat. And so, after Johnson received his diploma, he decided to leave.

There were two options: enter the NFL Draft or transfer down to Division I-AA. After considering both, Johnson chose the latter.

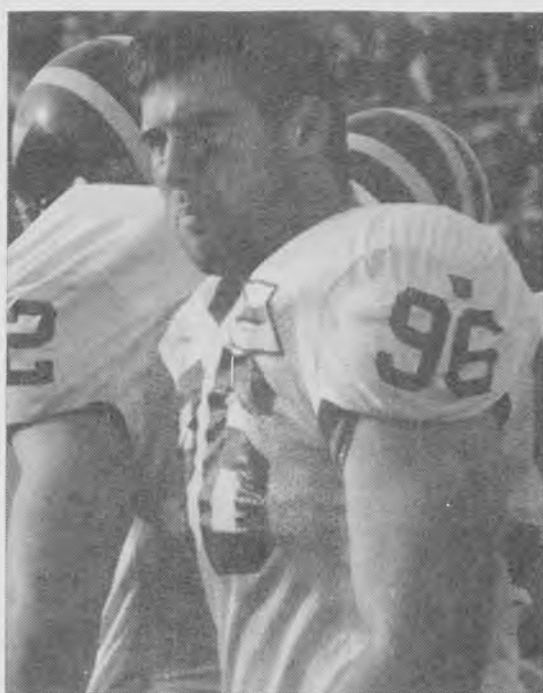
Originally, Johnson planned to transfer to Fordham where his brother, Travis, plays tight end. But the Patriot Football League does not allow graduate students to play.

Johnson narrowed down his remaining choices to two Atlantic 10 rivals: Northeastern and Delaware.

Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler: "Northeastern guaranteed him the starting job and basically told him he could come on and off the field whenever he wanted. I told him he would come in at number two."

Keeler said that the importance of team chemistry outweighed the talent of a potential transfer like Johnson. If a player wanted to be a starter on his team, he was going to have to earn it. Otherwise, his teammates would have little or no respect for him.

"When Shawn got hurt in training camp, he real-



THE REVIEW/File Photo

A former All-ACC end at Duke, Johnson made an immediate impact at Delaware and caught many eyes during the team's championship season.

ly had to work hard to get the starting job," Keeler said, "and that made the players really respect him."

The players developed an even greater respect for him as the season progressed and Johnson consistently fought through two or more offensive linemen to bring down quarterbacks and running backs behind the line of scrimmage.

Delaware's tremendous playoff run and eventual dismantling of Colgate to win the title were icing on the cake for Johnson, who was finally able to rediscover the joys of winning.

"That's why you play," he said. "That's what I missed when I played at Duke. That feeling in the locker room [after winning the title] was like nothing else in the world."

After winning the I-AA National Championship, Johnson hopes to take his game, literally, to a different level. And if his past is any indication, it shouldn't be long before Johnson finds success on Sundays.

"Shawn plays hard," Keeler said. "That's why everyone here respected him — he played so hard."

Shawn Johnson - Player Profile - DE - #96



Shawn Johnson...born March 21, 1980...son of Robert and Judith Johnson...earned degree in biological anthropology and anatomy from Duke this past spring... enrolled in graduate school at Delaware...younger brother, Travis, plays tight end at NCAA I-AA Fordham University.

Height: 6'4"

Weight: 260 lbs.

Teams interested: Tennessee, Washington, Indianapolis Philadelphia

2004 NFL Mock Draft

Pick No. - Team - Player - position - school

1. Giants	Eli Manning	QB	Ole Miss
2. Browns	Robert Gallery	OT	Iowa
3. Cardinals	Larry Fitzgerald	WR	Pittsburgh
4. Chargers*	Philip Rivers	QB	NC State
5. Redskins	Sean Taylor	FS	Miami
6. Jaguars	Roy Williams	WR	Texas
7. Raiders	Kellen Winslow Jr.	TE	Miami
8. Falcons	Vince Wilfork	DT	Miami
9. Lions	Steven Jackson	RB	Oregon State
10. Texans	DeAngelo Hall	CB	Virginia Tech
11. Steelers	Ben Roethlisberger	QB	Miami (OH)
12. Jets	Dunta Robinson	CB	So. Carolina
13. Bills	Kenechi Udezue	DE	USC
14. Bears	Tommie Harris	DT	Oklahoma
15. Bucs	D.J. Williams	LB	Miami
16. 49ers	Reggie Williams	WR	Washington
17. Broncos	Jonathan Vilma	LB	Miami
18. Saints	Chris Gamble	CB	Ohio State
19. Vikings	Will Smith	DE	Ohio State
20. Dolphins	Shawn Andrews	OT	Arkansas
21. Patriots	Lee Evans	WR	Wisconsin
22. Cowboys	Kevin Jones	RB	Virginia Tech
23. Seahawks	Darnell Dockett	DT	Florida State
24. Bengals	Will Poole	CB	USC
25. Packers	Ben Troupe	TE	Florida
26. Rams	Antwan Odom	DE	Alabama
27. Titans	Vernon Carey	OG	Miami
28. Eagles	Michael Clayton	WR	LSU
29. Colts	Karlos Dansby	LB	Auburn
30. Chiefs	Marcus Tubbs	DT	Texas
31. Panthers	Rashaun Woods	WR	Oklahoma St
32. Patriots	Jake Grove	C	Virginia Tech

This mock draft was compiled by Sports Editors Jon Deakins and Rob McFadden. This draft assumed there will be a few trades. The Chargers pick has an * because we feel they will trade down to pick Rivers, we just couldn't think of where.

Nerys courted by NFL teams

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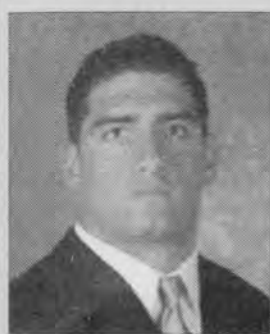
ing person," Nerys said. "I'd like to think that I was [the most dominating lineman in I-AA]. There are a lot of great players in I-AA, but I think I did a pretty good job."

"Pretty good job" might be a bit of an understatement. Nerys worked out twice for NFL scouting teams, posting solid numbers in various drills and exercises. But, in addition to his excellence on the field, Nerys is a vocal locker room leader and an Academic All-American this past season with a GPA of 3.41 as an exercise science major.

Added former Hens coach Tubby Raymond: "When we were recruiting him, we knew he would be a good player. But he also has all the intangibles and he's a great leader."

Delaware was able to utilize Nerys' talents on its way to Chattanooga, Tenn. and the I-AA title last season. And while the talent-loaded Hens are perfectly capable of speaking for themselves, the media attention that came along with their playoff run won't hurt.

"It's huge," Nerys said. "I think a lot of teams, scouts and NFL personnel are beginning to see that there's some serious players at the I-AA level. They're going to find the talent where it is, but I think things



Jason Nerys - Player Profile OG - #73

Jason Michael Nerys...born June 16, 1981...son of Miguel Nerys and Denise Hansen...uncle, Keith Hansen, played football at Rhode Island...honor student as an exercise science major with a minor in strength and conditioning.

Height: 6'4"

Weight: 310 lbs.

Teams interested: Cincinnati, N.Y. Giants, N.Y. Jets, Jacksonville, New England, Minnesota, Philadelphia and Cleveland.

like winning a national championship, winning all those games, getting all that attention — they say 'You know what? These guys can play too.'"

So far, Nerys has gotten his fill of other people's opinions. Draft experts and pro-personnel attempt to predict not only the exact round and number pick players will go, but also the kind of impact said player would have on his NFL team. Naturally, being a standout on a I-AA team, expert projections for Nerys have been all over the radar screen.

"It's been really exciting," Nerys said of the fanfare. "But you've really got to get hold of yourself, because there are a lot of people who will give you their opinion. Everybody's got an opinion."

"Some won't think you're a player, some will think you're the best they've seen. You've got to keep working hard for yourself and believing in what you can do. I know that I've done everything in my power to get to the next level. If it doesn't happen, then that's something I'll have to deal with."

And if it does?
"I'll be happy as hell! It'll be like a dream come true. Every kid has that dream when they're young and in Pop-Warner football — just to hear your name called on draft weekend — that's the dream."

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Courtesy of Delaware Sports Info

Two members of the 1946 National Championship team, Paul Hart and Anthony Stalloni, were selected in the 1947 NFL Entry Draft.

History of Hens in the Draft

BY BOB THURLOW

Managing Sports Editor

Despite the overwhelming success of Delaware football over the years, only a small handful of the school's players, 22, have been selected in the NFL entry draft, and not all of those players saw any playing time in the NFL. A total of 28 players, some drafted, others signed as free agents, have played in the NFL.

The most Hens players ever drafted in one year occurred when three players were drafted in 1971. This year, the school has a chance to make history with four players potentially being selected in the draft.

Having just four players drafted may seem like a minor accomplishment, but only a handful of Division I-AA schools have done so, the most recent being Jackson State who had four students drafted in 2000.

Another factor making this year's draft special is that Delaware has only had one player drafted since the NFL decreased the amount of rounds in the draft, from 12 rounds in 1992 to eventually only seven rounds in 1994, which is the current amount.

Former head coach Tubby Raymond has been around to see many of his players advance in their football careers, often helping the player in signing a contract, and he said it was always special to see a player selected.

"We've never had a feeling that it was our job or responsibility to get them into the NFL," he said, "but it's a lot of fun to see them go on. For a long time, I acted as the player's agent to save them money — I said I would negotiate their contract, provided I wouldn't take any money."

"When [Rich] Gannon came along he asked if I was going to be his agent, but I told him I couldn't because he was too good."

Little did Raymond know that when Gannon, a fourth round selection, was drafted in 1987 (along with Joe McGrail who went in the 12th round) that no Hens would be drafted for the next 14 years until Jamin Elliott was taken in 2001.

"I have never been surprised when my players get drafted," Raymond said, "but I have been [surprised] the other way around, when I think a great player gets looked over in the draft."

"There have been many over the years," Although many from Delaware have been overlooked in the draft, 22 have been taken, and here is a brief history of those select few.

1935 — Ed Thompson, a fullback and team captain, was selected by Philadelphia but never made an NFL roster.

1943 — Hugh Bogovich, a four-time letter winner and offensive guard, was named to the Honorable Mention Associated Press All-American team and was selected by Washington in the draft, but did not play professionally.

1947 — Two members from the national championship team, Paul Hart (fullback) and Anthony Stalloni (team captain and offensive tackle) were

selected in the draft, but never played. Stalloni was named a First-Team All-American by the Associated Press despite his three-year absence from the team due to his activity in the Second World War.

1955 — Tom Redfield was the Hens' center for almost all of his four years on the team, but, like his predecessors, never saw any time in the pros despite being drafted by Chicago.

1962 — Dick Broadbent, a defensive end, was chosen by Detroit but did not play.

1964 — Mike Brown, a First-Team All-American, was drafted as a running back by Chicago but never played.

1967 — The New York Jets selected First-Team All-American Herb Slattery, an offensive tackle, but he did not play in the NFL.

1971 — This was the school's most successful draft for several reasons. Most importantly, the Hens had three players drafted, a school record that still stands today. Ted Gregory (New York Giants) and Bob Young (Dallas) both did not play professionally, but Conway Hayman, selected by Washington, had a five-year NFL career, playing offensive guard for Houston from 1975 through 1980.

1973 — Two Delaware players were selected, Joe Carbone (by the Jets) and Dennis Johnson (by Washington). Johnson was a defensive tackle in the NFL for four years while playing for Washington and Buffalo.

1976 — Nate Beasley was selected by Oakland but did not play.

1979 — Jeff Komlo, a highly touted quarterback, was selected by Detroit and went on to play for four NFL teams over seven years.

1980 — Scott Brunner was taken by the Giants and played with four teams over six seasons in the NFL.

1981 — Winner of the Lowman Award (given to the last player selected in the draft), tight end Phil Nelson ended up in Oakland, but did not play professionally.

1983 — George Schmitt, a solid defensive back, was taken by St. Louis where he played one year.

1985 — The Los Angeles Raiders selected fullback Dan Reeder, who was then sent to Pittsburgh where he played two seasons.

1987 — Joe McGrail was taken by Buffalo and did not play in the NFL. Gannon was also taken in the draft, selected by New England but quickly traded to Minnesota where he was the backup quarterback for several years before becoming a starter in 1990.

2001 — Jamin Elliott, selected by Chicago, was the most recent Hen taken in the draft.

Several other Hens have made their ways into professional football recently, like 2003 graduate Keith Burnell, who is with Oakland in the NFL, and Matt Nagy, class of 2001, who is currently the starting quarterback for the Carolina Cobras of the AFL.



THE REVIEW/File Photo

With many teams scouting quarterback Andy Hall, his draft stock has risen. Even if Hall is not selected in this weekend's draft, he is expected to sign as a free agent with one of his many suitors.

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"Andy had a great year and we knew he would get an opportunity to show his skills," says Englehard. "There were some questions about his arm strength, but after his workouts, Andy really solidified himself as a draft choice."

Delaware has the possibility of seeing four members of 2003's team be drafted or signed as a free agent in this weekend's draft. Shawn Johnson, Jason Nerys and Mike Adams, along with Hall, all have drawn significant interest from various NFL teams.

"We're all in the same boat and we just have to see what happens and let chips fall where they fall," Hall says of his teammates. "It's comforting to have people in the same situation that you're in, we can relate very well because we're all going through the same thing."

Hall will watch the draft with his family in his hometown of Cheraw, S.C., the place where he first began to dream about playing in the NFL while playing pee-wee football.

"I just want to go and be with my family because it's also an exciting time for them," he says. "They have always supported me and always came to all my games."

In a small town like Cheraw, Hall understands that residents of the tiny town are also excited about the possibility of a hometown kid making it to the big time.

"Coming from a small town, everyone knows and watches you, and it brings credibility to a small town," he says. "Everyone is excited to watch and see what happens."

Growing up, Hall said the NFL started as just a dream, like any other seven or eight-year old who puts on pads and goes out for little league football. As he got older and succeeded at each level, he began to see the dream of the NFL was slowly turning into a reality.

"As you take the next step and succeed at each level, you start to say to yourself, 'yeah, I can do this.'"

"It's why you play all these years, the ultimate is to get to the NFL."

Late-game heroics lifts Hens

BY CHASE TRIMMER
Staff Reporter

Delaware remained undefeated in extra-inning games this season with a 2-1 eighth-inning win over Pennsylvania in game one of Tuesday's doubleheader and completed the sweep of its non-conference foe with a 4-1 victory in the second game.

Delaware has reached the 20-win mark for the second consecutive season. The Hens (21-19) are ranked sixth in the Colonial Athletic Conference with a 4-7 record in conference play.

Senior third baseman Laura Streets pushed her batting average to .405 at the day's end with a three-hit performance at the plate that included two clutch RBIs. Exactly one year after Mandy Welch broke a Delaware career-hits record in 2002, Streets moved into fourth place on the all-time list with career hit number 171 on Tuesday and is now 35 hits shy of Welch's record.

Freshman pitcher Carolyn Sloat (13-10) notched her 13th win in game one, a freshman record, and preserved sophomore Lindsay Jones' first victory of the season in game two with her second save.

The Hens won the freshmen pitching duel in the first game of the twin billing between Sloat and the Quakers' Lindsay Permar (7-11) in the bottom of the eighth inning when freshman shortstop Michelle Plant scored all the way from first on Streets' game-winning triple to right field.

Zahya Hantz scored Pennsylvania's first and only run in the top half of the third inning on a Delaware error at second base. The Hens tied the game in the bottom of the fourth inning when junior Randi Isaacs crushed a line drive beyond Hantz's diving effort in left field, scoring Streets after she reached base on a walk.

The game remained tied until the Hens' last at-bat in the eighth inning thanks to good pitching by both starters. Sloat allowed zero earned runs on five hits and Permar gave up only three hits all game until the Hens' game-winning rally. Plant led off the bottom of the eighth with a single to left. After junior Kelley Pastic slid out to left, Streets came to the plate and nailed a line drive into the corner in right that bounced to the fence on one hop and Plant slid under the tag at home, just beating a strong relay from second base.

The Hens used four arms in game two to record their 21st win of the season. Freshman Kelsey Knapp started the game for Delaware and allowed one unearned run on two hits and two walks while striking out five batters. Knapp used her changeup effectively and had Pennsylvania batters fooled and swinging early. Jones, junior Jenn Joseph and Sloat finished what Knapp started with four hitless innings combined.

Jones was the pitcher of record when the Hens broke open the game in the bottom of the fourth inning. Junior second baseman Jenny Gilkins started the rally with a single

to center field. After a Quaker error and a hit by pitch, Plant stepped up to the plate with the bases loaded and no outs. The freshman delivered on a single to left that scored Gilkins and tied the ballgame at one.

Streets notched her second RBI of the day with a bases loaded single to right field that gave the Hens a lead they would never give up. Senior first baseman Liz Winslow padded the lead with a two out single up the middle scoring two more Blue Hens.

For Jones, this was her first win of the season after battling a knee injury that has sidelined the sophomore pitcher for most of the year. Jones and the three other pitchers used in game two entered the record books as the most pitchers used in one game for Delaware.

Senior Nicki Borgstadt (1-13) was charged with the game two loss for the Quakers, a very young team with 12 of 19 players being freshmen. Pennsylvania continues to struggle and has now lost seven games in a row.

Delaware traveled to Villanova Wednesday for a doubleheader and was swept by the Wildcats, 1-0 and 3-0. Delaware managed just three hits in game one before being no-hit by Kristen Haynes in game two.

The Hens host CAA rival UNC-Wilmington tomorrow and Wednesday, with game time set for noon on both days.



THE REVIEW/File Photo

Third baseman Laura Streets launched the Hens to victory with a game-winning triple in Wednesday's game, her second RBI on the day.

'Pops' leaves nest after great career

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In just one month, and five years later, the 23-year-old Adams will receive his degree in human services and public policy, something no one in his family has ever done.

As a team leader Adams and coach Keeler have always had a close, personal bond.

"He has great character and he's a salesman," Adams said of his coach. "He could sell water to a well."

"There are so many examples when it was his voice that came out and rose above the crowd," Keeler said. "When he speaks, it comes from so deep down in his heart that you responds to it. He doesn't sugar coat it. He may be one of my favorite players I've ever coached. He's a special, special kid."

Pops had to be special to overcome his hip injury. It was supposed to be his senior year and all of the friends he came in with were going to graduate. Once again in his life he felt dreadfully alone.

"What made it worse was that before the game I prayed to God that no one would be injured," he said. "Usually, I never pray before a game. And then I turn around and it happens to me. It took a whole lot out of me."

Instead of being angry though, Adams turned to the Bible for guidance, something his grandmother had taught him to do. Everyone kept telling him that "things happen for a reason" but it became redundant after a while. He knew he had to start all over if he wanted to get out of Paterson.

"I heard that one line a million times," he said. "If I had a nickel for every time I heard that, I wouldn't even have to go to the league."

After months of rehabilitation Pops stepped on the field in August 2003 ready to test his hip. He said he wasn't truly comfortable until he stuck someone real hard in practice and Keeler yelled out, "Pops is back!"

Seven games into the season though, during the Homecoming blowout over Rhode Island, Adams broke his leg. This time however, he knew the Hens were on a mission and that this injury would allow him to come back soon.

"It was funny because when I was hurt the second time, my grandmother called me the bionic football player," he said.

After the Colgate game in the National Championship, Adams flew out to Arizona to visit with Hayes and Shipp. He saw how they were living the life they always talked about and he wanted in on it too.

"That's what I want to do," he said. "I want to make six digits a year. My boy Marcel has a movie theater in his house. I want that too. My mother wants that, my grandma wants that. I still live in the hood, we trying to get out. I know I have a lot of heads to feed."

He came home, signed an agent and started working out with former Broncos and Eagles running back Vaughn Hebronn. When the Delaware pro-day came around, all of the scouts were expecting Adams to run a 4.6-4.7 forty-yard dash because of the prior injuries. After he ran a 4.35



Courtesy of Mike Adams

Safety Mike Adams' ferocious defense and his strong leadership helped anchor one of the strongest defenses in school history.

however, his cell phone was ringing off the hook with scouts wanting his highlight tape.

"I'm out there with those 22 scouts," Keeler said, "and I can't tell you how many scouts said, 'What an amazing kid.' Everyone just liked him. He's one of the greatest leaders ever here at Delaware. He just has an infectious personality."

Pops has done all that he can. Now the waiting process begins.

"He overcame a lot of adversity in his life, coming from Paterson and getting those injuries," Hayes said. "It shows a lot about a person. They told him he almost couldn't play football any more. It shows a strong character."

With the NFL draft beginning

tomorrow, Adams will head home to Paterson, but he's in no rush. He's realistic enough to realize he is not a first day guy.

On Sunday however, he plans on waking up and eating some of that "Sunday morning good cooking" from his grandmother and sit by his phone.

"Hopefully I'll get drafted," he said. "Even if I don't, though, I am going to get into a camp. That's all I ask for. I know I can compete with anybody."

"Everyone overlooks me being from I-AA and says 'Be real. Be realistic.' I am realistic. Give me a chance to compete. That's all I'm asking for."

The Road Report

Van Note leads Hens in sweep of PSU

The Delaware baseball team swept a doubleheader against Penn State Tuesday, winning 9-3 and 4-3 at Beaver Field in University Park, Pa.

Senior co-captain Steve Van Note powered the Hens, going seven for nine on the day with a double, triple and three RBIs.

After dropping 10 in a row, Delaware (18-15, 2-6 CAA) has rebounded to win five of its last six games while the Nittany Lions dropped to 18-11 on the season.

In game one, the Hens scored all nine runs in the first three innings, using five singles and a walk to plate four runs in the first inning.

Freshman Chad Kerfoot (1-1) pitched five innings for Delaware, picking up his first win. He allowed two runs on five hits while giving up two

walks. Freshman Mitch Heckert came on in relief for Kerfoot, giving up one run on two hits in two innings of work. He struck out two while walking none.

Van Note went five for five in game one, while junior second baseman Ryan Graham, junior left fielder Ed McDonnell and freshman designated hitter Bryan Flynn each had two hits.

The Hens again jumped out in the first inning in game two, scoring three runs. Freshman Mike Chiciak held the Nittany Lions scoreless until they managed to put across three runs in the fifth. Freshman Billy Harris (1-2) came on in relief to pick up the win and sophomore Joe Coudon closed the game out for his fourth save of the season.

Van Note and Graham led the Hens with two hits apiece and Graham drove in the winning run in the top of the sixth inning.

Delaware returns to action this afternoon when they open a three-game series with CAA foe Towson. First pitch is set for 3 p.m.

- Compiled by Rob McFadden

Freshman linebacker transfers

BY JON DEAKINS
Sports Editor

Freshman linebacker Maguelli Davis has withdrawn from school according to coach Keeler and left the football program to be closer to home.

"He came to me in the middle of spring ball and told me would like to pursue some options," Keeler said. "He was a little homesick and this is not

where he wanted to be. He wanted to go back to Virginia." His two brothers, Mondoe and Marquez are still enrolled in school and wish their brother the best of luck.

"Of course we didn't want him to leave," Mondoe Davis said, "but we both know he is a grown man. If he's not happy, that is what matters most."

The 6-foot-2, 220-pound

Maguelli came in during the Hens' 2003 recruiting class. At Woodside High School in Newport News, Va, he was named first team All-District and All-Region by the *Daily Press* and was an All-American nominee.

According to his older brother Mondoe, he is leaning toward attending Norfolk St. University.

Former Hens persevere

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mates from 2002. He said that former Hen Rich Gannon and he frequently talked about the success Delaware was having. The 25-year-old running back did not have the same success Elliott had last season, as the Raiders managed only four wins in 2003.

That doesn't seem to bother Burnell now, as he works out in California for the upcoming 2004 season.

"Things are going good for me out here and I feel very blessed right now," he said. "I am really enjoying myself and I like this situation a lot better than the one I had in Green Bay."

Burnell was released by the Packers on August 26 just one day after the Bears released Elliott. He had originally signed with Green Bay to play defensive back as a free agent out of Delaware. The Raiders then signed Burnell in early November and are allowing the 5-foot-11, 208-pound former Hen to switch back to his natural tailback position.

"At first I was playing cornerback, but in Oakland, they let me go back home," he said. "The owner, Mr. Al Davis, asked me what position I wanted to play and I told him."

"I am really happy now that Green Bay cut me because it made me develop a stronger passion for the game."

Elliott understands where Burnell is coming from and feels grateful for his time in New England.

"Winning the Super Bowl in New England this year was the best experience I have had since leaving Delaware," he

said. "I mean, Chicago was 3-13 my first year."

After the season was over, New England was quick to make a contract offer to Elliott, in hopes of retaining him for a few more years. Elliott was receiving other offers from around the league, and wanted to see what else was out there.

The New York Jets, San Diego Chargers and Philadelphia Eagles all offered him a contract, but he eventually signed back with Chicago.

"Chicago had been inquiring about me all season," he said, "and no matter how much I loved New England, Chicago was a better situation for me to try and get on the field."

Elliott also was intrigued by the wide open, spread offense the Bears now run under new head coach Lovie Smith. The 24-year-old said he is the fourth or fifth receiver on the depth chart, but will definitely get his chance to prove himself in their three and sometimes four receiver sets.

Burnell is also looking to break through and make the regular running back rotation this year out in Oakland.

"I don't feel as if everything has worked out for me yet," he said. "I got my foot in the door, and I am just trying to take my shoes off now."

That opportunity looks a little brighter this season as the Raiders starting tailback, Charlie Garner, signed with the

Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the off-season.

No matter what, he certainly is enjoying himself out in the Bay area.

"When I first got here, I had Jerry Rice and Tim Brown come up and introduce themselves to me," he said. "It really impressed me. I mean I was a big fan of them before and now I am even a bigger fan to see how humble they really are in person."

Despite the new lifestyle and added wealth, both men stressed the importance of remembering where you came from. Elliott said since he is from an underprivileged home, he jumped at the first chance he had to provide back for his family.

He even offered some advice to the four Delaware players hoping to have their names called on Sunday.

"I would tell the new guys coming out to work hard at everything you do," he said. "This opportunity only comes around once. I mean I really am doing something I love to do. It's been a blessing."

Elliott also said that no matter where he goes he will always be a Blue Hen at heart. He said that his fellow teammate and former Wolverine wideout David Terrell would always make fun of Delaware by calling the Hens "Baby Michigan."

"He's been quiet lately though," he said, "after our boys brought home a National Championship."



Keith Burnell (top) and Jamin Elliott.

Weekend Preview

The seventh-seeded men's tennis team defeated 10th-seeded Drexel 4-0 in the first round of the Colonial Athletic Association Championships yesterday, advancing to today's 11:30 quarterfinal matchup with host and second seed William & Mary.

The Hens (12-10, 3-2) have defeated the Dragons in 43 of 44 meetings.

The sixth-seeded women's tennis team will face third-seeded Old Dominion today at 9 a.m. in the quarterfinals of the women's CAA Championship.

The women (9-9, 3-2 CAA) have won four of their last five, including wins over CAA rivals Towson, Hofstra, George Mason and Drexel.

In yesterday's first round action, No. 7 George Mason defeated No. 10 Drexel 4-0 and No. 8 Towson defeated No. 9 Hofstra 4-1.

The women's rowing team heads to the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia Saturday for the Kerr Cup, which serves as the CAA Championships. Delaware has won the Cup each of the last two seasons and will look to defend their title. Last weekend at the Knecht Cup, Delaware advanced three of four boats to the petite finals and the Novice Eights finished in first place.

The men's lacrosse team will play its second-to-last game of the season Saturday when it travels to Sacred Heart for a 1 p.m. matchup.

The Hens (8-5, 1-3 CAA) are in a three-way tie for fourth place in the CAA with Sacred Heart and Drexel. In order for the team to make the playoffs, Delaware needs to win tomorrow and Drexel needs to lose to Towson. Only the top four team advance to the postseason.

The Hens have dropped three games in a row.

The golf team closes out its season this weekend as it hosts the Scotty Duncan Memorial Golf Tournament at the Back Creek Golf Club in Middletown.

The team finished ninth at last weekend's CAA Championships in Suffolk, Va.

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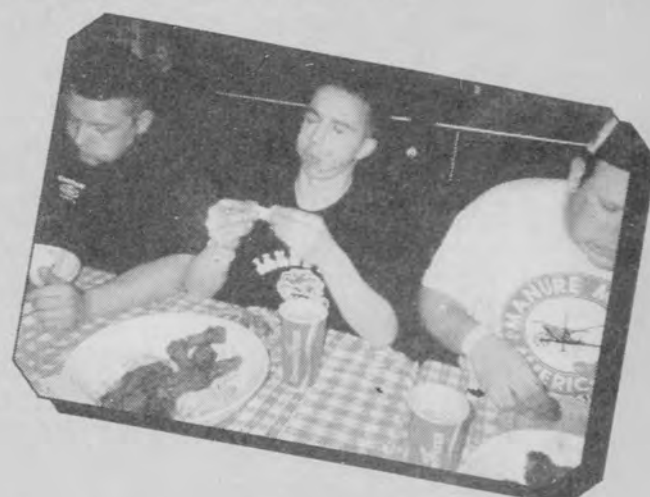
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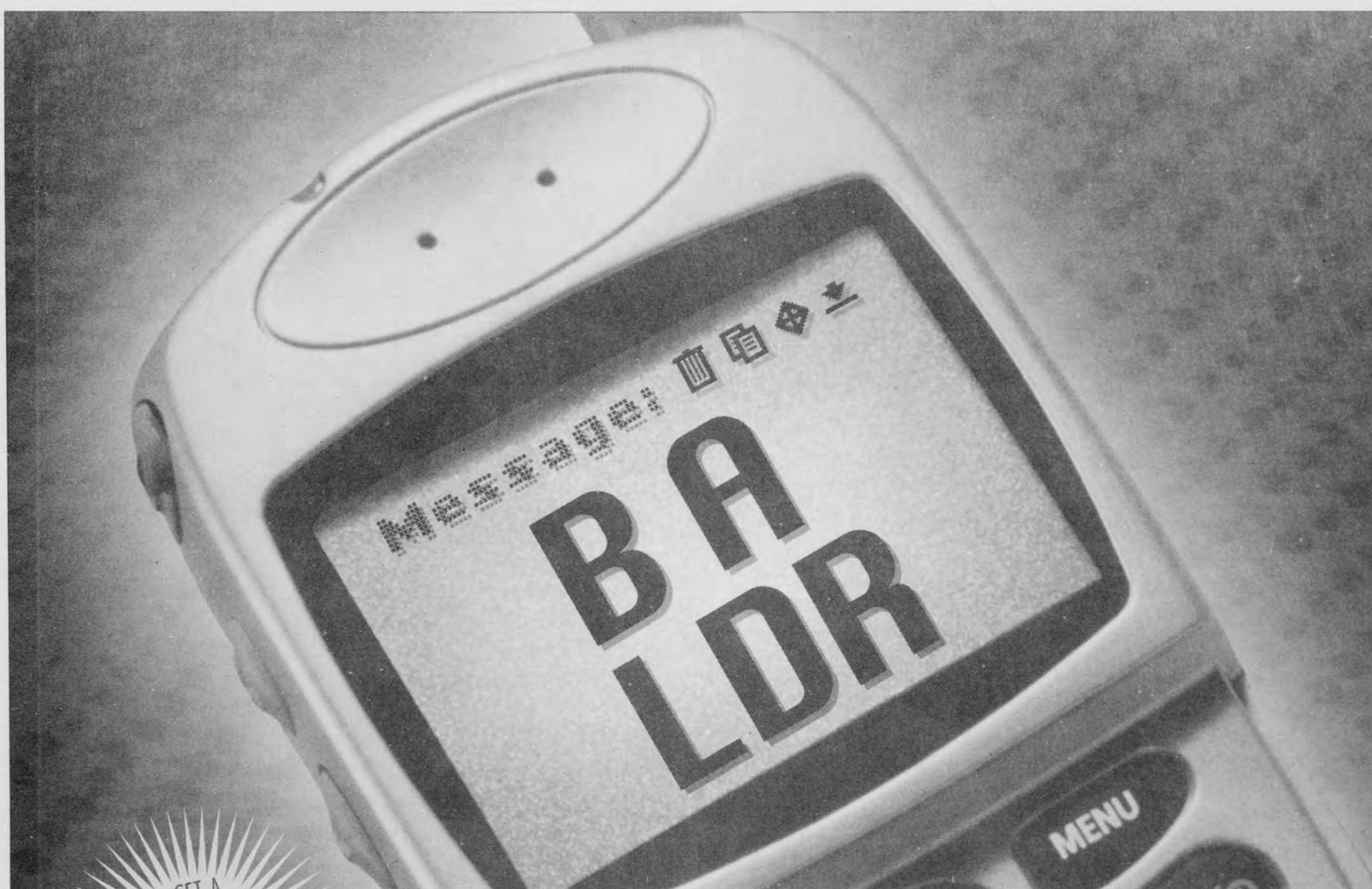
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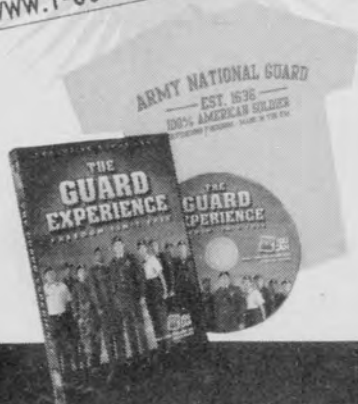
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