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## City preps for water pipe system overhaul

BY MOLLY TORRES  
Staff Reporter

Aging Newark water pipes on Kells and Wollaston avenues will be sprayed with cement lining to address reported problems, and the project is expected to be completed by Dec. 25, according to city officials.

Roy Simonson, director of the city's water and wastewater department, said residents located

in older parts of the city whose houses are connected to unlined cast iron pipes built prior to 1965 may experience problems with discoloration and flow.

The area of piping near Kells and Wollaston avenues is the most problematic, and the city's water main relining project will address those issues. According to Simonson, this will be "just the start" of water main relining projects the city will

undertake "as the years go by."

State Rep. John Kowalko (D-Newark South), who has lived on Kells Avenue for less than a year, noticed discolored water and low water flow as soon as he and his wife moved in.

"We've had a lot of clothes ruined, stains in our toilets, and quite frankly I don't know what type of dietary effects the water has if you drink it," Kowalko said. "It's not a

pleasant experience even when it's only mildly brown."

According to Ron Walker, 70, who lives on Kells Avenue, Simonson suggested residents of his street and Wollaston Avenue shouldn't drink their water until the project is completed.

"You just never knew what you were going to have when you turned on the faucet," Walker said.

District 4 City Councilman

Dave Athey, who also lives on Kells Avenue, said problems with older pipe systems are widespread.

"Our aging infrastructure is an enormous problem throughout the whole country," Athey said. "The city of Newark is spending literally millions of dollars every year relining pipes."

Athey said older pipes lose their

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## Student struck by truck, ticketed

BY DANIELLE BRODY  
Administrative News Editor

Traffic came to a standstill Monday morning when a university box truck hit a 21-year-old student on South College Avenue, according to police.

The student stepped off a shuttle bus that stopped on the northbound side of the Smith Underpass at approximately 11 a.m. and crossed the street between two parked buses into the path of the oncoming truck, said Newark police spokesman MCpl. Gerald Bryda.

"She was clipped by the mirror of that truck," Bryda said. "She received a non-life threatening injury to her head and arm and was brought to, and is currently being treated at, Christiana Hospital."

The student was released from Christiana Hospital on Monday according to hospital employees.

Nearby bus drivers and students rushed to the student after she was hit. Newark police arrived after receiving a call from a witness on the scene, and an ambulance from Aetna Hose Hook & Ladder transported the

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Locals gather around a holiday tree decorating the Academy Lawn on Main Street Friday night.

## Newark ushers in holidays

BY DANIELLE DEVITA  
News Features Editor

Santa Claus parked his sleigh on Main Street Friday, deposited quarters in the meter and then posted for autographs and pictures with children.

Thirty-four-year-old Newark resident Brian McAdams, clad in

his bearded, rosy-cheeked costume, braced himself as his coworkers hoisted him onto the homemade sleigh to drag him through the 3.1 mile Reindeer Run race. Participants dress in antlers and face paint before the race begins.

"I wanted to participate in the race, but I'm out of shape," McAdams said.

The Reindeer Run 5K is held annually by the Delaware Special Olympics, with proceeds benefitting the organization. According to Jon Buzby, director of media relations for Special Olympics Delaware, this year's event raised more than \$38,000 and included 1,061 participants, both

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## Crime spikes close to Elkton

BY MARINA KOREN  
Editor-in-Chief

The Elkton Road and West Park Place areas recently saw a string of crimes since students returned to campus after Thanksgiving break, including an attempted kidnapping of a young girl, multiple incidents of indecent exposure and an armed robbery of a delivery driver, according to police.

The suspects involved in each incident remain at large. Police continue to investigate the crimes, calling on local residents for information.

Police continue to investigate the attempted luring of a 14-year-old girl at the intersection of Dallas Avenue and Apple Road Wednesday at 5 p.m. The girl was walking down Dallas Avenue at the time when she was approached by a man in a white van. The man asked her if she need a ride home, and when she refused, he told her to "get in."

The girl then fled on foot, and

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# Letter from the Editors

This is The Review's last issue of the fall semester. Print publication will resume in February with a special "While You Were Gone" issue, covering all the news that happened over the holiday break and during winter session.

We will keep the website updated regularly and send out breaking news updates on Twitter. Follow us at @udreview.

We'd like to thank you for your readership this semester, and hope you enjoy the holidays.

Faithfully yours,  
Marina Koren, Editor-in-Chief  
Nora Kelly, Executive Editor



The MelUDEes, a student cappella group, perform during a concert Friday night.

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A man carves ice Friday night during Newark's Winterfest on Friday night.



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A Christmas tree decorates the university bookstore on Main Street.

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## SUV crashes into Main St. Subway



A tan Chevrolet Blazer with a Delaware license plate crashed into the Subway storefront at Trader's Alley at approximately 11 p.m. Monday night.

Newark police arrived on the scene shortly after and took three individuals, two men and one woman, into custody. After hearing the impact of the collision, tenants of the adjacent building gathered outside their apartments to watch the scene.

The incident is currently under investigation by Newark police. —Reity O'Brien, contributing editor

## Harker embarks on fifth year at UD

BY PAT GILLESPIE  
Senior Reporter

Five years after Patrick Harker was named university president on Dec. 1, 2006, the school has seen significant change including partnerships with international businesses and a major campus expansion. Along with the additions, many decisions made during his tenure, which officially began in July 2007, have brought criticism of his management style.

Developments during Harker's presidency include ongoing construction of many new facilities, including the Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering Laboratory, a science-engineering research-based creation on Academy Street, and new residence halls being built on East Campus.

Harker has helped negotiate partnerships between the university and large companies, such as JP Morgan Chase. The worldwide banking company donated \$5 million to help construct the JP Morgan Chase Innovation Center located in Purnell Hall, allowing students to intern with the company on campus.

Of the projects underway during his tenure, one of the most scrutinized is the redevelopment of the site of the former Chrysler plant on South College Avenue near Delaware Stadium.

"We always ask ourselves that when we're together as a group administratively, 'Are we trying to do too much at once?'" University Provost Tom Apple said of the school's construction projects. "And then we always end by saying, 'Well, maybe we are, but let's keep doing it.'"

The 272-acre property where the former Chrysler plant once operated sits empty across from the College of Agriculture & Natural Resources. University officials revealed a "master plan" in August, which outlined their plans to develop the property into a Science and Technology campus. The plan is part of the Path to Prominence, the university's strategic plan for development, which Harker announced in May 2008.

"I think it's going to be vital. There's never going to be another—what 100 acres open up in the heart of Newark anytime soon," said Faculty Senate President and philosophy professor Jeffrey Jordan.

Bloom Energy, a company specializing in fuel cells, plans to open research offices on the site, along with the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command. Along with the Interdisciplinary Science & Engineering Laboratory, the Chrysler plant's future residents will exhibit the enhanced presence of engineering at the university.

In executing the Path to Prominence, Harker has demonstrated his business prowess, attracting JP Morgan Chase and Bank of America, which provide opportunities for students to gain

work experience, to the campus.

Apple said Harker's personality reflects the university's additions during his presidency.

"Pat is a risk-taker, he enjoys the challenge," Apple said. "He understands without risk there's going to be little gain. He's been a great guide on the [Path to Prominence]."

He said one of Harker's most positive qualities has been his ability to attract major corporations to the university's campus.

"[President] Harker has had a profound impact in bringing companies to campus," Apple stated in an email message during a later interview. "The corporate community is thrilled with the way in which he has made the university a partner in growing the Delaware economy and providing opportunities for companies and students to interact."

Apple credited Harker with recent additions to the university faculty. He said 16 of the last 17 job offers in the engineering department were accepted, and the recipients were the department's first choices.

He also noted that for the last few years, the university has hired 90 to 95 percent of its first-choice faculty applicants.

"I think we've hired better than any university in the country," Apple said.

Jordan lauded the Harker administration for not implementing furloughs and pay give-backs for faculty salaries—something many faculty at schools in the Colonial Academic Alliance have faced. He also doesn't think there is significant discontent within the faculty against Harker.

Although university officials have been able to secure partnerships with major corporations during Harker's term as president, the school has met some criticism during his tenure.

The university was criticized in July's Middle States accreditation report, a nonprofit organization whose evaluations can be used to determine if a school can receive federal funding, for its lack of diversity. The report said the university is not diverse in "either absolute or relative terms."

Black students constituted 5.2 percent of the undergraduate body last year, and the Middle States report said 52 percent of black students graduated from the university in 2004. Hispanics represented 5.7 percent of students in 2010, according to the Office of Institutional Research.

In an email sent via university spokesman David Brond, Harker responded to a variety of questions, among them the Middle States report about diversity. In light of the report's criticism, Harker cited demographics at other universities.

"While we want to do better, we are not out of line with these institutions," Harker stated in the email message. "The combined

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## UD site now offered in Spanish

BY CAYLIE O'CONNELL  
Staff Reporter

University officials launched a Spanish-language version of its website as part of their mission to increase its accessibility and presence in Spanish-speaking countries.

Tracey Bryant, the associate director of the Office of Communications & Marketing who helped develop the website, stated in an email message that the translated website will help attract students from Spanish-speaking countries.

"[The new website] brings an important dimension to our international communications and outreach that few other universities have," Bryant said.

The Institute for Global Studies and its advisory board recommended Spanish as the first language chosen for the website's translation, based on the numerous partnerships the university maintains with schools in Spanish-speaking countries as well as active admissions recruiting efforts in Latin America, Bryant said.

Admissions counselor Renee Koerner, who works with prospective Spanish-speaking students, said the translated website will be helpful for international students. The website will be especially useful for those who are still learning English or plan to study the language in the United States before beginning their bachelor's or post-graduate work, she said.

"There are people throughout the world who are potentially interested in studying, working or giving to the university, and many of

them speak Spanish," Koerner said.

She said the website will also facilitate the admissions process for American students whose families are from Spanish-speaking countries.

"An admissions site in Spanish empowers Latino parents with knowledge and allows them to be more proactive in their children's college search and admissions process," Koerner said.

Matthew Robinson, director of the Institute of Global Studies and business professor, said the university is becoming more multicultural, so administrators created the website to make the university's webpage more accessible to potential students and parents who are native Spanish speakers.

"I think it's an excellent first step in terms of meeting the needs of people in other cultures," Robinson said.

Although Chinese and Indian students account for the greatest percentage of international applications, Spanish is the second most spoken language in the United States, and there are many native speakers at the university, Robinson said.

The university's student body hails from 105 different countries. In 2011, the university received 1,419 international applications, 837 of which were for the English Language Institute, a separate school that helps students develop language skills.

Robinson said the Spanish website could also strengthen the university's recent increase in partnerships with the Spanish-speaking world. In August,

professors and alumni from the university's music department traveled to Bogotá, Colombia, to perform a concert funded by the Institute for Global Studies.

The university also offers study abroad and exchange programs in nine Spanish-speaking countries, such as the Costa Rica First Year Experience, a new study abroad program enacted this semester, for freshmen during winter session.

The College of Engineering holds partnerships with 11 Colombian universities, and receives approximately 100 applications a year for graduate programs from the country.

Freshman Kervin Zamora, who is a public policy major, said he experienced some of the difficulties of applying to the university as a native Spanish speaker.

Zamora, originally from Honduras, went to a private boarding school in Middletown, Del., for four years, where he learned how to speak English. However, his parents only speak Spanish, which complicates their understanding of the university's website.

"For me, I can handle it, but my parents can't even read the comments my professors make," Zamora said.

He said the website will be helpful for prospective students in the future.

"In the U.S. now, there are more Rodriguezes and Garcias than Browns and Millers—there are a lot of Latin American students out there," Zamora said.



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## police reports

### Vehicle stolen from the School Lane Apartments' guest parking lot

An unidentified person stole a vehicle in the parking lot of the School Lane Apartments last week, according to Newark police spokesman MCpl. Gerald Bryda.

Police believe the theft occurred sometime between 8 p.m. on Nov. 28 and 8:30 a.m. on Nov. 29. The vehicle, a black Acura RSX, is reported stolen through unknown means, Bryda said.

On the morning of Nov. 29, the 23-year-old victim walked to where his vehicle had been parked and saw it was not there. The victim then checked with the apartment complex's administration to see if the vehicle had been towed because it had been parked in the guest parking lot. The car had not been towed by School Lane Apartments employees, and Newark police confirmed with local towing companies the vehicle had not been removed, Bryda said.

Police found no evidence the vehicle was broken into, and there are no surveillance cameras in the area. Nothing of value was inside the vehicle, Bryda said.

There are currently no suspects. The charge would be theft of a motor vehicle.

### Two unknown suspects steal golf cart

Two people stole a green golf cart from the University Courtyard Apartments last week, according to Newark police spokesman MCpl. Gerald Bryda.

At 10:05 p.m. on Nov. 28, two suspects were seen driving up to the main office of the apartment complex on Scholar Drive on bicycles. One of the suspects then dropped his bicycle and jumped into the driver's seat of the golf cart and proceeded onto Delaware Avenue, heading east, Bryda said.

Police arrived on the scene after the complex reported the incident but were unable to locate the suspects. The golf cart was recovered three days later. The suspects are described as two men in their late teens or early 20s. The golf cart is dark green with white seats and a white top, Bryda said.

There are no suspects at this time. The bicycle left on scene was taken for evidence. The charge would be theft of a motor vehicle.

### Unidentified person strikes victim with a drink

An unknown person threw an object at an employee of Kentucky Fried Chicken on Marrows Road Thursday night, according to Newark police spokesman MCpl. Gerald Bryda.

According to the victim, at approximately 8:20 p.m., the suspect threw a drink back in through the drive-through window after purchasing an order. The drink struck the victim, and then the suspect quickly drove away from the establishment, Bryda said.

The suspect is described as college-aged and wearing a gray hoodie with the university logo on the front. The vehicle was described as a red, early 2000s four-door Volkswagen.

There are no suspects at this time. The charge would be offensive touching.

—Martin Martinez

## This week in history:

**Dec. 7, 1982** - Multiple local movie theaters, including the Cinema Center in the Newark Shopping Center, were shut down by police after employees attempted to show X-rated films without a license.

## photo of the week



White lights decorating a tree on Main Street sparkle at night.

THE REVIEW/Nick Wallace

## in brief

### College of Engineering receives two \$1 million donations

Two university alumni have donated \$1 million in separate donations to the chemical engineering department to fund initiatives to help faculty and post-graduate students.

Thomas Gutshall, a chemical engineering alumnus of the class of 1960 and his wife Kipp T. Gutshall donated one gift with the goal of funding the appointment of a career development chair within the department. The new chair position will rotate periodically and is intended to reward young faculty members for their work.

Robert W. Gore, a chemical engineering alumnus of the class of 1959,

also donated \$1 million to the College of Engineering. Gore's gift will establish two new graduate fellowships for incoming doctoral students starting in 2012.

### University updates academic advisement website

The university's academic advisement website has been updated to increase user-friendliness after complaints were received regarding advisement resource inaccessibility.

The site now features links to online destinations including a GPA calculator, the undergraduate and graduate course catalogs and UDSIS, the university's online registry system.

### Newark Post to be digitalized by university

The university's Center for Digital Collections will digitalize issues of the Newark Post, a local weekly paper, published from 1995 through its current issue. Issues written during 2006, 2007 and 2008 have already been archived and are available online, and the center is currently digitizing issues published from 2009 through the present.

Department staff expects the entire project to be completed within a year. Issues published before 1995 will also be digitalized if they are able to be transcribed.

## things to do

Submit events to [calendar@udreview.com](mailto:calendar@udreview.com)

### Tuesday, Dec. 6

SGA Senate Meeting  
5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., Memorial 127

### Wednesday, Dec. 7

CPAB's Lap of Luxury: Annual Stress Reliever  
7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Trabant Multipurpose Rooms

### Thursday, Dec. 8

"Decadence" Exhibition Opening Reception  
5:15 p.m., bus departs from Studio Arts Building

### Friday, Dec. 9

Fine Arts Senior Exhibition Opening Reception  
5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Recitation Hall Gallery

### Saturday, Dec. 10

Metropolitan Opera Study Trip  
1 p.m., leaving from the Roselle Center for the Arts

### Sunday, Dec. 11

Final Performance of REP's "Noises Off"  
2 p.m., Thompson Theatre

### Monday, Dec. 12

Newark City Council Meeting  
7 p.m., Council Chamber





Members of the Faculty Senate considered adding 10 new representatives during the group's meeting Monday night.

THE REVIEW/Nick Wallace

# Faculty Senate vetoes move to increase group members

*Proposal would have increased members by 10 for next school year*

BY DANA FINKLE  
Staff Reporter

The Faculty Senate will not expand its ranks after its members voted against a measure that would add 10 new representatives during the group's meeting Monday night in Gore Hall.

Physics and astronomy professor John Morgan proposed increasing the number of elected faculty senators from 50 to 60 for the 2012 and 2013 academic year. He said the move was necessary to ensure that each college adequately represented departments included within their branch.

"The likely effect is that the College of Arts & Sciences would add about five senators, and each of the other colleges, which are smaller, would add one extra senator," said Morgan, a faculty member of the college.

He said the number of faculty senators has not changed since 1970, when the committee first began, which is why he believed it was time to increase the number of representatives.

However, the measure required 37 votes for approval and 35 representatives voted in favor of the proposal.

The number of faculty members at the university

increased from 550 in 1970 to 1,100 in 2011, Morgan said. During the course of more than four decades, the number of departments has expanded from 40 to 50.

Currently, the College of Arts & Sciences, the largest college at the university, has been allocated 24 seats, which is equal to the number of academic departments it includes.

Morgan said the next reapportionment, which will take place in January 2013, may present a problem, if the number of faculty seats allocated to the College of Arts & Sciences decreases by one representative.

This would cause faculty members to make major changes in how they elect their senators, he said.

"We would end up with a system in which we would be voting for people, most of whom, we just don't know," Morgan said.

He said he personally would not feel comfortable representing faculty who are outside of his discipline such as art and communication.

This proposal may also help give faculty senators an opportunity to communicate what is discussed at senate meetings back to the departments they

represent.

Opponents of expanding the number of representatives were concerned with how the extra 10 members would represent smaller colleges such as Health Sciences or Agriculture & Natural Resources, which could have less influence in a larger pool of members.

"It seems like this is being done to make sure that there's a senator from every department in Arts & Sciences, whereas other colleges have functioned quite well without a representative from every department," said food and resource economics professor Steve Hastings. "Maybe Arts & Sciences needs to change their view of the world as opposed to the senate conforming to what would be very convenient for the [college]."

Human Development and Family Studies professor Martha Buell said an expansion should consider the ratio of elected representatives in comparison to the size of the Colleges of Arts & Sciences.

"It seems like there should be some caution considered in changing the proportions of this government body—given the context of Arts & Sciences especially," Buell said.

## Politics Straight, No Chaser

*'Keep calm' in trying times*

In 1939, as Great Britain was facing the brutal onslaught of an advancing Germany in WWII, the Ministry of Information released a series of posters designed to boost morale. Facing food rations, widening conscription ages, and almost a quarter-million troops losing a war to a threat of evil never before witnessed, the people of Britain needed all the help they could get to stay positive.

Recently, one of these posters bearing the moniker "Keep Calm and Carry On," has emerged onto the pop culture scene. It seems as though many have found these words comforting in today's politically, socially and especially economically trying times. Nowhere has this phrase become more popular than at universities. On campus this semester, variations of the phrase could be found on sorority t-shirts and on posters from various student groups supporting an array of causes. A personal favorite, found in male domiciles all over Newark, is "Keep Calm and Drink Beer." One more likely to be found in female living quarters might be "Keep Calm and Sing Along to Glee."

All of these variations reflect something systemic in our generation's culture: through tough times we continue to take it in stride and do the best we can. Never in our lives has political uncertainty and lack of confidence in our system been so great. Over this past semester, the circus that is national politics has only worsened, with the reality TV show that has become the Republican primary process only masking the deeper problems of gridlock that remain on Capitol Hill.

Over the weekend, temporary GOP frontrunner Herman Cain formally announced he would be suspending his campaign. After months of gaffes on issues from economics to foreign policy, a number of allegations of sexual harassment and the report of an extended extramarital affair, the Cain Train has finally come to a halt, though it really began running off the tracks almost as soon as it started. At least the president of "Ubeki-beki-beki-stan-stan" can rest assured he won't have to be negotiating with Mr. Cain anytime soon.

Cain's replacement as the Republican-of-the-moment is Newt Gingrich. Gingrich is the former Speaker of the House during the Clinton administration and has made a surprising comeback since his campaign staff quit on him at the beginning of this past summer. Gingrich has a high political IQ and is probably the most seasoned in the field. Though he has been prone to gaffes and potentially career-ending problems in his personal life, his political experience has brought about this comeback and makes the length of his tenure leading the polls difficult to determine. If voters didn't like Cain's history of infidelity and morally reprehensible behavior, as Gingrich's past—filled with cheating, divorce and questionable associations with lobbyists—becomes more pronounced, he may be forced to find a quick exit. Polls aside, as the primary elections begin in January, we'll quickly see a more realistic picture of the future of this entertaining, and at times confusing, race.

What is clear is that the Republican Party has fallen into an interesting spot. This past semester has seen the rise and fall of party favorites, and also candidates the party leadership has been less than thrilled with. Characters like Donald Trump have divided the party. Whether they band together, rally behind a single candidate and pull off a presidential campaign that can compete with the Obama Democratic machine will determine a lot about the next few years in politics. The party can only go in one direction; they'll either get it together or descend further into disarray.

Speaking of Obama, the focus has largely shifted away from the president since September, and he probably couldn't be happier. With



Matthew Friedman

news outlets captivated by the GOP primary, he has gladly fallen out of the hot seat. After the 10th anniversary of 9/11, Obama has set a time table ending combat in Afghanistan and will have the last of American forces out of Iraq by the end of the month. He also scored a political and foreign policy victory with Libya, securing a transition of power to rebels and unseating an unstable dictator there without drastic cost in U.S. blood and finances.

At home, the latest round of economic news has been optimistic, with unemployment falling into the mid 8 percent range last week, better than forecasters had predicted. Regardless, the road to recovery remains long and difficult to navigate. Obama has been trying to pass a jobs recovery bill in Congress for the last several months. Republicans have stood in his way, but the question looms: how long will the American people sit idly by while the government does nothing to help the working classes in economic peril?

Part of this question was answered by the "Occupy" movement that began in mid-September. As winter sets in and city mayors become increasingly less willing to allow shantytown encampments on their landmarks, the future of the movement is uncertain. Their message, though loosely defined, and a warning were successfully sent to governments across the nation. As now-iconic images of students being pepper sprayed to the point of asphyxiation went viral, police brutality and the right to peacefully protest have all been topics of debate.

The main point to take away from this wild political semester is that political participation has increased, especially among our generation. Regardless of the side you may be on, people have become more impassioned, more aware and more interested in politics. On a campus like ours, with a tendency to be apathetic, nobody can argue that it's a bad thing. Things aren't good out there these days, and next semester, they might even get worse. Just do as you have been doing, keeping calm and carrying on. Or for now, as we head into finals, you might as well "Keep Calm and Drink a lot of Coffee."





Weinstein's company screenprints students' study guides to their pillowcases.

Screen capture

## Business marries sleep with studies

BY MARINA KOREN  
Editor-in-Chief

A former university student's business has transformed naptime to study time, selling study guides screen-printed on soft, cotton pillowcases for the late-night studier.

Barry Weinstein, a New York native, launched his company Pillowcase Studies this summer after realizing most students see one thing before they turn in for the night—their textbooks or their pillows.

"I was studying out of my textbook and I actually fell asleep face first on my textbook," Weinstein said. "It was really embarrassing too, because I actually had a date the next morning and she probably thought I was so weird because I had this giant red mark all across my face, literally from falling asleep on a principles of financial accounting textbook."

He studied for 24 consecutive hours for the exam, and earned a 63 on the test, which he said counted for 30 percent of his grade. Weinstein, who studied at the university his freshman year, transferred to American University during his sophomore year, where the idea for his company was born in a financial accounting class.

"I just decided that, you know, there's got to be a better way to study," Weinstein said.

He is currently studying at the London School of Economics, majoring in entrepreneurship, for his senior year, and he plans to return to the university to pursue his graduate degree.

Before Pillowcase Studies, Weinstein stuck Post-its with practice exam questions scribbled on them to his refrigerator. If he could answer the question on the note correctly, he would allow himself to open the fridge and get a snack or soda. If he got the answer wrong, he would go back to his notes, learn and memorize

the material, and try again.

"But then I realized, wouldn't it be interesting if I could take the same principle and apply it to a pillowcase?" Weinstein said. "So every time I would study my textbook, i.e. my pillowcase, I could fall asleep and I'd be sleeping on a pillow."

He called 250 T-shirt printers in New York and Washington, D.C. when he was ready to turn his idea into a business. He refers to this process as one of the most time-consuming endeavors of his life.

The resulting company offers guides covering political science, corporate science, biology, drama, principles of psychology and art history, which are marketed as "homework you can sleep on." They typically cost \$19.99, but during this season's holiday sale, Weinstein will sell them at \$10.99, according to the company website.

The pillowcases are produced entirely in the United States, with the fabric shipped from a Florida-based wholesale linen manufacturer. The study guides are screen-printed by a fine art printer, as regular T-shirt printing equipment is too small to create the pillowcases. The ink, also from Texas, is formulated to feel extra-soft against the skin.

Weinstein enlisted the help of his friends from high school, who agreed to work on commission and promote the pillowcases at their schools, including the University of Virginia and the University of Miami.

Junior Guthrie Lewis, a close friend of Weinstein's, said math majors could benefit from catching a few winks on a pillowcase full of mathematical formulas because memorization constitutes a significant part of their study methods. He calls it a useful studying tool disguised as a fun gag gift.

"Five minutes every day before you go to bed will be better than three hours before a test," Lewis said.

He said he was unsure of the product's marketability when Weinstein's project was in its infancy.

"We were all hearing it when it was a seed idea," he said. "We kind of thought, 'That's a totally strange idea.'"

Lewis, a dietetics major, has since purchased a pillowcase featuring a biology study guide.

Weinstein said Pillowcase Studies products will benefit students studying memorization-heavy material.

"You get to see it every time you sit down on your bed, and as you know with Delaware dorms, the bed is the biggest thing in the room," he said. "So every time you sit on your bed, you're getting exposed to the material."

This supplement to a regular study routine also makes learning a little less dull, Weinstein said.

"A huge portion of our education is put into the classroom," he said. "For instance, being a business [major], 99 percent of the corporate finance I would be exposed to is studying out of a textbook, which is unbelievably boring."

Professor Fred Adams, chairman of the linguistics and cognitive science department at the university, stated in an email message that learning cues, combined with sufficient studying time, are crucial when it comes to absorbing course material.

"Studying for smaller amounts of time over many different study periods, not cramming, can have the advantage of adding memory cues that can be accessed come test time," Adams said. "Cramming has then nasty effect of trying to attach too much information to too few memory cues."

Weinstein says the purpose of Pillowcase Studies products can move beyond effective studying techniques as well.

"It's really a tool you can use in order to express your love for your major," he said.

## Crime near campus down, officials say

BY DAN MCCARTHY  
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The frequency of criminal activity has decreased in the area surrounding the university during this semester, according to university and city police officials.

University police Chief Patrick Ogden said this year's Fall Crime Suppression Plan, an initiative that combines the resources between the university and Newark police departments during the fall semester, has been successful. Both departments have been able to deter criminal behavior, their joint efforts facilitated through information-sharing between the two.

"It's been more successful than I had imagined as far as improving the overall atmosphere of what we're trying to accomplish here and that's making students feel more safe and secure," Ogden said.

He said that one area the plan has been particularly effective in is catching criminals who may cross in and out of the city and university's respective jurisdictions.

"The common criminal that would come to campus to commit a crime doesn't respect any jurisdictional boundaries," Ogden said. "So this new partnership with Newark [police] is great to combat that."

Across campus, overall crime has dropped by 27.7 percent from 2010 to 2011, and no category of crime has risen in frequency during the fall season.

Newark police spokesman MCpl. Gerald Bryda stated in an email message that the city is experiencing dropping crime rates. Part I offenses, which are classified as felonies, decreased by 4.8 percent and Part II offenses, categorized as misdemeanors and minor crimes, were down 9.9 percent.

Along with the decrease of overall crime rates, there has been a significant reduction in major and violent crimes, such as aggravated assaults, which decreased by 66.7 percent, Bryda said.

"The largest decrease we have seen this semester, and this year as a whole, is aggravated assaults," Bryda said.

He said the two crimes with the highest frequency this semester are theft, which occurred 272 times, and noise or disorderly premise charges, which were reported 236 times in 2011.

Bryda also said the highest volume of calls for suspected crimes originate from the downtown area, which is where the Crime Suppression Plan is focused. He also said the Fall Crime Suppression Plan has been effective at deterring crime during this semester.

"The partnership has proven to be a great success and aids in both agencies' missions of making the city of Newark and the University of Delaware a safe and peaceful environment," Bryda said.

Newark Mayor Vance A. Funk III said the rapport between the city and university officers has greatly improved through the Crime Suppression Plan and is a logical collaboration between the two agencies.

"It just makes sense," Funk said. "You have two large police forces in a small area. The more you can cross-utilize them in different projects, the better off you are."

He said the plan will be implemented again next fall semester.

"The emphasis on crime suppression is always going to be from about 20th of August through the end of November," Funk said. "Then it picks up again in the middle of February and carries on through the end of May."

He said that since the implementation of extra security cameras, reports of major crimes have been scarce, and if they have occurred, law enforcement officials have acted quickly.

"The muggings, the armed robberies, stuff like that, we've learned about pretty quickly," Funk said. "There just doesn't seem to be a whole lot of that."

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# East Campus dorm construction begins

BY ANDREA STUART

Staff Reporter

Construction began last week on two new freshman residence halls, which will replace older dormitories such as Rodney and Dickinson halls in the future.

The \$80 million project includes two buildings, called Building A and Building B, which will house 585 beds and 282 beds respectively, according to Alan Brangman, university architect and campus planner. The residence halls will look similar to those on Laird Campus,

with communal bathrooms and a mix of double and single rooms, he said.

"The floorplan is very similar to the floorplan of Dickinson," Brangman said. "It is what is called a race track, which has the rooms going around in a doughnut shape with all of the bathrooms and lounges in the middle."

The new residence halls, slated for completion in the summer of 2013, will be exclusive to freshmen students. Incoming freshmen will still be able to list their preference between the communal-style residence halls on East Campus or suite-style residence halls in George Read for the fall semester, Brangman said.

The new residence halls will be comparably sized to rooms in George Read aside from the bathrooms, according to David Singleton, vice president of facilities and auxiliary services.

Singleton said Dickinson and Rodney halls will stay open until the new buildings are ready to accommodate incoming students.

"The tentative plan is that Rodney will remain in use through June of 2015. Dickinson would be a couple of years later," Singleton said. "But before we can close Rodney, we not only have to build the new buildings, we also will be doing a major renovation of Harrington which will happen from 2013-2015."

Brangman said his department is attempting to make renovations to the Harrington Residence Hall that will make the buildings appear like Russell.

Singleton said the construction

plan for East Campus also includes building a new dining hall in place of the tennis courts across from Perkins Student Center, slated for completion in the summer 2015. It will hold more than 1,000 seats and will have residence rooms on upper floors, he said.

Kent Dining Hall will remain open after the new building is constructed, but may be used for different purposes that have yet to be determined, Brangman said. He also said there are no concrete plans to reconstruct the tennis courts in the area.

"We are probably going to look at re-purposing that dining hall," Brangman said. "That is still a decision that has yet to be made, though. We are not sure whether it will become a special purpose dining facility or turned over to student affairs to become a student lounge space."

Kathleen Kerr, director of Residence Life, said moving most of the freshman dorms to East Campus will make students' transition to college life easier.

"We want to create a freshman neighborhood for first year students," Kerr said. "It's all about helping the students acclimate to college life, transition, make adjustments, get connected to other students, make connections with the faculty members, dealing with roommate conflict."

Construction hours on East Campus are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and there will be little disruption to students, Brangman said.

Brangman said the construction has redirected local traffic patterns by closing off a pedestrian sidewalk that runs between Russell Hall and Haines street.

Freshman Maddi Valinski said she enjoys living in a single room in Rodney Hall, but prefers the idea of the new residence halls. She thinks it's helpful that the new dormitories have communal bathrooms because girls often socialize in that location.

"I think it will be much better for all the freshmen to be in one place because there won't be as much separation," Valinski said. "There is almost a rivalry between the freshmen about the different areas on campus and I think it will be cool to see how every connects in one area."

Sophomore Katie Johnson said she is not entirely happy with the plans because she frequently uses the tennis courts next to Kent Dining Hall.

She said there are no other tennis courts in nearby areas, which would make it more difficult to casually play a game with friends. The closest tennis court is located on Academy Street off the James Hall Trail, next to Ivy Hall Apartments.

"It's not that I don't want to exert the extra energy to walk to the Laird or Rodney courts, it's solely that I would rather not take that extra sliver of time out of my day," Johnson said. "I won't go as far as saying I won't play tennis anymore when this change occurs, I just won't be able to play as often as I'd like to."



THE REVIEW/Amelia Wang

Construction crews are building two new residence halls on East Campus.

## New addition opens at Big Bob for athlete use

BY ALLISON KANE

Staff Reporter

A 54,000-square foot addition to the Bob Carpenter Center opened last week, upgrading facilities for athletes and helping relieve high traffic at other campus fitness locations.

The new space holds two gymnasiums to be used as practice courts for men's and women's basketball and the women's volleyball team. The space will also be used by most indoor club sports teams for practice.

Athletic Director Bernard Muir said the addition will allow athletes to practice in better facilities.

"Whether it is from the highest level of intercollegiate athletics or to students wishing to compete at the club sport or intramural level, they all will benefit from this enhancement," Muir said.

Muir said the next development project will be the expansion of the Carpenter Sports Building, known colloquially as the Little Bob. Construction on the project will begin early in 2012 and is slated for completion in 2013.

Students using the Little Bob for personal recreation have found securing open gym space increasingly difficult in recent semesters.

Freshman Hannah DeMartino, a member of the cross country team,

said she comes to the Little Bob once or twice a week, but would work out more often if the gym wasn't so often overcrowded. She said there is usually a wait to use the equipment, especially the cardio machines.

"For us, it's absurd because there's a 30-minute time limit that you're allowed to be on the machines," DeMartino said.

Although the time limit is intended to allow a greater number of students to use the machines, freshman Meg O'Brien, another member of the cross country team, said it does not allow for a sufficient workout.

"It's not even worth working out sometimes," O'Brien said. "For us, 30 minutes is like a warm-up. There's really no reason to come if you can't do a full workout."

The new addition and other projects will expand and renovate athletic buildings, which will help fix issues with overcrowding at the Little Bob. Only athletes are permitted to work out in the Bob Carpenter Center, and the new addition will help attract their traffic to those facilities.

The volleyball team used to play only one match per season at the Bob Carpenter Center. The team will move there permanently starting next season, freeing up space for open recreation in the Little Bob.

Intramural sports coordinator

Adam Jines said the addition will help lessen traffic at the Little Bob.

"In the past, it seemed as if there was almost no unscheduled time in any of the gyms of the Little Bob during the afternoon and evening hours," Jines said. "Thanks to the expansion, open [recreational] space in Gym 1 of the Little Bob should be available in bunches."

He said there are no plans to relocate regular games for intramural sports from the Little Bob to the new addition in the near future, but the roughly 5,000 students who annually participate in intramurals will benefit in other ways.

"The expansion should provide us with facility space and time that we've never had before across the board," Jines said.

He said he is working with Tony Goldston, assistant director of recreation, to consider additional methods of utilizing the new expansion to increase their offerings.

Muir said the extra practice and recreational space will help the university's athletic recruitment efforts, as well as benefitting current students.

"We've been making several efforts to improve the overall experience for our student body," he said. "We will have newer and renovated facilities on the horizon, which will enhance the overall student experience."



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The new space holds two gymnasiums to be used as practice courts for men's and women's basketball and the women's volleyball team.





THE REVIEW/Amelia Wang

The completed gingerbread houses are now on display in dining halls across campus.

## Students craft, decorate festive holiday houses

*Gingerbread to be donated to local charity*

BY SAMANTHA TOSCANO

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Students and faculty used their creativity to make gingerbread houses that will be donated to bring holiday cheer to beneficiaries of the Ronald McDonald House, a charity that houses and supports the families of children who are hospitalized.

Participants built 15 gingerbread houses during the annual house-decorating event sponsored by the university's Dining Services.

D'Yani DeSantis, who works in the marketing department of Dining Services and helped coordinate the activity, said the event originates from staff members who worked at Pencader Dining Hall more than 15 years ago.

DeSantis said she hopes the event allowed students to make creative designs to benefit the charity.

"The program was modified to engage the students, the [university] community and the local community at the same time," DeSantis said.

The completed gingerbread houses, which are being displayed in the dining halls around campus for the next two weeks, will be donated on Dec. 16 to the local Ronald McDonald House charity.

Freshman Yardley Markee and three of her friends worked on a gingerbread house adorned with a "UD" logo made with blue and gold candies above its front door.

Markee, who volunteered at a Ronald McDonald House during high school, said she thinks the gingerbread houses will bring positive thoughts to families staying at their locations.

"I just wish we could have made the houses with the kids, but maybe we can do that next year,"

Markee said.

DeSantis said the houses are placed in the lobby area of the charity's family houses on display upon donation and during the previous year, the Ronald McDonald House staff was thankful for the donations.

"It helps create a holiday feeling at the Ronald McDonald house and adds to their decorations," DeSantis said.

Freshman Ben Page-gil, who built a gingerbread house during the event, said the houses will hopefully do more than just help bring holiday cheer.

"I hope that these houses will give them inspiration to be creative as well," Page-gil said.

Sophomore Rachel Reeves, who participated in the event with her sister Anna, a senior, said she did not make it to the event before all the houses were distributed to their builders, but was excited to decorate one this year.

They said they were determined to make it to the event this year to help them get into the Christmas spirit and because "you're never too old to make a gingerbread house."

The sisters made a house with a cross-hatched iced roof lined with gumdrops and intricate housing details of red and green icing.

"The house is happy and fun and we hope it will help the children take their minds off of their troubles," Rachel Reeves said.

Danielle Troise, who is the Christina Towers complex coordinator, made a gingerbread house with two of her co-workers in order to bond and contribute to charity.

"It puts a smile on their faces and will get them excited about the holiday season," Troise said. "Plus, who doesn't love candy?"

## Students talk recycling tips to peers taking out trash

BY BRIDGETTE NEALON

Staff Reporter

Junior Kameron Conforti and his roommate were putting some of his trash in a recycling bin on Wednesday night when he was approached by students who asking them to reveal the materials inside their bags.

The students were members of the university's Green Team participating in a recycling event called "Dump the Night," in which they and members of the Residence Life Environmental Sustainability Committee stood near dumpsters and filmed students answering questions about recycling when they came to throw out their trash.

Conforti said he was happy to be featured in their documentary, which he thinks will help motivate students to recycle more often.

"I thought it was really cool to be featured in the documentary," Conforti said. "The cameras made me think a little more."

Students from the Green Team, a student group that promotes sustainability practices and represents each residence hall on campus, sorted through trash hoping

to educate others about what could be recycled. They pointed out which items belonged in the recycling and those that could not be reused.

The Green Team was created two years ago when students from the Dickinson Complex started a team and Residence Life decided to extend this independent student-run group once it gathered more members. The department's Environmental Sustainability Committee monitors the group and helps them organize events to promote campus-wide sustainability.

"It's cool because it's students figuring out exactly what they want to do for the school," said Rebecca Krylow, Residence Life sustainability chair.

Green Team member and junior Brittany Wagner said many people don't realize that most water bottles are not completely recyclable. She said the plastic bottle itself is often reusable, but their caps shouldn't be placed in the bin.

"It's difficult to crush the bottles at the recycling center when they're filled with air and pressure, and they're a different component than the water bottles," Wagner said.

While Green Team students

examined people's trash, they also asked participants questions about sustainability and recycling and offered prizes such as reusable water bottles and grocery bags.

Conforti said he and his roommate, who routinely recycle, drink water from their own reusable bottles instead of plastic disposable containers.

"[During my] freshman year, I bought a bunch of disposable water bottles," he said. "It was actually sickening seeing how much trash I made."

Karina Martinez, the chair adviser for the university's sustainability committee, taped the event for a documentary on sustainability.

"I feel sustainability is such a harsh word that I wanted to capture the young generation caring about it," Martinez said.

She plans to use the video to inform students of university initiatives regarding sustainability.

"The university does a great job," Martinez said. "But it's them putting it out there, and students searching for it—everyone needs to meet halfway."

## UD profs study human genome using ancient marine creatures

BY DANIELLE WAINWRIGHT

Staff Reporter

Researchers, including university professors, are attempting to identify the genome sequence of the oldest known jawed vertebrate in hopes of discovering potential medical benefits to humans.

The little skate, which has existed for 450 million years, is a marine animal similar to a ray that researchers believe has the closest genetic coding to the human. It also has the ability to regenerate its limbs.

In 2006, five Northeastern states including Delaware began work on a project called the North East Cyberinfrastructure Consortium. The university contributes to the project's progress by examining the little skate.

Computer and information sciences professor Shawn Polson, a researcher at the university and coordinator of the Bioinformatics Core Facility in the Center for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, has been involved in the project for approximately one year.

Polson believes the little skate's regenerative properties could be valuable to human medicine.

"As the cellular and molecular

mechanisms of these adaptations become better understood, there is the potential for this research to lead to new medicines and other treatments for organ damage and other degenerative disease in humans," Polson said.

The ultimate goal of the project will be to annotate the completed sequence. Annotating involves locating all of the skate's individual genes and determining what their function is.

Since beginning work on the project, Polson and his team, led by biological sciences professor Cathy Wu, have also been able to assemble the little skate's mitochondrial genome, which is separate from the main genome.

James Vincent, director of the Bioinformatics Core for the Vermont Genetics Network, also pointed towards the little skate's regenerative properties as being potentially beneficial to humans.

"The fact that this animal still has the ability and humans don't might tell us something about why humans lost it," Vincent said.

According to Vincent, the consortium seeks to create a fiber optic infrastructure to better share research between each region and then to sequence and annotate the little skate's genome.

"Sequencing is the process of chopping up the genome into tiny parts and putting it back together

to get sequence of DNA," Vincent said.

He compared the process to chopping a book into 20 word excerpts, shuffling those pieces up, and putting them back in order to make sense. Currently, this work is being conducted at the University of Vermont.

As the project progresses, many researchers are needed to complete the sequencing, especially the annotation processes. In order to find these highly-specialized individuals, the consortium has held three workshops, two of them in Delaware.

"We have done this not only to help build a team to annotate this genome, but to teach critical skills that will help these researchers to perform other bio-informatic projects in our states," Polson said.

Members of the consortium communicate constantly about their research. In addition to video conferencing once a week, all contributors meet in person at important research stages.

It is estimated the project will take approximately one more year to complete, according to Vincent.

"That's not too bad when you consider it took 13 [years] to sequence the human genome," he said.



# City postpones budget vote until Monday

BY MARTÍN MARTINEZ  
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City officials held a public hearing about Newark's proposed operating budget for 2012 at the city council meeting last week.

The budget was presented to council and members of the public, allowing them to ask the finance and city manager's department follow-up

questions. City council did not move to approve the budget that night, but instead chose to postpone the vote to the next council meeting on Dec. 12.

Newark City Manager Kyle Sonnenberg said the goal of the budget was to meet their financial goals of maintaining credit, having predictable utility rates and managing costs, amongst other aims.

"We tried to maintain long-term

perspective while dealing with short term constraints and that current economic environment," Sonnenberg said.

He said the 2012 budget will increase by less than the rate of inflation, with utility revenues going down as property taxes rise. However, even with these changes, the majority of the city's income will still come from its utility revenues, which

dwarf its property tax revenues by 48 percent.

Sonnenberg said most of the city's costs are contractually obligated personnel wage and pension increases.

"We are a people-based service delivery organization and it is reflected in our costs," he said.

Sonnenberg said he believes budget will be effective, but there are still issues being overlooked.

"We are making progress as far as keeping the infrastructure, but we are not making progress with providing a sufficient cash reserve for the city," he said.

Sonnenberg said cash reserves have steadily dropped since 2004 and will continue to decreasing with next year's budget.

"We have made some progress recently, but with next year's budget the level is expected to drop, which leaves us with a ways to go if we want to reach our goal," he said.

Newark Director of Finance Dennis McFarland said even with the changes in the city's budget, Newark remains competitive when compared to other municipalities in the region. He said the finance department conducted a study comparing the city's rates to other municipalities, such as Wilmington and New Castle, using the income and costs of an average taxpayer.

"For all the services we provide for a typical taxpayer, the city is the lowest cost for these services amongst the other municipalities," McFarland said. "This does not include the

reduced utility rates which will be enacted on Jan. 1."

District 2 Councilman Jerry Clifton said he felt troubled by the fact that the budget outlined personnel cuts and property tax increases but did not outline any recuperation of utility write-offs and debts owed to the city by some businesses.

"I just find it very difficult for me to pass along a tax increase when I see issues like that sitting on the table which I actually consider low-hanging fruit that we can go after," Clifton said. "What are we doing to regain the money that is owed to the city and ultimately to the neighbors of the city?"

District 5 Councilman Ezra Temko said he believes increasing costs are a constant problem for any city. He said he also believes it's smart that the city has taken the initiative to invest in infrastructure and create a plan without rates increasing every year for the foreseeable future.

"I would also say that even with financial constraints and a conservative budget, we have here some exciting things going forward into 2012," Temko said.

He said new services, such as the city's new conservation program and building skate spots, should not be forgotten amidst the property tax increase.

"I think that it's exciting that even with the financial difficulties that we continue to face, we are able as a city to continue to move forward and grow," Temko said.



File photo

City council will vote on the proposed 2012 budget during its next meeting on Dec. 12.

## Main Street's first Vietnamese restaurant to open

BY LAUREN MARCHIONNI  
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After more than five months of online marketing and advertising, Banh-Mi Boy, a Vietnamese restaurant serving ethnic cuisine and sandwiches, will open on Main Street this month before the beginning of winter session classes.

Larry Chen, who will open the restaurant with his younger brother, grew up eating banh mi and Vietnamese fare at Saigon Vietnam Restaurant in the Newark Shopping Center, which his parents have owned for the last 20 years. Although Banh-Mi Boy is Chen's first restaurant, entrepreneurial projects are not new to this family. His brother owns SWAG Boutique, a shop that features homemade artisan crafts in Philadelphia.

He said banh mi, pronounced "bun-mee," translates to "bun" in Vietnamese, referring to the French baguette-style roll of the Vietnamese sandwiches. The crispy roll is filled with pate, ham or pork roll. Pickled Daikon and carrots add tang, cucumbers provide crunch and cilantro gives freshness, Chen said.

"It's a little bit sweet, tangy," Chen said. "Exactly what you think of when you think of Asian food."

Banh-Mi Boy will also serve their own version of the sandwich, with many new varieties that Chen created with his mother, a traditional Vietnamese chef. Chen

described a sandwich that takes the concept of pho, Vietnamese noodle soup made with beef and basil, and transforms it into a sandwich. The menu will also cater to vegetarians by replacing meat options on one sandwich with tofu.

Senior Alex Holmes said he is a fan of Vietnamese food but has never tried a banh mi sandwich.

"It will be great to have a Vietnamese place near UD. I hope students are more open to trying it than they were with Indian Sizzler or JoAnn," Holmes said.

Chen hopes to attract college students to their restaurant with competitive pricing and an atmosphere that entices customers to stay after finishing their meals.

"College students are running to classes and they're not looking to spend a whole lot of money on food," he said. "It's at a good price, very affordable. So you feel full, but you're not spending a whole lot of money."

The layout will feature one large table for people to sit at, as well as smaller ones configured in a café style, Chen said. He hopes to emulate an atmosphere similar to Starbucks, where students can leisurely eat their food and study.

Chen said Banh-Mi Boy's menu will also feature Vietnamese fresh drip coffee, a strong espresso-like coffee made with condensed milk that is stronger than most brews.

Chen has been advertising the



THE REVIEW/Nick Wallace

The new Main Street restaurant will serve Vietnamese sandwiches and other dishes.

restaurant on Facebook and Twitter since July, trying to increase awareness of his business before it officially opens. Chen said Facebook is the best marketing tool to reach potential customers for new business owners.

Once the restaurant opens,

daily promotions will be made available through the Facebook and Twitter pages.

Junior Erin Lauzon said Facebook is the best way to reach students and expects Chen's promotions will attract students who may be hesitant to try

Vietnamese food.

"Promotions definitely encourage people to go to restaurants," Lauzon said. "Especially if it's a student group on campus that's offering a promotion with proceeds benefiting their group."



# Tech creates, destroys jobs

BY DAN MCCARTHY  
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Technological advancements have always created newer, more efficient means of performing tasks, but automation sometimes makes jobs traditionally given to people obsolete.

Whether automation in the name of efficiency is good or bad depends on the situation, said director of Career Services Matthew Brink.

A development economics concept known as the Luddite Fallacy states that labor-saving technology increases unemployment because fewer workers are needed. However, Brink said effects are not as clear-cut, and sometimes increased technological capabilities can create jobs as well.

"It's not necessarily a one size fits all," Brink said.

Brink said when automation replaces a job done previously by people, automation technology does need human creation, resulting in a new set of jobs.

Sometimes, however, those holding jobs lost to automation aren't qualified for that newly-created employment, he said. Tollbooth workers replaced by the E-ZPass system or grocers replaced by self-checkout lines often fall in that category, leaving them with few options.

"They can find other similar jobs that have yet to automate where their skill-sets are transferrable, or they can think about re-tooling their skills through training programs or mentoring," Brink said.

Another less visible area Brink said has fallen prey to automation is agriculture. He said large corporate farms that have replaced the smaller, family-owned farms use more machinery to increase their output and decrease the amount of humans needed, therefore increasing profits.

"The amount of crop that could come up from one acre multiple years ago is exponentially more now because of technology, automation and research," he said.

Economics professor James Butkiewicz said technology has changed the types of jobs performed, but it has not necessarily had a detrimental effect on job creation.

"There are all of these jobs that used to be there that aren't there

anymore," Butkiewicz said. "But we still have employment."

He also said fears about automation replacing all jobs date back to at least the 1950s. He said these fears may be because machines provide advantages that people cannot.

"Machines show up for work the Monday morning after the Superbowl, some people do not," Butkiewicz said. "They don't take off early on Fridays, and they don't require health care."

Mechanical engineering professor Michael Keefe said technology must be applied strategically, so as to provide the most social benefit. He said that just because a job could be done by machines, it's sometimes beneficial to retain human employment.

"I don't think there should be a limit to it, but I don't think it should be unbridled," Keefe said.

The advancement of technology is generally a good thing because it can automate monotonous tasks and inspire more people to join the technological field, he said, but also said it can be negative.

"Like anything else, science is kind of neutral," he said. "It can be used for good, it can be used for evil."

Freshman Brenden Strick, a leadership major, said he believes technology has little net result on jobs, because jobs are both added and eliminated. He said thinks it hurts the blue-collar working class, however.

"It brings more jobs requiring education and less labor which hurts the lower classes," Strick said.

Butkiewicz said it's difficult to balance the positive results of mechanization with its negative effects on human employment.

"Should we freeze the progress of history at this point so everybody has a job, should we have done that 150 years ago?" Butkiewicz said. "When we invented automobiles we put a lot of people out of work."

He said while technology will make some jobs obsolete, people will always find some other way to use their skills.

"It has freed us to be professors and college students and pursue all of the other careers that we want," he said. "So technology has been wonderful in that regard."



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Gabe Mendez, a member of the fraternity Kappa Sigma, plays music using water glasses.

## Mr. Fraternity competition raises \$13K for philanthropy

BY MOLLIE BERNER  
Staff Reporter

Senior Kevin Gilmore danced around a stage in the Trabant University Center on Tuesday night, twirling a set of colorful ribbons while speakers next to him blasted Europe's "The Final Countdown."

Gilmore, who was trying to win the audience's favor in sorority Chi Omega's Mr. Fraternity competition, said he practiced the routine in his living room earlier that day. Despite preparing for the event, he was still nervous about participating in front of hundreds of people.

"I had only really practiced for two hours during the day so I really didn't want to mess up in front of the crowd," Gilmore said. "Once I got going though, I got in the zone of ribbon dancing and it was a great time up there."

Gilmore was one of 15 men from university fraternities participating in the sorority's annual philanthropy event for the Make a Wish Foundation, which benefits children diagnosed with cancer. The event also collected money for the New York-based nonprofit Pajama Program, which supports children who live in foster homes.

The event raised more than \$13,000 for both organizations. Of the proceeds, \$7,500 was donated to the Make a Wish foundation and helped grant the wish of 11-year old Sarah Zribik, who wished

for a laptop with a pink case. The remaining \$5,500 was given to the Pajama Program, to help children in foster care.

Zribik, who was diagnosed with a rare bone disease when she was nine years old, stood on stage before hundreds of people before the event started and thanked the audience for the donations they were about to make.

During the event, sorority sisters stood on both sides of the Trabant multipurpose room with collection buckets for each fraternity brother in the competition. To earn the title of Mr. Fraternity from the judges, as well as the donation of audience members, the men competed in three different categories.

Senior Pam Rasin, president of Chi Omega, said the event's purpose was to collect funds to help children who are in need.

"This event was about having a good time, but ultimately about benefitting the children in need," Rasin said. "The boys were genuinely talented and clearly put on a good show, though."

The pageant consisted of a superhero modeling portion, a question-and-answer session and a talent portion to determine who would be crowned the winner.

During the superhero portion of the program, fraternity brothers dressed as Captain Underpants, Batman, Quailman, Green Lantern, Captain America and even Charlie

Sheen, and strutted down a stage to model their costumes to attendees.

The talent segment featured fraternity brothers such as senior Gabe Mendez, Inter Fraternity Council president and Kappa Sigma member, who played music with water glasses.

Mendez said it can sometimes be nerve-racking to perform in front of hundreds of people.

"Fortunately for me, this isn't the first time I've participated in one of these philanthropy events, so having the experience definitely makes it easier," Mendez said. "However, you still always get a little nervous before you go on stage to perform a talent or something of that nature. It helps when you know a lot of people in the crowd too."

After competing, the contestants gathered on stage as scores were tallied. The sorority sisters asked for a final donation as the men performed an impromptu dance-off.

Once the winner was determined, Rasin and Stewart then announced the overall victor, senior and Alpha Epsilon Pi brother Ethan Bari, who won a pair of Philadelphia Flyers tickets.

Rasin said she was thankful for the Greek life community's participation in the well-attended pageant.

"At times like these, we're here for each other," she said. "We all support each other."

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# Engineering majors study most, business less

BY SARA PENCHINA  
Staff Reporter

According to a study released last month, senior engineering students spend the most time studying per week and senior business majors the least. Some university community members,

like engineering graduate student Tyler Josephson, agree with the researchers' conclusions.

"During my junior year I would typically have more homework in a day than other students would in a week," Josephson said. "Though [engineering majors] spend less time writing, we

spend more time studying for tests, in my opinion."

The study, conducted by the National Survey of Student Engagement, averaged responses from 537,000 students across 751 American and Canadian institutions, and concluded that engineering majors spend 19 hours preparing for classes and business majors 14 hours.

In between engineering and business majors fell the physical sciences with 18 hours, the arts and humanities with 17 hours and education at 15 hours per week.

Engineering professor Michael Mackay, who studied chemical engineering at the university in the 1970s, said the major's workload becomes more intensive each year.

"We work very hard, that's for sure," Mackay said. "There are many all-nighters, especially during senior year."

Chemical engineering professor Michael Klein said while he does not necessarily know if engineering students work harder than other students with different majors, the required mathematical work could potentially contribute to longer study hours.

"The language of engineering is math," Klein said. "There is a lot of mathematical analysis that students are involved in, and math can be difficult."

Business professor Diane Ferry said when specifically comparing engineering and business students, the difficult math in engineering could be

one of the reasons why those students do more studying.

Ferry also speculated that requirements within the business major could contribute to less time spent studying.

"Being in business includes things like marketing and management, and these are very social activities," Ferry said. "Having strong interpersonal skills is really important to being successful in business, whereas engineering is very cognitive and a very individual, solitary pursuit."

Operations management professor Christine Kydd also pointed to personality differences between engineering and business majors, and said grades in business courses don't necessarily reflect future success.

"I have students who didn't go particularly great in my courses, but I know they are going to succeed in business," Kydd said.

She said it may be difficult to determine what the survey meant by the term 'studying,' because students in different majors may have a different definition and different ideas as to what contributes to class preparation.

Kydd said the sciences involve more traditional studying and lab work than business.

"In business, it's not that there's not a lot of material to absorb, but that students apply that material to group projects, so they may not factor those activities into studying time," she said. "Students often do a lot of teamwork,

and that still really is studying because they're taking skills they've learned and apply it to problems, though they may not report that as studying."

Junior business major Liz Young estimates she studies approximately five hours per week, but in a busier week she spends closer to 15 hours studying.

"I think business is one of those majors where you can get away with slacking a little bit, whereas engineering majors can't," Young said.

Brad Hoffmann, a chemical engineering undergraduate student with a graduate master's degree in business administration, said he finds business assignments are less "technically challenging."

"I spend a lot more time on engineering assignments than I do on any business assignments," Hoffmann said.

Senior engineering major Jaime Santiago said he pursued engineering because he wanted an academic challenge.

"We're all masochists," Santiago joked. "We have a lot of sleepless nights."

He recalled a week during which he pulled two all-nighters and spent approximately eight hours a day in Colburn Laboratory. But despite these numbers, he said it's unfair to say engineers have to study more than students in other majors.

"Everyone has to study a lot, and it's more individually based than it is major-based," Santiago said.



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The study averaged responses from approximately 537,000 students from 751 American and Canadian universities.

## Pipes: Some officials worried about project's long-term costs

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capacity and pressure, and need to be routinely cleaned out. The city attempted to utilize a new cost-effective process to address the problems in August, exposing the pipes. Water chemically reacted with the newly exposed pipe surface, causing the water discoloration.

This reaction cannot occur when water is flowing, so officials have kept water running from hydrants. When the temperature drops, however, that water could freeze, so the department began the water main relining project, Athey said.

Simonson said the department hired a contractor to set up a temporary water system to serve homes on Kells and Wollaston avenues.

"We'll expose the pipe in a couple of locations so they can get access, clean it, cement line it and put it back together," he said. "The contractor is on-site now and we're getting ready to put the temporary piping in."

Simonson said the city completed water main-relining projects on both Main Street and Kirkwood Highway in the past, so officials know what to expect.

"The contractor knows exactly what he's doing," he said. "As time goes on, we'll perfect our side of the project and it will get easier and easier for us."

Residents will be asked to run a faucet at night, without cost added to their bills, so the temporary pipes don't freeze. While Simonson understands this is an inconvenience, he said residents have responded well to the

city's efforts.

"They certainly were frustrated that the dirty water continued, but they're pleased that we have a plan to permanently deal with the problem," he said. "So far, we've gotten positive feedback from folks."

City employees have walked door-to-door with handouts informing residents about new updates in the project, according to Athey.

A notice on Friday informed Kells Avenue and Wollaston Avenue residents about a community meeting to be held by the city's water and wastewater department Monday night. The notice said the contractor will be present to answer questions and provide additional information regarding the water main relining project.

Walker referred to the city's plans to put cement lining on the old pipes as "Band-Aid repairs" and wanted to ask why the city isn't simply replacing the mains entirely.

"Very frankly, I'm glad they're having a meeting because I'm really concerned," he said. "I don't understand why they continue to work on old mains that have been here for many years instead of putting in new, modern pipes that will last much longer."

Kowalko said he would ask about the temporary piping's safety, and said he hoped the city's decision to coat existing pipes rather than replace them was not entirely driven by cost considerations.

"Long-term costs will eventually rear [their] head and become a big problem," he said.

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Paramedics and police officers respond to a student who was hit by a box truck on South College Avenue.

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## Accident: Victim released from hospital Monday

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victim to the emergency room.

Bryda said she received two summonses for failing to cross the street using a crosswalk and for leaving the curb suddenly into an oncoming vehicle.

Senior Jasmine Taylor said she was sitting on the stationery shuttle bus idling at the Smith Underpass adjacent to the area where the truck struck the student.

"I think she was jaywalking," Taylor said. "She poked her head out, the truck beeped the horn and she skidded down."

Sophomore Anne Simpson was also on the bus when she

heard other riders gasp. She said she looked out the window, and saw the girl shortly after she was hit.

"I turned around and I saw this girl just drop, then she banged her head on the pavement," Simpson said. "There was blood and she didn't move for a few seconds. It looked really bad."

The bus driver exited the bus to aid the victim, but told everyone else to stay seated, Simpson said. Buses and cars stopped as students and drivers used towels and napkins to stop the bleeding from the victim's head, Simpson said.

She said the student looked

"stunned and dazed." A few minutes later, Newark police arrived, secured the student in a neck brace and lifted her into the ambulance on a stretcher.

"She started to look a little worse, and I assume she got a concussion based on how hard her head hit the pavement," Simpson said.

Students on the bus and across the street stood watching as the ambulance left. A bus driver hosed the blood off the street, and Newark police cars exited the scene.

"It was pretty crazy," Simpson said. "I'm glad she's OK."

## Crime: Suspects of recent criminal activity not yet apprehended, police say

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the van was last seen leaving the area westbound on Dallas Avenue toward Elkton Road.

Police are encouraging those who may know the identity of the suspect, who is described as a balding black man, 30 to 50 years old with a scruffy beard and multiple tattoos on his neck, to come forward with information. The suspect's van is described as an older-model white work van with no rear or side windows.

An incident involving indecent exposure was reported a day after the attempted kidnapping, the fifth in a series of similar crimes since early October. A woman walking on Devon Drive reported that she saw a half-naked man walking in the area.

She described him to officers as a white man wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and no pants, between 25 and 28 years old, 6 feet 2 inches to 6 feet 5 inches tall and weighing approximately 180 to 210 pounds.

The woman said as she walked past the man, he appeared to be touching himself in a lewd manner. A similar incident occurred Nov. 28, when a man, approximately 35 years old, was seen walking down West Park Place with no clothes on.

Two days earlier, a man walking home on Willa Road near West Park Place reported an unknown white man following him, and he appeared to be masturbating.

On Oct. 13, a white man was seen streaking on Apple Road near Elkton Road, and one week before that, a 30-year-old white man, wearing a plaid shirt and no pants, was seen jumping out of the bushes near the Rittenhouse Station construction site, police said.

Newark police believe the same person, described as a white man between 25 and 35 years old, has been committing the acts of indecent exposure this fall.

The latest criminal activity in the area involved an armed robbery of a delivery driver on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the parking lot of 260 Elkton Road. The driver, a 27-year-old Newark man, had completed a food delivery and was returning to his car when he was approached by a man, who displayed a handgun and demanded the driver's money.

When the victim produced all of the cash in his possession, two other men grabbed the money while the suspect holding the handgun removed the victim's wallet from his pants.

The suspects, described as high school-aged black men wearing black clothing, then fled on foot toward the area of Madison Drive, according to police.

Those with any information regarding these incidents should contact the Newark Police Department at (302) 366-7111. Anonymous tips can be sent to police by texting 302NPD and the message to TIP411.

## Festival: 'It's a wonderful way to start the holidays,' local says

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the highest totals recorded in the event's six-year history.

"It's a great event and a wonderful way to start out the holidays," Buzby said. "It gets bigger every year and it's more than just a run. Participants walk away with the better awareness of what the Special Olympics is about."

The Reindeer Run was held in conjunction with Newark's 16th annual Winterfest on the Academy Lawn, complete with carolers, roasting chestnuts and an ice sculptor.

Joe Spadafino, recreation superintendent for Newark's Department of Parks and Recreation, helps organize the event annually, which the city runs and sponsors.

"No Winterfest can be complete without the arrival of Santa Claus," Spadafino said. "We pack in a lot of activities and good family fun."

Children waited anxiously in line to deliver their Christmas lists

to Santa. Shimmering holiday lights brightened the sky as families posed for pictures in front of the Christmas tree while sipping hot chocolate.

Christina Nottingham, a fourth grade teacher and Girl Scout troop leader, watched as her ten scouts swayed side-to-side singing holiday carols to the crowd. The troop began practicing holiday songs for the event in July.

"The Special Olympics is in town," Nottingham said. "It's good for the girls to have as far as community service. They really grasp the need for Special Olympics events and were really excited to come out tonight."

Newark resident Chris Law, 41, watched his 7-year-old son chase the chipped ice from the ice sculptor. He said he was impressed by the event's attendance.

"It's a good to get everyone together for Christmas," Law said. "I'd definitely come back next year."



Santa rides along in Friday's Reindeer Run, a part of Newark's Winterfest celebration.

THE REVIEW/Nick Wallace



# Harker: 'The handling of the track team probably wasn't handled as well,' prof says

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percentage of African-American plus Latino enrollment for UD equals 12 percent. Penn State University equals 8 percent, University of Pittsburgh 9 percent, Lehigh University 10 percent [and] Carnegie Mellon University 11 percent."

The university announced a faculty-hiring cluster this year, focusing on hiring a more diverse group of employees.

"It's not affirmative action, but it's a process to make sure we identify a diverse pool of candidates and that we also show our best foot forward to those candidates so we can attract them," Apple said.

Although the university retains a high percentage of its first-choice faculty applicants, female faculty members are greatly outnumbered by males. There were 250 more male faculty members last year than female faculty.

However, Harker noted the number of female faculty members has increased from 28 to 32 percent in the past decade.

"We still have a ways to go, but in the past three years we are making progress on the hiring of more female faculty members," Harker said. "Over this time period, the number of male faculty have declined by 16 individuals and female faculty have increased by nine."

Harker's data may be different from what the university's Office of

Institutional Research provides, which reported there were 674 male faculty in 2009 and in 2010, 688 male faculty in 2010—a 14-individual increase.

Another of Harker's more controversial decisions occurred last year, when the university cut its men's varsity track program. The track team, led by captain and fifth-year senior Corey Wall, attacked Harker and athletic director Bernard Muir in the media, claiming the original Title IX justification for cutting the program was inadequate.

Wall, a student-employee at the university's JP Morgan Chase Innovation Center, is bound for the company's offices in New York after he graduates in January.

During the Innovation Center's opening ceremony in October, which drew U.S. Sen. Chris Coons (D-Del.) and JP Morgan Chase chief information officer Guy Chiarello, Wall helped run a tour of the facilities, where he spoke to a small group of approximately five people, including Harker, toward whom he still has mixed feelings.

"I don't want to say I dislike him, but I don't want to say I like him," Wall said. "He set this Path to Prominence—and I'm sure [the administration] has goals internally of being top rankings and different things—and he wants to get there in the next five or six or eight years, however many years. And if he thinks cutting a track team is going to get him there, he's going to do it."

Wall said he was initially told through email that the program

would be cut, which he considered an insensitive form of communication. Wall created a website to save the program, called saveUDtrack.org, and helped raise \$10,000 to partially fund the program.

Harker said the decision was one that was suggested and supported by multiple university officials.

"After several months of analysis and review of multiple alternatives, a recommendation was made by senior administration (including athletics and university administrators) to de-emphasize men's cross country and men's outdoor track and field from varsity to club sports status," Harker said. "Both Bernard Muir and I were and continue to be in agreement with this recommendation."

Jordan was not involved in the decision to cut the program, but said he is not sure whether communication between the administration and team was executed properly.

"The handling of the cross country [and track teams], I think, probably wasn't handled as well as it should've been," he said.

Despite the decision to eliminate the men's outdoor track and field team, Wall does not hold a completely negative opinion of Harker. He praised the university president for bringing the Innovation Center to campus and said he is "a great business man."

Freshman Dylan Glickstern, a student in Harker's First Year Experience class, said he finds the university president to be an engaging



File photo

Harker's administration has entered into partnerships with several companies, such as JPMorgan Chase and Bank of America.

instructor.

"He keeps it interesting, because the class isn't the best, most interesting class," Glickstern said. "I think he's a good teacher."

Harker invited his pupils to dinner at his house this semester. In the classroom, Harker, always dressed in a suit or formal attire, tries to recruit students to university events.

"I guess it comes from being the president of the university, but he kind of like...not advertises, but promotes a lot of the things the university has going on," Glickstern said.

The Middle States report complimented the university on its Path to Prominence campaign, which was seen as reflective of the progress under Harker's tenure, but also as indicative of his background and the school's image.

How the initiative is executed—especially in the 272 acres of the former Chrysler property—may, for many, foreshadow Harker's legacy.

"I think any president pretty much gets—the final grades they get depend on how they matched up to what they said they would do," Apple said.



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## Harker's tenure shows mixed results

### University headed in overall progressive direction

As university President Patrick Harker approaches his fifth anniversary this month, it is evident that numerous changes have been implemented on campus. His tenure as president has resulted in both positive and negative modifications.

One of the most noticeable changes have been the inclusion of corporations on campus. The rise of a corporate presence on campus has given valuable work experience to many students. For example, the JPMorgan Chase Innovation Center opened in October allows to students to intern with the company, conveniently on campus. However, it is important his administration pays attention to liberal arts opportunities as well, something that corporate work cannot usually provide.

In addition, the university has become much more image-conscious since Harker's arrival. The "Dare to Be" branding campaign has expanded to all areas of the university in an effort to bring more national attention. Harker and university officials must continue to remember that the best reputations are built on action, not on words.

This year, the Commitment to Delawareans program accepted 88 percent of Delaware students to its programs this year, but the university's commitment to Delaware in general seems to end there. The university seems to be distancing itself from the state, and even its satellite campuses. While the Newark campus has purchased the site of former Chrysler plant, constructed a new bookstore and athletic facilities, and is in the process of constructing new engineering buildings, improvement of the satellite campuses has fallen by the wayside. Beyond the wind turbine at the Lewes campus, any

other projects are not publicized to the same degree as ones on the Newark campus.

Harker has made efforts to address the lack of diversity of both students and faculty, and these must continue until the goal is actually achieved. He has compared our diversity levels to those of the University of Virginia, the College of William & Mary, Pennsylvania State University, and Carnegie Mellon University. While this may be true, it is not an excuse for the university's low diversity levels.

Finally, Harker needs to take on a more approachable manner on campus. Besides attending the occasional sporting event, his presence seems to be very minimal at regular student activities where no business opportunities present themselves. While he teaches a First Year Experience class, students interviewed in the class said he constantly promotes university endeavors going on, always acting as a true businessman, which is not surprising considering he comes from a business and engineering background. There is nothing wrong with promotion, but a friendly and affable persona may actually encourage more positive feelings about the university's undertakings.

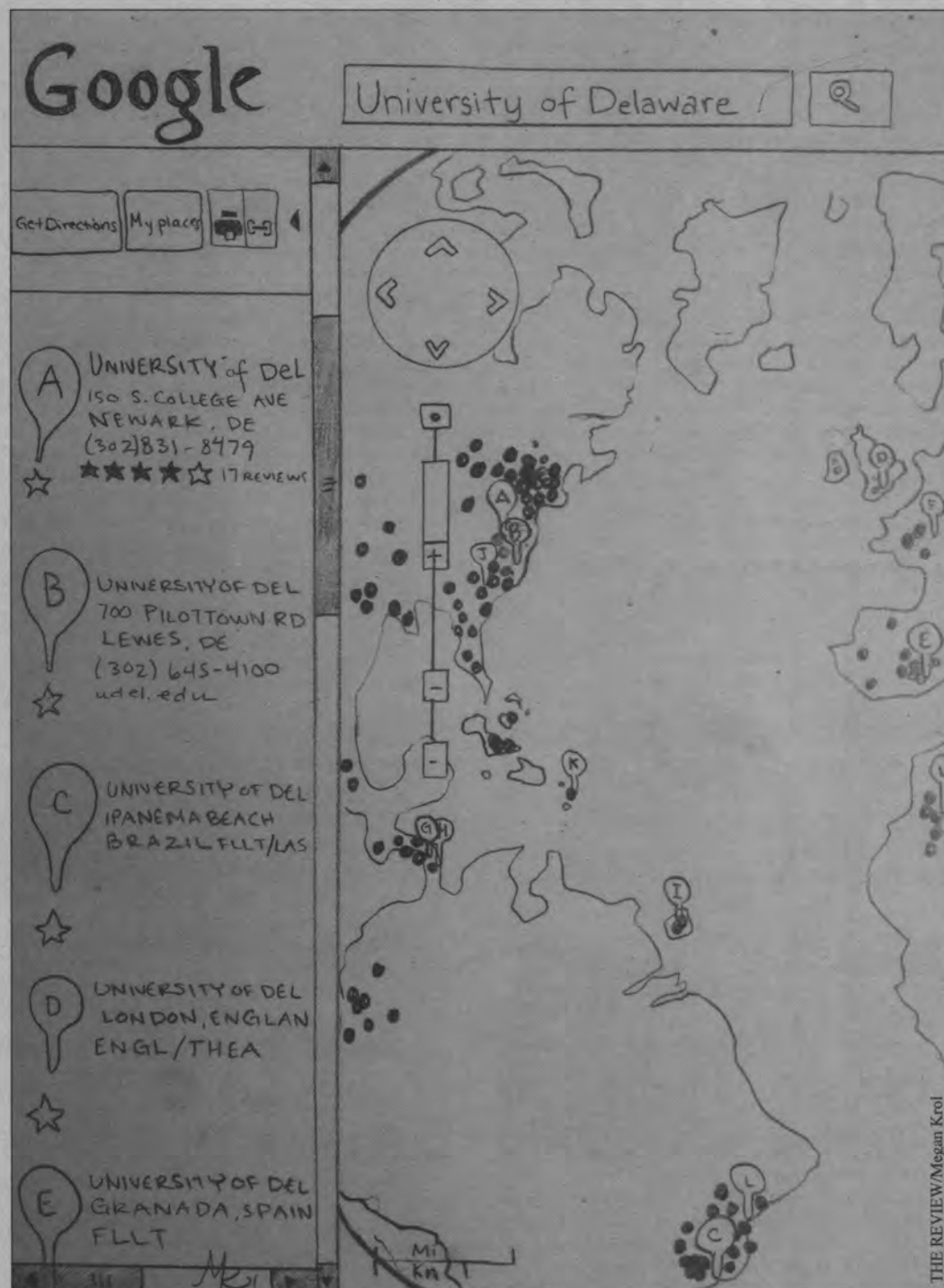
Overall, the university has been very progressive since Harker's arrival five years ago. This development needs to continue while expanding to other facets of the university, including the liberal arts departments, satellite campuses and efforts to increase diversity. Though Harker cannot tackle everything by himself, he certainly wields the power to delegate responsibility in seeing new programs and improvements through.

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# R opinion

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## Car accident victim deserves sympathy, not ridicule

Kayla Iuliano

### Guest Columnist

*Everyone makes mistakes. Some are just lucky enough to get by unscathed.*

Let me preface this by saying that I do not know the victim. In all likelihood, neither do you. That being said, I have to ask—does it matter who she was? It could have been anyone.

All I know is that around 11:15 a.m. on Monday, a fellow university student was involved in an accident by the Smith overpass. She allegedly walked between two parked vehicles and into the path of an oncoming university bus. My friend witnessed the accident and said the young woman was flung several feet before she landed.

While yes, it was her fault—apparently she wasn't on a crosswalk and, yes, she could have paid more attention—I expected an outpouring of sympathy for the victim. Instead, Facebook was flooded with criticism and even jokes that showed severe in-

sensitivity, if not downright immaturity. I read people lauding Darwin's theory of survival of the fittest, claims that the victim "deserved it," and other horribly tactless comments.

To anyone reading this who may have made those remarks, allow me to ask you this: have you never done anything stupid? Never had a near miss? Are you perfect? If so, then I might be able to understand your judgment.

However, I'm going to assume that all of us at some point have done something thoughtless; made a rash decision without really thinking about what may happen as a result. It could be anything ranging from the simplicity of an oversight on a physics problem, to the severity of an action that caused yourself or another individual bodily harm.

Did that action make you stupid? No. Just because the deed itself was negligent, inattentive or stupid should not brand the individual committing it as such. Again, I have no idea who the victim is or what she was doing prior to the accident. On the phone? Texting? Does it matter?

"Of course it matters!" I'm sure you're arguing, "I've never gotten hit by a bus."

What about that time you jaywalked without seeing an oncoming car, and luckily the driver slammed on the brakes? It's happened to all of us. You spastically apologize via frantic waving, and go on with your day. If they hadn't seen you and an accident occurred, would that have made you stupid? Worthy of you being joke material?

Yes, this victim should have been more aware of her surroundings, but the fact that she was not reflects nothing other than, perhaps, a lapse in concentration—something that we all have occasionally, but in her case it resulted in a collision. In my opinion, it's only by luck that it hasn't happened more frequently.

Give her a break. We've all seen what the university is like between classes. Bicyclists weaving in and out of traffic, drivers blaring on horns as students sprint through intersections, buses and trucks coming dangerously close to the bicycle lane and visibly hundreds of apologies uttered as we all cut each other off walking on The Green.

I had two near misses within 15 minutes of each other last week, when two cars backed out of driveways at what seemed like 1,000 thousand miles an hour and

didn't see me on my bike in the street.

In both cases I managed to get out of the way—something I chalk up to a last-minute brake by the drivers, swerving on my part and a relentless guardian angel. I was fortunate. I could have just as easily gotten hurt.

We've all been there before. We've been that unwary pedestrian in the road, distracted, unthinking. It by no means makes us stupid. For the love of all that is hypocritical, I ask those who are sitting on Facebook hailing Darwin to either become the perfect human being and never make another mistake.

Otherwise, kindly amend your study guide for finals, and add "empathy" to the list of things you need to learn.

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## NBA lockout allowed other sports television spotlight

Ally Crossman

### Guest Columnist

*Not everyone is happy the NBA is back.*

Before I start, I'd just like to say I am a big fan of sports and I'm not entirely opposed to the NBA. With that said, though, I wish the lockout would have lasted a bit longer—just enough to cancel the whole season. While I do love an intense basketball game and watching the extreme athleticism most of the athletes possess, I was kind of getting used to ESPN showing more hockey and NCAA basketball games.

As the NBA season opens, I know the condensed schedule will take over a lot of the airtime on the major networks. This isn't a bad thing because a bad NBA game is still so much better than a bad NCAA game, or a rerun game and some of those ESPN specials. But watching the athleticism and the level of play and passion in an elite NCAA game still puts some of the NBA players to shame, the NCAA players still have something to work towards, like the next level. Plus they seem more passionate about their team and the name on the front of their jerseys—the team they

(most of the time) chose to play for, as opposed to the team that chose them.

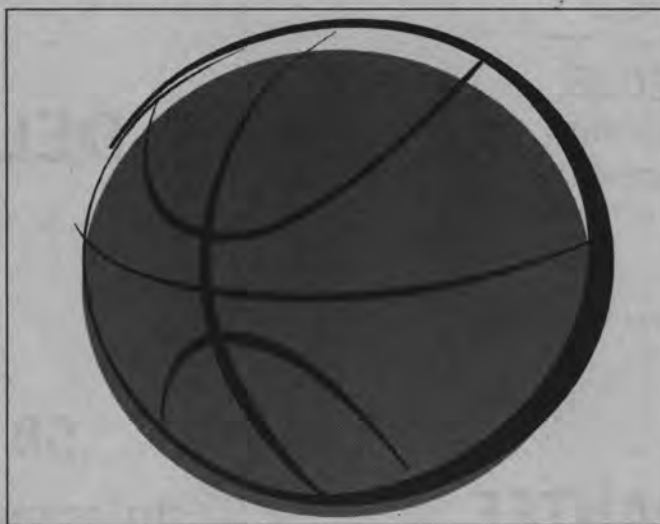
I don't doubt that every NBA player is still passionate about the game, but they just seem so spoiled in comparison to the NCAA athletes paying their heart out every game in hopes to make it to the NBA, where there really isn't anything more to push for. This can be seen throughout many professional sports.

Take the Detroit Lions Ndamukong Suh. He was an animal on the field playing for Nebraska, much like he is now, but he would have never been so flagrant on the field as to stomp on someone, because he still had somewhere else he needed to take his career. I'm not saying that all professional athletes would

do anything quite so bold and wrong. I am saying, though, you see these violations far less often in NCAA athletics.

I said that I was enjoying the prominence of hockey on the major networks this

fall as well because the games played at a much faster paced. There's not a lot of money poured into hockey like there is into the NFL and NBA, there's a glaring lack of media timeouts and the players still play with intense passion and



intensity. While you could say my whole argument of selfish and spoiled players is void with the abundance of in the NHL. But I say it intensifies my argument. The players aren't fighting for the sake of fighting,

they fight when something doesn't go the way it should, and they fight for their teammates. They fight for the name on the front of the jerseys. I'd also be angry and more prone to fighting too if I was a professional athlete working just as hard—if not harder—than athletes in other sports making on, average twice, what I am.

Not all endings to the lockout are bad. I personally don't know what I would do with out the All-Star game, so I'm glad they brought back that week of over hyped terrible games and silly celebrities failing at playing the game. I will be happy to flip to an NBA game very now and then.

But I wish that when the NBA returns to TV that they do so with a little more class and respect. I also hope the lockout caused the players rediscover the passion they had when they first started playing basketball, the passion that kept certain players out on cement courts late into the night trying to perfect a free throw, and the passion that led them to the NBA.

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# Jewish students share culture at Latkepalooza

BY ERIN REILLY  
Staff Reporter

For several days leading up to Latkepalooza, sophomore Kyla Alterman, one of the organizers of the event, worked with other members of the university Jewish group Keshar to bake 800 potato latkes. By the end of the night, every latke was gone.

"We were freaking out the last three days in the kitchen," Alterman says. "There were lines for the latkes we made."

More than 260 students attended Latkepalooza Thursday night at the Trabant University Center. The event was co-sponsored by all seven Hillel organizations, including Project Change, KOACH, HSL, Chabad, Haven, Blue Hens for Israel, U\*SAID and the Chainamics.

Alterman says despite the abundance of food they cooked, the group was caught off guard by the number of attendees.

"It ended up turning into a much bigger event than we imagined," Alterman says.

Junior Leah Diamant, one of the event organizers, says the event's turnout was due in part to a performance by the Maccabeats, an all-male a capella group from Yeshiva University whose "Candlelight" music video has received more than 6 million hits on YouTube.

"They were a major drawing force," Diamant says. "Only around 60 people came last year."

Diamant says members of

Keshar contacted the Maccabeats last April on a whim, and did not expect the group to respond.

"We really didn't think it was going to happen," Diamant says.

The event also featured performances by university a capella groups YChromes, the Chainamics and Meludees. Alterman says the groups warmed up the crowd for the Maccabeats.

"They really got the energy

"It was the one time to kind of go crazy."

-Leah Diamant, junior

going," she says.

Six members of the Maccabeats took the stage at the end of the two-hour event and performed a variety of songs, including Coldplay's "Viva la Vida," Matisyahu's "One Day" and several Hebrew prayer hymns.

"They were amazing," Diamant says. "Kids were running around dancing and even standing on chairs."

Maccabeats member Julian Horowitz says group members did

not expect their "Candlelight" video to become so popular.

"The Apple Store had like a hundred views, like an hour after we put it up," Horowitz said. "We were like, 'Oh my gosh, we were like Michael Jackson.'"

David Block, a member of the Maccabeats, says the group posted the video in order to spread their name and express Jewish pride.

"We wanted to first start with the Jewish community, then we were floored when it hit everyone else and we got YouTube comments like, 'I'm Catholic, this is my favorite holiday song,'" Block said.

Diamant says Latkepalooza also featured eight tables with Hanukkah-inspired activities that were run by each of the Hillel organizations. Students played "light the flame on the menorah," created edible dreidels and sampled challah bread. She says the event was an opportunity to reach out to members of the university community and loosen up at the end of the semester.

"It was the one time to kind of go crazy," Diamant says. "We had this huge idea and we made it happen."

Alterman says Keshar is one of the more informal Jewish organizations on campus and has less traditional activities than most of the other groups.

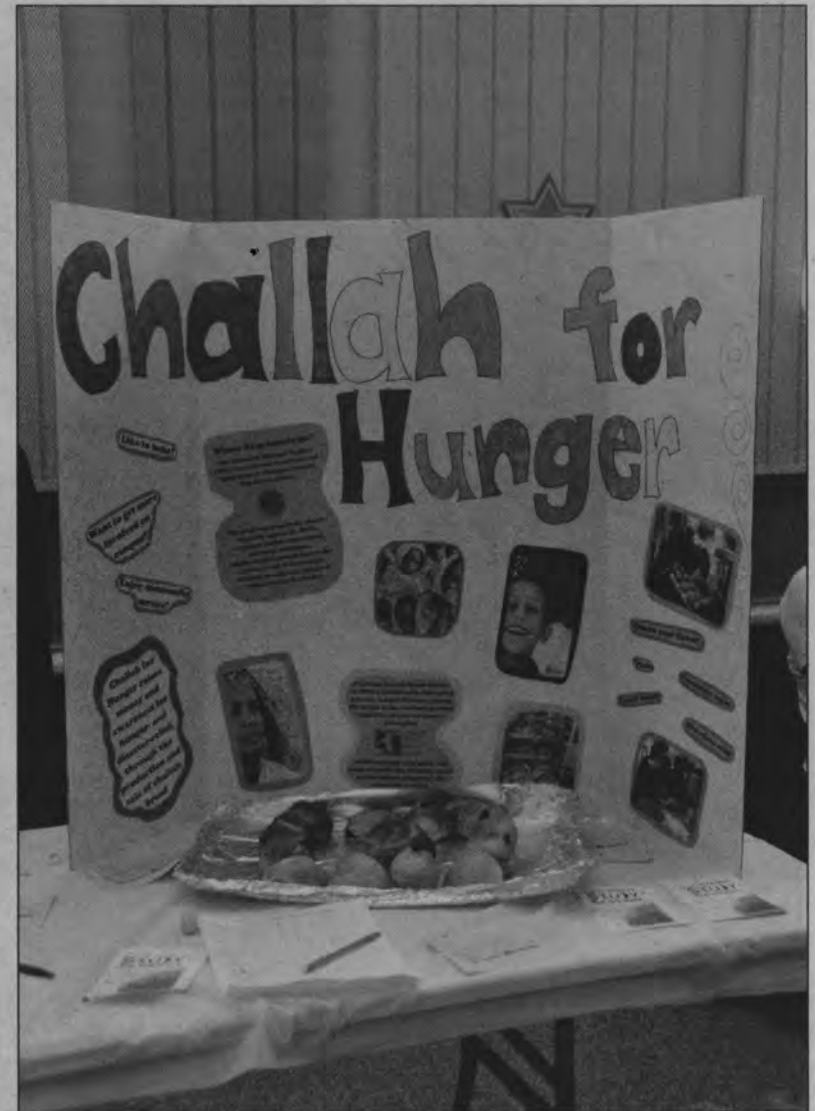
"We played Red Rover after one of the prayer services," she said. "We've already started thinking of more ridiculous things to do next year."



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800 potato latkes were served Thursday night as part of Latkepalooza.



THE REVIEW/Amelia Wang  
Yeshiva University's a capella group, the Maccabeats, performed popular hits as well as traditional Hebrew prayer hymns.



THE REVIEW/Amelia Wang  
The university's Challah for Hunger chapter raises awareness of and money for disaster relief through challah bread sales.



# Students celebrate Kwanzaa with food, music

BY RACHEL JAMISON  
Staff Reporter

Dim lighting, candles and rose-petal centerpieces accented the Clayton Hall ballroom Thursday night as students, faculty and community members gathered for the Cultural Programming Advisory Board's 10th annual Pre-Kwanzaa celebration.

The event, co-sponsored by the Center for Black Culture and Black Student Union, focused on Kwanzaa, a celebration held from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1 to honor African-American heritage and culture in the United States. Senior Kinnethia Tolson says the event allowed students from different backgrounds to connect with each other.

"It's a great event because it brings the black community of this area together," Tolson says. "It opens up people's eyes to the black tradition of Kwanzaa."

Students and faculty members took the stage to light candles on a candleholder, called a kinara. Each candle represented one of the seven principles of African culture that contribute to building and reinforcing community among African-Americans: Umoja, Kujichagulia, Ujima, Ujamaa, Nia, Kuumba and Imani, which mean unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith.

The event also commemorated the 35th anniversary of the Center for Black Culture. Attendees watched a short film highlighting the history of the organization and its mission to serve as a catalyst for ethnic and multicultural understanding on campus. Later, university students and members

of the Black Alumni Organization spoke about the Center for Black Culture and how it affected their time at the university.

Attendees also took part in a "soul food" feast, consisting of macaroni and cheese, baked fish, string beans, mashed potatoes, baked chicken, cornbread and cake. The meal mirrored Karamu, an African feast held during Kwanzaa on Dec. 31.

After the meal, the band Black Violin performed their mix of jazz, hip-hop, funk and classical music. The group, which consists of two classically trained violinists and a DJ, performed covers of popular songs by artists like Drake, Kanye West and Jay-Z.

Fiona Caramba-Coker, program coordinator for the Center for Black Culture, says students can relate to Black Violin's sound.

"We brought Black Violin because we thought it would be a great piece for our students and for the community here," Caramba-Coker says. "It's great how they grew and developed their talent to what they have today—especially the way they intertwined it with modern music."

The evening came to a close as attendees visited vendor tables selling African crafts, jewelry and fabrics. Junior Kristin Rowe, who sold handmade stone bracelets, necklaces and metal earrings at the event, says the event helps foster an understanding between cultures.

"I've been to the event every year since I was freshman and I would definitely come back again," Rowe says. "I love the food and music, as well as the fact that many different kinds of people from the community come together."



THE REVIEW/Vanessa Di Stefano

Attendees of the Pre-Kwanzaa celebration experienced the food, music and history of African-American heritage and culture in the United States.

# Radio holiday concert showcases local talent

BY ZANE WOLFANG and  
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The Review

WILMINGTON, Del.—Against the backdrop of a laser show, the band Yes Virginia took the stage Thursday night at the World Café Live at The Queen and brought its hard-rocking style to the Christmas classic "Silver Bells."

Yes Virginia and other bands ushered in the holiday season with 93.7 WSTW Hometown Heroes Holiday Bash, which showcased local acts. WSTW Hometown Heroes host Mark Rogers says he had never seen all of the band members perform together and was impressed by their show.

"They're very cool—very high-energy," he says. "I think if they had the time and the energy, they would grow beyond Delaware."

The band derived their name from the 1897 newspaper editorial column in the New York Sun titled, "Yes Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus." After an eight-year-old girl named Virginia O'Hanlon wrote

and asked if Santa existed, one of the Sun's editors, Francis Church, responded that he did. As a band that plays primarily Christmas music, the members found the name fitting.

Yes Virginia began releasing Christmas music in 1997, and bassist Paul Janocha says the band tries each year to send an optimistic message.

"Each year it just kind of grew and grew and grew," Janocha says. "During the Christmas season, it's about celebrating the season and celebrating what it's really supposed to be about—spreading joy and hope."

Local bands Battleshy Youths and the Paper Janes, along with solo artist Em McKeever, also performed at the event. In October, the artists recorded an 11-track Christmas album, called "A Diner Club Christmas," in the basement of Paper Janes singer and guitarist and university senior Shane Palkovitz's home.

Junior Ben Natrin, the brother of senior Michael Natrin of Battleshy Youths, says the

Diner Club originated at the Eagle Diner on Elkton Road, which was demolished last year. The Club salvaged objects such as restaurant booths and menus and placed them in Palkovitz's basement in Landenberg, Pa., where the friends gather each Thursday night to play music.

"The Diner Club is kind of the whole thing that the group of friends is," Natrin says. "They all used to meet up [at the Eagle Diner] and hang out playing cards, playing music—doing whatever."

Sophomore Harmony Mooney, who played harp for the album, says the three bands performed together seamlessly.

"Their versatility was impressive," Mooney says. "And they had a very good stage presence."

Rogers says the tight-knit group is active in developing the local music scene.

"They're all very talented—very creative and innovative, even," he says. "I think they're on par with people you hear on a national level."



Courtesy of Zane Wolfgang

Local artists performed at The Queen in Wilmington Thursday night.



# sights & sounds

## "The Muppets" Walt Disney Pictures ☆☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

If hearing the word "Muppets" brings back fond childhood memories, get ready, because Kermit the Frog, Miss Piggy and the rest of the hand puppet crew are back and better than ever.

The film follows Walter, a puppet with a human brother named Gary (Jason Segel). Together, they travel to Los Angeles with Gary's girlfriend Mary (Amy Adams) for the couple's 10th anniversary. Walter, a fan of "The Muppet Show," decides to visit the legendary Muppet Studio and encounters corrupt oil magnate Tex Richman (Chris Cooper), who wants to destroy the studio to dig for oil. Desperate, Walter, Gary, Mary and Kermit embark on a road trip to gather the Muppet gang, put on a show to raise \$10 million and stop Richman.

The audience gets a chance to see the Muppets in their new lives: Kermit lives alone and depressed in his Hollywood mansion, Gonzo is a high-class plumber at Gonzo's Royal Flush and Miss Piggy is a fashion editor at Vogue Paris.

Some are happy, some are not, but eventually they are convinced to join the group and save Muppet Studio. The film features musical numbers with songs from each decade—including Cee Lo Green's "Forget You," performed by a group of chickens—along with cameos by Selena Gomez, Whoopi Goldberg, Neil Patrick Harris and Sarah Silverman, among others.

The film is everything fans might expect—hilarious, adorable and appropriate for all ages. It's a treat for those with memories of the original children's show—or for anyone who wants to escape into a world where man and Muppet are one and the same.

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Courtesy of Walt Disney Pictures

## "Hugo" GK Films ☆☆☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

"Hugo" is a visually stunning film that is sure to charm every member of the family. Based on the book "The Invention of Hugo Cabret" by Brian Selznick, director Martin Scorsese ("The Departed," "Shutter Island") surprises audiences with a cinematic experience that diverts from the crime-drama genre he is known for.

Twelve-year old Hugo Cabret (Asa Butterfield) lives in a Paris train station in the 1930s. His mother is dead and his father (Jude Law) teaches him the mechanics of machinery. He also introduces Hugo to his favorite movies, those of French filmmaker Georges Méliès.

Hugo's father then tragically dies in a fire, and Hugo's uncle, Claude Cabret (Ray Winstone), takes custody of Hugo and teaches him his trade—maintaining the clocks in the railway station. However, Claude's alcoholic tendencies lead him to disappear. Hugo has to fend for himself, scavenging for food in the busy terminal. He works the clock during the day and sleeps in it at night, causing trouble for Inspector Gustav (Sacha Baron Cohen), though

Hugo eludes capture.

The young Hugo devotes himself to fixing a machine his father left behind, the automaton, a human-like machine that is supposed to be able to write. Hugo steals the missing parts from locations around the train station until he is caught by mean shop owner Papa Georges (Ben Kingsley). Papa Georges' goddaughter, Isabelle (Chloe Grace Moretz), befriends Hugo and decides to help him in his restorative quest. As events unfold, they discover a surprising connection with each other and a grand discovery is made.

Butterfield delivers a convincing and believable

performance as an orphan who only wishes to fulfill his father's dream in order to feel close to him again. His clear-eyed character elicits sympathy and support from the audience, and his friendship with the innocent Isabelle is the driving force of the film.

Scorsese weaves together his love of film and his gift for storytelling, giving "Hugo" depth and life. He uses a new medium in the film, constructing his first 3D masterpiece. For the sake of audiences everywhere, hopefully it won't be his last.

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Courtesy of GK Films

## OFF THE RECORD



### Let's get festive

One aspect of the music industry that consistently has a significant impact on musicians is concert revenue. With the innovative concept of the music festival, individual artists and bands earn a larger paycheck for every appearance, in addition to gaining publicity. As a wise man once said, "A couple of years ago, a couple of geniuses put on something called Woodstock Festival. It was a tragedy. Groups recognized that they could go into larger cattle markets, play less time and make more dollars. What they've done is to destroy the rock industry."

This famous figure was none other than Bill Graham, the first real concert promoter in the history of music. After immigrating to the United States during World War II, Graham made a living as a band manager and concert marketer,

working with world-renowned artists such as Jefferson Airplane, Janis Joplin and, most notably, The Grateful Dead. He also became the owner of The Fillmore, which used to be two of the greatest concert venues on the east and west coasts. Despite Graham's reputable career in the industry, I feel compelled to disagree with his quote.

Music festivals have accomplished more than simply pushing musicians to "sell out." Personally, I think it's more of an attempt to promote underground talent. At a festival, fans have an opportunity to socialize with other music enthusiasts, enjoy performances by an array of artists over the course of three or four days and, in some cases, admire art and food from all over the world. Today there are festivals all across the country, ranging from small folk festivals to larger gatherings involving a wide variety of performers. The majority of these festivals are held in the summer, whereas only a small portion are held for us students, conveniently during winter and spring breaks.

For the hippie crowd, the best option is probably the Wakarusa Music & Camping Festival located in the heart of the Ozarks near the northwest corner of Arkansas. The majority of the festival is dedicated to acts by jam bands and alternative rock performers. However, an increasing number of

electronic artists and rappers have earned spots at Wakarusa due to an exponential increase in popularity. Because of the festival's proximity to the Mulberry River and the Ozark Mountains, concertgoers have the option to hike and swim in breathtakingly gorgeous parks as well.

Music enthusiasts seeking an adrenaline rush flock to Ultra Music Festival in Miami. Ultra's debut as a three-day festival was just a year ago, but it may very well be the fastest-growing music festival in the country. The most distinguished DJs in the world spin at this tropical venue—namely Tiesto, Armin Van Buuren, David Guetta, Deadmau5 and Benny Benassi. Most fans arrive at the festival wearing bathing suits, shorts and outrageous sunglasses to complement the vibrant and energetic atmosphere.

Although it's a bit of a haul, Camp Bisco is a terrific choice for a primarily electronic festival. The jamboree, founded by jam band The Disco Biscuits, is located in upstate New York and plays host to a set of undoubtedly talented artists—Bassnectar, Ratatat, RJD2 and Das Racist.

Speaking from personal experience, I can tell you that the Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival (colloquially known as Bonnaroo) is one of the best music festivals today. Sure, I paid \$250 for my ticket since it was a last-minute

decision, but when I put everything in perspective, it was 100 percent worth it. I saw 21 bands and called a tent home for roughly four days. The eclectic mix of artists is also something to be noted—I saw shows by Stevie Wonder, Jay-Z, The Black Keys, Mumford & Sons and Circa Survive—all in less than a week.

It's true—many of these festivals are situated in cities (or remote locations) nowhere near the university, but there is a multitude of music gatherings within the area. If you really enjoy the punk scene, Warped Tour travels through Philadelphia every year with acts like All Time Low, The Offspring, A Day To Remember and Sum 41, to name a few. For those seeking out a more mellow setting, the Philadelphia Folk Festival has a great reputation of a fantastic social environment. Famous musicians such as Levon Helm and Arlo Guthrie have performed here, but the lion's share of artists are local or obscure. If Ultra is too far for you, the ever-popular Dayglow Tour makes a yearly pit stop in Philly.

If you're not in the mood to shell out \$100 for a Lady Gaga ticket, save yourself the lavish expenses and browse the Internet for some festival options—you won't regret it.

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# Day Trippin': Kennett Square Art Stroll

With Jen Rini

If the rather pungent aroma wafting from the mushroom farms hasn't lured university students to Kennett Square, Pa., the town's historic downtown should do the trick. Kennett Square might be known as the "Mushroom Capital of the World," but every Friday, the town trades fungi fame for a First Friday Art Stroll.

During the Art Stroll, shops showcase work from local artists and offer guests wine, beer and sangria. As you might have expected, First Friday in December was quite a spectacle. The streets were decked out for the holidays—Christmas lights hung on trees and lampposts as people roasted fresh chestnuts on the street and musicians performed renditions of holiday carols.

Cue the Etta James classic "At Last"—it's the holiday season. Global warming has taken a backseat for a bit, and I have most definitely welcomed the crisp, cold December winds. It's a cliché time of year that I celebrate with multiple viewings of "Love Actually" and a few oh-so-cheesy Christmas jams on Pandora Radio. Who can resist belting Mariah Carey's "All I Want For Christmas Is You?"

As I meandered around the street, it was impossible not to get that warm fuzzy feeling. It seems only fitting that my last Day Trippin' took me home, at least mentally—I was brought back to memories of Candlelight Night, my hometown's version of First Friday. Candlelight

Night, ironically, carried some firsts for me as well, such as my first "date" (walking to Starbucks) and my first kiss (awkward). Though my hometown of Moorestown, N.J., is mostly known for lacrosse bros and high-intensity academics, it's gems like Candlelight Night that solidify my love for that little South Jersey town.

My first stop on my tour of Kennett Square was the Longwood Art Gallery. Two lads—no more than 10 years old—entertained guests with their flute and violin, displayed musical talents far beyond their years. The gallery, though spacious, gave off a warm, comforting feeling. Stained glass lights and landscape impressionist paintings adorned the walls, as individuals peeked into the glass cabinets to inspect the handcrafted wooden jewelry. I must say, it was fun to pretend to appraise the art and look longingly at the jewelry.

Another shop I fell in love with was The Mushroom Cap. This shop was combination consignment shop, gift shop and mushroom museum. You can learn about mushroom spores, sample a black truffle mushroom dumpling and leave with a T-shirt that reads "Shitake Happens."

Now it just wouldn't be Day Trippin' without encountering at least one new friend. The wonderful Sergio won me over with his glasses, graying hair and gorgeous vibrato voice. Over a plate of pasta fagioli, Sergio informed he would sing for my wedding—after I'm 30, of course. He

must be in cahoots with my mother. But alas, that's amore.

With graduation fast approaching, everything is quickly becoming a game of numbers. Two weeks left, three finals, four papers—the list is endless. In part, I blame Day Trippin' for making this semester fly by, but then I think, what would I have to look forward to on the weekends? I would like to devote a portion of this column to those who helped shape my experiences with Day Trippin' this past year. To the lovely Jessica Sorentino, my traveling partner in crime and brainchild behind the column, I'll never forget how we almost trekked to Newark, N.J., instead of D-ware. Priceless. And to those who have supported my crazy antics from day one—Brian, Zoe, Anne, Chelsea and the rest of the Monday night crew—I honestly do not know what I would have done without you this semester. To Jessie and Macey, I have one phrase for you: "It's All Coming Back to Me Now." And to my parents and brother and sister, thank you for allowing me to quote you and reveal intimate details about your lives.

I welcome Krista Connor as the new Day Trippin' columnist—you're going to do big things, kid, and I can't wait to read them.

And finally, I have one last shout out. This is to my man Greg Salas. I can't wait for fly-fishing season. This time I'll bring Band-Aids.

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Courtesy of Jen Rini

Jen Rini's final Day Trippin' took her to Kennett Square to soak in the sights and sounds of the "Mushroom Capital of the World."

## Fashion Forward: Clothes make the man



Megan Soria

Menswear has been a recurring topic in my column, and there's no doubt that I'll continue to fawn over that rock 'n' roll, tomboy-chic look forever. I've referenced blazers, military boots, leather jackets, men's flannels and boyfriend watches a number of times as part of my own style and a popular style for women. But, after 40 fashion columns, I have not once addressed menswear in its original context—clothing for men, worn by men.

I've always admired men's fashion, but I haven't had the guts to style guys until recently. What makes menswear so intriguing is its combination of detail, fit, and quality staples. The beauty of menswear lies in its simplicity. Compared to women's wear, menswear is a bit limited—you can only go so far with combining the same pieces, but it makes the challenge all the more enticing.

Though outfits for girls can be more creative, they can also be more confusing. Girls have skirts, dresses and tights of all different lengths and styles to play with, so it's easy to get distracted by a wide selection of beautiful pieces. Therefore, guys, I encourage you to take advantage of the

art of men's fashion—because with just a few tips, a great wardrobe isn't all that hard to assemble.

Guys don't have the same liberty as girls with oversized pieces. The secret to an outstanding outfit for guys is the fit, and the biggest mistake I see with most guys is poorly fitted clothing—especially jeans. Far too many guys walk around in light wash baggy jeans paired with athletic running sneakers. Believe me, this combination is not impressing anyone. Opt for a straight jean that is well-fitted around the waist and falls nicely down the leg. A darker wash is always more flattering, so a distressed indigo color is usually best. Experiment with other denim colors like charcoal gray or black. Corduroys and chinos in colors like olive, burgundy or navy are also fresh alternatives.

Shoes, in my opinion, are the most fun pieces in men's fashion. Desert boots, Sperry's, Converse, Adidas Sambas and skateboarding sneakers are all great options for everyday wear. Boys tend to splurge the most on new kicks. Just do yourself a favor and leave your running sneakers behind with your gym outfit.

For all the individual pieces in your wardrobe, what it comes down to is the quality. Fortunately, there are many well-made brands out there for everyday wear, and since men's trends aren't as fast-paced and exhausting as women's, I encourage you to invest in quality staples. Diesel, HUF, American

Apparel, J.Crew, Obey, Calvin Klein, Publish Brand, Kenneth Cole, Penguin and Lacoste are some affordable options. Pick quality over quantity, because a few pairs of great pants and basic shirts go a long way. Well-made staples will make combining pieces easier, that "thrown-on" look will most likely work and you won't have to put in too much thought into getting dressed. Menswear tends to be more functional than fashionable. But that's the beauty of it—practicality and durability creates the fashionable, simple aesthetic of men's clothing.

Behind all clothing is a lifestyle, and that definitely shines through, especially in men's clothing. Whether you like a certain type of music, skateboarding, rock-climbing, surfing, hip-hop, politics, sports or books—believe it or not, the type of clothing and accessories you own and carry can reflect your lifestyle. Guys tend to stay within a certain genre while girls overlap with other styles. Express your preferences with your pieces—there's room for experimentation within each genre.

So try different pieces like flannels, button-downs, henleys, blazers, tweed, polos, ties, cardigans or pullovers. You can be preppy, edgy, refined or elegantly disheveled. Whatever your style, remember that quality and fit make all the difference—so let's hear it for the boys.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know two Delaware senators were involved in an investigation into the attack on Pearl Harbor, which happened 70 years ago this week?

Wednesday marks the 70th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, conducted by the Imperial Japanese Navy on the naval base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. The attack was an attempt to keep the United States from intervening in Japan's military plans in Southeast Asia against the overseas territories of the United Kingdom, the United States and the Netherlands to secure resources in Asia. More than 350 Japanese bombers, fighters and torpedo planes hit the naval base in two waves, damaging all eight U.S. Navy battleships, killing 2,402 Americans and wounding 1,282 others. The shock and anger at the attack led the United States directly into World War II in both the Pacific and European theaters.

On May 26, 1999, the U.S. Senate voted on an amendment to a \$289 billion military bill intended to clear the names of two military officers who were accused of dereliction of duty as a result of the bombings. After the attacks on the naval base, Adm. Husband E. Kimmel and Lt. Gen. General Walter C. Short were blamed for failing to anticipate and prevent the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and were therefore

relieved of their commands and forced to retire from the military at lower ranks.

Since the two officers were relieved after the attack, multiple historians said Kimmel and Short were merely scapegoats for the failure of command in Washington to report intelligence suggesting an attack by the Japanese to commanders in Hawaii. In 1999, Sen. William V. Roth Jr. (R-Del.) spearheaded a campaign to amend the military bill to clear the names of Kimmel and Short. Roth had been pressed by Kimmel's only surviving son at the time, Edward, a Delaware constituent, to do so. Joe Biden, Jr., a democratic senator at the time, was also behind the amendment.

Roth asserted that both Kimmel and Short were denied "vital intelligence that was available in Washington." A veteran of World War II himself, Roth asserted, "We're not rewriting history. We're just correcting the record." The bill passed the Senate, assuring that the two officers had performed their official duties "competently and professionally."

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# University museum features agate animal carvings

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For students outside the College of Earth, Ocean and the Environment, Penny Hall may go unnoticed. However, some students go out of their way to view the exhibit of lifelike animal stone carvings by artist Gerd Dreher in Penny Hall's Mineralogical Museum.

Sharon Fitzgerald, the museum's curator, was excited to bring in Dreher's work as a temporary exhibit.

"I thought it'd be fun to have a visiting collection," Fitzgerald says.

Herbert and Monika Obodda own the collection of Dreher's stone carvings on display at the museum. Fitzgerald contacted the Oboddas, and they agreed to loan the collection to the university until July.

"I thought it'd be a nice place for them to be for a year," Herbert Obodda says.

Obodda is in the mineral business and says he contacted Dreher 15 years ago to purchase some pieces. Obodda says the fact that Dreher doesn't carve often makes each of his pieces unique and very rare.

"In my opinion, he's the finest carver in the world," Obodda says.

One of the most recent carvings that Dreher commissioned for him was inspired by a trip the Oboddas took to the Galapagos Islands in 2009, where they say they became fascinated by iguanas. Obodda says he took many pictures of the lizards and contacted Dreher when they returned.

"I said, 'If you ever find a piece of agate that would be suitable, I'd be interested in a piece,'" he says.

The iguana that Dreher eventually carved, inspired by the Oboddas—along with 15 other pieces from the Obodda collection—are all on display at the university. Fitzgerald says the

collection comprises a large amount of Dreher's work.

Dreher, 68, is from Idar-Oberstein, Germany. Known as a gem-cutting district, the town is famous for carvings. In fact, Dreher attributes some of his inspiration to the techniques he learned in his hometown.

Dreher comes from a family of carvers, starting with his great grandfather who worked for Fabergé in Russia, named after Peter Fabergé, the official jeweler of the Russian Imperial Court and the creator of the renowned Fabergé Easter eggs. Once an apprentice of his late father Paul, Dreher specializes exclusively in engraving animal sculptures. Today, Dreher works with his son Patrick, 41.

Fitzgerald describes carving these stones as a very slow and rigorous process. Most of the carvings are made out of a hard mineral called agate, which can only be cut with diamond tools.

"These take him a few months," she says. "It's an entirely different skill."

Before Dreher starts to carve, he researches his subject, and says this research allows him to accurately depict the correct movements, expressions, anatomy and details of each animal in his work.

"My deep interest for the nature and especially my love for animals and wildlife inspired me for the carvings," Dreher says.

He studies more than 200 photographs of the animals he is carving, including mice, starfish and iguanas. He also travels to see the animals in person, he says.

According to Fitzgerald, Dreher carves everything from one piece of stone, usually a natural agate which he gets from Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil. The eyes, however, are created from materials like rubies or obsidian.

Dreher says he hopes his pieces will encourage students to see the world in a more natural

state juxtaposed to a technology-obsessed society.

"For young people of today, it should be interesting to see something that is done completely without a computer," he says.

Fitzgerald says what fascinates her most about Dreher's work is that very few artists work in this particular niche. Her favorite piece is his carving of a frog.

"He looks like he's gonna start jumping around," Fitzgerald says.

She says Dreher's carvings have been well-received by students and faculty, and many art classes and fashion majors come to see the collection for inspiration. Fitzgerald says seeing the pieces in person is an entirely different experience.

"It's an opportunity to see the finest living carver," she says. "There's no museum in this country where you can go see these. They're kind of mesmerizing."

Fitzgerald hopes Dreher's work will provoke a greater interest in the geology world, the arts and museum curating. So far, students who have come to see the work have been impressed.

Freshman engineering major Joe Illuminati recently visited the museum with a friend for his First Year Experience class.

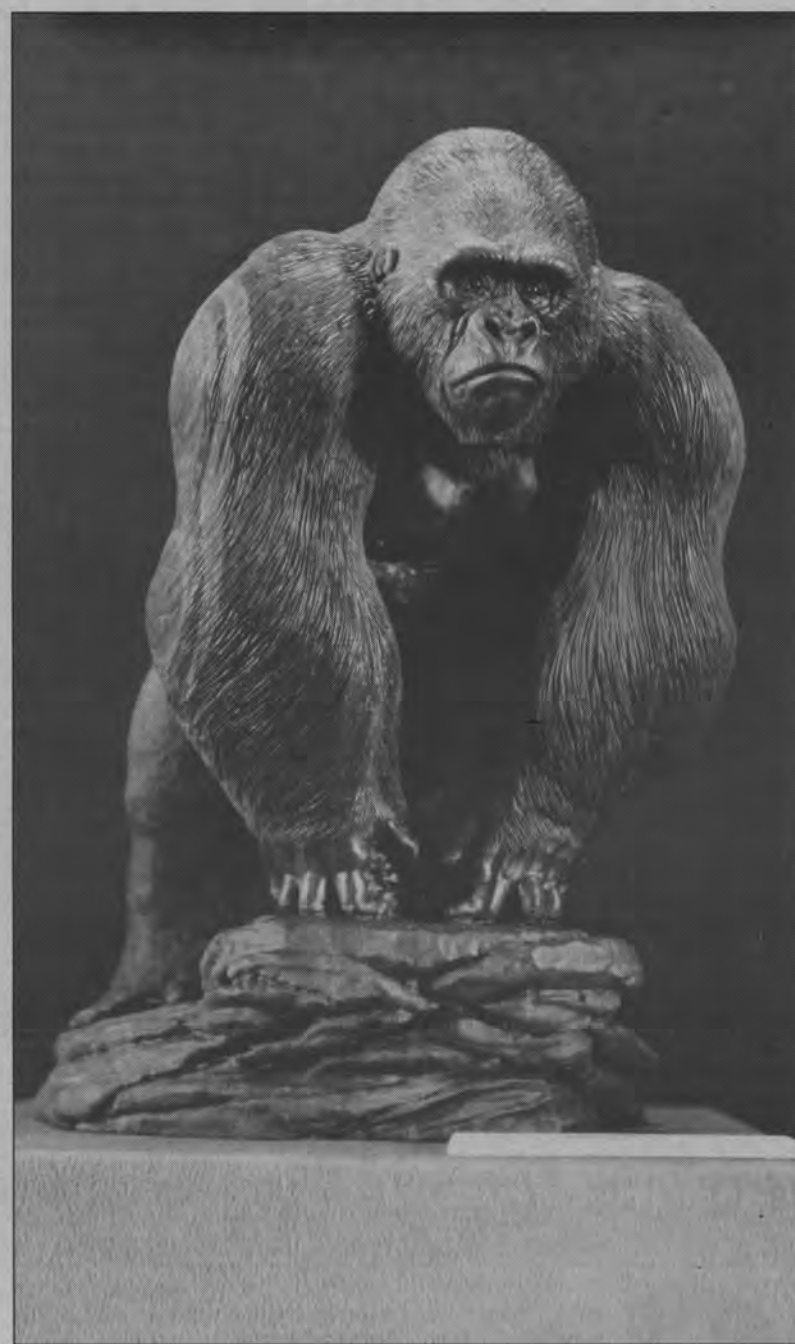
"I thought it was really cool," Illuminati says. "It was very interesting—a very different medium of art."

Junior Sean Shirali, who works the desk in the museum during the semester, says he finds the collection particularly intriguing compared to the other collections in the museum.

"It's a lot different than most of what we see," Shirali says.

He says people are attracted to Dreher's work because the collection is more artistic compared to the rocks that are on display in their natural state.

"It provides a unique opportunity to see what the sciences can produce," Shirali says.



THE REVIEW/Nick Wallace

Dreher studies each animal in order to accurately depict them in his work.



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Dreher attributes his technique and his inspiration to his hometown of Idar-Oberstein, Germany.



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Dreher hopes his work will interest students in the natural world.



# University student plants, harvests way to graduation

BY MORGAN WINSOR  
Features Editor

The summer after his junior year of high school, sophomore Andrew Bell sectioned off an eighth of an acre from his family's 10-acre backyard in Seaford, Del., and turned it into a farm plot. Now, every summer, Bell transforms from college student to full-time farmer.

In the spring and winter, Bell grows tomatoes, squash, peppers and cucumbers. In the summer, he spends most of his days fertilizing, weeding and applying pesticides to his farm. Bell then sells and delivers his certified organic crops to local stores and markets, as well as high-end restaurants in Lewes, Rehoboth Beach and Bethany Beach.

"It's all I do in the summer," Bell says. "I don't have friends in the summertime. I don't do anything other than farm, because when I have time, I'm too exhausted to do anything."

While he does enjoy farming, Bell says taking care of the farm is more of a job than a hobby.

"Even now, my back hurts," he says. "Most of it is gritty work. The farm's way too big to be enjoyable."

Bell uses the profits from the farm to pay for college, and he has to meet a certain quota each summer. He will eventually have to take out a student loan, but the farm's profits combined with his own savings have been enough to make ends meet so far.

"It was either no college or heavy debt," Bell says. "I needed some way to pay for tuition because I'm financially independent, and farming seemed like the less painful way since I'm passionate about plant science."

Although Bell plans to discontinue the farm when he graduates because he will no longer need the tuition money, he says he is curious to see how far his business will develop. The size of his farm grows each year, and he plans on expanding the land to half an acre by next summer.

Bell says he originally had no farming knowledge, but has experienced a tremendous learning curve. He says what he has learned as a student hasn't necessarily altered his practices, but has expanded his knowledge of the techniques he uses.

"It hasn't changed any of the things I do because, before I started the farm, I read a lot about the importance of things like cover cropping and soil management," he says. "But it's explained to me the reasons why, which have been interesting."

Plant and soil science professor Sherry Kitto says many of her students are already working in the agricultural field, and several have their own businesses. Kitto, who met Bell in her Botany I class, says that entrepreneurial spirit helps with future employment opportunities.

"I feel that working students can often integrate what they learn in the classroom to real-life,

personal experience rather than accumulating information for its own sake," Kitto says.

Currently, Bell's farm is protected by a cover crop, a radish that grows deep to break up compacted soil. Cover crops provide extra nutrients for the soil that the plants deplete and protect the soil from frost damage, wind and water erosion in the winter. Bell says it's important for him to have the farm under a cover crop by September so he can focus on school.

Junior plant science major Meredith Dempsey, a close friend of Bell's, says Bell is the only person she knows who has raised enough revenue from farming to pay for school. Dempsey once had her own farm but gave away her produce to friends and co-workers rather than making it a business. She says she envies Bell's unwavering dedication.

"I was jealous at first," Dempsey says. "I was also impressed. It must be so satisfactory to be able to complete the whole cycle of your dream to be a farmer at that young age."

But the farm has done more for Bell than pay for tuition. He says he always knew he wanted to go into international aid, but farming inspired him to incorporate it into his career.

"As I became passionate about the farm, I decided I wanted to do agricultural aid," Bell says. "So it really has, I guess, decided my career for me."



File photo

Some students choose to graduate in the winter for financial reasons, while others hope to gain a competitive edge in the job hunt.

## Students graduating early prepare for post-college life, job search

BY ASHLEY PAINTSIL  
Staff Reporter

Last semester, senior Cherie Grimm opened an email from her academic adviser and learned she had enough credits to graduate a semester early.

Grimm, a marketing major who will graduate this winter, says she came to the university with high school credits and took five classes every semester and two summer courses, which put her on track to graduate early. She says she is worried because a number of the jobs she is applying to require more experience, but if she had decided to stay at the university for the spring semester, her parents would not pay her tuition.

"[My parents] gave me an ultimatum, saying I could stay an extra semester and pay for it myself or I could graduate early," Grimm says. "I'm an out-of-state student, so it would be \$13,000 that I would have to pay by myself, so I kind of took the lesser of two evils."

With Winter Commencement approximately five weeks away, some seniors are worried about how they will adjust to life after college sooner than the rest of their peers.

Grimm says other than saving money, she does not see the benefit of graduating early. Ultimately, however, she feels ready to graduate.

"If you had asked me six months ago, I probably wouldn't say that I felt ready," she says. "But I feel pretty prepared to start working and start in the real world."

Senior Anne Sokolow, an American history major and material culture studies minor, says she totaled her credits junior year and realized she could graduate early. She says staying with the same major throughout college helped her stay on the path to

graduate in the winter.

Sokolow will study abroad this winter and at next year's Spring Commencement.

"If I don't need the credits, then why take them when I already have the major and minor that I want?" Sokolow says.

Senior Lauren Cortez, a communication major with minors in journalism and advertising, says toward the end of last semester, she debated whether to complete her five remaining credits in the spring as a part-time student. Ultimately, she decided to take a course over winter session to save money and will walk in the spring ceremony. She says her only concern about graduating early is the fact that most internship coordinators prefer students who are still enrolled in college to participate in their programs.

"I just kept on track, I took all the classes that I needed to, I did a study abroad and another winter session, so that helped me clear my credits," Cortez says. "I just did what I had to do on time and I wound up finishing early."

Senior Rebecca Dreifuss, a hotel, restaurant and institutional management major with a minor in business administration, says she began her freshman year with a semester's worth of credits. When she learned friends of hers were graduating early, she began to explore the possibility. Dreifuss says since there are fewer entry-level jobs in her field, she looks forward to being in a smaller pool of graduates looking for a job.

"My major is very competitive, and it's hard to find a job and I thought that this would give me a competitive advantage," Dreifuss says. "It's really kind of forced me to start job hunting now, so it kind of got my head in the game more quickly."



Courtesy of Andrew Bell

Andrew Bell plans to expand his plot of farmland in his parents' backyard to half an acre by next summer.



# EATER'S DIGEST

Curl up in the cold with a cup of 'nog



Abby Engel

'Tis the season to eat, drink and be merry, and no other time of year has quite the same selection of iconic beverages as winter.

There's hot chocolate, cider and the strange concoction that is eggnog.

Some say the word eggnog is derived from the Middle English word "noggin," a traditional carved mug used to serve alcoholic beverages. Others say the name comes from the English "nog," which is the name of a strong ale.

Traditional eggnog contains milk, cream, sugar and eggs, and more modern versions often contain a bit of vanilla, nutmeg and cinnamon for extra flavor. Liquors such as rum, brandy or whiskey can also be added to give the eggnog a little kick, but are certainly not required. European eggnog is spiked with white wine instead of distilled liquor.

Eggnog's distinct pale yellow color comes from the eggs, which also produce the frothy texture of this holiday staple beverage. Traditional eggnog recipes call for the eggs and sugar to be beaten together and then added to milk or cream and garnished with nutmeg and vanilla. That's right, eggnog involves the consumption of raw eggs—one glass of eggnog contains approximately one raw egg. I can't help but envision the strapping Gaston from "Beauty and the Beast" downing five raw eggs. But I digress. Most eggnogs found in the grocery

store are not prepared in this manner and are gently heated to thicken the mixture and eliminate the risks associated with raw egg consumption.

To prepare eggnog without heat it's best to purchase pasteurized eggs to protect against foodborne illness. Pasteurized eggs won't produce the same frothy texture, but using them in the recipe is certainly better than spending the holiday in the bathroom. Another way to avoid the raw egg dilemma is to temper the eggs with the milk to make a custard before combining with sugar, spices and vanilla to kill any pathogens that may be harbored in the eggs.

The holidays are not exactly kind to most of us in terms of health, and eggnog is no exception—it's loaded with fat and cholesterol. One cup of eggnog is approximately 342 calories, and 167 of them are from fat. Luckily, there are low-fat eggnog options, as well as versions made from soy and rice milk, which don't pack quite the gut-expansion power of the full-fat variety. It would take approximately 2,100 jumping jacks to burn off the calories from an eight ounce serving of eggnog. But, in this writer's opinion, seasonal items are meant to be consumed in all their glory. I'd never settle for less of the sweet creamy taste sensation that is eggnog around the holidays. And with the university's two-month long winter recess, who doesn't have time for 2,100 jumping jacks, right?

## TRADITIONAL EGGNOG RECIPE

**Ingredients**  
4 egg yolks  
1/3 cup sugar, plus 1 tablespoon

1 pint whole milk  
1 cup heavy cream  
3 ounces bourbon  
1 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg  
4 egg whites\*

### Directions

In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat the egg yolks until they lighten in color. Gradually add the 1/3 cup sugar and continue to beat until it is completely dissolved. Add milk, cream, bourbon and nutmeg, and stir to combine.

Place the egg whites in the bowl of a stand mixer and beat to soft peaks. With the mixer still running gradually add one tablespoon of sugar and beat until stiff peaks form.

Whisk the egg whites into the mixture. Chill and serve.

Cook's note: For cooked eggnog, follow procedure below.

In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat the egg yolks until they lighten in color. Gradually add 1/3 cup sugar and continue to beat until it is completely dissolved. Set aside.

In a medium saucepan, over high heat, combine the milk, heavy cream and nutmeg and bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Remove from the heat and gradually temper the hot mixture into the egg and sugar mixture. Then return everything to the pot and cook until the mixture reaches 160 degrees Fahrenheit. Remove from heat, stir in the bourbon, pour into a medium mixing bowl, and set in the refrigerator to chill.

In a medium mixing bowl, beat the egg whites to soft peaks. With the mixer running, gradually add one tablespoon of sugar and beat until stiff peaks form. Whisk the egg whites into the mixture and serve chilled.

Courtesy of Food Network

Have an idea or recipe you would like to share? Email [amengel@udel.edu](mailto:amengel@udel.edu) or follow @AMAEngel

## FINALS DESTINATION

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# Events

## Foul Mouth AI Show

Mojo Main

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m.

## Holly-Zoo Days

Brandywine Zoo

Saturday, Dec. 10, 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## Cirque Dreams: Holidaze

DuPont Theatre

Saturday, Dec. 10, 8 p.m.

## Santa Brunch

Klondike Kate's

Sunday, Dec. 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Public Viewing Program

Mt. Cuba Astronomical Observatory

Monday, Dec. 12, 8 p.m.

## LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Across	Down
2. Clavicle	1. Lyre
5. Geisel	2. Coo
9. Gin	3. Vice
11. Slur	4. Elk
13. Ampersand	6. Stellanluna
16. Seas	7. Coffee
17. Del	8. Vivaldi
18. Undone	10. Bees
20. Puffin	12. Ramone
22. Earnest	14. Milk, honey
23. Blue	15. Harpoon
24. In a tree	19. Equus
25. Spun	21. Firefox
27. Tryptophan	26. Iago

### Across

2. Provoke
6. Out of style
7. Galactic cloud
11. Gloss target
12. Astaire's dance partner
15. Ariel's acquisition
16. Celebrity's posse
18. Foretelling sign
20. Freshening flavor
21. Upcoming Olsen
23. Russian script

### Down

1. "Dan in \_\_\_\_\_"
3. Party gift
4. RomCom's Sally
5. Beaker's squeak
8. Mechanic songstress
9. Ruse
10. Tennessee playwright
13. Jazzy approval
14. Zsa Zsa
17. Explosive compound
19. Lana del \_\_\_\_\_
22. Impulsive psyche
24. Prefrontal extraction



# Fungal syndrome plagues bat populations

BY TUCKER MCGRATH  
Multimedia Editor

Bat populations in the northeastern United States have fallen victim to white-nose syndrome, a disease caused by the cold-loving fungus *Geomyces destructans*. The syndrome kills or cripples bats during hibernation periods, and a drop in their population could have serious consequences for the rest of the ecosystem—including humans.

Scientists all over the Northeast are teaming up to learn more about the epidemic. Two university alumni at the Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife are leading the way for Delaware's research effort.

Erin Adams grew up with a lifelong interest in the environment and set her sights on a career in wildlife conservation during her sophomore year at the university. After graduating in 2007 and volunteering with different organizations, she became a research assistant with the Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife in April 2010.

White-nose syndrome was first identified as a problem in the Northeast in 2006. Adams heard about the disease two years later from a colleague during her post-graduate research program.

"The more I learned, the more I could sense that this was going to be a critical issue that wasn't going to go away," Adams says. "I wanted to be involved."

Bats are diverse animals, with a wide variety of species all over the world. They are winged mammals, agile with fine-tuned hunting techniques, like echolocation, that

make them a nightmare for insects. "I've always found them very fascinating," she says. "They have an extremely interesting life history."

Certain sizes of bats hunt specific sizes of prey. A Little Brown bat can consume nearly its entire bodyweight in insects in a single night. Big Brown bats eat larger insects, saving farmers considerable costs on pesticides and ensuring greater crop yield.

"There is a direct connection between bats and humans as they help control the mosquitoes that carry things like West Nile virus," Adams says. "They eat a lot of those crop pests, the insects that would damage our food. How much more organic can it get? You never have to use a chemical in that process."

Adams says bats are more important than most people might realize, and they can contribute more than insect population control. Research on how their bodies work has applications in the medical field, as bats heal quickly from injuries. Anticoagulants in vampire bat saliva are also used to develop drugs to help stroke victims break up blood clots.

"There are ways bats can impact how we view medical treatment or how we discover new treatments, and I think that's absolutely incredible," Adams says.

When bats are most active, between April and October, wildlife biologists go on catches, netting the bats in their natural habitat and studying them on a variety of levels. Rabies vaccinations are mandatory for all field researchers handling the bats.

"The very first time I went to a bat catch I wasn't vaccinated yet, so I just had to collect data and watch, and it was killing me," Adams says. "I just wanted to help."

Since receiving the vaccination, she has traveled across the Northeast aiding other researchers in their efforts to study bats. While working with a team of scientists in the Great Swamp in Gillette, N.J., Adams found herself holding rare Indiana Bats, an endangered species. She says catching these creatures and interacting with them face-to-face is one of the most rewarding aspects of her work.

Bats that hibernate in caves provide the main nutrient supply to the entire cave ecosystem through their droppings, called guano. If white-nose syndrome severely reduces the number of bats in a cave, the surrounding ecosystem suffers.

Solutions for the syndrome are scarce, as bats spread the disease further and faster than researchers can track. Smaller species like the Little Brown bats are more vulnerable to *Geomyces destructans* than hardier, larger species. The fungus itself is a very aggressive organism.

"Most types of fungus are detritivores so they get their nutrients from dead leaves or dead wood, et cetera," Adams says. "Geomyces destructans is really unique in that it is digesting live skin. It sends its hyphae [network of filaments of a fungus] into the bats' skin and actually starts digesting its skin cells and tissues."

Infected bats experience severe dehydration, energy loss

and interrupted hibernation cycles. They also use up their fat reserves, and survivors may be too weak or maimed to hunt when the hibernation period ends, resulting in death from starvation.

Adams works closely alongside wildlife biologist Holly Niederriter, who graduated from the university in 1997 and received her master's degree in 2000. Niederriter has been working with the Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife since 2002.

Already familiar with a number of bat species, Niederriter's expertise was in high demand when the syndrome hit the Northeast. She is currently the project manager overseeing the bat research program in Delaware.

Niederriter checked an outbuilding in New Castle County for little brown bats in April 2010. She was devastated by the condition of the two specimens she saw, and later returned with another researcher and proper equipment. They caught one of the bats for inspection.

"They looked terrible," Niederriter says. "Its wings were in tatters. So much of the skin had been eaten away that it was transparent. I knew right then that our bats had the fungus associated with white-nose syndrome. That was a bad moment. I just wanted to stop by and check if they were there, and indeed they were back and they were very sick."

She says the origins of *Geomyces destructans* are unknown, but evidence points to Europe. Though the fungus lives on both sides of the Atlantic, European bats appear to be immune, even when it grows

on their bodies. Scientists hope to uncover the secret to their immunity and somehow apply it as a biological control to North American bat populations. This research is in its infancy.

"It appears to be incredibly contagious among bats," Niederriter says. "It attacks them when they are at their very weakest point. They slow down a lot of their physiological processes during hibernation, including their immune system, which give the fungus a chance to really move in and thrive on the poor bat when it's down and when it's weak."

Nate Fuller, a doctoral student at Boston University, is researching the behavior and ecology of temperate and tropical bats under the nation's leading experts. Fuller agrees *Geomyces destructans* behaves like an invasive species, and that understanding this trait is vital in combatting the pathogen.

"European bats are not experiencing the same mortality as bats in North America," Fuller said. "Why this is the case has not yet been determined, but bat biologists everywhere are exploring ways to test these differences."

Niederriter says public awareness is growing—people with bats living on or near their property feel for the animals, and want to help. She says white-nose syndrome is a frustrating epidemic to study, but there is hope if people come together to help the threatened species.

"Working with bats has been challenging in a lot of ways because they're nocturnal and I'm not," she says. "But it's just a fascinating and incredible species to work with."

## "Experts at Nothing" by Justin Sadegh



"Experts at Nothing" is a weekly comic strip that follows the lives of Sam and Dan. Their lives? About nothing. Why read it? 'Cause they're experts. —Justin Sadegh, [jsadegh@udel.edu](mailto:jsadegh@udel.edu)



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#### Before Exams

Location	Friday December 2	Saturday December 3	Sunday December 4	Monday December 5	Tuesday December 6	Wednesday December 7
Morris Library	8 a.m. to 10 p.m.	9 a.m. to 10 p.m.	11 a.m. to 24 hours	*Open 24 hours	*Open 24 hours	*Open 24 hours
Morris Library Commons	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours

#### During Exams

Location	Thursday December 8 <i>Reading Day</i> No exams	Friday December 9 <i>Final Exams Begin</i>	Saturday December 10 <i>Reading Day</i> No exams	Sunday December 11 <i>Reading Day</i> No exams	Monday December 12 Exams
Morris Library	*Open 24 hours	Open until 10 p.m.	9 a.m. to 10 p.m.	11 a.m. to 24 hours	*Open 24 hours
Morris Library Commons	Open 24 hours Complimentary snacks 9 p.m.-10 p.m.	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours	Open 24 hours Complimentary snacks 9 p.m.-10 p.m.
Trabant Center - Daugherty Hall	7 a.m. to 2 a.m.	7 a.m. to 2 a.m.	9 a.m. to 2 a.m.	9 a.m. to 2 a.m.	7 a.m. to 2 a.m.
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Trabant Center Multipurpose Room A	Not available for study	Not available for study	9 a.m. to 2 a.m.	9 a.m. to 2 a.m.	7 a.m. to 2 a.m.
Perkins Center - Kirkwood Room	7 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.	7 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.	9 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.	9 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.	7 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.

#### During Exams

Location	Tuesday December 13 Exams	Wednesday December 14 Exams	Thursday December 15 Exams	Friday December 16 <i>Last Day of Exams</i>
Morris Library	*Open 24 hours	*Open 24 hours	*Open 24 hours	Open until 7 p.m.
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## Hens defeat CAA preseason favorite

BY TIM MASTRO  
Managing Sports Editor

Monte Ross said since the preseason, on most nights he will have the best player on the court, Devon Saddler.

The sophomore guard has lived up to that hype thus far, averaging 24.7 points per game this season. Saturday may have cemented his spot as the best player in the CAA.

Saddler's 30 points led Delaware past the conference's preseason favorite Drexel 71-60 in the CAA opener for both teams.

"He's one of the best, if not the best, player in this league," Ross reiterated after Saturday's game. "I have no problem saying that cause he can back it up."

Twenty of Saddler's points came in the second half.

"I ain't afraid to say it, he's Delaware right now," junior forward Jamelle Hagins said.

Drexel drew within six points of the Hens with 3:26 left in the second half. Saddler made a crossover, step back, fade-away 3-pointer on Delaware's next possession to extend the lead further.

He then converted a layup on a fast break, and was fouled sending him to the line for a possible three-point play. He hit the free throw and another layup on the next possession and another foul shot later gave him nine points in a row for the Hens.

"Coach told me I had to be a leader," Saddler said. "So I just stepped up to the plate."

Saddler also scored the first eight points of the second half for Delaware. Known more for his acrobatic drives to the basket, he drained four of five attempts from beyond the arc.

"I said to my family after, 'He's the truth,'" freshman guard Khalid Lewis said. "It seems like



THE REVIEW/Hanan Zlatoff

Devon Saddler scored 30 points in Delaware's 71-60 victory over Drexel Saturday afternoon.

there's no stopping him. He goes to the basket like a bull and knocks down shots."

The Hens had their way with Drexel's highly regarded frontcourt. They held the Dragons'

star player Samme Givens without a point and Givens only played 20 minutes because of foul trouble.

Hagins dominated on the boards, earning a double-double with 17 points and 12 rebounds.

"We knew it was gonna be a fight," Hagins said. "Coach told us to go in there and not hold anything back. I was going in [the

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THE REVIEW/Marek Jaworski

Elena Delle Donne (11) splits a pair of William & Mary defenders in Sunday's 16-point victory over the Tribe.

## Delaware knocks off W&M for sixth win

BY KERRY BOWDEN  
Sports Editor

The Delaware women's basketball team secured its sixth win and maintained an undefeated season Sunday after defeating William & Mary 73-57.

After three unanswered scores by the Hens to start the game, William & Mary was forced to call a timeout within the first two minutes.

One minute later, the defense stifled the Tribe and ran out the shot clock.

Head coach Tina Martin said she thought the team excelled early.

The Hens' leading scorer, Elena Delle Donne, scored 19 points in the first half. Delle Donne's points equaled the amount scored for the entire William & Mary squad, and were more than double that of Tribe leading scorer Taysha Pye, who tallied eight.

"I felt really good shooting-wise, confident in my form,

confident in my stroke," Delle Donne said. "The shots that I was getting were some really good shots."

Senior guard Jocelyn Bailey scored 11 points and tallied five rebounds on the afternoon, and junior guard Lauren Carra added 10 more points.

"We know that there is a target on our back and I think that is even more of a push for us right now to come out in the first and second half and put teams away like we should be," Carra said.

With 3:58 left in the first half, Delle Donne reached her career 1,500-point mark on a free throw, and is the sixth player in Delaware women's basketball history to do so.

Martin said the defense let the team down in the second half because they didn't show the intensity they exuded in the first.

"That was something I told the team in the locker room—In

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## weeklycalendar

**Wednesday, Dec. 7**

Men's Basketball at Pennsylvannia  
7 p.m.

**Saturday, Dec. 10**

Men's Basketball at Delaware State  
1 p.m.

**Sunday, Dec. 11**

Women's Basketball at Wake Forest  
2 p.m.

**Monday, Dec. 19**

Men's Basketball vs. LaSalle  
7 p.m.  
Women's Basketball at Providence  
7 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 22**

Men's Basketball at Howard  
7 p.m.

## henpeckings

**Volleyball:** After defeating American University in the first round of the NCAA Tournament Friday, the Hens fell to No. 8 Penn State Saturday in the second round. The Delaware squad qualified for the NCAA Tournament when they won the CAA championship Nov. 20 over Virginia Commonwealth. Junior outside hitter Alissa Alker and sophomore middle hitter Karina Evans led the team with 11 kills a piece in the win over American. Two other Hens contributed double-digit kills as well, with senior Kim Stewart and junior Chelsea Lawrence adding 10 kills each. Senior setter Renee Tomko ran the offense with 43 assists. Stewart and sophomore libero Cara Rosehill led the Delaware defense with 15 digs each. Set scores for the match were 17-25, 25-22, 25-22 and 25-23 to give Delaware the 3-1 win. Saturday's loss to Penn State was the first time the Hens have made it to the second round of the NCAA Tournament since 2007. Penn State walked away with a 3-0 victory with set scores of 12-25, 9-25 and 18-25. Alker, Hank and Lawrence led the Hens with five kills each. Tomko's 18 assists led the team again, and Stewart and Rosehill's eight digs were also a team-high against the Nittany Lions. The Hens finished the season with a 21-13 record and graduate just two seniors in the spring.

**Men's and Women's Swimming:** Delaware swimmers participated in the 2011 AT&T U.S. Swimming Winter National Championships over the weekend. The Hens brought 11 competitors to the meet, which was held at the Georgia Tech Aquatic Center. Delaware graduate assistant Laura Barito placed 86th, senior Josh Hyman came in 99th and Nick Woome, another senior, finished 107th in preliminary events on Thursday. Junior Ryan Roberts came in 49th in the 100 backstroke on Friday as the Hens' top finisher. Senior Hannah Facchine led the women's squad with a 54th place finish in the 100 breaststroke. Former All-American and Delaware volunteer assistant coach Ross Buckwalter missed the Olympic qualifying time for the 100 breaststroke by .23 seconds. Stephanie Dodd, Cole Clark, Courtney Raw, Mike Wodolawsky and Victoria Gillespie also competed for Delaware.

## commentary



**"HERE'S TO 2011"**

**BY TIM MASTRO**

Looking back at the year 2011, it has a solid claim for one of the most successful athletic calendar years in Delaware history.

The year began with a national championship appearance in football (lost on a disputed call) and ended with a monumental basketball victory and wins in the NCAA Tournament by two different programs. It has also featured some of the best athletes to have ever put on the Blue and Gold.

The early spring was highlighted by women's basketball run to the CAA Tournament finals from the seventh seed. It included upsets of perennial power Old Dominion and UNCW Wilmington. The men also made some noise, winning a game in the tournament for the first time in a few years (an achievement in itself),

before pushing eventual NCAA Tournament team Old Dominion to the brink. A random high point of their season was barely losing to eventual Final Four team VCU after four Hens fouled out.

Men's lacrosse won yet another CAA Tournament, barely lost to Duke on the road in the first round of the NCAAs and had four players drafted into the pros. Despite a horrid start to its season, softball put it together to qualify for the CAA Tournament in head coach Jamie Wohlbach's first year. Women's lacrosse and baseball each barely missed out on their conference tournaments by finishing fifth and would have qualified now that the CAA has reverted back to its old rule of having the top six teams make the postseason.

The summer included Elena Delle Donne winning a gold medal and playing on the same team as the best women's college basketball players in the country. Five alums from the football team also made NFL camps and two are still with teams—Anthony Walters with the Chicago Bears and Pat Devlin with the Miami Dolphins.

Football had Andrew Pierce continue to amaze and rewrite the record books. They didn't make the playoffs this fall, but the rest of the fall teams picked up the slack. Every other sport competed in their conference postseason. Women's soccer won a game in its tournament and was leading the top seed William & Mary before eventually faltering.

Volleyball continued their CAA dynasty with yet another championship, in what could be considered a rebuilding year since they lost four starters from last year's squad. Renee Tomko filled Jess Chason's shoes and kept the CAA Setter of the Year award at Delaware for the third straight year. The Hens beat American in the first round of the NCAA

Tournament—the first time they won a game in the NCAAs since 2007. They then were dismissed in straight sets by Penn State but to even be playing Penn State, NCAA champions the past five years, is an honor within itself.

Then there's men's soccer. The Hens won three games in four days to capture Delaware's first ever CAA soccer crown and qualify for NCAAs for the first time since 1970. They then beat Virginia, one of the most storied soccer programs of all-time, on the road to capture its first ever NCAA Tournament win. They gave UCLA, one of probably only two NCAA soccer programs as successful as Virginia (the other is Maryland), all the Bruins could handle before conceding with about seven minutes left. Since then, UCLA destroyed Rutgers 3-0 and just beat Louisville to make the Final Four. Delaware will now say goodbye to two of the best soccer players to ever come through the program in Evans Frimpong (a semifinalist for the Hermann Trophy by the way) and Darren O'Connor.

The same day men's soccer beat Virginia, Delle Donne and company upset No. 13 Penn State in another historic win. They are now ranked 22nd in the entire country and still are undefeated. The men just garnered a quality win of their own over CAA preseason No. 1 Drexel on Saturday. At one point last week the leading scorers in the nation for men's and women's were from Delaware—Devon Saddler and Delle Donne.

Those two will provide even more memories at the Big Bob this year and should have Hens' fans looking forward to 2012.

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### About the teams:

**About Delaware:** The Hens are now 3-3 on the season and have a 1-0 league record. They are fresh off a 71-60 home win over Drexel, the preseason pick to win the CAA. Devon Saddler leads the team with 24.7 points per game, and has been the Hens' top-scorer in each of the six contests. Junior forward Jamelle Hagins has averaged a double-double in points and rebounds, and is the squad's second leading scorer. Several freshmen have contributed early in the season, including Khalid Lewis, who leads the team in assists.

**About Penn:** Senior guard Zach Rosen leads the 4-5 Quakers with 21.3 points per game and 5.3 assists per game. Their offense runs through Rosen and fellow senior guard Tyler Bernardini, who averages 12.6 points per game, but the impressive backcourt also contributes on the defensive side of the ball. Between Rosen, Bernardini and another senior guard Rob Belcore, the Quakers have three players with double-digit steals on the season.

## underp Review:

*Delaware vs.  
Pennsylvannia*

**Time: 7 p.m.**

**Location: Philadelphia**



### The numbers:

**.585:** Rosen's ridiculously high three-point shooting percentage.

**2.17:** Hagins' blocks per game.

**13.9 to 10:** Penn's assists per game to Delaware's.

### The prediction:

Penn played Villanova to a similar score as Delaware did, so this should be a close game. The Quakers pull it out, but not without a fight from the Hens.

Penn 64  
Delaware 59

*-Dan Moberger*



# Freshmen looking to make impact

BY TIM MASTRO  
Managing Sports Editor

Delaware's four highly regarded freshmen basketball players received their first taste of CAA play Saturday.

It was quite the welcoming. A double-digit win over the preseason No. 1 team, Drexel, is one of the best scenarios they could have hoped for.

Their success came down to one thing.

"Playing defense like always," freshman point guard Khalid Lewis said.

Lewis played 28 minutes and got the start along with fellow freshman guard Kyle Anderson. Jarvis Threatt played 27 minutes and forward Larry Savage came off the bench to grab two rebounds in his seven minutes of action.

Lewis downplayed the amount of pressure put on the young players.

"It's the same game—freshman, sophomore, junior," he said. "We all play the same game with the same ball. Nothing different, just do you your job."

Freshmen guards Lewis, Anderson and Threatt were faced with the task of guarding Drexel's backcourt pair of Frantz Massenat and All-CAA Preseason Second Team member Chris Fouch.

Massenat hit four of 13 attempts from the field and Fouch was held without a field goal, missing all nine of his shots.

The Hens seemed to thrive against the physical Dragons.

"It's good to show the freshmen what we have to do to win a CAA game," Hagins said. "It's going to be a fight every night."

Threatt made his impact felt on the rebounding side. The smaller guard grabbed nine rebounds, four of which came on the offensive end. He scored one bucket on the night, a key putback after one of his offensive rebounds.

"We told the guards they had to come back and rebound," head coach Monte Ross said. "They're just relentless on the glass, Drexel's bigs."

The biggest play Lewis made on the night didn't show up in the box score.

After a Devon Saddler turnover, Drexel's Damion Lee missed a wide-open layup. A mad scramble ensued for the rebound and Lewis leaped over everyone to tip the ball to Threatt.

Threatt quickly moved the ball to Saddler who scored on a layup and was fouled. He sunk the resulting free throw to give Delaware a 10-point lead with 2:37 remaining.

Lewis knew how big the play was.

"If they would've scored a bucket there it would've given them life," he said. "I did everything I could to get it out of there."

Delaware got the rebounds it needed and hit its free throws to close out the game—something the Hens needed to do in all of their three close wins this season.

These tight contests are only going to help the young team grow, according to Ross.

"It's of vital importance that, not only we've put them in situations like this, end of game pressure," Ross said. "But they've been successful."



THE REVIEW/Jon Gabriel

Delle Donne's 28 points led all scorers in the blowout win over Yale.

## No. 22 Hens undefeated

BY TIM MASTRO  
Managing Sports Editor

It took until 8:47 left in the first half for Elena Delle Donne to miss her first field goal attempt Monday night.

By the time that happened she already scored 16 points.

Delle Donne ended up with 28 points, despite playing a season-low 19 minutes Monday against Yale. The Hens celebrated their new No. 22 ranking with an easy 77-45 dismantling of the Bulldogs.

"We were able to put two solid halves together, which I'm very proud about," Delle Donne said.

For the second straight night, Delle Donne was outscoring the entire opposing team at halftime. The junior forward had 21 points at the break, while Yale had 20.

She scored the first 11 points of the game for Delaware, all coming within the first two minutes and 32 seconds. Delle Donne spent most of the latter part of the first on the bench and almost the entire second half as head coach Tina Martin emptied her bench to rest her starters.

"I didn't want to sit at all," Delle Donne said of her torrid start. "It was a fun game, but obviously the other players deserve to get in there and have some fun."

For large portions of the second half, Delaware had more points than double Yale's total. The Hens led by as much as 37 and went on a 16-point run during the second half.

It was a stark contrast to the previous day's game against William & Mary, when Delle Donne and Martin challenged the team to do a better job of not letting its opponent back in the game.

"That's called shutting the

door," Martin said of the improved performance.

Delle Donne said the main conversation during halftime was finishing this game out, something they failed to do against the Tribe.

"We all knew what happened yesterday and we didn't want to go through that again," she said.

Every player on the roster for the Hens played at least three minutes. Lauren Carra, Meghan McLean and Kelsey Buchanan totaled the second-highest point totals on the night with five.

Six players dropped four points including Danielle Parker, Akeema Richards, Trumae Lucas, Jocelyn Bailey, Jaquetta May and Kayla Miller.

Parker led the team in rebounds with nine, Delle Donne had seven and Richards, Bailey, Vanessa Kabongo and Sarah Acker all grabbed five.

"We crashed the boards, came out in the second half with a lot of energy, we were able to get every one on our bench in the game, we got out on shooters, we went to the basket hard, we looked for people and we got the open shot," Parker said. "I think we definitely improved from last night and the past games overall."

The Hens will take their 7-0 record, the best start in school history, on a road for four straight games. They won't play another home game until Jan. 5 against Towson. They travel to Wake Forest Saturday and then Providence Dec. 19.

The biggest threat to their undefeated season looks to be No. 5 Maryland Dec. 29, provided Delaware beats East Carolina in the first round of the Terrapin Classic and Maryland makes it past Lafayette Dec. 28.



THE REVIEW/Hanan Zatlhoff

Khalid Lewis is one of several contributing freshmen and he leads the Hens with 17 assists this season.



# Drexel win: Saddler leads Hens in Saturday's victory

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post] and trying to score as many buckets and get as many rebounds as I could.”

Junior forwards Kelvin McNeil and Josh Brinkley racked up a combined 13 points and 10 rebounds.

“Going into the game I thought that was going to be the biggest difference, that this year we had the inside capabilities of attacking their bigs,” Ross said of his forwards. “We’ve never really had an inside game like we have

right now.”

Delaware scored on 16 of its final 19 possessions to prevent any hope of a Drexel comeback. The Hens held the lead for the whole game since they took a 10-9 advantage with 16:41 remaining in the first half.

The rematch between the two rivals is Jan. 28 in Philadelphia. The Hens resume their CAA conference schedule Jan. 2 when they travel to UNC Wilmington. They will play five more nonconference games, starting Wednesday at Penn before then.



THE REVIEW/Hanan Zatlhoff  
Junior Jamelle Hagins banks in a reverse layup over a Drexel defender.



THE REVIEW/Hanan Zatlhoff  
Devon Saddler drives against his defender as Drexel fans look on.



THE REVIEW/Marek Jaworski  
Junior guard Trumae Lucas sat out last year after transferring from Florida, but is back in action this season.



THE REVIEW/Marek Jaworski  
Lauren Carra squares up for a jump shot in the run-away victory over the Tribe on Sunday.

## Women's: Blowouts allowing everyone on Martin's squad time on the court

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fact, Elena said it even before I did,” Martin said. “She said, ‘I need a few minutes to talk to the team.’ I said, ‘You got it.’ I was not happy and she was not happy.”

She said the bottom line is the team needs to shut the door when they have that kind of a big lead.

William & Mary outscored the Hens in the second half 38-29.

Delle Donne said she and the team left the court Sunday

disappointed about the second half. She said it is something the team needs to clean up.

“It happened against Princeton and it happened again today,” Delle Donne said. “Defensively, we gave up 39 points in the second half when we had given up 19 in the first half. Offensively, we started playing like individuals instead of a team, we stopped running the floor.”

Delle Donne said she and her teammates need to start growing

as a unified team because it is not acceptable to perform so well in the first half and come out like they did in the second half.

“It’s like we’re taking this deep breath at halftime and kind of acting like we can come out and do whatever we want,” she said. “We have to execute the same way, play defense the same way, and then offense the same way. We can’t just come out and play and think we can beat any team by doing that.”



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