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Students at a basketball game last month protest the university's decision to cut men's track and cross country.

Men's running programs cut

Athletes left in limbo; UD administration cites Title IX

BY ALEXANDRA DUSZAK
Executive Editor

The university will reclassify the men's cross country and outdoor track teams from varsity to club status in order to comply with Title IX regulations, officials announced Jan. 19. The change will take effect this fall.

"There were a number of options

we looked at and in the end, this was the best alternative," athletic director Bernard Muir said. "It was a difficult decision nonetheless, because you're impacting the lives of people who wanted to be varsity athletes and wear the uniform here."

The portion of Title IX legislation relevant to athletics was passed in 1979 and mandates a three-pronged approach

to gender equality in athletic programs. In order to comply with Title IX, schools must make one of three assurances. They must offer varsity-level athletic opportunities that are proportionate to the gender distribution at the school. They must demonstrate that they have and will continue to increase varsity

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Del. drivers banned from using phones

*Motorists to be fined
for talking, texting*

BY STEPHANIE POLLOCK
Administrative News Editor

A new state law banning the use of hand-held cell phones while operating a motor vehicle officially went into effect last month, making Delaware the eighth state to issue a cell phone ban.

The law prohibits the use of hand-held cell phones to talk, text, send and read e-mails, browse the Internet or play games while operating a vehicle. However, the law still permits the use of a Bluetooth or a speaker system installed in the car.

Emergency vehicles and working vehicles that use two-way radio systems are exempt from this law.

State Sen. Karen Peterson (D-Stanton), who sponsored the bill in the Senate, said her decision to support the ban was rooted in personal experience.

"One night I was sitting at a red light going out on Kirkwood Highway, and an 18-wheeler was driving past me with a cell phone in one hand and a cigarette in another, and I thought to myself, 'Who's driving?'" Peterson said.

State Rep. Darryl Scott, (D-Dover), the primary sponsor of this

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Courtesy of Audrey Helfman

Protesters set a truck on fire outside of Professor Audrey Helfman's hotel room in Cairo last month.

Students evacuated from Egypt

Study abroad programs cut short by political turmoil

BY JOSH SHANNON
Editor in Chief

On the afternoon of Jan. 28, tear gas began seeping into senior Laura Dolbin's dorm room in Cairo, Egypt. She and the other students on their study abroad trip could hear the sounds of the riots engulfing the country—guns being fired, people screaming, protesters chanting.

"I honestly can't remember

the last time I was that scared," Dolbin recalled this week. "I thought there was a possibility we would just have to go into survival mode."

Dolbin was one of 23 university students who were caught in the middle of the political riots that broke out across Egypt late last month. She was one of 10 students on a black American studies and psychology trip to Cairo, while 12 other

students were on a leadership trip to Alexandria.

Another student, senior Liza Melms, was on a solo research trip funded by the Plastino Scholars program.

Protesters took to the streets of Cairo, and other Egyptian cities, calling for President Hosni Mubarak to resign. By Jan. 28, tens of thousands had

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Univ. to consider law school

BY NORA KELLY
Managing News Editor

In December, the Board of Trustees gave university officials the green light to begin a feasibility study and create a business plan to establish a new law school at the university. The authorization was announced at the board's semiannual meeting Dec. 7.

A task force of university officials is now working on various aspects of the study and business plan, including financial, curricular and space planning, according to Lawrence White, the university's vice president and general counsel. White is a member of the task force.

He said the university is one of a small number of state flagship universities that does not have a law school, medical school or both. According to a university press release, the establishment of a law school would fit in with the

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The Blue Hens take the field in Frisco, Texas Jan. 7 for the national championship game. The Hens lost to Eastern Washington 20-19. Find full coverage of the game online at www.udreview.com



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The mascot for the Washington Capitals, played by a YoUDee alumnus, performs last week at the Bob Carpenter Center as part of mascot night.



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Crews spent the winter demolishing buildings on the former Chrysler site. The demolition will continue for several more months.

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High-profile homicide brings national attention to Newark

Body of former Pentagon official discovered in landfill

BY REITY O'BRIEN

City News Editor

The investigation of the homicide of former Pentagon official and defense contractor John Wheeler drew national media attention to Newark for the first few weeks of 2011.

Wheeler's body was discovered at the Cherry Island Landfill in Wilmington on Dec. 31, and an investigation revealed that the body originated from one of 10 waste removal sites in downtown Newark.

By Jan. 1, the Newark Police Department was inundated with inquiries regarding the Wheeler case from national media outlets. For Lt. Mark Farrall, the investigation provided a restless start to his new position as the department's chief spokesman.

"I had just started as the public

information officer the week prior," Farrall said. "It was stepping right into the storm, for sure."

Farrall, who served as deputy public information officer in the Newark Police Department 12 years ago, said the Wheeler investigation is his first experience dealing with the media on such a large magnitude.

"I would check my voicemail, then return some calls or do an interview, and come back to my desk a half an hour later, and there would be 30 or more messages," he said.

By Jan. 4, investigators determined using video surveillance that Wheeler had been in downtown Wilmington on Dec. 30, the day before his body was discovered in the landfill. Wheeler appeared confused in the videos.

Farrall said the majority of the department's investigators have been assigned full time to the case, and the investigation has cost the department \$46,000 in overtime payments as of Jan. 24.

Though the Newark Police Department is the primary investigating agency, it has received significant assistance from investigators in New Castle,

Wilmington and the FBI.

"This is a pretty regional investigation throughout a pretty large geographical area," Farrall said. "You have the body that was found in Wilmington, dumped in Newark, and the victim had a home in New Castle city."

He said FBI assistance in a homicide investigation is typical due to the agency's extensive resources. Bureau officials' interest in the case is not connected to Wheeler's meritorious military career or political stature.

"We don't have a homicide unit because we maybe have a homicide or two a year," Farrall said. "We're fortunate in that respect."

He said the department's criminal division is also contributing to the Wheeler investigation, collecting video surveillance and conducting neighborhood interviews.

"There is just a tremendous amount of information to obtain, so we have a lot of resources working on it," Farrall said. "And it's again not because of who the victim is, it's because of the [large] geographical region and all the factors that are playing into this investigation."

Man robbed near Kent Dining Hall

BY LAUREN ZAREMBA

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A university employee was robbed Friday near the tennis courts next to Kent Dining Hall, and university police are searching for two people in connection with the crime.

A man wearing a varsity-style

jacket with yellow leather sleeves was captured by university security cameras leaving Morris Library with a woman at approximately 5 p.m. Friday, said university police chief Patrick Ogden.

As the two walked toward Academy St., they encountered a male university employee. The man struck the victim in the back

of the head, knocking him to the ground, and took his money.

The victim did not require medical assistance.

The woman did not actively participate in the robbery, but police are attempting to locate her in hopes of finding the suspect, Ogden said.

Because the crime occurred during the day, in the vicinity of academic buildings and residence halls, some students are concerned about their safety on campus.

Junior Brett Smith said he wishes incidents such as this one were better publicized to students and the university community. University police sent out a crime alert to inform the university community about the robbery.

"I, for one, had no idea this happened," Smith said. "So I feel if news could somehow get around better, people could be watching out for each other."

Junior Sarah Cotter said it was shocking that this kind of crime would happen on a part of campus that is so heavily populated. She considers campus the safest in the middle of the day.

"I don't think I'll go out of my way to do anything different, but I'll definitely start looking at the situation as a possibility," Cotter said. "It's a little unnerving for sure."

Anyone with information is asked to contact university police at (302) 831-2222.



Courtesy of university police

Police are looking for this man in connection with Friday's robbery.



THE REVIEW/Lauren Scher

Yogoberry Premium Yogurt is one of two frozen yogurt shops opening on Main Street this month.

Frozen yogurt rivalry crystallizes on Main St.

BY ALYSSA ATANACIO

Editorial Editor

The month of February just got a little more frozen, thanks to the planned opening of two new fro-yo shops this month on Main Street. The stores, YogoBerry Premium Yogurt and Yogurt City, are poised to fill the yogurt niche left behind when TCBY closed last fall to make way for Indian Sizzler, a new buffet-style Indian restaurant.

YogoBerry shop owner Steven Choi said he hopes the business, which is slated to open later this month, will introduce fresh and healthy yogurt to the Newark community.

The store's brightly-colored walls and modern seating frame its five self-serve yogurt stations, from which patrons can choose from 10 flavors of yogurt, as well as an assortment of toppings.

"We have frozen yogurts and premium yogurts," Choi said. "We have cool toppings and dry toppings. It's so very healthy and 'so berry cool.'"

The frozen yogurt is made fresh daily on the premises, a feature he said sets his product apart from mass-produced frozen yogurt.

"Every day, we make it here," Choi said. "When you go to Wawa, 7-Eleven, Acme—it tastes 100 percent different. We make [it] here, they make it somewhere else."

Just down the block from YogoBerry, Yogurt City will provide a similar frozen yogurt selection. The shop, which received its building permit on Dec. 6, is now preparing to open to the public.

A representative from Yogurt City's Main Street location declined to comment.

Downtown Newark Partnership assistant planning director Maureen Roser said she is optimistic about the future of both businesses.

"We're excited, particularly when we knew that TCBY was closing, that there was going to be an offering of

frozen yogurt," Roser said. "We are always excited when a new business comes, and we support them and we hope they do well here."

She said the coincidence of two frozen yogurt shops opening simultaneously was surprising, but competing businesses are common in downtown Newark.

"At one point we had a lot of bagel shops and coffee shops," Roser said. "It's market-driven free enterprise. I think with the TCBY closing people noticed that there would be a niche that could be filled. It's not unusual for cluster businesses."

Chelsea Haughn, a graduate student in materials science, said she is unsure whether Newark can support two yogurt shops.

"Yogurt is great, so we'll see which one of the two stores wins," Haughn said. "I don't know if there is a market for them here but we'll see which one wins."

Choi said he was unaware of Yogurt City's simultaneous arrival. He said his roots in Newark prompted him to open a business on Main Street.

"I live here, my church is here, I've lived here for 20 years," he said. "Everybody in my family is here. I like Delaware and I like UD. UD is growing and I'm looking for a good business for people."

Sophomore Chris Cherupil is not a frozen yogurt connoisseur but is interested in what the two shops have to offer.

"I'm not particularly a yogurt guy, but the more [shops] the merrier," Cherupil said. "I rather not have chemically processed foods, so a place that sells fresh and healthy yogurt is something worth trying out."

In the end, the fate of these two businesses lies with the strength and commitment of each shop.

"I don't know [Yogurt City's] business but I will do my best, and I [will] guarantee good premium yogurt," Choi said.



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IHOP opened on Main Street in December.

New breakfast option comes to Main Street

IHOP opens next to Catherine Rooney's

BY MARTIN MARTINEZ
Staff Reporter

An IHOP restaurant opened next to Catherine Rooney's Dec. 17 and manager Wayne McCarthy said the eatery already has regulars from the Newark community.

McCarthy, 20, said the restaurant had a slow start with the absence of most of the student body over the winter, but he is confident that once the semester gets into full swing, the situation will change.

"We expected it to be a little slower than usual," McCarthy said of the December opening. "We have our regulars now, but we wanted to work out some of the kinks before we start getting waves of students coming our way."

The Newark restaurant is the sixth location for this franchise, whose owner operates other locations in Dover, Seaford, Rehoboth, and Salisbury, Md. Nationwide, the restaurant has more than 1,400 locations.

"This restaurant is our first on a college campus, but we wanted to see how we would do on a campus," McCarthy said. "We will strive to be as 'college-friendly' as possible."

On Wednesday, sophomores Nathan Hess and Caleb Frost came

in for lunch to IHOP. It was Hess' first time eating at the Main Street location, but he has frequented IHOPs before.

"This one looks really classy and really modern—they did a good job considering that this building was just recently built," Hess said.

Frost had visited the Main St. IHOP before and said there are still some problems with the speed of the service.

"We've been waiting here a while, and last time I came here, they took our order and didn't bring us anything for another 30 minutes," Frost said. "But then again, you got to give them some slack because it is the first week students are back."

As the waiter came to take their order, Hess and Frost both agreed that IHOP would have to work hard to keep up with a college campus. However, both thought the restaurant's plan to stay open 24 hours a day during the first weekend of Spring Semester is a step in the right direction.

"It's a great idea, and I'm sure they will get a lot of business," Frost said.

Hess agreed.

"Yeah, I mean I know I plan on coming in to use it," Hess said.

Work begins on science building



THE REVIEW/Spencer Schargorodski

A 180-foot crane sits on the site of the new interdisciplinary science and engineering building being constructed at the corner of Academy Street and Lovett Avenue. The building is set to open in Fall 2013.

Faculty Senate hears Chrysler site plans

BY CHRIS MEIDANIS
Staff Reporter

University officials discussed potential plans for the future of the Chrysler site at the monthly Faculty Senate meeting on Monday.

Mark Barteau, senior vice provost for research and strategic initiatives, gave a presentation centered on the idea of a world-class university-based research and education institute that he hopes will provide the innovation, science and engineering to advance renewable energy technologies.

"The situation is fluid [and] plans continue to evolve," Barteau said. "I want to give you the flavor of what we're working on and how it fits into the initiatives on campus. The vision will take a while to realize and evolve, but the greater the awareness across campus of what we're trying to accomplish, the better."

Specifically, Barteau advocated the opportunities for advancement in greener transportation. He mentioned ideas for a new train station and transportation hub, including a center for hydrogen fueling and plug-in stations for electric vehicles.

"This talk is about vision," he said. "Hopefully, you don't think we're smoking something. This is a realistic vision."

While these ideas are still in the preliminary phases of a long process, which began in November 2009 with the university's purchase of the Chrysler site, Barteau hopes

to have the area fully demolished by the end of 2011.

"The vision is an important one," Barteau said. "What we don't want to do is put up whatever someone comes along with funds

for. I can assure you there is an ongoing discussion of whether [our ideas] are a part of the vision articulated—that the reasons are part of our broader goals and not just for the money."



THE REVIEW/Megan Krol

Mark Barteau, senior vice provost for research and strategic initiatives, addresses the Faculty Senate on Monday.

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Police suspect link between armed robberies

BY REITY O'BRIEN
City News Editor

The Newark Police Department is investigating a potential link between two armed robberies that occurred on Jan. 11 and Jan. 31 at fast food restaurants on South College Avenue. In both cases, surveillance captured the suspects carrying a black long barrel revolver.

The Jan. 11 incident occurred at approximately 10:30 p.m. at the McDonald's located at 815 South College Avenue, according to Newark police spokesman MCpl. Gerald Bryda.

The man, described as a black male of average build, who is between 30 and 40 years old and has a mustache, entered the McDonald's, displayed the gun and demanded cash from the cashier, Bryda said.

He said the man took an undisclosed amount of cash and then fled the scene in an older model, dark-colored, four-door sedan.

The second robbery occurred Jan. 31 at the Boston Market at 1050

S. College Ave. at approximately 10 p.m.

A similarly described man entered the restaurant, displayed a similar gun and demanded cash from the register. He received an undisclosed amount of cash from the cashier and then fled the parking lot in a dark-colored, four-door sedan, Bryda said.

Newark, New Castle County and state police departments are investigating not only these two robberies, but several others within their jurisdictions, according to Newark police spokesman Lt. Mark Farrall.

Farrall said police suspect a connection between these robberies and a Jan. 31 robbery of the Dollar General Store in Brookside Shopping Center, off of Route 4, which fell under county police jurisdiction.

"The subject is also believed to be linked to several in the state police jurisdiction as well," he said.

Newark police released crime statistics from 2006 to 2010 that reported an 11.9 percent drop in robberies from 2009 and a 52.6 percent drop from 2006.

Despite the reduction in robberies, burglaries and aggravated assaults grew significantly from 2009, with burglaries increasing 24.5 percent and assaults increasing 92.9 percent in 2010.

These robberies, along with the Jan. 24 robbery of PNC Bank in the Newark Shopping Center, occurred after a technical change in the department's reporting system which has resulted in more calls. Newark police reported an increase of 8,416 in calls to its dispatching system from 2009 to 2010, Bryda said.

While on routine patrol, officers now call into the computer-aided dispatching system each time they conduct property checks of neighborhoods and shopping centers. This dispatching system also receives calls from the 911 center, but the system cannot differentiate between routine and emergency calls, Bryda said.

"It's a way of capturing the routine things we do," Bryda said of the technical change. "Call volume into the 911 center has basically stayed the same."



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Newark police reported an increase in burglaries and assaults last year. However, the city also saw a reduction in robberies.

Championship highlights strength of mascot program

YoUDEe alumni now serve as mascots for Eagles, Ravens

BY JESSICA SORENTINO
Senior News Reporter

While some fans may not know it, there's much more to being a mascot than simply wearing a costume.

Last month, YoUDEe placed first at the Universal Cheerleader's Association Championship at Disney World in Orlando, Fla. This was the mascot's third title win, according to mascot program director Sharon Harris. The program previously won in 2002 and 2009.

"It gets a bit grueling, spending so much time together in preparation, but this year we accomplished what we set out to do," Harris said.

The mascot team's winning skit will air in the spring on ESPN, she said.

Third-year mascot team member Chad said YoUDEe offers clean, family-friendly performances.

"YoUDEe has gone to nationals more than a few times and he's interacted with the mascots a good bit," Chad said. "YoUDEe always has a family-fun oriented skit with no vulgarity or anything like that—it's just funny. We're just a good, wholesome, family-fun mascot."

The mascot program does not allow performers to give their full names.

University alumnus Dave Raymond, the original Phillie Phanatic, trains first-year members of the program. Raymond, who runs a mascot boot camp in Newark, said the university mascot team attracts passionate individuals.

He said mascots must have

the ability to represent their team well both in and out of costume.

He said when performers are in costume, non-verbal communication, dance skills, creativity, energy and passion are necessary to be a successful mascot. The more they practice the skills, the better mascots they will be.

Out of costume, the performer has to speak well, write well, be punctual and master all of the basic

"When any of us gets in costume, it's like we're a whole different person."

—Chad,
YoUDEe performer

skills of a successful, professional life.

"If you can do both well, you'll grow to be a bigger person, and a great mascot," he said.

Raymond said university officials have invested money and resources into creating the YoUDEe character, and their emphasis on the mascot program has helped foster its success. Harris' skills as a mascot coordinator have also contributed to the program's wins.

"She's talented, has enormous energy and she has tremendous

passion for YoUDEe," Raymond said. "YoUDEe is one of her children."

He said the university is highly ranked in the number of mascot alumni who have become professional mascots after graduation. The first YoUDEe, Bob Boudwin, who graduated in 1997, is in the Mascot Hall of Fame for his portrayal of the Houston Rockets' mascot, Clutch. Poe, the Baltimore Ravens' mascot, and Swoop, the Philadelphia Eagles' mascot, are also university alumni.

Andrew, a junior and first-year member of the mascot team, said YoUDEe alumni and current mascot team members stay in touch, and current members rely on the precedent set by past performers.

"When the senior members of the team leave, there's still that pool of knowledge to draw from, so it's not like we're starting over every time we lose a class of people," Andrew said.

This May the program will lose four YoUDEes to graduation, Harris said.

Chad, a senior biology major, said he is interested in becoming a professional mascot because he has enjoyed his experience on the YoUDEe team.

He loves being in costume, and loves being YoUDEe.

"I guess we're weird because we get into a nasty, sweaty costume," Chad said. "But I know when any of us gets in costume, it's like we're a whole different person. I love this job."



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YoUDEe mingles with fans at a men's basketball game last week. The mascot won its third national championship last month.

Egypt: Officials scrambled to book earlier flights for students

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joined the demonstrations, and the government shut down the country's Internet and phone services.

News of the protests sent study abroad officials in Newark scrambling to book earlier return flights for the students, and the two study abroad trips, originally scheduled to remain in Egypt until Feb. 3, returned Jan. 30.

Melms made it home Feb. 2.

Chaos in Cairo

When the protests first began, the students on the BAMS/PSYC trip thought their residence halls on the campus of American University in Cairo were far enough away to avoid the protests.

"It originally wasn't supposed to be near us," Dolbin said. "Everyone told us we'd be safe."

But the protestors drew nearer and nearer. On Jan. 28, the students woke up to find their Internet and cell phone service no longer worked.

"That's when I was worried," Dolbin said. "I had no contact to anyone, and it looked to me like it would follow what happened in Tunisia, and there would be no government. I definitely didn't want to be in a country with no government."

The Tunisian government fell Jan. 14 after nearly a month of protests. Many analysts have drawn parallels between the protests there and those in Egypt.

Dolbin said the students had some tense moments that night until their professor, Yasser Payne, was able to contact the university through the American embassy and found out officials had booked them a flight home two days later.

Flights out of Egypt were difficult to find, said Lesa Griffiths, director of the university's Institute for Global Studies. She said plans were complicated by a strict nighttime curfew imposed by the Egyptian government. Communication with the students was even more difficult.

University officials relied on International SOS, a company the university contracts to assist with emergencies on study abroad trips, to establish contact with the students, set up flights and arrange security.

With the help of International SOS, Payne and his students moved to a hotel closer to the airport and then flew out of the country the next day.

Safe in Sharm el-Sheikh

After spending most of their trip in Morocco, the students on the LEAD trip arrived in Alexandria Jan. 25. By then, the protests had already spread to the city, located approximately 130 miles northwest of Cairo on the Mediterranean coast.

"We started looking down the side streets and we could see the protesters," junior Rachel Giattino said. "At one point, we were stopped in traffic and just a few cars ahead of us there were military trucks, and we saw riot police jump out and run at the protesters."

That weekend was scheduled as free time for the students, and they had plans to fly as a group Jan. 28 to Sharm el-Sheikh, a resort town on the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula. Officials decided to let the students go ahead with the trip because Sharm el-Sheikh was farther away from the protests and the students would be safer there, Griffiths said.

While the students were in Sharm el-Sheikh, professor Audrey Helfman and her husband remained in Alexandria.

The students spent the first night in Sharm el-Sheikh on edge, unsure of what would happen next. They were originally scheduled to meet Helfman in Cairo and spend their last few days there.

After the riot situation escalated, study abroad officials

"All the men of the neighborhood were in the streets with giant sticks, machetes, cleavers and any weapons they could to protect their property from the looters."

—Liza Melms, senior

decided to fly Helfman and her husband to Sharm el-Sheikh and then book a flight for the entire group from there out of Egypt.

Giattino said Helfman told her students what happened in Alexandria when the group reunited, making the students glad they had left the city earlier in the week.

"Our hotel in Alexandria was next to a police station," Giattino said. "Rioters attacked the police station and lit cars on fire, one of which exploded. Then they looted our hotel while our professor and her husband were hiding in their room."

The group eventually flew to London and then to New York Jan. 30.

'You can't be afraid'

Unlike the other students who were with a study abroad group, Melms was living by herself in an apartment in downtown Cairo.

She spent the month in Egypt researching Muslim women and the role of the head scarf in their lives. Her work was funded by the Plastino Scholars program, which gives money to several students planning independent research projects each year.

As the protests intensified, Melms traveled to Alexandria to meet with a friend on the LEAD trip, but could not find her because phone service was down. After a harrowing trip back to Cairo, she spent the next few days in her apartment, which she said was fortunately separated from the worst of the protests by the Nile River.

"All the men of the neighborhood were in the streets with giant sticks, machetes, cleavers and any weapons they could to protect their property from the looters," Melms said.

University officials and her family did not know her exact location in Cairo, and she could not contact them because the phones were down.

Eventually university officials contacted an Egyptian student who had traveled to Newark over the summer to participate in an exchange program. The student was able to help International SOS get in touch with Melms and get her on a charter flight out of the country.

Melms said there were a few times she was afraid of what would happen, but she tried to keep herself from worrying too much.

"You can't be afraid in these situations because it's not going to get you anywhere," she said. "The second you say, 'I'm scared, I'm going to die,' you've pretty much given up."

Lessons learned in Newark

Griffiths said this was the first time a study abroad group has had to be evacuated due to instability in any country.

Study abroad officials began

closely monitoring the situation in Egypt several days before the protests began and contacted the two professors to warn them of the major demonstration planned for Jan. 28.

Griffiths said the university officials receive security alerts from International SOS several times a day. The reports give updates on violence and other major problems going on anywhere around the world.

Griffiths said she was happy with the way the evacuation was carried out, but has launched an internal investigation to determine if anything could have worked better—standard procedure for a situation like this.

The biggest problem, she said, was that study abroad officials were not aware that Melms was in the country until several days after the protests began.

Students on other programs not administered by the Center for International Studies, such as Engineers Without Borders, fill out a form letting Griffiths' office know where they will be, but somehow the Plastino Scholars program was missed, she said.

Griffiths also plans to develop a better system for keeping track of emergency contact information for students' parents. Some of the phone numbers were out of date when officials tried to contact families, she said.

Trip still a positive experience

Although their trips had an unexpected ending, the students interviewed said they will still have positive memories of their journey.

Melms said she was grateful for the help and support she received from the Egyptian people. Many of the citizens she met gave her their phone number in case she needed help or offered to bring her food while she was trapped in her apartment.

"They're such amazing, wonderful, nice people," she said. "Every couple hours, two or three different people were calling me just to see if I was OK."

Giattino said being a part of history made the trip even more unforgettable.

"Now I can tell my grandchildren I saw a revolution," she said.



The Egyptian army patrol Cairo in a tank last month.

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Orientation program helps transfer students adjust

BY JESSICA SORENTINO
Senior News Reporter

Freshman Jessica Olsen transferred to the university just before Winter Session, and while her transition could have been a difficult one, the timing of her arrival helped ease her anxiety.

Olsen, a biology major, said her participation in the university's track and field team helped her become acclimated to campus life, and coming for winter made her first day of Spring Semester much more manageable.

"Winter Session was really nice for me," Olsen said. "I was able to find my way around campus and get to know the buildings and everything without the crazy rush of people around. And today I was able to find all of my classes without a problem because of that."

Each winter, the university welcomes a new class of transfer students hailing from all grades,

from freshmen to seniors. They convene at New Student Orientation about two weeks before the Spring Semester begins. The orientation is designed to give students the tools to survive their first semester as Blue Hens.

Heather Maginnis, director of NSO, said she believes it would be incredibly difficult socially for any student to enter the university mid-year.

"It can be challenging to break into existing social groups on campus and develop friendships," Maginnis said. "It's important for new transfer students to seek out opportunities to get involved."

In Fall 2009, Corissa Reilly transferred to the university as a junior after a year at Temple University followed by a year at Montgomery County Community College. She said her first transfer taught her to throw herself into the extracurricular environment of her new school in order to survive.

When she came to the university as a music management major, she immediately joined Student Centers Programming Advisory Board, Riot Act, the student improvisational troupe, and got a job working at the student center.

"Most of my friends are from my social groups," Reilly said. "And even the people I'm friends with who aren't in the same groups as me were introduced to me through the people I'm friends with in my groups."

However, she said she only knew to become proactive with extracurricular activities because she had transferred before.

As a senior expecting to graduate in May, she said transferring to the university surpassed her expectations of college.

Because Reilly threw herself into the university's social scene upon enrollment, her problems here did not come from a lack of things to do on a Friday night. Instead,

she said her biggest issues involved academics and credit transfers.

She said she has worked extensively on her own to ensure her classes from her prior universities count toward her major and requirements and not listed as free electives.

Associate Registrar Mary Jo Mankin said when it comes to course registration, transfers have a more difficult time finding open classes since enrolled students begin registration in November. Departments, however, can save seats for incoming freshmen or new students.

"Once they complete NSO they can drop/add courses like the rest of the student body," Mankin said.

Freshman Katie Conaty began her career at the university on Monday. She said she transferred from Kutztown University in Pennsylvania and chose the university because she has a group of friends here that love it.

An early childhood education major, Conaty said with the help of her adviser, she had no trouble getting into the classes she needed for Spring Semester.

"Two of my classes are really big, but the professors seem good," Conaty said. "I was a little nervous at first, but I definitely made the right choice. It would be harder if I didn't know anyone here."

Reilly said she does not mind having to keep her courses and credits in check, and she would only have one recommendation for NSO, specifically during mid-year orientation.

"Gear more of the welcome activities to transfer students," she said. "My orientation was awkward. It was a lot of bonding activities for freshman students, and throughout their first semester, freshmen are given the opportunity to participate in social assimilation programs. Do the same for the transfers."

Students inconvenienced by construction on Elkton Road

Intermittent lane closures confusing for drivers

BY LANA SCHWARTZ
Copy Editor

The construction project on Elkton Road, which began last October, has created difficulties for some students living in the area during their commutes to class.

The \$10.5 million project is being carried out by Greggo & Ferrara, Inc., a contracting firm located in New Castle, Del. According to company co-owner Rick Ferrara, the project involves reconstructing the roadway, the utilities underneath the roadway, the waterline and the piping system.

Senior Lauren Tidmore said driving down Elkton Road has become more complicated because of intermittent lane closures, which are announced on the Delaware Department of Transportation's website.

"When it first started, it took maybe five or 10 minutes longer because of all of the merging," Tidmore said. "Now it's more of a hassle because it's like a jigsaw puzzle of figuring out where to go. One morning there was an accident, and no one knew where to go. It's frustrating trying to figure out how to get to campus around all that stuff."

Junior Mark Grimm, who also lives on Elkton Road, said bicycle lanes have been eliminated because of the construction, making it difficult for him to safely ride his bicycle to class.

"If I ride my bike, I die," Grimm said.

There have been accidents since construction started, but nothing has been out of the ordinary, except for during the recent snowstorm, according to Lt. George Stanko of the Traffic

Division of Newark. He said the intermittent lane changes have caused some confusion for motorists.

"In the morning, you'd be on one side of the road, and in the afternoon you'd be on the other," Stanko said.

He said pedestrians, along with motorists, should pay more attention to their surroundings when traveling on Elkton Road. Part of the confusion results from an additional gas line project that has been going on for almost a year.

"I don't know if you'd call it dangerous, but it's hazardous if you don't pay attention," Stanko said. "It only exacerbates the problem because of all the apartment complexes in the area."

Tony Slater of Newark, a leasing agent for the Christina Mill Apartments, said he has not received complaints about the construction from students living in the apartment complex, which is located on Christina Mill Dr., near Casho Mill Rd. However, he cited a specific area of the road as problematic for his residents.

"I mean, it's hard for them to come out of here because they can't make a left," Slater said. "It'd be nice if we actually got a traffic light there."

He said Elkton Road traffic will benefit from the construction project after it is completed, however.

Although Tidmore finds the construction an annoyance, she is optimistic about its outcome.

"I think once they're actually finished, it will pay off nicely," she said.

DelDOT will hold an informational session on construction activities at the City of Newark Council Chamber on Feb. 22, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.



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For the past several months, motorists have faced delays and intermittent lane closures on Elkton Road.

The work is part of a \$10.5 million project to reconstruct the roadway.

Law: If approved, school would open in 2015

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university's Path to Prominence, a strategic plan which seeks to invest in professional programs, among its other goals.

White said administrators wish for the university to achieve "academic greatness."

"One logical way to do that is to have a national, visible presence in professional graduate education," White said.

He said the task force will present its findings and business plan to the Board of Trustees in May. If the board approves the task force's work, members will authorize a formal two-year study, ending in 2013. If that study is approved, officials will spend 2013 and 2014 finding a founding dean and administrative staff to head the new law school.

The faculty and founding class would be recruited in 2014 and 2015, and the law school would officially open in 2015.

White said university officials are conducting most of the work internally for the initial phases of the study, and the cost to the university in these early days is minimal. Most of the study's budget will go to space planning, in which more outside consultants

will be needed to decide where to house the law school.

The task force has hired a consultant to assist in the initial study. Richard Morgan, the founding dean of the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, will assist primarily in the organizational and recruitment phases of the preparations.

White said university officials have researched where alumni attend law school and how many take the Delaware bar exam. He believes the undergraduate student population, faculty, Delaware residents and legal environment could all be enriched by the addition of a juris doctorate program to the university.

Matt Nelson, a 2010 alumnus who currently attends the University of Baltimore School of Law, said he would have strongly considered attending the university's law school if it had opened while he was applying to law programs.

Nelson, a political science major, said the addition of a new law school to the state would push the standards for legal education in Delaware.

"Competition is the best thing to have," Nelson said. "It's almost a negative for the state to only

have one school because [Widener University School of Law] has no one to compete with. They have the status quo on legal education in the state."

"We have a premier location here and it's been a while since a great university of the caliber of UD has established a law school."

**—Lawrence White,
UD general counsel**

White said officials want to take advantage of the university's Delaware location in the design of the law school. Delaware has a reputation as the epicenter of business, and officials are considering how the establishment of a law school would influence corporate law in the state.

"Our goal would be to establish

a law school that's national in stature but we recognize that we occupy a potentially unique niche," White said.

University President Patrick Harker further emphasized the university's potential legal influence at the December Board of Trustees meeting.

"By operating a first-class law school in a state known for its considerable influence in corporate law, the University of Delaware could occupy a special niche in the nationwide legal community, attract top-notch students and faculty from across the country and produce future law and business leaders for Delaware," Harker said.

The Delaware area is home to several law schools, including those of the University of Pennsylvania and Villanova University, as well as Widener University in Wilmington.

Linda Ammons, the dean of Widener University School of Law, said the university's desire to open a law school is an interesting one in light of the economy. Establishing a law school is an expensive endeavor, she said, and could cost approximately \$175 million to \$200 million.

"It's a lot of money and you can argue about that amount, but

what you have to keep in mind is you have to have a faculty, core courses [and] standards," Ammons said.

She said the university would have to pay to hire new faculty, establish a law library with the necessary technology and provide for special programs, clinics and scholarships.

She said a law school must establish special programs in order to draw in students. Widener has special programs in corporate law, health law and environmental law, among others, and many of the school's students hail from Delaware.

White said Widener's status as an established regional law school does not affect the university's plans. Few states have only one law school, and university officials' projections predict that the number of legal jobs will expand over the next 10 to 15 years. There are a large number of sitting attorneys in the state, he said, and the student interest is there.

"It's a sterling moment in the evolution of legal scholarship in this country," White said. "We have a premier location here and it's been a while since a great university of the caliber of UD has established a law school."

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Phone: First violation will result in \$50 fine

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new law, said he introduced the bill for the sake of his two children.

"I've got one son who was about to start driving and another that would be in a couple of years," Scott said. "I felt it was something we needed to do for that cause."

Gov. Jack Markell signed the bill in July.

Newark police spokesman Lt. Mark Farrall said a violation of this new law is a primary offense, meaning that a police officer can pull someone over for using a cell phone. The fine for the first offense is \$50, and fines for subsequent offenses range from \$100 to \$200, not including court fees.

Farrall said he hopes the threat of a citation will be enough to deter people from reaching for their cell phones while driving.

"I think that people will always be tempted to use phones while driving, but it is our hope that they will think twice if they understand the consequences," Farrall said.

According to Delaware State Police, there were a reported 230 crashes involving the use of cell phones in 2009.

"We're at 227 in 2010," Scott said. "There were two fatalities in

2010 that were related to distractions with the cell phones. They weren't texting, but it was hand-held cell phone related."

While some are optimistic about the effects of the new law, others are not so easily convinced it will be enough to reduce those numbers.

Senior Javonne Felton said she believes people will still be tempted to use their phones, despite the ban.

"Tickets definitely don't stop people wfrom speeding," Felton said. "They might be a little bit more aware of it, but it's not going to necessarily stop a lot of people."

Senior Khalid Bilal said that young people, himself included, are more likely to continue using their cell phones.

"I admit that I'm a little arrogant with traffic rules because I believe that I have quick reflexes thanks to my age," Bilal said.

Scott said he hopes people, especially students, will obey the new law and simply try to "arrive alive."

"Get home safely, get to the destination safely and get to the phone call or the text or the tweet or whatever it is once you're at home," he said. "It's sort of a father's plea to young people. We just want you home safe at night."

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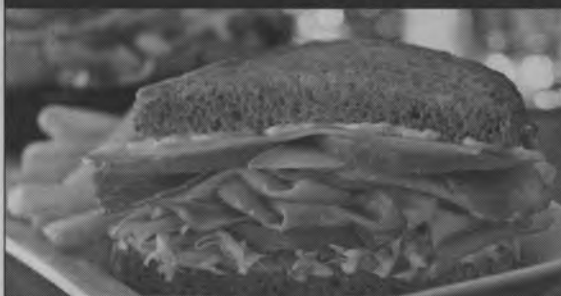
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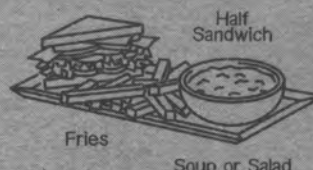


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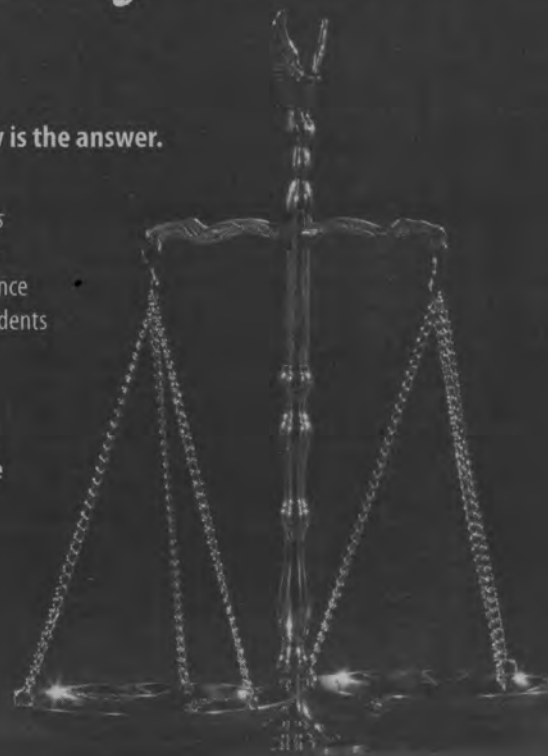
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Athletes left with few options

Reason for univ. cutting sports teams is questionable

On Jan. 19, the university announced that it would reclassify the men's outdoor track and cross country teams from a varsity team to a club team. The affected student athletes have the option of accepting their diminished status, or transferring to other universities where those programs still exist. But the prospect of transferring is complicated for those who have scholarships at the university, because such scholarships may not transfer with them.

University officials claim that their reason for dropping the teams was based on the need to comply with Title IX regulations. According to this policy, Delaware seeks a more proportional balance between male and female varsity athletes. The choice appears as an odd one because the university has never been cited for not complying with Title IX. It also doesn't seem like a very fiscally responsible decision, because both teams have a small budget that will not save the university much in expenses if they are cut. In addition, high school participants in these sports in Delaware will have to look out

of state for a chance to compete at the Division 1 level, because the university was the only school in the state with a program for track and cross country.

The troubling situation is one that the members of these teams do not deserve. First, more than half of the cross country team is originally from Delaware, and these athletes have been nothing but dedicated to representing their home state. Moreover, these particular athletes stand out among all other student athletes for their exemplary academic achievements. Lastly, the team members were informed of the unfortunate news via a terse, last-minute e-mail during Winter Session while many were out of town. Such an important decision should come with more warning and be delivered in a way that is more personal than an e-mail.

The members of these teams have given the university countless hours of hard work and training. It's a shame that in return they were hastily informed of their reclassification to club status based on a logic that does not seem entirely clear.

Cell phone ban promotes safety

New Delaware cell phone ban is beneficial to drivers

As the 8th state to implement a ban on cell phone use while driving, Delaware is restricting motor vehicle drivers' cell phone use. No longer are drivers allowed to talk, text, or surf the Web. Instead, the law restricts cell phone use to Bluetooth and in-car speakers.

Although the law comes as an initial inconvenience, its implementation is surely one that promotes roadway safety and responsibility.

There are many instances in which picking up the phone may not seem dangerous, and most drivers—except for the occasional student driver—trust their ability to multitask while on the road; however, that ability is not guaranteed. As most drivers can attest to—whether they want to believe it or not—there are significant dangers.

Most drivers are used to the experience of being cut off while on the highway, later to find that the driver was on a cell phone while he recklessly turned into the other lane. The incident, however, does not limit itself to

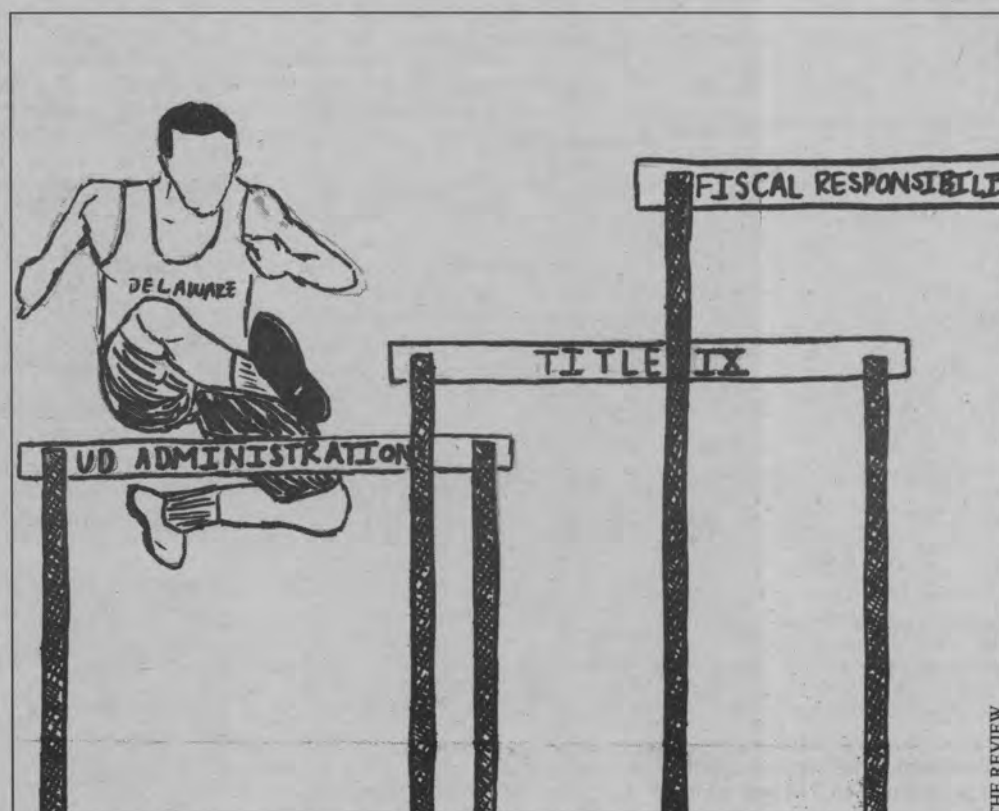
inconsequential experiences, and typically spawns into greater, fatal events.

Most people know that the ban is a safe measure, but the initial inconvenience may come as challenge. As new technology is introduced into society, it takes time for certain laws and norms to catch up. The ban is a transition of sorts, and is the result of unfortunate correlations between cell phone use and fatal roadway accidents. Many may come to see this ban as little more than a slap on the hand, nothing that will truly stop them from using their phones. But the same logic comes with speeding as well; if a cop isn't around, what's to stop a speeding driver, or now a texting driver?

Yet there is a penalty, and the instant that the law is violated drivers will be slapped with a not too handsome fine. So the driver's dilemma becomes risking the consequences of using a phone while driving or waiting to get out of the car.

In the end, it's the driver's choice.

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Cutting men's track and cross country: a dubious move



Emily Nassi

Nassi's Notes

The university's "exercise in fiscal responsibility" leaves room for doubt.

On Jan. 19, a few hours before the rest of the world found out, the members of men's cross country and track teams received an e-mail telling them their teams had been cut. The university spelled out a plethora of excuses, with the biggest one being "exercising fiscal responsibility and remaining in compliance with Title IX," according to the press release.

Cutting the track and cross country teams doesn't seem to make any sense for those reasons.

According the U.S. Department of Education, the operating (game day) costs for cross country was \$775 per athlete with 18 participants, and track and field's costs were \$751 per athlete with 48 participants.

Football's operating costs? \$900,782. Granted, that team had 107 participants, according to the data, but that works out to \$8,419 per participant, still significantly higher than track and field or cross country. And what about the basketball team, which has 14 participants with operating expenses of \$18,344 per athlete? I understand these sports cost more to run, but

for university official to say they were "exercising fiscal responsibility" is, quite frankly, rather ridiculous.

In the press release, officials said it used a "careful analysis" to decide what to do. Roster size, compliance with Title IX, history of competitive success and contributions to the athletics department mission were a few of the factors the administration looked at. Academic success was never explicitly mentioned, though it is in the university's mission statement. This is worth taking a closer look at though, especially since the GPAs of the track and cross country teams are higher than those of football, lacrosse, and basketball—the "revenue" sports.

Overall, men's track had a GPA of 2.950 in the fall, and cross country had a GPA of 3.029. Out of the 10 men's teams currently at the school, those athletes had the second and third highest GPAs, respectively. Lacrosse's GPA was 2.643, football's was 2.541, and men's basketball was 2.313. It seems to me the "athlete" portion of "student-athlete" definitely took precedent here. But if it means a few more trophies...

The Title IX reasoning is also frustrating. For the Nov. 23 issue of *The Review*, I wrote a column detailing some of the problems with the law. It's quite unfortunate the university fell victim, or so it says, as well. It still seems it took the easiest way out, no matter how "painstakingly thorough" the analysis was.

The football team had 103 members this year, which is more than double that of track

and cross country combined. How many of those members on the football team actually play? Most of the true freshman class are red-shirted, so you just have a bunch of players sitting on the bench during games. In the years after, many continue to sit on the bench or transfer. Why not slim down the roster of the football team? Yes, people get injured, but four kickers? That's more than slightly excessive. Even just trimming all of the sports with the largest rosters could be sufficient.

Or how about cut the basketball team? The team that hasn't had a winning season since 2004, and has the lowest GPA and highest expenses per athlete. Add women's hockey or fencing, and you're golden, since it would be fulfilling one of the standards the school would have to meet. It still shows why Title IX is trivial nowadays, since the money would only be spent on women's sports, but doing so solves the immediate problems at least!

In addition, if this was such a difficult decision, why not stand up and speak out against Title IX? This isn't the '70s. I'd say women have a pretty equal opportunity now. I was able to walk on to the varsity rowing team having never played the sport before, meanwhile, my male counterparts pay thousands of dollars to win the same championship all of us compete at. That's getting off topic, though.

The point is, I could write a column about Title IX every week for the rest of the year and it probably wouldn't change anything. I'm just one person. But if a prestigious university stood

up and said that it wanted equality, true equality...maybe someone with legislative power would listen. Especially since the ratio of women's sports before the cuts were 51 percent to 49 percent, which is how it should be.

Right now though, it seems like the university is using Title IX as excuse to use the meager amount of money for runners to put up some more banners in front of Delaware Stadium.

Athletic Director Bernard Muir issued a statement saying, "I trust that the Blue Hen community will come to understand the reality we were forced to confront and will support us in our endeavor to provide a first-class experience for all of our students." Well Mr. Muir, you know who won't understand? Those athletes you decided to e-mail your decision to, rather than speaking to them in person first. Oh, and then also telling them not to speak to the media without arranging with sports information first. Sounds like someone is worried about backlash.

My final point to the administration is this: Don't mention that Hofstra and Northeastern had to cut athletic team as well in your press release about cutting track and field and cross country. Hofstra still has cross country, and Northeastern has both sports since they cut their football teams.

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For the sport of rollerblading, it's inline and in decline



Corey Adwar

Getting to the Core

The popularity of inline skating among Americans has declined considerably throughout recent years.

Without a car or bicycle, I confess that I've rollerbladed to class a few times in my history as a student at Delaware. I only did so in order to beat the clock when I was running late, and each time I was astonished at how quickly my rollerblades were able to deliver me from point to point, weaving nimbly through all the pedestrians. Most importantly, I always remembered to fit my shoes into my backpack so I wouldn't have to roll into class.

Nowadays, however, I always decide to walk, leaving my rollerblades behind in my apartment to collect dust. The reality is that I'm less inclined to rollerblade because I feel as if I'm the only one who still does so.

The inline skate is a dying invention, but an obituary would reveal a time when the activity of rollerblading was hip and ex-

cessively popular. Inline skating encapsulated the trends of the 1980s and '90s, with bright, neon colors and protective padding that spoke simultaneously of the extreme and fashionable. Movies in the '90s such as "Airborne" and "Brink!" centered upon teenage male protagonists that shined for their inline skating skills, and brands such as Sunny Delight used rollerblading in their commercials to help market their products.

In 1997, when I was 8 years old, my oldest brother was beginning his teen years, and I had only to look at the ways in which he and his friends were dressing and behaving for an image of what was cool. As I watch from the driveway, the slickness of my brother as he cruised around the block on rollerblades inspired my own imitation back in those days.

Rollerblading caught on among my childhood friends as well. We set up a plastic ramp on my street, on which one of my best friends broke his wrist after a fall. We'd find the roads in town that were located on the most perilous hills, and we'd pressure ourselves into skating down them, only to bail out on the grass at ridiculous speeds. One of our favorite games was capture the flag on rollerblades, wherein we would divide the street in two, with each side serving as one team's zone and location of their

flag.

Scott Olson invented in-line skate as we know today, named such as it was because he set the four wheels in a line as opposed to the rectangular formation of wheels on roller skates. 1981 Olson founded Rollerblade Inc., a company whose name, by virtue of its popularity, became synonymous with the inline skate in general. Throughout the next two decades, continued technological innovation in material, wheel design, and braking systems allowed for the inline skate to become easier and more fun to use. As a direct result of the technological improvements, popularity of the in-line skate among consumers boomed throughout the 1980s and '90s.

It's hard to imagine, then, why rollerblading fell off the map in the 2000s, only twenty years after the marketable invention of the inline skate. In 1998, the popularity of the inline skate reached its zenith when 32 million Americans over the age of 6 were active in the sport of rollerblading. By 2004, however, that number had plummeted to only 17.3 million Americans. In 1999, rollerblading suddenly didn't look so cool when Adam Sandler's character in the movie "Big Daddy" got a kick out of sadistically throwing sticks in the paths of inline skaters in order to watch them fall. In 2005,

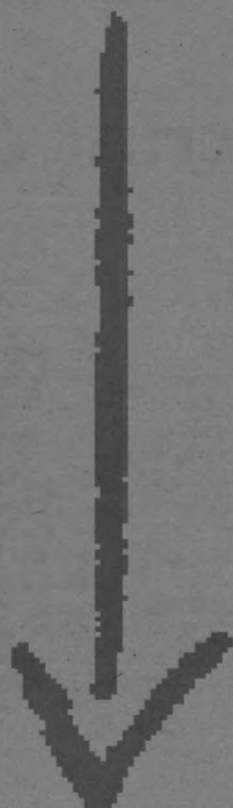
inline skating was removed from the ESPN X-Games. That same year, Stephen Charrier, the vice president of sales and marketing for Rollerblade, said of the decrease in popularity, "When you look back to when there were 32 million people skating, people were skating just to be on skates. It was on a fad level to a point."

To be sure, one will still come across some leisurely rollerbladers in Central Park or on Venice Beach, and the sport of roller hockey isn't going anywhere. But the inline skate no longer bears any semblance of popular culture as it did in the 1980s and '90s. It's weird the way things fall in and out of style. I still can't believe how out of place I can feel on rollerblades when somewhere nearby there is a person feeling trendy in a Snuggie.

But maybe there is such thing as life after death for the inline skate. I might have seen its ghost this past Halloween: someone gliding down Main Street on rollerblades and donning a long, fluttering white sheet with holes at the eyes.

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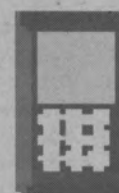
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KAMAAL BOLLYWOOD DANCE TEAM CREATES MUSIC VIDEO

Dance team wins national title

BY JESSICA SORENTINO
Senior News Reporter

Blood, sweat, tears and endless time are the words dance team members Alyssa Quezada and Kelli Godfrey used to describe

their journey to the Universal Cheerleaders Association College Cheerleading and Dance National Championships in Walt Disney World this January. There, they helped the team bring home the

national Hip-hop championship.

Quezada, a senior, says the experience was surreal. She has been on the dance team since her freshman year and this was her third consecutive year being part of a national title.

"We've won four times in the past six years," Quezada says. "I'm so pessimistic, and I'm very hard on myself, so to have won again is just a great and exciting feeling."

On campus, the dance team acts as the university spirit team, and makes most of their appearances at football and basketball games. Quezada says the chance to go to a championship competition and bring home a national title are added bonuses to being on the Delaware Dance Team.

However, those perks come with the price of hard work and dedication from all dancers of the team.

Even after the Fall Semester ended, the girls continued to work out for stamina and endurance training. They began learning choreography for the competition in both jazz and Hip-hop, and Quezada says they only took three days off for Christmas and one for New Year's.

Godfrey, who graduated this winter, says the time between the end of Fall Semester and the competition constituted the bulk of their season.

"We were here practicing while everyone else was home eating Christmas cookies," Godfrey says. "Our days get longer, and we're expected to give 125 percent at each practice."

Senior Nicole Vernile has also been on the team for four years, and says the team earned its title after waking up sometimes as early as 4 a.m. to train, taking weekly ballet classes to enhance technique and working out on a continuous basis.

Vernile and Godfrey explain that a four-to-five hour practice could result in perfecting only 20 seconds of a routine. They say their coach, Nicole Daliessio-Zehnder, demands perfection and the girls say they are willing to strive for it.

Quezada says every fingertip and eyelash has to be in the perfect place, and Godfrey says every arm has to be at the same 55-degree angle. The best way to make that work, she says, is by taping their rehearsals.

"Taping is the best way for us to visually change aspects of our routine," Godfrey says. "It's one of the most helpful ways to make changes."

The choreography for their Hip-hop routine was developed by approximately seven different choreographers, Zehnder says. The choreographers included professionals in the field and team dancers. For the jazz competition, in which the team placed 10th out of 23 schools, a senior team member and alumnus choreographed the routine.

Zehnder says one of the biggest challenges with winning consecutively is out-dancing everyone else and yourself—again.

"All of the other teams are gunning for you, so we need to go out there with a routine that just

wows the crowd," Zehnder says.

She says she tells the team time after time to always take pride in themselves and remember they are representing not only themselves, but the university as well.

Regardless of whether or not the team wins the title, Zehnder explains to the dancers the importance of having fun while at nationals.

"It's about making memories and enjoyment," she says. "If they go out there and give it everything they've got, they'll come away with no regrets."

The team members are always trying to improve and top their last performance, and they always have a lot of fun in the process.

Quezada says she has had the time of her life with the girls she now considers to be her sisters. She says the team has a strong bond, while at times they love each other, and at others they hate each other—like a true family.

Vernile says the weekend in Florida produced indescribable feelings for the team as a whole.

"The dedication, efforts and energy put forth by our team is unmatched," she says. "So to me, being a national champion is not only having the competition acknowledge all the hard work and originality that the team has exemplified through their routine, but also the adrenaline rush of performing and connecting with your fellow passionate team members on stage is truly a beautiful experience."



THE REVIEW/James Diana

The UD Dance Team has won four consecutive titles.

Andy Warhol photos on display in Old College

BY JULIA NOLLEN
Staff Reporter

University curator Stephen Petersen had three days to look through 3,000 photo contact sheets to identify the 60 rare Andy Warhol photos that are in the university's collection. Peterson didn't recognize the people in the photos or the history behind them.

"Of our 50 black and white photos, I found 40 or 41 of them, which is pretty good," he says.

Petersen sorted through the pieces in preparation for the opening of "Andy Warhol: Behind

the Camera," an exhibit in the Old College Gallery that focuses on the photographic career of Andy Warhol.

The photographs and advertisements have been arranged chronologically throughout the room since Jan. 12 and will be on view through June 5.

Most famous for his silkscreen paintings of soup cans and starlets, Warhol also had a prolific career as a photographer, Peterson says. He took approximately 150,000 photos over the course of a decade.

The exhibit includes 60 photographs donated to the university by The Andy Warhol Photographic Legacy program, which was launched in 2007 with a mandate to distribute 60,000 photographs to 180 educational institutions across the country.

The Warhol Legacy Program selected the university to receive 100 Polaroid prints and 50 black-and-white gelatin silver prints, says museum director Janis Tomlinson.

Petersen chose prints of subjects both celebrated and lesser-known, such as a candid silver print of Victor Hugo, a close friend of Warhol's snorting cocaine, and crafted Polaroid prints of Dolly Parton and Lorna Luft, which reference Warhol's earlier Marilyn Monroe silkscreen paintings.

Warhol's photos lack technical

complexity, Petersen says. His Polaroid images lack depth and their subjects appear washed-out.

"He wasn't a trained photographer," Petersen says. "In all of his work, he likes to find techniques that are efficient and simple. The silkscreen, for instance, is a technique used to make T-shirts and posters, and he applied it to making fine art paintings."

Warhol avoided expensive equipment, and instead opted for the Polaroid Big Shot, a mass-produced camera that retailed for under 20 dollars in 1971.

Warhol used a Polaroid camera to pose subjects for his silkscreen paintings, and then the photos became their own works of art.

"Warhol had a sense of humor," Petersen says. "He literally photographed some of the richest people in the world, and royalty, with this virtually disposable plastic camera, and I think he saw the humor and irony in that."

Tomlinson says she hopes the collection will bring attention to the university gallery.

"It's great to add a named artist to any collection. It does draw in people, I will admit that," says Tomlinson, who has worked to make the university's art collection more accessible to students since 2003.

Sophomore Sean Shirali, who



THE REVIEW/Dan Scrutfield

Warhol's photographs are now accessible to university students.

works at the museum, has noticed an increase in attendance since the Warhol exhibit opened.

"It definitely brings in more guests," Shirali says. "On opening day, there were 10 or 15 students, even though classes were cancelled because of the weather."

The exhibit marks the first time these photos have been publicly shown and the culmination of an eight-month renovation project overseen by Tomlinson.

"I wanted these pieces exhibited," Tomlinson says. "I wanted them in the best possible environment, I wanted people to know we have them, and I

wanted them well-protected, and this gallery answers all of those demands."

The collection itself needed an overhaul too, because a majority of the photographs arrived at the museums undated and unidentified, Peterson says.

"My challenge was to take them and put on an exhibit, and the angle I found most interesting was to look at how he made photographs, the kinds of cameras he used in particular, and what his understanding of making photographs was," he says.

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Gallery

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Stephen Peterson. The
gallery is open to the
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from 12-5 p.m. and
Thursday nights until 8
p.m.

Students help bring life to Ghana

BY PAT GILLESPIE
Features Editor

Two students ventured halfway around the world this past Winter Session, witnessing the tragedy of malaria and the miracle of birth in an impoverished African nation.

Juniors Leigh Johnson and Casey Artigliere traveled to Kpando, Ghana during Winter Session, where they assisted maternity and pediatric patients in a children's hospital and volunteered in a children's home.

"I really do feel like I've come back with a greater appreciation for how fortunate I am," Johnson says.

Although both girls had a general idea of what to expect from the country, they said Kpando's living standards were eye-opening to them. Dirt roads were lined with potholes, dilapidated houses filled neighborhoods, sanitation never showed its face and litter covered the ground. Johnson and Artigliere actually stayed in one of the nicer homes in Kpando—it was made of concrete instead of dried mud.

"Everything kind of looks unfinished. It's very rundown," Johnson says. "Once you're there for a little while, you really adjust to it and you're thankful for the things that you do have."

Johnson and Artigliere spent their mornings in a children's hospital and their afternoons in a children's home run by HardtHaven, a non-profit group based in the United States. The home, which houses 32 boys and girls, is not meant for orphans, but children whose families are not able to support them. According to HardtHaven, several of the children were born HIV positive. The students helped teach the English alphabet and other information to children and teenagers.

Working at a children's hospital in a poverty-stricken town such as Kpando proved to be a challenging and rewarding experience. Artigliere, who mostly worked in the children's ward of the hospital, dealt with many patients battling malaria. She came to realize the reality of medical limitations in a third-world country.

"I saw little kids just not make it for things that really, really, are not life-threatening [in the United States] at all," she says. "Things like respiratory distress, which if you put a small child on a respirator for a couple hours—they'll probably use an inhaler for the rest of their life, but we call it asthma."

Artigliere witnessed an infant die of respiratory distress, knowing that the complication was easily curable.

"To not make it because of something like that is heartbreaking," she says. "I had to sit there knowing if they had been born somewhere else they probably would have solved this problem."

After two weeks of volunteering, an emergency made Johnson question staying in Ghana. Two men had collided head-on in a motorcycle accident. One walked in, dripping in blood, and the other arrived on a stretcher.

The hospital was frequently understaffed, and no one happened to be in the emergency room.

Johnson and a newly certified

nurse realized they were all the help that was available. One of the motorcyclists had a major cut on his forehead while his foot dangled from his leg.

Johnson had to stitch up the man's forehead.

"We had to handle the situation," Johnson says. "There's no pain medicine, and I am in no position to sew up someone's forehead, but you're thrown into the position and you have to do what you can for the patient."

Johnson stayed in the ER and held the man's hand while a doctor performed surgery on the detached foot. Afterward, she was stunned.

"I remember leaning up against the wall, and my hand was shaking," she says. "That one hit me hard. At that point I called my mom, and I wanted to come home, but I didn't. I'm very happy I didn't."

Although death was a frequent visitor to the children's hospital, the people of Kpando celebrate a person's life instead of mourning their death.

Johnson and Artigliere found this foreign approach to death difficult to adapt to.

"They brush it off very easily, and we would walk home on some days just in tears," Artigliere says. "We didn't know what to do, we felt so helpless."

Despite the poverty and death looming in Ghana, both students say the locals were incredibly friendly and proud of the fact that Ghana, especially Kpando, is a safe, peaceful nation in Africa.

"If you ask someone there what they like most about Ghana, and about Kpando, they say that it's peaceful," Johnson says. "For people that have so little, they're so appreciative for what they have. It's hard to walk down the street and not have people come up to you to ask you how you're doing."

Living in a third world country presented its challenges. The two students slept with mosquito nets around their beds, bathed in metal buckets because the showers were broken, learned the local dialect of Ewe and adapted to the tropical climate. Despite the obstacles, they lived and breathed volunteering.

Johnson spent most of her days in the operating room, witnessing C-section and vaginal births, along with cleaning and weighing the babies afterward. She shadowed a nurse and gynecologist, assisting approximately 20 to 30 births. On her last day, Johnson delivered a baby on her own.

"Luckily for me, it was the easiest birth I had seen since I had been there," she says. "That's my favorite part—having the baby afterwards and to hear the cry. Once you hear the cry, you know it's okay."

The hospital staff nicknamed Johnson "Smiles" because she projected a glowing smile whenever she held a newborn.

The nursing majors separately researched volunteer opportunities, but once they realized they had similar volunteer interests, they started coordinating a trip together.

Johnson and Artigliere found the A Broader View program, a travel agency for people trying to volunteer

in second and third world countries. A Broader View connected the girls with HardtHaven, which set up their living arrangements.

Johnson and Artigliere flew nine hours to Accra, the capital of Ghana, and then took a four-hour bus ride into rural Ghana. Johnson actually arrived a week before Artigliere because Artigliere's visa was delayed. They lived together once Artigliere made the voyage.

For Johnson, the trip helped fulfill clinical hours needed for nursing majors. Artigliere, who transferred into the nursing program last year, wanted the volunteering experience. Looking back on the trip, they are already looking forward.

"We have already talked amongst ourselves, between Leigh and I, and to our program director there, about possible future trips," Artigliere says. "It's up in the air as to what exactly we would do, but there's a good possibility that it will happen."

According to Johnson, Kpando has roughly 76,000 people and no public bathrooms. She wants to raise money, go back and help build public bathrooms in hopes of improving sanitation, privacy and disease reduction.

On her second to last day, Johnson saw the man who she stitched up after the motorcycle accident leaving the hospital, limping with a cane made out of bamboo. He was looking for a cab. Johnson found a taxi for the man, who, after receiving Johnson's care, seemed to have her contagious smile.

It was the smile that showed Smiles she helped improve someone's life.



Courtesy of Casey Artigliere

Casey Artigliere and Leigh Johnson (picture on Mosaic cover) traveled to Ghana on their own.



Courtesy of Casey Artigliere

Artigliere witnessed serious health issues while in Ghana.

Bollywood dance team produces video

BY JEN RINI
Entertainment Editor

After this Winter Session, the prospect of a national dance championship is gleaming brighter than the Kamaal dancers' bedazzled harem pants.

This January, students in Kamaal, the university's Bollywood and Hip-hop dance fusion group, filmed a theatrical dance video for the online dance competition Bollywood Smash. Kamaal's video took first place in the competition and earned the troupe a bid to the national dance championships at Bollywood America in San Diego on April 23.

"What we did was perfection," senior captain Shivani Sharma says of their work.

The video's plot centers on the abduction of various Bollywood stars, while another popular Bollywood star attempts to film a scene. It is up to the Kamaal dancers to protect the star from being captured.

Sharma says the theme for Kamaal's video was proposed by the group last summer and is something no other team has done.

Filming for the video took place in Gore Hall and after hours in the Trabant University Center.

The innovator behind the filming, senior Nithin Paul, says Gore Hall had the multiple angles and levels necessary for filming. Cameramen were stationed in chairs and wheeled around the building, capturing the dancers and the essence of the theme they chose.

"Nithin Paul took a video editing class. He learned how to take different angles, how to record different videos, use different software," Sharma says. "He ran the entire thing and we were blown away with the final product."

But it wasn't Paul's innovation alone that created the video. All of the dancers worked long hours to complete the filming.

"There were days we met at

Gore at 5 and didn't leave until 11," Sharma says. "We put a lot of work into this."

"For all these competitions, all the teams have all these themes," Paul says. "We found that the audience likes a story they can follow, especially a love story, and we wanted to give it a little twist."

In the video, the top Bollywood star holds auditions for the female lead for his music video, and unknown to him, picks a lead girl who is working undercover for evil abductors. It is up to a select group of Kamaal protagonists to stop him from being taken.

"Primarily we fuse three styles, Bollywood, Hip-hop, bhangra," he says. "It's a very high energy type of dance and in this performance we added a little step."

Bollywood dancing incorporates fast-paced rhythms, expressive movements, raucous beats and elaborate costumes. The dancers tell a story with their movements, sometimes revamping old folk dances or adding more mainstream styles, such as Hip-hop.

Paul says the "good guy" dancers focused more on Bollywood styled dancing while the "bad guy" dancers had a Hip-hop concentrated routine with the music as a crucial factor to Kamaal's performances.

"We really like to connect the feeling of the music and words of the music with the theme," he says.

Paul says the competition will be interesting since each dance troupe can fuse together any style of dance.

"It's going to be really intense, with some of the best teams across the nation," he says. "I think it will be a pretty good competition level overall."

Sophomore Tina Brown says she is excited about the prospect of being in San Diego because the group wasn't sure that they were even going to get the bid. The experience will be more than worth it, she says.



THE REVIEW/Megan Krol

Graduate students will work closely with Winterthur conservators.

National grants fund art conservation at university

BY TUCKER MCGRATH
Staff Reporter

The Department of Art Conservation received three grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation totaling approximately \$2.2 million in January to foster the continuous preservation of artwork, books, photographs and archival materials both on campus and abroad.

Much of this money will benefit the Winterthur Museum, the university's partner institution for art conservation. In the past, the museum has aided in the restoration of historic paintings, furniture and sculptures. The restoration team at the museum can patch holes in paintings and restore oils to their original luster.

Lois Olcott Price, director of conservation at the Winterthur Museum, Garden, and Library says the university received a \$329,000 grant to expand its graduate curriculum in library and archive conservation. Graduate students will work closely with Winterthur conservators to learn proper storage and restoration techniques using a multitude of artistic mediums.

Price was closely involved in developing the new three-year masters program in art conservation and writing the grant proposal. The university is only one of 11 universities in the country to offer a graduate program in art conservation. The money from this grant will be used to send students to summer courses at The Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Science in Boston to learn about the preservation of texts, or what Price calls a "binding boot camp."

The money will also help support graduate students in their final year of the masters program when they intern with the Library of Congress.

Carrie McNeal, a first-year graduate student in the Art Conservation Department, says she is very excited about the new funding and the future of the program.

"They keep us pretty busy in the student labs," McNeal says. "I'm really excited to be working with Debbie. She is an international force to be reckoned with."

McNeal says she is not yet sure what projects she will be working on, because the department is still prioritizing which collections are most in need of the new funds.

Debra Hess Norris, chair and director of the art conservation department, says the first grant the department received was a \$1.4 million initiative to collaborate with ten historically black colleges and universities on the preservation of photos.

"Their archives comprise a huge part of American history," Norris says.

Officials have yet to select which schools it will be working with. The department will base its decision on both the breadth of the college's photographic archives, as well as the degree of difficulty in regards to the preservation and maintenance of the pieces.

Once the institutions are chosen, their library technicians and conservators will attend workshops and receive training, resources and instruction on preservation techniques, Norris says.

The university's work in art

conservation reaches beyond U.S. borders as well. Norris has taught photo conservation techniques at institutions in Turkey, Iraq, Russia, Austria, China, Italy, and Columbia in the past year alone, she says.

To aid with the art conservation department's efforts abroad, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation also awarded a grant in the amount of \$560,000 to continue the university's collaborative preservation work with The Arab Image Foundation and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Students and faculty of the art conservation department are currently working with art and photo collections all over North Africa and The Middle East, Norris says.

Civil conflict and natural disasters often result in the loss or destruction of cultural and historical artifacts. The money from this grant will fund workshops and seminars in combating these preservation obstacles in Lebanon, Qatar and Egypt.

"The problems vary geographically," Norris says. "Many of these institutions don't have the resources."

Norris explains preventing deterioration of these artifacts includes, but is not limited to, maintaining stable relative humidity, regulating temperature, and limiting exposure to sunlight.

Price said the grants are important because they will enable the university to continue their preservation efforts on a global scale.

"So much of our culture and history is embedded in libraries and museums and these are all subject to deterioration," Price says.



THE REVIEW/File photo

Kamaal performs Bollywood dance fused with Hip-hop dance.

UD alum bakes for a sweet prize

BY LAURA BLAGYS
Staff Reporter

Standing on a dark stage in front of family, friends and spectators after more than 24 straight hours of baking, 1998 university alum Dana Herbert waited in anticipation for TLC's "Cake Boss" Buddy Valastro to reveal his fate.

"This is the hardest decision I've had to come to in a really long time," Valastro says during the finale just before crowning Herbert the "Next Great Baker."

"Cake Boss: Next Great Baker" premiered on TLC this fall. The eight-week series followed 10 contestants as they competed to win a grand prize of \$50,000, a Chevrolet Cruze and the chance to work side-by-side with Valastro in his Hoboken, N.J. bakery.

As with any competition-based television show, each week the contestants faced challenges that would lead them closer to the grand prize. After making it all the way to the final episode, Herbert and two fellow contestants faced their greatest task yet. Each baker was challenged to make 400 cookies, 20 cakes, 20 pies, 200 pastries and a large theme cake in a 24-hour time period—a daunting task for any baker. The contestant who could sell the most of their product at Buddy's bakery in two hours would win the challenge.

Upon hearing his name called

and awarded the title "Next Great Baker," Herbert's stoic demeanor turned to one of relief, relaxation and sheer bliss.

"It was surreal. I thought, 'Did he just say my name? He did? That's awesome,'" Herbert says.

Since high school, Herbert knew he wanted to work in the food industry. He entered the university as a Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management major. After Herbert graduated with his bachelor's degree, he went on to receive a second bachelor's at Johnson and Wales culinary school. It wasn't until culinary school, however, that Herbert's passion for baking came to life. Watching fellow students, he realized that pastry was more enjoyable than being a savory chef.

"These pastry guys are having more fun than I am chopping bags of onions," Herbert recalls, adding that soon after he found his love for the art of baking.

Herbert found the professors and the experience at the university provided a strong foundation and a broad range of knowledge for his future career.

"The major made me a better businessperson and leader," Herbert says.

Today, Herbert owns his own bakery, Desserts by Dana, in New Castle, Del. He believes being a small business owner gave him an advantage in the TLC competition.

"[Being your own boss] gives

you that die-hard mentality," Herbert says. "As a small business owner, you're it. If someone calls out, it's all on you."

Lauren Monarski, a senior who attended one of Herbert's watch parties for the show, says she is not surprised that Herbert won the competition.

"Dana's cakes always kind of stood out," Monarski says. "And his personality, he was one of my favorites on the show, he seemed really level-headed and had a dry sense of humor."

Other students were also excited about the show and Herbert's win.

"I definitely decided to watch because Dana was a UD alum," says senior HRIM major Stefanie Kahn. "I also happen to love baking so it was a win-win."

Kahn says she likes to watch because she enjoys the creativity of the contestants.

"I think it's unbelievable how talented or untalented people are at times," she says. "It's really fun to learn their individual stories, how they got to where they are now, and what they are capable of creating or doing."

Senior Jesse Schnatterer says he is intrigued by competition-based shows for their entertainment value. He says he watched pieces of a few episodes, including the finale, but said that he finds the host annoying.

"Fifty-thousand dollars is a nice prize, but I wouldn't want to work

for that guy," Schnatterer says.

When asked if he had any advice for others interested in being a contestant on competition-based program, Herbert joked "Don't

do it!" and after a hearty chuckle continued, "They are challenging and you move very fast, but I'd do it again in a heartbeat."



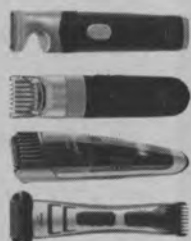
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Dana Herbert won \$50,000 on "The Next Great Baker"

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"Andy Warhol: Behind the Camera"

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Warhol Legacy Program. Guest
Curator Dr. Stephen Petersen
discusses the people and places
portrayed by Warhol, and explores the
artists fascination with cameras made
for the masses.

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Old College Gallery

Sunday, February 13, 2011

"Bodyscapes"

Bodyscapes explores the human figure
as expression of human
condition: from aspiration and
heritage to stereotype and absence.
Working with a variety of media and
techniques, Thornton Dial, David
Driskell, Alison Saar, and Hale
Woodruff are among the artists whose
works investigate personal and mythic
identities, collective experiences, and
divergent social realities.

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Mechanical Hall Gallery

CAMPUS EVENTS

Friday, February 11, 2011

"Addressing America's Energy Challenges"

The Department of Energy is
working to address energy
security and the environmental effects
of energy use while simultaneously
advancing U.S. economic
competitiveness. Dr. Koonin will
discuss the scope and form of these
challenges, both domestically and
internationally, and outline possible
solutions along with the obstacles the
energy system faces in implementing
these solutions..

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sharp Lab, Room 130

Friday, February 11, 2011

"Technology Platform"

The Delaware Sustainable
Chemistry Alliance (DESCA) will
hold a workshop. The goal of this
workshop is to identify and prioritize
sustainable chemistry platforms that
are capable of delivering future busi-
ness growth for Delaware. Four initial
areas of discussion will include water
purification and re-use, chemistries
from renewable raw materials,
bioprocesses and catalysis.
Registration and information is
available at the DESCA website.

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Delaware Biotechnology Institute,
15 Innovation Way

CAMPUS EVENTS

Friday, February 11, 2011

"Poetry Slams"

This exhibition will display a variety
of works by renowned slam poets.
The Delaware Open Mic & Slam is
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National Poetry Slam competition held
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20 Hens' basketball looks to stabilize

Men almost double last year's win total at 11; lose Brinkley to injury, Dawson to suspension

BY KEVIN MASTRO
Sports Editor

If the Delaware's men's basketball season was a roller coaster ride, even the most ardent thrill-seeker may have second thoughts of getting onboard. There have been many ups and downs, twists and turns and gripping moments.

The month of January was marked by three straight last-second victories, but as the calendar turned to February, Delaware lost three straight games, in which it had second half leads slip away. These results, combined with several injuries and a suspension, made this a drama filled season for the Hens.

The team currently sits in seventh place in the CAA with record of 11-13, 6-8 CAA. It is a significant improvement over the previous season's 7-24 record and last place conference finish at 3-15.

"It's definitely been real crazy," sophomore forward Kelvin McNeil said. "Every game has been down to

the wire, but that's how the CAA is at this time of the year. We know the games are going to be close because we play defense and we just have to find a way to win like how we were doing earlier in the season."

After starting conference play 2-2, the Hens traveled to Towson on Jan. 15 where they came away with their first CAA road win since Feb. 13, 2008 after freshman guard Devon Saddler hit a 3-pointer from the right wing as the buzzer sounded for a 66-63 win.

This would begin a heart-racing week for Delaware. That Wednesday, the team faced off against Northeastern, when a furious 9-0 run to end the game was capped off by sophomore Jamelle Hagins' dunk with 21 seconds left, giving the Hens a 54-52 victory. Three days later, senior guard Jawan Carter capped off the thrilling week with a buzzer-beating three to elevate the team to a 64-62 win on the road at Georgia State.

"We've had 10 games this year



Senior guard Edwin Santiago drives past a George Mason defender in the Hens' 69-49 loss to the Patriots on Jan. 25.

that have come down to the last minute and we're 8-2 in those games," head coach Monté Ross said. "I think that comes with confidence, that comes with guys believing that they can compete and win."

After the high of three straight wins, Delaware split its next two

games before suffering a crushing loss at home to James Madison. Prior to the game, senior guard Alphonso Dawson, the team's fourth-leading scorer at 7.6 points per game, was suspended indefinitely for a violation of team rules. During that day's game, the Hens let a 19-point lead slip away

in the second half and fell 77-71.

This would start off a tumultuous week for the Hens. They lost a late lead to Old Dominion after coming back from a 10-point deficit at halftime, losing 67-59. They then lost to rival

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Delaware recruits 14, scholarship remains for wide receiver

Keeler calls new class 'dynamic'; incoming athletes expected to replace 17 graduating seniors and replicate defensive line

BY TIM MASTRO
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On National Signing Day, Feb. 2, head coach K.C. Keeler announced a new class of 14 football players to join the Hens next season. The hope is the new athletes will replace the 17 seniors Delaware lost to graduation after reaching the FCS National Championship, as the team aims to reach the tournament once again.

Keeler summed up the new class in one word — dynamic.

"I'm really happy with the class," he said. "We want to be more dynamic in several areas, and we think we have found players on both offense and defense who meet those needs."

Of the 14 scholarships Keeler and his staff offered to high school recruits, 13 accepted. They also signed a junior college transfer, defensive back Laquan James from Nassau County Community College. His staff will announce yet another transfer to add to the secondary, from a FBS program, in June once eligibility issues are settled.

Along with the incoming players

Delaware will welcome back two former players. Defensive tackle Demetrius Hester and defensive back Kasseim Everett will rejoin the team after sitting out the 2010 season for violation of team rules.

Keeler said he expects James to contribute immediately in the secondary, which will get a boost with the return of Everett and the final transfer from the FBS. Delaware graduated its entire starting secondary including All-Americans Anthony Bratton and Anthony Walters.

"I think we fulfilled our needs," Keeler said. "Defensively, it could be as good a front seven as we've had. But what we needed to do was get some experienced guys to help us in the secondary and we think we did that."

On the defensive side of the ball, the incoming freshmen include one defensive back, three defensive linemen and three linebackers. The defensive back is Eric Farkas, out of Heathrow, Fl., who also can play punter and kicker.

Farkas was twice offered a scholarship by Ole Miss but chose to

stick with Delaware. Keeler said he was happy to get a kicker who is also a football player as well.

"Eric is a talented, dynamic kid who can really do it all," Keeler said. "He is a multi-dimensional player who will not only be a key to our secondary in the future, but he will also compete as a kicker, kickoff specialist, and as a punter."

The linebackers are Derek Battle of Charlotte, N.C., Patrick Callaway of Lithonia, Ga., and Jeff Williams of Freeport, N.Y. Battle was a defensive back in high school; Keeler said Delaware will switch him to linebacker because of his ability to hit.

Keeler singled out Callaway as a player who could possibly help right away in nickel and dime packages.

"Patrick was one of our last commits and we were fortunate to get him," he said. "His game is advanced and he is very intelligent. He has great body control and is a dynamic player."

On the defensive line, the Hens welcome Michael Kastel of Phillips Exeter Academy in N.H., and David

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Hens' head coach K.C. Keeler announced the new recruiting class on Feb. 2.

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weeklycalendar

Thursday, February 10

Women's Basketball vs. Towson
7:00 PM

Friday, February 11

Women's Indoor Track at Lafayette/Rider Inv.
All Day
Swimming at Terrapin Invitational
Through Saturday

Saturday, February 12

Men's Lacrosse vs. Presbyterian
1:00 PM
Men's Basketball vs. Hofstra
2:00 PM

Sunday, February 13

Women's Basketball at William and Mary
2:00 PM
Men's Tennis vs. Villanova
6:00 PM

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Indoor Track: The women's indoor track team had a busy weekend with two events. The New Balance Collegiate Invitational Track Meet at the New York City Armory and the John Covert Classic at Lehigh's Rauch Field House. In the John Covert Classic, the Hens were led by first place finishes by Alana Pantale in the shot put, Leah Putman in the 60-meter hurdles and Marla Woodarek in the 500-meter dash. Vicky Caruso led the team over the two day tournament with a second place on Friday and a third place on Saturday in the 200 meters. The Hens 4 x 200-meter and 4 x 400-meter relays also had strong finishes, ending up fifth overall. Next up is the Lafayette/Rider Invitational on Feb. 11, once again at the New York City Armory.

Women's Basketball: The Hens finished off a two game home stand against Drexel 53-44 on Sunday. Sophomore Elena Delle Donne led the team with 18 points and Lauren Carra pitched in with 10 of her own. Strong defense won the game for the Hens, who forced Drexel into a 34 percent shooting performance on the night. The loss drops Drexel to 13-9 for the season and 5-6 in the CAA, while the win improves Delaware to 13-9 overall on the season and 6-5 in the CAA. The next three games are on the road for the Hens, who visit Towson, William and Mary and George Mason over the next week.

Men's and Women's Diving: The diving teams hosted Towson and West Chester in the Delaware Diving Invitational on Feb. 5. Sophomore Brian Coonce was the big contributor for the Hens with a first place in the three-meter dive and a second place in the one-meter dive. The women's top finisher was Erika Bilenki with a fourth place in the one-meter dive. The swimming team was off for the weekend. The next competition is the Terrapin Invitational hosted by The University of Maryland on Feb. 11 and 12.

While you were gone...winter sports in review

December 18, 2010

Against its most prominent opponent, on the largest stage it will play all season, the Delaware men's basketball team fell to No. 10 Villanova 78-59 at the Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia. The loss ended a five game win streak for Delaware, who were led by senior guard Jawan Carter's 14 points. Sophomore forward Jamelle Haggins also contributed 12 points and a career-high seven blocked shots.

December 30, 2010

The women's basketball team ended its three game losing streak with a 76-36 win over Alcorn State in the Hilton Garden Hokie Classic on Dec. 30. Jaquetta May's 16 points and Lauren Carra's 15 points led the team in their final game of the tournament. Delaware's offensive was on point as they shot 52.5 percent for the game, and its defense held Alcorn State to just 21.2 percent from the field.

January 6, 2011

Women's head basketball coach Tina Martin became Delaware's all-time winningest coach with a 61-51 victory over Northeastern. It took the head coach only 15 seasons to amass her record 267th career win. Lauren Carra led the Hens with 20 points in the road victory.

January 7, 2011

The Hens hosted the Delaware Invitational indoor track and field competition. Delaware finished second with 177.5 points behind Navy's 245 for the Division I title. Vicky Caruso, who won the 200-meter and 400-meter races, and Lindsay Prettyman, who won the 800 meters and placed third in the mile, were the only Hens to win their events.

The football team fell in a close national championship game against Eastern Washington. The Hens, who led for the majority game, succumbed to the Eagles, 20-19 in the last quarter in Frisco, Tex. The Hens finished the season 12-3.

January 8, 2011

The Hens men's and women's swimming teams traveled to

Towson's Burdick Hall's Memorial Pool. The men won 218-66 bringing their record to 7-1 overall and continuing the success that got the team a national ranking of 18 in the CollegeSwimming.com's mid-major Division I poll. The team swept the top three podium spots in eight events. The women lost 200-100, which brought their season record to 6-3. Courtney Raw was the high scorer for the Hens with three first-place finishes and one third-place finish.

January 11, 2011

Senior Zach Schiavo was named the CAA Men's Swimmer of the Week after the Towson meet. His three first-place finishes helped improve the Hens' record in the CAA to 4-1. Also recognized was sophomore Brian Coonce. He was named the CAA Men's Co-Diver of the Week after first and second place finishes against Towson.

January 12, 2011

Delaware football finished its season with a No. 2 ranking in national polls. The Hens, who lost in the National Championship game to Eastern Washington 20-19, were ranked second in both the Sports Network and FCS Coaches poll. This was the highest final ranking for Delaware since 2003, when the Hens won the National Championship.

January 13, 2011

The football team won the Lambert Meadowlands Trophy as well the ECAC Team of the Year Award for its 2010 performance. The Lambert Trophy, founded in 1936, recognizes outstanding achievement on the eastern seaboard. This was the 20th time the Hens have won the award, and the 12th time they were honored as the ECAC Team of the Year. Four Hens also earned individual awards. Senior quarterback Pat Devlin was picked as the ECAC Offensive Player of the Year, freshman running back Andrew Pierce was named Rookie of the Year, and both were named to the All-East team, along with senior safety Anthony Bratton and junior offensive guard Gino Gradkowski.

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**Delaware vs.
Hofstra**

Time: Feb. 12, 2:00 PM

Location: Bob Carpenter Center



About the Teams:

About Delaware: The Hens (11-12, 6-7 CAA) are coming off three consecutive losses to James Madison, Old Dominion and Drexel, and have a home game against Virginia Commonwealth before Hofstra comes to town. Senior guard Jawan Carter leads the team in scoring with 14.8 points per game this season.

About Hofstra: The Pride (15-9, 9-4 CAA) defeated Northeastern on Saturday 78-75 with a 10-0 run to finish the game. The win came after three straight losses to Virginia Commonwealth, Drexel and George Mason. Hofstra's senior guard Charles Jenkins leads the team and the CAA with 23.2 points per game.

Why the Hens can win:

The Hens defend well against the 3-point shot that Hofstra relies on, holding opponents under 30 percent on the season. If they can hold Hofstra in the 60s, The Hens have a great chance because Hofstra allows an average of 70 points against. Delaware has lost three straight and is desperate for a good win, and there is no better place to end a losing streak than at home.

Why the Hens could lose:

As its 7-3 away record this year shows, Hofstra is not afraid to play on the road. Hofstra has good depth and with injuries to forwards Josh Brinkley and Malcolm Hawkins and an indefinite suspension to senior guard and 1,000-plus point scorer Alphonso Dawson, the Hens are a bit short handed. Comparatively, Hofstra has beaten George Mason and UNC Wilmington, who each won games against the Hens by 20 point margins.

The Numbers:

4: Number of successive losses to Hofstra, including the last three by 10 points or more.

100 to 150: Number of 3-point shots given up by the Hens this season to the number made by Hofstra.

26.3 to 38: Total scoring averages for Delaware's and Hofstra's top two scorers.

The Prediction:

It will be a close game judging by some scores of games against similar opponents (Delaware beat William and Mary by 4, while Hofstra only won by 3). Success for each team from behind the arc will decide the game. The home court advantage will help Delaware, but ultimately, the Pride have too much offense.

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—Dan Moberger,
Assistant Sports Editor

Basketball: Delaware season off to erratic start, lose key players

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Drexel 58-48 in a game in which they let another second-half lead evaporate. The week was made even worse with the news that starting forward sophomore Josh Brinkley would miss the rest of the season due to a stress fracture in his right foot. Brinkley had averaged 7.5 points and 5.2 rebounds per game this season.

Despite their recent setbacks, there have been a lot of positives for the Hens this season. The emergence of Saddler as a player capable of scoring off the dribble has given many

teams trouble. He is currently second on the team with 11.5 points per game.

Hagins has been a force on the defensive end, leading the CAA with 3.2 blocks per game including a career-high eight in the Northeastern win.

Brinkley's absence, combined with the loss of Dawson, leaves Delaware shorthanded in the frontcourt, a place where the team has been fighting injuries the entire season. McNeil and junior Hakim McCullar have both battled injuries at various times. Foul trouble has also hurt the team this year, and at times the Hens have been forced to play four guards at

once.

This was most evident in the Hens double-overtime loss last night against Virginia Commonwealth University. Delaware fell 84-74, had four people foul out and finished the game with senior guard D.J. Boney the tallest player on the court at 6-foot, 5-inches.

"We've been working through it in practice," McNeil said. "There's not that many bigs to practice with. Overall, we just have to all be smart out on the court and no cheap fouls. If there's going to be a foul it has to be a good foul."

The team recognizes that this

season has been one of improvement, and the Hens still believe they can compete with every team in the CAA. The Hens end the conference slate with a home game this Saturday against Hofstra, a trip to Northeastern, senior night at home versus Towson and then a return trip to Hofstra to close out the regular season.

"You have to put yourself in a position where you are able to one, compete, and then able to win," Ross said. "I think this year our guys expect to win. It's one thing to play hard and play good defense. But our guys are finally to the point where they expect

to win."

Right now, Delaware is only three games behind fifth-place Drexel and James Madison, and four behind Old Dominion and Hofstra, who are tied for third. The top four teams receive a first round bye for the CAA tournament, which will be held in Richmond, Va. from March 4-7. With four games left, the Hens believe they can make up ground on the teams ahead of them.

"We want to get back in at least that top five or the top four so we could get a bye," Saddler said. "So we could play with some more fresh legs in the CAA tournament."

Track: No more running at Delaware

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programs for the underrepresented gender.

If they are unable to comply with either previously-mentioned stipulation, they must provide for the interests and abilities of the underrepresented gender. Compliance with Title IX is monitored not according to each individual sport, but rather on an overall measure of sports offered at a university.

Muir said the change would help the university better adhere to the first part of the law, commonly referred to as the "proportionality prong."

According to J.J. Davis, Title IX coordinator at the university, the university has never been cited for failure to comply with Title IX. The announcement, which Muir said will affect 38 athletes, comes two years after the university reclassified men's indoor track from varsity to club. When university officials were considering the indoor track decision, they let the team and the public know the move was possible long before the final verdict was announced.

"There was a big public outcry at the time," said Tim Brock, a 2008 alumnus of both teams who is now a graduate assistant track and cross country coach at North Carolina State University. "A lot of moves were made. The administration was contacted. I think there were actually a few different meetings with the alumni and the UD administration."

But the university running community did not have that chance this time. Neither the members of the teams nor head coach Jim Fischer, who has been the men's and women's track and cross country coach since 1982, were made aware of the decision until just before it was announced to the public. The teams were notified via e-mail at approximately 8:30 a.m. Jan.

19, and Fischer received the news the night before.

"I didn't see it coming," Fischer said. "It was just a real surprise."

Junior cross country captain Andy Weaver said he felt blindsided by the announcement and was upset the team was not included in the decision-making process.

"It just seems like there are some holes in what they're telling us here," Weaver said. "There's Title IX, and there's the money, and the two are kind of intertwined. We just kind of feel betrayed by it."

At 3 p.m. Jan. 19, Muir met with the teams to further explain the reasons behind the reclassification and to listen to students' opinions and concerns. Muir said the administration chose to send out an e-mail first so students would have time to gather their thoughts before the meeting.

"We just felt really blindsided by it," Weaver said. "We all got an e-mail yesterday morning. The e-mail said [the decision] will be made public in a couple hours."

In fiscal year 2010, the football program generated \$2,740,926 in revenue and the men's basketball program generated \$368,951, said university spokesman David Brond. The men's cross country and track programs generated a combined revenue of \$47,492.

He said it will be difficult for students who choose to stay on at the university to remain competitive, especially in cross country. Although club track and field members would be eligible for most regular-season meets, there are few varsity cross country meets in which club teams compete, he said.

Sophomore Dan Feeney, a member of both teams, said he will consider transferring in order to continue his running career, but that the decision will

be a difficult one.

"I'm up in the air," Feeney said. "I've been in contact with a few coaches from other schools, but at the same time, I'm halfway through my major, and it's hard to break into the niche that I have here and try to get into other schools."

Students who are on scholarship and choose to remain at the university will continue to receive their scholarship, as per NCAA regulations. If a student transfers to another university, the decision to provide financial aid is up to that school.

Combined, the track and cross country programs have a budget of more than \$300,000, Muir said. Brond reports a slightly higher budget, totaling \$337,579. Even if the university continues to pay out current scholarships, which total \$163,540, the elimination of administrative, travel, equipment and other costs would provide an extra \$174,039, according to Brond.

The teams' budget allowances have improved in recent years, Fischer said.

"They've been doing some things to try to help us out and maybe that was our undoing. I don't know," he said.

Feeney said in the two years he has been on the track and cross country teams, he has noticed a reduction in the gear the university provides for the runners. Running sneakers typically last 300-500 miles, and on a team where most members run between 80 and 120 miles a week, shoes need to be replaced multiple times per season.

During Feeney's freshman year, each member was compensated for one pair of shoes. "Now, it's three-quarters of a pair of shoes," he said.

Fischer will continue to coach the women's track and cross country teams and said he would like to remain involved with the men's club teams as well.



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The university cut the men's track and cross country teams.

"I don't know what shape it will take. I don't know if there will be as much interest because some guys were running club to try to improve their skills and try to be on the varsity next year," he said. "Without that motivation, I don't know if there will be the same impetus to be on the team next year."

Jimmy Daly, a 2008 alumnus, said being a varsity runner was a key part of his college experience and was about more than competition.

"To a lot of people, running is not very exciting—it's more of a punishment—but to those people who it's really important to, it's a big part of their lives and it's unfortunate that those guys aren't going to have the same kind of experience we did," Daly said.

Brock, who previously coached high school cross country at The Tatnall

School in Greenville, Del., said the decision affects many more than those already on the team.

"What this is doing is it's making the high schoolers search elsewhere," Brock said. "[They will say] 'I can't go to my state institution and run and make that institution better. I've represented my state well, so the next logical step should be to go to my state institution and make that better.'"

No matter what course of action Feeney, a Delawarean, and the other team members decide to pursue, the decision will come to define their college experiences.

"It puts you in a precarious situation because you're going to have to change some pretty big things in your life," Feeney said.

Football: Hens' program announces new recruiting class on National Signing Day

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Tinsley of Seffner, Fla. Logan Shultz, a defensive tackle from the Hens' 2008 recruiting class, will also enroll with the class of 2015.

Shultz, of Orrtanna, Pa., did not attend school in 2008 because of a truck accident. He still has nerve damage in his hands and Keeler said the coaching staff will bring him along slowly.

"Logan has battled back from a lot of obstacles and his rehab has reached the point where he can play football again," Keeler said. "He was a tremendous high school player and one of the top players we have ever recruited here."

The offense will add two wide receivers, one quarterback, two linemen and two tight ends. Keeler said the Hens did not even look to recruit a running back because of the current depth they have at the position.

Both wide receivers will enroll in time for Spring Semester and be able to take part in spring drills. They are Jerel Harrison of Richmond, Va. and Michael Johnson of Gainesville, Fla.

Harrison originally committed to Richmond last season but due to a coaching change decided to explore other options and wound up at Delaware. Johnson was a part of Delaware's incoming class last season but decided to put off entry by a year because he was recovering from ACL

surgery.

Keeler said both these players should compete right away. He also said his staff has one scholarship available still, which they would hope to use on a transfer at the wide receiver position.

At quarterback, however, Keeler said every FBS quarterback considering transferring had contacted Delaware, but he said the Hens are committed to a competition between Trevor Sasek and Justin Burns. He added if his staff does feel like they need a transfer to come in the summer, they will take a long hard look.

"If we do feel we need competition at that position," he said. "We will absolutely bring a transfer

in."

Delaware does add a quarterback in its incoming class, however—Steven Hughes of Palm Bay High in Melbourne, Fla. Hughes is an athletic quarterback who can run or pass. He had FBS offers from Temple and Louisiana Tech but chose Delaware.

"This kid, really, has poise beyond his years," Keeler said.

Hughes completed 68 percent of his passes for 2,104 yards during his senior year, as well as 22 touchdowns with just five interceptions. He also ran for 212 yards and seven scores in his senior season. He won his conference's Player of the Year award.

Also joining the offensive side of the ball on the offensive line are

Benjamin Curtis of Columbia, Md., who Keeler said has as many offers as anyone, and Christian Marchena of Hazlet, N.J. The two tight ends are Matt Rodriguez of Lake Worth, Fla. and Nick Boyle, a tight end/long snapper from Sussex, N.J.

Keeler pointed out Rodriguez as a player who could see action right away. A multi-dimensional tight end who can also play off the line, Rodriguez had offers from West Virginia, Duke and Wake Forest before committing to Delaware.

The Hens are expecting to have 83 players for spring drills, which begin on March 8. The Blue-White Game will be held at Delaware Stadium on Friday, April 15.

While you were gone: more winter sports in review

January 14, 2011

The women's indoor track team competed at the Gotham Cup Invitational at the New York Armory and capped off the meet with 10 top-10 finishes. Freshman Paige Morris was second in the long jump, while the Delaware squad of Vicky Caruso, Nijah Dupiche, Asia Hollis and Kristi Cox were also second in the 4x400-meter relay.

January 15-22, 2011

In a tight three-game stretch, the men's basketball team pulled out three close wins. Against Towson, the Hens won 66-63 and were put over the top by freshman guard Devon Saddler's buzzer beating three-pointer. Northeastern was next, but was finished off with from Jamelle Haggins dunk with 21 seconds left. Finally, Jawan Carter knocked off Georgia State 64-62 with another buzzer beating three-pointer.



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Delaware women's basketball is 13-9, 5-5 CAA after the winter term.



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The Hens' men's and women's swimming and diving teams wrapped up CAA dual meet competition over the winter.

January 20, 2011

The Delaware baseball team was picked to finish eighth in the CAA Preseason Poll, picked by head coaches in the conference. The Hens return seniors Steve Ulaky and Pat Dameron, who had the second and third best batting averages on the team in 2010. The Hens finished 27-24 overall and 9-15 in the CAA last season.

January 23, 2011

At the Maryland Terrapin Indoor Invitational, the women's indoor track team posted eight top-10 finishes. The Hens finished 16th overall. Their best finish of the day came in the distance medley, in which they finished third.

January 25, 2011

Two members of the Delaware baseball squad, senior captains Pat Dameron and Steve Ulaky, received preseason CAA honors. Dameron, a left-fielder, was named to the

preseason first team while the first-basemen Ulaky received an honorable mention.

January 27, 2011

Delaware's men's and women's swim teams took down Widener, 155-83 and 165-80, respectively. The men set five pool records in the 1000-yard freestyle, the 100 and 200 breaststroke, the 200 butterfly, and the 200 medley relay. The women broke the pool records for the 200-yard medley relay and the 1000 freestyle.

January 28, 2011

The Delaware softball team was picked to finish sixth in the CAA preseason poll behind Hofstra, Georgia State, James Madison, Towson and Drexel. The Hens begin their first season under new head coach Jamie Wolbach and return seven starters including sophomore outfielder Jenny Richards. Richards was an All-CAA First Team and All-CAA Rookie Team pick.



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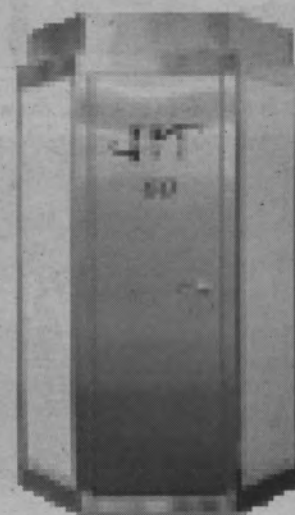


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