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Roadwork affects Newark traffic

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The Delaware Department of Transportation began roadwork Monday to install bicycle paths and sidewalks on Paper Mill Road from Cleveland Avenue to Possum Park Road.

Michele Ackles, manager of public relations for DelDOT, said there will not be severe lane restrictions.

She said no roads will be completely closed, but they will instead close one portion of the lane on either side of the road.

"There isn't really a place you can have construction without causing some kind of inconvenience," Ackles said.

The predominant traffic volumes are in the early morning and late afternoon, Ackles said, and they are making all attempts to avoid traffic problems by having the construction done from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We are avoiding peak hours to help traffic move more smoothly," she said.

Ackles said the university com-

munity has more bikers and pedestrians than most suburban settings.

The Metropolitan Planning Organization in Newark proposed the idea that this was a good potential location to install bicycle paths and sidewalks.

"They wanted to have better and safer areas for people to walk and ride their bikes," she said.

Richard Ferrara, administrative assistant for Greggo and Ferrara, said the firm was selected to do the contracting for this project by an open bidding process.

He said they put out their drawings and specifications for the project, as well as the projected cost, and DelDOT selected them.

The four and a half mile stretch of land will have bicycle paths and sidewalks installed.

Ferrara said they will also "hot mix," or lay out new asphalt.

They expect to complete the project by the end of November.

Sophomore Jeff Rodgers, a commuter who resides in New Castle, said he does not experience heavy traffic



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Construction to build sidewalks and bicycle paths is partially closing lanes on Paper Mill Road, Possum Park Road and Cleveland Avenue.

delays until he is within the university area in Newark.

He said he could not imagine the delays that will occur with another portion of the city starting construction.

"I already budget myself a certain amount of time for expected delays, and with the possibility of more traffic occurring, this will only be a burden to

me," Rodgers said. "It's just another headache."

Ferrara said it is inevitable that the project will impinge on motorists, but they tried to design plans that would minimize the amount of problems.

"It's a pretty simple project actually," Ferrara said. "It's not too complicated. There is just a lot of land to cover and it has to be done."

Roselle gives annual update

BY GRETA KNAPP

Staff Reporter

The university is working to enhance music and art on campus, embrace artistic investments and stride toward improving practice and performance space for musicians, President David P. Roselle said in a speech Tuesday.

Roselle addressed these renovations and other recent projects undertaken by the university during his annual "University Update" speech to the University of Delaware Association of Retired Faculty at its quarterly meeting in Clayton Hall.

Roselle spoke about the current plans for the construction of three dormitories designed to replace Pencader residence halls, the renovation of an Early Learning Center off of Wyoming Road and the construction of the Marriott hotel on Route 896, scheduled to open in October.

He also pointed to a few large, expensive purchases and proposals intended to support the arts.

He said the accomplishments of university students are progressively rising each year, with the incoming class of 2008 having the highest academic scores yet.

As the academic caliber of students continues to increase, he said, it is important to provide nurturing facilities for their artistic interests.

"The better the student is, the more likely they are to do something related to the arts, and in particular, do something related to music," Roselle said, "and the fact of the matter is our facilities are not adequate to handle them."

Roselle said the creation of the new \$42 million Center for the Arts building, predicted to open in 2006, will cater to the needs of both performing musicians and practicing amateurs.

Designed to be built off of Orchard Road, the center will span 92,000 square feet and is expected to be large enough to hold the 310 member marching band, as well as providing 32 separate practice rooms, he said.

"Basically my view of the Center for the Arts is it should be a place where people can develop their talent and people can showcase their talents," Roselle said.

Further dedication to the arts was expressed, Roselle said, through the university's recent purchase of a rare violin, intended to be played by music professor Xiang Gao.

He said the violin, made by legendary craftsman G.B. Ceruti and costing approximately \$290,000, will serve as an investment, appreciating in value over time.

"The best way for you to know that we made a good investment when we bought that violin would be to hear Xiang Gao play it," he said.

Another addition to the university is the completion of the \$4.5 million renovations to Mechanical Hall, he said, formally used for Army ROTC, and now a prospective host site for the Paul R. Jones Collection of African-American art, coming this fall.

Robert Starf, UDARF chairman, said members of the association, as retired faculty, have retained a vested interest in the affairs on campus.

He said the university has faced many changes over the years, and he looked forward to Roselle's annual speech so he might be brought up to speed with the university's prospects.

"All of us have a deep connection with the university even though we are retired," he said, "and it enables us to keep in touch with what's going on."

Frank Dilloey, UDARF member and retired philosophy professor, said he was gratified to hear the university was taking an active approach to supporting the arts.

"The arts have been very strong here, but we haven't really had the kinds of facilities we need to develop them," he said. "Buying the violin was a stroke of genius."

Iraqi prisoner abuse reports escalate

BY ANDREW AMSLER

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Just weeks after the public saw pictures of U.S. soldiers in western Baghdad subjecting Iraqi prisoners to abuse and humiliation for the first time, numerous lawmakers are furious that they were not told of the abuses earlier.

According to an article in "The New Yorker" magazine, a 53-page classified U.S. military report detailed several counts of prisoner abuse at the Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq. Pictures confirming these allegations were also made public on CBS's "60 Minutes II" on April 28.

A more recent report made public by the Associated Press Wednesday confirms that 14 investigations of prisoner abuse in Iraq and Afghanistan, including those that have been ruled homicides, have taken place since late November.

The resulting political firestorm has many lawmakers questioning the actions of military and government officials.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld will testify today in a two-hour open hearing before the Senate Armed Service Committee.

Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr., D-Del., said in an interview Wednesday morning that bringing those responsible to justice is necessary.

"Accountability is essential," he said. "So the question for me is what did Secretary Rumsfeld and others in the Pentagon know, when did they know it, and what did they do about it."

"If the answers are unsatisfactory, resignations should be sought."

Biden, a ranking member on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that justice should be sought not only to ensure that U.S. efforts in Iraq are

not undermined but also to keep the homeland safe.

"What happened in Iraq's prisons is appalling and must be addressed with far more urgency than the administration has demonstrated so far," he said. "It's the single most damaging act to our interests in the region in the last decade, and it will negatively affect our national security."

President George W. Bush and National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice both appeared on Arab news networks Wednesday morning to reassure people in the Middle East that these actions are unacceptable and will be addressed.

"People in Iraq must understand that I view those practices as abhorrent," Bush told the U.S.-sponsored Alhurra network. "We're an open society. We're a society that is going to investigate, fully investigate, in this case, what took place in that prison."

Military officials have outwardly condemned the actions of the soldiers involved but have maintained that they are the actions of a few and do not reflect the actions of all men and women in the armed forces.

Army Lt. Col. James Cassella, spokesman for the Pentagon, said the events are a tragic misstatement of U.S. intentions in Iraq.

"This is not representative in any way of our service members or the way we conduct our actions," he said.

The allegations of abuse date back to early January, Cassella said, when a soldier told his superiors, "I've seen something, I don't think it's right, we need to fix it."

"It was presented to the world on Jan. 16 when [the Pentagon] announced we had a problem."

There is evidence in the Pentagon's report that

officials noted a pattern of abuse in the Abu Ghraib prison as early as November 2003.

The abuse included, but was not limited to, the sexual assault of an Iraqi detainee with a chemical light stick or broomstick and the humiliation of prisoners with demeaning activities.

Beth Anne Tupin, spokeswoman for Amnesty International, a worldwide human rights watchdog organization, said the allegations are consistent with reports received by AI.

Since the beginning of the war, AI officials have received numerous reports of widespread prison abuse by both U.S. and British forces in Iraq.

"Until now, investigation by either country has not been forthcoming," she said.

For this reason, she said, AI has called for an impartial international investigation, the results of which should be made public, and for those responsible to be held accountable.

However, Cassella said the actions of the seven U.S. soldiers in question have been investigated under the terms of Article 32 in the military code, which is the equivalent of a grand jury investigation.

Three of the investigations have been completed, and the decision has been made to go forward with a court martial, two have been delayed, one is ongoing and one has been dropped, he said. Similar investigations have been launched to assess the practices of the U.S. intelligence community and the training involved in interrogating prisoners.

"We will get to the bottom of it, and we will find out who is responsible," Cassella said. "It was our plan all along to present the results and be as forthcoming and transparent as possible."

Newark grants parking waiver

BY SARA K. SATULLO

Staff Reporter

The Newark Planning Commission unanimously voted Tuesday to grant Home Grown Café a parking waiver, effectively setting a precedent for future procedures.

The restaurant will be allowed to expand without adding 12 off-street parking spaces in exchange for paying the city \$7,500.

Sasha Aber, co-owner of Home Grown, said the former Home Grown Retail space was rezoned as a restaurant and is now being renovated to expand seating. Another 36 seats will be added to the current 100.

City law requires one parking spot for every three seats in a restaurant. However, Home Grown Café requested a parking waiver since the majority of its patrons do not use the

parking.

The BB District Off-Street Parking Waiver Program stipulates that the Planning Commission can reduce or waive the requirement for off-street parking.

In return, the city requires applicants receiving a waiver to pay a fee that goes toward improving downtown parking.

Eric Aber, co-owner of Home Grown Café, said he understands why the fee is required for the parking waiver.

"Basically, we are putting more of a tax on the city and they want something in return," he said.

Home Grown would have had to pay the city more than \$10,000, a one-time payment based on the estimated cost Home Grown would

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Virus threatens UD

BY BENJAMIN ANDERSEN

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The Sasser worm has infected more than 1,000 computers since it invaded the university computer network Friday night.

Daniel Grim, executive director of Network and System Services, said the worm was effective because it moves so quickly.

"The system that has it tries to contact hundreds of other systems," he said.

This new worm travels through network connections instead of e-mail or Internet links, like other viruses that have inundated the network, Grim said.

He said it is easily prevented by downloading a patch from Microsoft's Web site.

"The resolution to the problem has been known for some time," Grim said. "The problem is many people don't have the patch."

Susan Foster, vice president of

information technologies, stated in an e-mail message that the worm affects all users because it slows down network speeds.

"All variants of the worm expose data stored on the computer to a number of Internet criminals," she said.

Users with the worm are vulnerable to spam relaying, information theft and identity theft, Foster said.

"The computer is under control of the worm writers," she said.

Foster said the worm can dramatically slow down users' computers or even cause them to automatically reboot.

Both the fast moving nature of the worm and the large number of users infected have been creating backups at the Internet help centers, she said.

Grim said the university is recommending that users delete the virus from their own computers using the stinger program, which is downloadable from McAfee.

Secret surveillance increases

BY NICK NEBORAK

Staff Reporter

There has been an increase in secret searches conducted around the country under the PATRIOT Act over the past year according to a report released by the Justice Department Sunday.

The searches are a result of more aggressive efforts by the United States in its war against terrorism.

Mark Corallo, director of public affairs for the Justice Department, said last year there were 1,727 applications sent to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court for electronic surveillance and physical searches. The searches have increased approximately 80 percent from 2001 to 2003.

"Since Sept. 11, we've had to considerably step up the pace because we are at global war with terrorists," he said, "and unfortunately there are those here in America who are associated with, speak with and are sympathetic to and willing to assist terrorist organizations."

Searches can be done on a number of people under the new requirements, such as foreigners, U.S. citizens or any individuals that are suspected of being involved with any acts of terrorism toward the country.

The searches, which have to be authorized by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and federal judges, have also increased because of the easing of standards under the PATRIOT Act for intelligence gathering communities, Corallo said.

The PATRIOT Act, the terrorism-fighting legislation enacted by Congress after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, allows the Department of Justice through the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act to warrant the use of more advanced forms of wiretap and physical searching, he said, which were not able to be used before.

The act also states that the government can obtain secret warrants by showing that a significant purpose of the search has to do with intelligence-gathering or terrorism related purposes, Corallo said. Before the change, the law required the government to show that intelligence gathering was the primary reason for the request.

There is growing controversy surrounding the enhanced liberties the intelligence communities have received through FISA and the PATRIOT Act, as many citizens feel it is a violation of their civil rights.

Ari Schwartz, associate director for Democracy and Technology, a civil liberties group, said the main source of concern is there remains no oversight for the searches, and the secrecy surrounding the efforts shrouds whether they have been successful. "The courts look into it, but other than that the information stays secret," he said, "and no individual case information is ever released to the public, and that remains a big concern."

Schwartz said he does not know whether the searches are necessary because the courts never reveal the information, so the public does not have access to the truth. "We do think that it is not unquestionable to say there are some cases where intelligence efforts should continue, but there should be no harm after a case has been closed to find out what kind of information was involved," he said. "Keeping it forever secret only serves to harm the credibility of the rest of the cases."

Schwartz said he was not sure if the searches were a violation of a citizen's rights but is certain that when it comes to the trust in the government, citizens will always feel that their rights have been broken.

"Now that the laws have weakened we

don't know how many of the cases there have been or if any have been abused in any way — we have no way to really know," he said. "The question here really isn't about abuse because we can't talk about abuse if we don't know the details."

Attorney General John Ashcroft said in a press release from Justice Department Public Affairs that in order to keep the United States and its citizens safe, it is critical the Justice Department use every legal means to detect, deter and disrupt foreign terrorists and their activities.

"The department is deploying its legal resources to uncover and prevent terrorist attacks on Americans," he said. "We are acting judiciously and moving aggressively by seeking increased surveillance orders from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court."

Corallo said he does not think the department has stepped out of its boundaries in increasing surveillance because it is the law.

"These efforts have been authorized by federal courts and overseen by the Congress of the United States," he said, "and not a single instance of abuse has been pointed to by Congress or the courts and we report in full on all the activities that take place."

Corallo said he feels the outcome of the searches have been mostly positive because citizens have been safe for a while now, and with increased efforts it can only get better.

"By the grace of God and the hard work of the intelligence and law enforcement officials, who are engaged in the defense against terrorism, we have not seen a major attack on United States' soil by foreign terrorists since Sept. 11," he said. "This is something we are very aggressive about."

In the News

BOMBS EXPLODE AS GREEKS ASSURE U.S. ON OLYMPIC SECURITY

WASHINGTON — With Greece's top law enforcement official in Washington to calm jittery officials, three bombs went off in Athens Wednesday, heightening fears about security preparations for the Olympic Games that begin in 100 days.

The blasts outside a police station coincided with the arrival in Washington of Greek Minister of Public Order George Voulgarakis for meetings with senior U.S. officials, including National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice and Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge to discuss efforts to protect the games from terrorist attacks.

Greek Premier Costas Karamanlis called the attack on the police station "an isolated incident which does not affect whatsoever the safety of the Olympic preparation."

The blasts nevertheless shook some of the budding confidence among American officials that the newly elected Greek government would be able to ensure the safety of the games.

No one was injured in the bombings, which came in the midst of a recent string of terrorist attacks from Madrid to Riyadh.

U.S. security officials said small-scale bombings by homegrown leftist groups occur frequently and are not connected to international terrorists.

A warning was delivered to a local newspaper shortly before the bombs went off and the bombings occurred in the middle of the night, when the risk of injury was low.

The International Olympic Committee said Wednesday that the bombings would not affect the games, but the foreign minister of Australia, host of the 2000 summer games, said his government will review the existing threat assessment.

The United States, Britain, Australia, Israel, France and Spain have been working closely with the Greek government on security preparations that along with construction of Olympic facilities began later than expected. The Greeks are now rushing to complete preparations for the Aug. 13 games.

N. KOREA MISSILE REPORTEDLY COULD REACH U.S. BASES

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea is preparing to deploy a newly developed intermediate-range ballistic missile that has a range sufficient to reach United States' bases in Guam and possibly Hawaii, South Korean newspapers reported earlier this week.

North Korea has been trying for years to develop ballistic missiles that could reach the U.S., but it has been widely assumed that such missiles were still in the developmental stage.

If confirmed, the reports would suggest that North Korea has made more progress than previously thought, an especially alarming development given that the regime is also pursuing nuclear technology.

The reports cited unnamed South Korean officials saying that intelligence satellite had recently picked evidence of two new missile bases under construction in North Korea.

Missiles and mobile launching pads observed at the sites were said to be of a design that did not resemble North Korea's better-known Rodong missiles.

The South Korean government has been trying to nudge North Korea into adopting more conciliatory positions in ongoing six-country talks over the development of nuclear weapons. Talks on economic cooperation between the estranged Koreas opened Wednesday in Pyongyang. Working level talks on the nuclear issue are scheduled for next week in Beijing.

North Korea's new missile bases were reportedly first detected late last year and early this year and are now said to be 70 percent to 80 percent complete.

One is located in Yangdok, 50 miles east of Pyongyang, and the other in Hochon in North Hamgyong province.

KHMER ROUGE TRIALS STALLED BY POLITICAL DEADLOCK

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — Preparations for a tribunal to try the aging leaders of the Khmer Rouge for crimes against humanity are behind schedule because of a political deadlock in Cambodia, according to a senior United Nations official and diplomats.

U.N. and Cambodian officials agreed last June after prolonged negotiations to create a special court to try Khmer Rouge leaders. The deal still requires ratification by the country's National Assembly.

Yet nine months after Cambodia held national elections, the country remains without a functioning parliament, and the prime minister, Hun Sen, has been unable to assemble a ruling coalition because the three main political parties remain deadlocked in a squabble over their roles in a future government.

Cambodian officials and foreign diplomats said they could not predict when the parliament will convene, creating uncertainty about the tribunals and the raising of an estimated \$60 million needed to finance them from international donors.

U.N. and Cambodian officials have continued to discuss logistics for a special tribunal. They decided that a theater in Phnom Penh would be converted into a courthouse, and investigators, prosecutors, judges and other court staff would operate from offices in the National Cultural Center.

Under the agreement, the court would operate under Cambodian legal jurisdiction and with a majority of Cambodian judges.

Some human rights groups, however, have questioned the objectivity and competence of Cambodian judges to try former Khmer Rouge leaders, citing the fact that Hun Sen and others in the government were themselves once in the Khmer Rouge and could be tarred by the trials.

The panel would also include international jurists and decisions would require the support of both Cambodian and foreign judges.

The agreement calls for the prosecution of senior leaders of the Khmer Rouge, a communist group that ruthlessly ruled Cambodia between 1975 and 1979 and was blamed for the deaths of approximately 1 million people.

The agreement does not name the suspects, but Cambodian experts and foreign officials agree that five to 10 former Khmer Rouge leaders are likely to be indicted.

The estimated \$60 million expense is to be divided between the United Nations and Cambodia. With the Phnom Penh administration strapped for money, though, officials said both sides would turn to foreign governments for support.

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

Candidates court Catholic vote

BY MONICA SIMMONS

Staff Reporter

A significant portion of the undecided votes in November's presidential election may be left up to the Catholic community, a recent survey found.

Mark Grey, a research associate for the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate at Georgetown University, said CARA's survey found that 41 percent of Catholics favor President George W. Bush while 47 percent favor Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass.

Kerry is the first Catholic presidential candidate in 44 years, since former President John F. Kennedy.

Grey said that in two-thirds of the 17 battleground states, more people identify themselves as Catholic than any other faith.

However, Grey said he expects the numbers to change because the Catholic vote is rarely predictable.

"The Catholic vote is somewhat of a myth," he said. "There

has never been a presidential candidate who has shown agreement with the Catholic Church on every issue."

While bishops strongly denounce candidates who are in favor of abortion rights, Grey said, there is never pressure on Catholics to vote one way or another.

"These announcements are not meant to alienate the candidates," he said, "but just to serve as a reminder to Catholics to remain loyal to the Church as they prepare to vote."

Michelle Ringuette, communications director for Catholics for a Free Choice, said her organization does not believe Catholic bishops should interfere with politics.

"This returns us to a day when Catholic policymakers were not trusted to be independent thoughtful contributors to the nation's public life," she said.

In a study conducted by Catholics for a Free Choice

shortly before the 2000 election, she said 75 percent of Catholics said bishops' views were an insignificant factor when Catholics voted.

"Catholics are much more likely to agree with their fellow Americans than follow the decrees of bishops and the Vatican," she said.

Pollsters also found 70 percent of Catholics believe they do not have a religious obligation to vote for candidates who oppose legal abortion, Ringuette said.

She said 66 percent of Catholics believe abortion should be legal.

"There are a variety of factors which influence a voter," she said. "Voters are more likely to put precedent on everyday issues such as the economy or defense than faith."

John Kenneth White, political science professor at Catholic University, said Catholics have switched party allegiances more than any other

interest group in the past 30 years.

"They showed overwhelming support for George H. W. Bush in '88," he said, "but then turned right around and voted for President Clinton in '92 and '96."

Eighty percent of Catholics voted for former President John F. Kennedy in 1960, but White said he expects the race to be much closer this year.

"The main concern in 1960 was whether Kennedy was too Catholic," he said. "Now many people are questioning whether Sen. Kerry is Catholic enough."

He said both Kennedy and Kerry faced the same challenges in remaining loyal to their faiths.

"Sen. Kerry is struggling with an educated and diverse group that could ultimately decide whether or not he will be in office next year," White said.

U.S. may detain immigrants

BY SARA J. GRAHAM

Staff Reporter

A new policy, which aims to crack down on illegal immigrants, states that immigrants who are asked to leave the country be detained in jail after their hearing while they post bond or seek appeals.

Operation Compliance is a federal policy currently being tested in Atlanta and Denver.

This policy addresses the problem of immigrants who become "absconders" by moving into an illegal population and hiding from the law.

Mark J. Miller, political science professor, said that many immigrants who seek asylum are not granted refugee status but continue to stay in the United States and make up the large illegal population.

"They find a way of circumventing our laws," he said.

Detaining immigrants under the jurisdiction of Operation Compliance aims to reduce this.

This new policy may have a connection to recent concerns about terrorism.

"There's been a hardening of immigration laws in the wake of 9/11," Miller said.

This has been seen in the decline of admission for refugees and new policies for

obtaining a VISA, he said.

Crystal Williams, senior director liaison for the American Immigration Lawyers Association, said Operation Compliance is unfair because it encompasses all immigration cases, rather than detaining immigrants on a case-by-case basis.

The policy also uses more time and investigators to arrest and send illegal immigrants who are waiting to pay their bond to jail, she said.

"We have investigators in Denver and Atlanta twiddling their fingers when they can be doing more productive work," she said.

Williams said the new policy ignores the fact that the immigrants who appear at their hearings are trying to do the right thing and will probably not become absconders.

Not only is detainment unnecessary in most cases, she said, but it also has grave consequences for many immigrants who have families and are trying to live in the United States.

"You're not just detaining someone, you're taking a family's livelihood," she said.

The current policy states that a person is detained after a judge announces the bond, Williams said. In many cases, an immigrant charged with a crime will ask for the judge to

lower their bond. It is during this time that they are detained under Operation Compliance.

Seven people have been detained in Denver so far, and some of them had initial bonds set as high as \$50,000, she said. Immigrants are frequently unable to pay these high bonds.

An alternative to this procedure is to have bond re-determination on site, where the initial hearing is set, Williams said. This would cut out a waiting period that would be spent in jail.

Ira Mehlman, spokesman for the Federation for American Immigration Reform, said currently there is not enough done to enforce immigration laws, and Operation Compliance could be important in ensuring that illegal immigrants do not disappear after being arrested.

"We need to increase the likelihood that people will be detected and removed from the country," he said.

Williams and Mehlman agree this policy may create overcrowding in jails.

"When you have a choice between a convicted rapist and a middle aged woman seeking asylum," Williams said, "I know who I'd want in that jail."

THREE-DAY FORECAST



FRIDAY

Partly cloudy,
highs around 80



SATURDAY

Mostly cloudy,
highs in the 50s



SUNDAY

Partly cloudy,
highs around 70

— courtesy of the National Weather Service

Police Reports

ATTEMPTED BREAK-IN ON EAST CLEVELAND AVENUE

An unknown person broke into a house on East Cleveland Avenue and subsequently removed items between approximately 9:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Newark Police said.

Cpl. Tracy Simpson said both of the back doors to the house were left unlocked, and the intruder walked right into the house.

One resident was upstairs sleeping while the intruder was present, she said, and the other returned home to find both doors to the house wide open.

Stereo equipment and a television were removed from the house, Simpson said, and they are valued at \$1,775.

Simpson said the residents had a large party a few weeks ago,

and they believe the assailant may have been present then.

She said police lifted fingerprints from the house, but the case will remain inactive.

BROKEN WINDOW IN SCHOOL LANE APARTMENT

An unknown person broke an apartment window on Yale Drive in the School Lane Apartment complex between approximately 5 p.m. April 30 and 8 a.m. Tuesday, Simpson said.

The apartment is currently unoccupied, she said.

There were no rocks or other projectiles found on the ground at the scene, Simpson said, and police are not sure what the assailant used to break the window.

Damage to the window is esti-

ated at \$100, she said, and there are currently no suspects.

BICYCLE REMOVED FROM LIBRARY PARKING LOT

An unknown person removed a bicycle from the Newark Free Public Library parking lot on Library Avenue between approximately 5:15 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesday, Simpson said.

The owner went into the library, she said, and when he returned the bicycle was gone.

Simpson said the bicycle did not have a lock on it.

Because the man is over the age of 62, she said, the crime becomes a felony in accordance with state law.

Simpson said the bicycle is valued at \$50.

— Stephanie Andersen

Library extends hours

BY JESSIE HELWIG

Staff Reporter

The Morris Library Commons will remain open 24 hours a day during finals week to provide an additional late night study area for students.

Sandra Millard, assistant director for library public services, said the Commons will remain open from May 17 to May 28.

The change in schedule will only be a trial to see if the late-night hours can run smoothly and without altercation, she said.

After requests from the Delaware Undergraduate Student Congress, Provost Dan Rich decided there was a need for more study areas during finals.

"[Rich] will make a decision whether this change will become a permanent late-night study place during finals after this trial period," she said.

Although there have been requests to keep the entire library open 24 hours, it has been decided to keep the main library operating as usual.

"It is a six-acre building with many nooks and crannies," Millard said. "To keep the library open 24 hours a day

would be a costly task."

Students tend to use the library only for study purposes, and there are other late-night study areas on campus, she said.

Additional security would be a problem if the library was kept open non-stop, Millard said. Finding security personnel to work late hours would be difficult.

Security for the Commons area during its 24-hour-per-day trial period will be significantly increased.

Millard said she was not sure if the Euro Bistro snack bar will be extending its hours. However, vending machines and restroom facilities will be available to late-night students at all times.

Students who spend time in the library said they were happy the Commons area would remain open longer during finals.

Junior Lisa Romano said she takes advantage of the library and the Commons area in between classes and feels a change in hours of the Commons would be beneficial for students who live in dorms.

"When the Commons stays open all the time during finals,"

she said, "students who have roommates will have somewhere else to go study, instead of having to stay in their dorm rooms."

Senior Brett Foley, who often studies at Morris Library, said he wishes the main library would extend its study hours also.

"I know other universities have 24-hour libraries," he said. "I wish the library here was that way, or they should at least extend the hours a little bit more than they have."

Unlike Delaware, the University of Maryland has decided to keep a portion of its main library open 24-hours a day during the regular academic semester.

Cindy Todd, coordinator of information services at Maryland's McKeldin Library, said late-night hours have been successful.

"We have a lot of students take advantage of our late-night schedule," she said. "We've tightened security and installed a UMD card recognition system so students, faculty and staff are safe."

Todd said while they have to call the police occasionally, most issues are minor.



THE REVIEW/Jessica Duome

The Morris Library Commons area will be open for students 24 hours per day starting May 17, as part of a trial of extended finals week hours.

"We have a problem with students that fall asleep here," she said. "I found a sandwich in a reference book once, but that's about as big a problem as we get."

Todd said while many people at the university were skeptical at first, the late-night hours have been a tremendous success.

Women twice as likely to be depressed

BY ANNIE BALDRIDGE

Staff Reporter

Women suffer from clinical depression twice as often as men, according to a recent study.

Misia Landau, the senior science writer for "Focus," the Harvard Medical School journal, said the report released in this month's issue found that one out of every 10 women will suffer from depression some time in their life, and the risk peaks between the ages of 35 and 55.

Hormonal changes in pre-menopausal women cause them to be more susceptible to depression, she said.

Landau said chemical imbalances cause women of this age group to react differently to events in their lives.

"A woman may be doing just fine, and she hits a certain age and things she could once handle she can't now," Landau said.

Jules Asher, a press representative for the National Institute on Mental Health, said twice as many women are also affected with anxiety disorders.

"There are many different factors that come into play, but there is plenty of information that suggests

chemical imbalances have to do with depression," Asher said.

Chemical imbalances can cause both depression and anxiety.

Landau said she attributes the high number of women diagnosed with depression to a number of factors.

For example, she said one reason is that women are under more stress because they now have so many possibilities in their lives.

"You would think the changing role of women would make them less depressed, but it seems to be doing the opposite," Landau said.

As women get older they become dissatisfied with their lives, she said. According to the study, women who do not have children are more at risk for depression in their 30s and 40s.

Landau said this might be because women feel they have not fulfilled their family duties.

Women are also not receiving equal opportunities at work compared to men, she said.

Carol Coleman, a licensed clinical social worker in Delaware, said she sees many more women with depression than men at her practice.

"I think women are willing to seek treatment faster than men," she said.

Coleman said chemical imbalances have a lot to do with depression, but environmental factors can also contribute.

The majority of her patients are women between the ages of 30 and 45, she said, but college-age women are at risk for depression as well.

Coleman said she disagrees with the idea that depression could be linked to women's changing role in society and that they have less opportunities at work compared to men.

"I think we make our own opportunities," she said. "In this day and age, men face a lot of pressures too."

Coleman said some symptoms of depression to look for are lack of interest in activities, change in sleep patterns, appetite changes, isolation and periods of crying.

Relationship problems can also contribute to depression, Coleman said.

"The main thing to watch for is a prevailing sense of hopelessness," she said.

Comedian entertains Scrounge

BY SHAY NEAL

Staff Reporter

Laughter from the 52-member audience roared through the Scrounge Tuesday night as comedian Mike Birbiglia talked about unusual situations.

Birbiglia touched on topics such as his dating life, his family, creating his own slogans, Panda pornography, rap music and his ex-girlfriend's gay cat.

He began his act by talking about his Italian heritage and how hard it is to pronounce his last name.

"I hate it when those real Italians come up to me and are all telling me how to properly pronounce my last name in Italian," Birbiglia said. "I'm like, 'Dude, you're annoying.' See, I'm Italian, but my family is not like real Italian, they're like Olive Garden Italian."

He went on to speak about his dating life and his ideal girlfriend.

"I want a woman that wants me for my money, but doesn't understand math," Birbiglia said. "I dated this girl that wasn't book smart, but like magazine smart, or like butter label smart. I used to think I was a little unstable, now I know that it's just because of every girl I ever dated."

To end the act, Birbiglia graced everyone with his singing talent. With the audience clapping to create a beat, he sang a song titled "A Couchy Song," which left spectators pleased and amused.

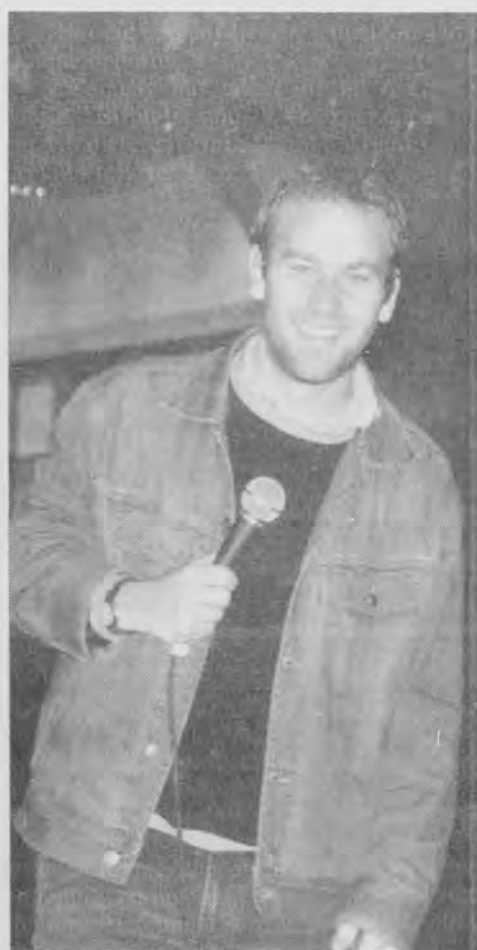
Senior Kaitlin Hoffman, vice president of variety events for the Students Center Programming Advisory Board, which hosted the show, said this was Birbiglia's first performance at the university.

"We heard a lot of good things about him," she said. "A lot of people suggested that we have him come perform because they thought he'd be good for the Coffeehouse Series."

Sophomore Jerry Hindman said he attends the Coffeehouse Series every Tuesday.

"I thought that everything was funny," he said. "It's hard to choose which was my favorite part."

Birbiglia said he enjoyed the crowd's enthusiasm.



THE REVIEW/Jessica Sitkoff

Comedian Mike Birbiglia jokes with students during SCPAB's Coffeehouse Series Tuesday night.

"This is one of the best shows I've done all year," he said. "The audience was very responsive and they actually know what comedy is. I thought it was a friendly crowd. I'd definitely come back again."

Birbiglia said he felt comfortable in front of the audience.

"I like performing in front of college students," he said. "It's my crowd and they're all about my age."

Embarking on a college tour this year, Birbiglia said he will be visiting 31 different colleges across the country.

He said he gets inspiration mostly from what he encounters in his everyday life.

"I actually have a bad memory," Birbiglia said. "My jokes are like my scrapbook."

He said comedy has presented him with unique opportunities.

"Comedy has taken me all over the world," Birbiglia said. "I've experienced so many different things that I normally wouldn't have been able to. It's a good time."

Report says colleges need more support for instruction

BY SARA J. GRAHAM

Staff Reporter

The American Association of University Professors released a report that illustrates a national rise in tuition costs and lack of financial support for instruction at many universities.

The AAUP report stated that tuition and fees have been raised 29 percent nationally over the last five years.

University Provost Dan Rich stated in an e-mail message that the university has not experienced this much of an increase, and has made many efforts to keep student costs low.

Ruth Flower, director of public policy and relations at the AAUP, said an increase in tuition often correlates to raising capital costs at universities and lack of state funding.

"The problem is tuition only pays one third of the cost to educate every student," she said.

The other portion of that cost comes from state money, federal money and endowments, she said.

"States are pulling way back in what they will invest in students," she said.

Jim Palmer, higher education professor at Illinois State University, said approximately \$104 million of Delaware's state tax appropriations went to the university's operating expenses in 2003 to 2004, which is relatively more when compared to other states.

"When you total up the state tax appropriation nationally," he said, "it went down."

Flower said capital costs invest in expanding facilities for students. The costs of new technology and hardware, as well as conforming to government regulations concerning environmental issues in chemistry labs, all cost universities money.

Linda Bucher, nursing profes-

sor and president of the University of Delaware's chapter of the AAUP, said the university's capital and operating costs function separately. Much of the money invested in capital costs has come from university President David P. Roselle's campaigning and donations and not from the operating budget, which supports instruction.

However, there are professors that feel more money should go toward salary and instruction.

"One may argue that we should fight, advertise or lobby for greater funding for our operating costs," she said.

The university is also doing relatively well in managing costs when compared to other universities, Bucher said, as it has not yet had to cut salaries or benefits of faculty.

"We've been most recently just slightly above the mean in terms of salaries for comparable universities," she said.

The university has not aimed to replace full-time professors with part-time professors to keep salary costs down, as the national AAUP report suggests for many universities.

Rich said the university has a very low reliance on part-time instructors and does not intend to increase reliance on part-time instructors.

Bucher agrees that the university aims to keep full-time faculty, which is imperative in gaining a top education.

"We believe full-time professors have a higher commitment to the university," she said.

Flower said universities nationwide must do several things to manage the costs of educating students and compensating faculty.

A combination of more state funding and public support of education, she said, and less investment in capital costs should keep this trend from continuing.

Faculty Senate holds elections

BY MEREDITH MCCARTY

Staff Reporter

Elections for the university's Faculty Senate were held Monday for positions for the 2004-2005 academic year.

The positions up for grabs were president, vice president, member at large and chairperson of the Committee on Committees and Nominations.

The Faculty Senate discussed issues such as grade inflation and ways to slow it down, reinvigorating the purpose of the multicultural requirement and an online academic approval form for Fall Semester.

Carmine Balascio, a bioresources engineering professor who was elected chairwoman of the Committee, said grade inflation was the subject of a reinvestigation and a resolution was addressed at the meeting.

Provost Daniel Rich stated in an e-mail message that the administration works hand-in-hand with the Faculty Senate.

"Members of the UD administration, including the president, provost and deans are members of the Faculty Senate," he said.

In addition to faculty representatives, the senate includes student representatives from the Delaware Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate, Rich said.

Avron Abraham, health and exercise science professor, won the presidential vote. Connie Vickery, nutrition and dietetics professor, and Balascio were elected members at large.

The senate then voted between the two women for chairwoman of the COCAN, and Balascio won.

"I don't know that I've ever been interested in running for office," she said. "Faculty members have a duty to provide direction for the university's academic programs and for shaping related policies."

The COCAN is the committee system of the Faculty Senate. The biggest responsibility it has is to fill positions on all committees and get people to run for senate-elected offices, she said.

The Committee also reviews Faculty Senate committees to make sure they are functioning as intended and are still needed.

"This will be my second term as chair of COCAN," Balascio said. "COCAN has the responsibility of matching the right people with sometimes sensitive or demanding committee assignments."

The chairperson of the Committee is usually a member of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and a voting member of the senate, she said.

Some of the issues discussed during the senate meeting needed continuous attention but may provide interesting developments, Balascio said.

Joann Browning, theater professor, was elected vice president and has had a long history of involvement in the Faculty Senate.

"I am currently not a senator," she said. "I have, however, been a senator in the past during my 15 years at the university. I was previously vice president several years ago."

Faculty who are asked to run for officers' positions do not have to currently be a member of the senate.

Browning has also been a member of several senate committees, such as the Coordinating Committee for Education, chairwoman of the Promotion and Tenure Committee and two Board of Trustees subcommittees, she said.

"Until I meet with the continuing issues and the new ones," she said, "I do not know what issues are facing the senate next year."

The Faculty Senate meeting adjourned after discussing a number of issues on the agenda but also left things to be discussed next year.

Balascio said a report is due next spring from a committee looking at recycling and related issues at the university.

"It will include recommendations regarding what kind of program, if any, is appropriate for UD," she said.

Applicants face more wait-listing

BY BENJAMIN ANDERSEN
AND LEAH CONWAY
News Features Editors

Growing numbers of college applicants are influencing more public universities to relegate qualified students to waiting lists.

David Hawkins, director of public affairs for the National Association for College Admission Counseling, said there are a striking number of students being put on waiting lists at public colleges.

"While the growth does not seem that great at about 5 percent," he said, "that translates into about 100 colleges."

The University of Georgia and the University of Oklahoma, which have traditionally not had waiting lists, have recently added them, he said.

Hawkins said research has shown students there are qualified but they don't have space for," Hawkins said.

"There is not a great chance of getting in," he said. "Students on a waiting list do not have a sense of accomplishment or defeat. They are just strung out."

As a result of more people being wait-listed, seniors are sending out more applications to more schools, Hawkins said.

Waiting lists are growing because more students are applying to public universities, he said. The space at these schools for the most part has remained the same, so the excess applicants are being put on waiting lists.

"A wait list enables schools to hold students that are qualified but they don't have space for," Hawkins said.

Schools cannot guarantee that the students they originally accept will attend, he said, so large waiting lists help to ensure all the seats get filled.

Students on waiting lists are in a tough position, he said, especially if they have not

been accepted to other schools.

According to the College Board's Annual Survey of Colleges, the number of students being wait-listed has increased from 133,522 in the 2002 to 2003 school year to 144,163 in 2003 to 2004.

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Lou Hirsh, director of admissions at the university, said the school will not be taking many students off the waiting list this year.

"We're running higher on our acceptances than we expected," he said. "We're a little more popular than we thought."

Many potential students will not be admitted because of space concerns, Hirsh said, although this class will be among the most competitive the university has admitted.

The university has received 3,480 acceptances to fill a class of approximately 3,400, he said.

"We don't have space for all the applicants who apply," Hirsh said.

He said students could get chosen from the waiting list if accepted applicants decide to go elsewhere.

Students are also at an advantage if they are applying for an underrepresented major, Hirsh said.

"We're trying to not only fill a class," he said, "but shape a class."

Bob Spatig, senior associate director of admissions for the University of Georgia, said the college began using a wait list this year to limit the number of students it admits.

More students accepted applications last year than the school was prepared for, he said. Students accepting admission to the university was up 6 percent over the previous year.

The school was forced to create a waiting list, Spatig said, because the university was facing overcrowding.

Many public schools use waiting lists to fill out their classes, he said.

"Other places use it to gauge interest," Spatig said. "We're not doing that."

Out of the 650 students waiting to hear from the University of Georgia, 150 have been accepted, he said.

Shannon Gundy, assistant director of admissions for the University of Maryland, said she has noticed an upward trend in admissions at public schools.

However, she said the school tries to avoid tying a lot of students to a waiting list.

"Students need to be able to move on," Gundy said, "so we deliberately keep a small wait list."



THE REVIEW/Jessica Sitkoff

This year's presidential election might be the most important in a lifetime, State Treasurer Jack Markell told a College Democrats meeting on campus Tuesday.

State treasurer visits campus

BY SHILOH ANDRUS

Staff Reporter

"People are always saying 'This is the most important election in a lifetime,' but this year, I think that is actually true," a government official told students in Gore Hall Tuesday.

State Treasurer Jack Markell, a Newark native, spoke about the condition of the Democratic Party at a College Democrats meeting.

Getting presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., elected is important to many people in Delaware, he said.

"The campaign is going to be ridiculously close," Markell said, "because it's difficult to get people out there to vote."

He said he was surprised when a student pointed out there would be more Republicans than Democrats present at Politically Incorrect, an open discussion forum for university political groups offering free pizza.

"More Republicans might turn out at your pizza party, but it's not because they are better on the issues," he said. "They come because they are organized."

Markell said he thinks it is terrible that Delaware has only 12 Democratic representatives compared to 29 Republican representatives, who are running mostly uncontested in upcoming elections.

"But it's happening for the same reason there's more Republicans who are going to show up to eat pizza," he said. "We only have a chance if more people eat that pizza who are Democrats."

Before he began his political career, Markell said he worked at Nextel as the 13th employee, where he served as senior vice president for corporate development.

"I actually named Nextel," he said. "When I left the company there were over 3,000 employees."

Markell said he eventually got to a point in his life when he wanted to do something that would make a difference for the people of Delaware.

"So I ran for office," he said. "I won in 1998, and three years later I was reelected."

Junior Larry Walker, president of College Democrats, said he was excited to have Markell as a guest speaker.

"We like to have Markell come because he is a very important person in the state of Delaware," he said. "He is thought to be one of the top up-and-coming Democrats in America."

Senior Scott Trembl said although he is not officially a member of the College Democrats, he enjoys attending meetings and wants to stay involved.

"I'm a business major so that's why I was interested to hear the state treasurer speak tonight," he said. "Plus, he has a lot of experience working at Comcast and Nextel."

Trembl said he thought the differences in the number of representatives from the Delaware parties was interesting, especially since many elected officials, such as Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr., D-DeL., and Gov. Ruth Ann Minner, are Democrats.

"Democrats are still outnumbered in the House," he said. "It's just surprising."

Markell said the main message he hoped to get across to students was that they could make a difference if they just get out there and try.

"You have to have fire in your belly," he said, "and you need to really care about what happens."

Millions at high risk for diabetes

BY KRISTEN LAUERMAN

Staff Reporter

Forty-one million Americans have pre-diabetes, a condition that increases a person's risk of developing type 2 diabetes, heart disease and stroke, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced last Thursday.

The number of pre-diabetics doubled due to new guidelines established by the American Diabetes Association.

Joan Chamberlain, spokeswoman for the National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse, said pre-diabetes, also known as impaired fasting glucose, is a condition where blood glucose levels are above normal but not high enough to be considered diabetic.

Previously, a pre-diabetic person's blood glucose level was set between 110 and 125 milligrams per deciliter, Chamberlain said. The new guidelines set the lower threshold at 100.

Chamberlain said she hopes the new definition will prompt people to make permanent lifestyle changes.

"We hope to catch more people who are

at risk and encourage them to lose weight through diet and exercise," she said, "and with those measures to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes."

Dr. Saul Genuth, who led the study in November 2003, said the 10-milligram difference added 20 million pre-diabetics to the population. He said the study is a wake-up call for those whose health is in danger.

"Cardiovascular health has depreciated and more people are at risk," he said. "We have a huge public health crisis."

Genuth said the changing criteria more accurately defines pre-diabetes.

"The four sets of data we used showed that 110 was not statistically the best cut point for impaired fasting glucose," he said.

Originally, a blood sugar of 110 was thought to be the upper limit of normal, Genuth said, but in actuality it is closer to 100.

Genuth said 7 percent of those who are pre-diabetic would eventually get type 2 diabetes.

Jill Rogers, chief of chronic disease prevention for the Delaware Division of Public Health, said a 2002 survey indicated that

43,000 Delawareans have diabetes, and the state ranks 11th in the country in prevalence of diabetes cases.

"Diabetes is a growing epidemic nationwide," she said. "The reason is often related to obesity, lack of physical activity and a poor diet."

Delaware is actively trying to curb the number of diabetics through education and nutritional and exercise classes, she said. Delaware also has library resource centers with more than 50 publications about controlling diabetes, Rogers said.

Cheryl Patterson, director of Christiana Care's "Living with Diabetes" program, said the area needs better diabetes care, but there is still a long way to go in combating the disease.

"We are not even tipping the iceberg as far as education goes," she said.

Patterson said she hopes the new information will encourage people to take care of themselves.

"Forty-one million people is mind boggling," she said. "Even helping a small percentage would be great. We need to prevent type 2 diabetes, especially in children."

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separate grounds, establishing two new precedents for parking waivers.

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Secondly, due to the financial strain of remodeling, the commission will allow the Abers to defer the first of three installment payments of \$2,500 for six months.

Joe Wald, chairman of the commission, said he was concerned about setting this precedent.

"The only thing that troubles me is once a precedent is set then the next applicant who doesn't get what he wants can go to the courts and say this precedent has been set and I should get it too," he said.

Still, Wald said he supported the decision because he felt logical guidelines were set by the commission.

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Waiting List

Public colleges are creating waiting lists at an increasing rate, due to rapidly growing numbers of applicants.

The National Association for College Admission Counseling has shown that there is only a one in five chance of being accepted from a waiting list.

Some public schools have used the waiting list as a method to fill in empty spaces.

However, schools should be wary of using this practice as a method to see how many students are willing to put their life on hold while they wait to hear a yes or no.

While waiting lists are traditionally an Ivy League practice, public schools have been forced to adopt it as well. Facing more applications every year, schools create a waiting list, which will

perpetuate a cycle of students sending out more applications to more schools.

In the event of accepted students choosing not to attend a particular school, a waiting list provides a good opportunity to give that person's seat to another worthy candidate.

It is a shame that state schools are becoming more competitive to the point of creating waiting lists.

Being put on a waiting list can give a sense of false hope to students, and schools should closely monitor the size of the list. To be fair, the number of people should be a plausible guess of how many students could be let in.

This practice is acceptable as long as it is used with the student's interest in mind and not as a research tool.

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Military draft uncertain, but scary prospect

Joey Cardella

Guest Columnist

One of the most upsetting things in this day and age, is the incredible amount of apathy among us young adults. We simply don't care about much that happens around us if it doesn't affect us directly. One particular example I feel applies to this, is the current war in Iraq. In March 2003, most of the country seemed pretty gung ho about going to war with Iraq, after being fed lie after lie by Bush and his cronies in Washington. Lies such as the claims of Iraq's possession of WMDs, the claim "we know where they are," the claim that Iraq could launch an attack on the United States "in as little as 45 minutes," et cetera. We now know these were based on little, none or faulty evidence compiled by certain war hawks.

I don't know how most of you felt about the war then, or feel about it now. A year ago, a war in a country like Iraq seemed like it wouldn't be much of a fight for us at all, being that we supposedly had the most technologically advanced military in the world. Not only did we seem to be at such an advantage technologically, but many people our age didn't think twice about going to war because it didn't directly affect them. We had so many Americans who volunteered for military service already, that we didn't have to worry about any of us having to fight ourselves.

But what if things were different?

What if there was a draft nowadays, just like in Vietnam? Would people's view of the war change? Would people's view of Bush and his administration change? My guess is yes.

But c'mon ... there's no way they'd bring back the draft. That's just ridiculous. I think that's the way most of us feel when the subject of the draft is brought up.

Well, if you dig this administration and are thrilled with all the wondrous things they've done for this country (note extreme sense of sarcasm) you may be happy to know of the next great thing they have planned for us. Can you guess what it is?

Word has it they want to bring back the draft. But that's not all. They also want to make it mandatory for all Americans between the ages of 18 and 26 to perform a two-year period of military service. That would suck for us guys, huh? Oh ... and you girls too.

This must sound pretty ridiculous, I

can imagine. However, there are currently bills in the House and Senate proposing exactly this. The title of the bill as posted on Congress's Web site reads: "To provide for the common defense by requiring that all young persons in the United States, including women, perform a period of military service or a period of civilian service in furtherance of the national defense and homeland security, and for other purposes."

While the draft may not come back, are you willing to take a chance with this administration again?

Yikes.

This bill doesn't mention a draft for the war in Iraq though. So why are people worried about the draft being brought back? For starters, the 2000 local and appeal boards which exist across the country are looking to fill all their positions. The people who sit at these boards are the ones who decide which young men (and now women) get drafted, who gets deferred, who gets exempted from service, et cetera. In addition to these positions looking to be filled, Bush has given the Selective Service System an extra \$28 million, nearly doubling its budget. That's a lot of money to put toward something that's not going to use it for anything. On the SSS Web site, part of their performance plan includes having almost all of their facilities up and running by June 15, 2005.

Not only does this not look good, but to make things worse, in a recent poll conducted by the Pentagon-funded Stars and Stripes newspaper, up to 49 percent of troops in the reserves do not plan to reenlist next year. These troops have already fulfilled the required duty of theirs as members of the reserves, and now the government is delaying their return home due to their own faulty planning for post-war events. It's understandable half of them don't want to return.

Good 'ole Rummy and Paul Wolfowitz have also been trying to push the reinstitution of the draft, evidence of such which was produced from White House memos that had been leaked to the

press. Details about the plans were not included, but Paul Wolfowitz was quoted as saying in reference to the draft, "We need this, and we're going to get it." Rumsfeld is on record saying he won't ask Congress to authorize the draft, but that shouldn't come as a surprise. If the administration formally acknowledged their plans for a draft it would be political suicide. Especially in an election year.

In the past, people have sought to avoid the draft by going to Canada or enrolling in a university. Unfortunately, this time around, neither of these will be options. Crossing the border to Canada has been made much more difficult since 9/11, and exemption from the draft for those attending college has been done away with because it was seen as unfair to those who couldn't afford college.

All of this certainly doesn't look very appetizing. While none of this ensures that a draft will be reintroduced, (the main reason most notably being the political effects for this administration, or any administration for that matter) the evidence that exists is enough to raise questions. Would our generation continue being apathetic or would something like this spark some activism amongst us? One question it should raise pertains to the upcoming election in November. While the draft may not come back, are you willing to take a chance with this administration again? If Bush gets elected to a second term, there's no stopping him and his administration in whatever they want to do, because they wouldn't have to worry about another reelection in four years.

If anyone has evidence suggesting that all of this is a load of bull, we'd all love to hear it. It'd be very reassuring knowing the fat cats in Washington actually aren't OK with sending us off to die in Bush's personal war. With the number of American deaths in Iraq now well into the 700's (more military casualties than all the years since the end of Vietnam), the constant eruptions of violence among Iraqi civilians and rebel groups, and no definite military plan that has been brought to light besides Bush's plan to "stay the course," I think that warrants enough for us to be concerned about.

I hope some of what's stated here prompts you to check into some of what I've said, and I hope you'll see it's not just leftist propaganda. No matter where you stand politically, never stop asking questions.

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Scalia should step down from Cheney case



THE REVIEW / Dan Lisowski



K.W. East
Where is My Mind?

In yet another story that, sadly, I had to find out about on foreign news sites months before it started popping up in American newspapers, Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia and Vice President Dick Cheney became involved in a bit of a flap, due to their life-long friendship and love of duck hunting.

You see, in January, Scalia and Cheney took a government jet out to Louisiana to do a little duck hunting, courtesy of Wallace Carline, a company with oil interests.

But there is something a bit more disturbing besides the fact that Scalia and Cheney enjoy blowing animals out of the sky for fun while drunk.

The really disturbing thing is that Scalia is currently presiding over a Supreme Court case that Cheney is involved in.

Less than a month prior to the trip, Scalia agreed to hear a case brought by the Sierra Club and Judicial Watch that claims Cheney may have been influenced by his friends in the energy business when implementing his task force on energy policy.

The thinking is that allowing Cheney (a former head of oil leviathan Halliburton whose friends include Enron chief Ken Lay) to create a task force on energy would be like getting one of the inmates

to guard the asylum.

Scalia, however, doesn't see how his friendship and hunting trip with Cheney could possibly be a conflict of interest. This, coming from one of the few judges who represent the highest law of the land, the interpreters of our Constitution.

What's even more frightening is Scalia's off-hand dismissal of anyone who suggests this might represent a conflicted interest. He isn't even taking the accusations seriously. Check out what he told reporters at Amherst College:

"It did not involve a lawsuit against Dick Cheney as a private individual," Scalia has said. "This was a government issue. It's acceptable practice to socialize with executive branch officials when there are not personal claims against them. That's all I'm going to say for now. Quack, quack."

Quack, quack?

Besides drawing Scalia's sanity into question, this statement belittles the fact that the possibility of Scalia being swayed is a legitimate concern. What does it mean when one of our most powerful judges won't even consider the other side of the story?

Supreme Court justices have to recuse themselves from cases, they cannot be dismissed. The last time he did so was last fall after admitting he could not remain impartial in a case challenging the phrase "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance.

So Scalia doesn't agree that he might be unduly pressured to rule in favor of one of his buddies. Shouldn't this be a case where erring on the side of caution is justified?

I'm no legal scholar, but could you imagine the public outcry if Michael Jackson invited the judge ruling on his case on a weekend trip to his Neverland Ranch?

Shouldn't the fact that this duck hunt has been noted in every major news source over the past few months say something? Even if Scalia firmly believes he can remain completely objective, doesn't the media's perception of what's going on call his judgment into question enough for him to step down from this case? After all, there are eight other justices whose judgment isn't being called into question.

It is unfortunate that this sort of behavior from our highest public officials hasn't created more of a scandal. Apparently Cheney and Scalia aren't high-profile enough celebrities for Americans to care about the outcome of this trial.

In a further sign of Scalia's disregard and flippancy regarding this issue, he felt the need to discuss how the hunting went with the *Los Angeles Times*:

"The duck hunting was lousy. Our host said that in 35 years of duck hunting on this lease, he had never seen so few ducks," he wrote. "I did come back with a few ducks, which tasted swell."

I hope you enjoy, Mr. Scalia. Try not to choke.

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Sound bites erase substance from politics



Andrew Amsler
Reality Bites

Like many other things in life, presidential politics has developed a mainstream attitude.

No longer do presidential candidates pay attention to eloquence or thoroughness when making their case to the public.

The days of motivational speakers like John F. Kennedy and Franklin Delano Roosevelt are gone. Instead, each presidential hopeful searches long and hard for the perfect sound bite, a few seconds of speaking at most with little or no substance.

Instead of being presented with concise plans for action and innovative ideas to change the face of America, the public is merely spoon-fed a taste of what each candidate has to say and left to figure out the rest.

Television ads that seem more like

Dodge Ram commercials than political statements and short, catchy phrases are all part of the "new" face of politics.

But where has the substance gone?

The truth is: there is no substance any longer! Although numerous individuals have taken the initiative to open the avenues of political commentary, few have succeeded and Americans are still left hanging.

In the end, most citizens make their voting decisions having seen or heard each candidate for no more than a few seconds at a time. The resulting political shallowness is detrimental and extremely troubling.

Contrary to popular belief, however, this is not a partisan issue.

President George W. Bush has consistently been limited to a sound bite or two, whether with regard to his military service record or the war in Iraq. Catching Bush saying something stupid, regardless of the context in which it was said, seems like a fun game of tag for members of the media.

Likewise, many Democrats have expressed concerns that presidential

hopeful John Kerry's uncanny ability to fudge a sound bite may cost him the election.

Kerry's few chances to make his case for election have been reduced to questions about what he did with his service medals after returning from the Vietnam conflict, not how or when he would turn over power to Iraqis. Furthermore, his words are often edited to include only his answers to similar non-issues.

The amazing impact of these circumstances is the fault of no particular person or group. Rather, it represents a downward trend in presidential politics at the hand of all in America.

Similar to the producers of TV shows that Americans covet like the *Real World* and *Survivor*, the media that report on presidential politics favor simple drama, no matter how irrelevant, over all else. For this reason, they are the single greatest deterrent to the presence of intellect in the political atmosphere.

The unending quest for action and scandal has largely left many members of the media unsatisfied, so they create such things by editing sound bites to

their need.

A second force at work is the people who create the political atmosphere: the politicians themselves.

Bush, like most incumbents, has avoided every opportunity to elaborate on his plan for the future. Even when the media seems to be extrapolating for him, especially in recent months, Bush has shied away from any long-winded remarks.

Kerry's campaign crew also favors keeping it short and simple. Given the right opportunity, Kerry will stop at nothing to interject a series of catch phrases in an interview.

While not necessarily that good at it, Kerry is simply contributing to the mess that has become a presidential election year.

In addition, the American public in general has fueled the elimination of substantive politics from all walks of life. Begging for simple drama and striking action, people pay attention only to the most simplistic forms of media.

Together, these three influences are a deadly combination when it comes to

the selecting a president.

Media officials cater to an audience who expect less, which is inevitably catered to by politicians who opt for a sound bite and avoid any "real" substance.

As the patience for politics diminishes among American citizens, these sound bites will get shorter and politicians will say less. But if this is permitted to continue at the same rate as in recent years, Americans might as well flip a coin to decide their president-elect.

As the average IQ of the American president has diminished and bureaucratic politics increasingly play a major role in decision-making, it is necessary to move beyond the sound bite. To make politics more accountable and viable, presidential candidates must be both afforded and take advantage of the opportunity to speak with substance.

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Freedoms of religion and speech collide in Utah



Erin Biles
Not A Lot Of Air In The Head.

Monday, allowing the church to restrict speech on property they own on Main Street in Salt Lake City.

The church acquired the land, on which a plaza was built, in a swap with the city for more than \$4 million and land located elsewhere.

The lawsuit was brought forth by the American Civil Liberties Union, and U.S. District Judge Dale Kimball, who outwardly promotes the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, dismissed their claim that restricted speech on the street violates the First Amendment.

This decision is a complete outrage. By being able to limit free speech on that section of the street, church officials can use their discretion in enforcing this policy, such as banning the distribution of anti-Mormon literature, on the site.

When city and church officials signed the deed to the land, they clarified that while it would be open to the public, it would not be an open forum for free speech. Land included in this property is the street sidewalk, customarily considered to be public property.

Utah governmental officials are known to be some of the most conservative in the country, and the majority of them are Mormon.

Obviously, the strict traditions of Mormonism are

being reflected in the government. Only this time, they have gone too far.

Alan Sullivan, attorney for the Church of Latter-day Saints, said in an Associated Press release, "The church wants the plaza to be an oasis of peace and beauty in the midst of our busy city, a place that everyone can enjoy."

Do you know what I, and most other U.S. citizens, enjoy? The peace of U.S. democracy and the beauty of free speech in public places.

The First Amendment prohibits the government from establishing an official or preferred state religion and enforces the separation of church and state.

Those distinctions are being completely ignored by this ruling. The state government's decision to allow the church to restrict speech on the street, which is public property, is not an equal separation between church and state.

The plaza in question is a pedestrian sanctuary, featuring a reflecting pond, benches and religious statues. It is understandable that church officials would like to limit anti-Mormon actions in this place, which is private property, but to limit a First Amendment right on a city street is ridiculous.

It was recognized in court that the section of Main Street in question has been utilized by the Mormon Church to pass out Mormon literature, and the city has recognized it as a public forum for more than 105 years.

It is no mystery that, like its state government, Utah's population primarily consists of followers of the Church of Latter-day Saints. In fact, approximately three out of every four residents is Mormon. This

skewed population is a result of migration to the state that occurred more than one century ago.

In 1847, Mormon pioneers, led by Brigham Young, migrated to Utah, fleeing persecution from Christian Restorationists. They had fled to many other areas before Utah, ultimately facing extreme discrimination.

Utah became their sanctuary, and they were able to practice their religion freely.

They fully exercised the First Amendment right of freedom of religion to practice Mormonism without any further persecution, and continue to do so today. And now, years after they settled, they are trying to restrict the constitutional right of freedom of speech. This act is inconceivably hypocritical.

They cannot expect to fully exercise their constitutional rights and create the foundation of a state on them, and then restrict the rights of others simply because they do not follow their own religion. The street is a public domain, and people should be able to peacefully act anyway they please.

In the Associated Press release, the ACLU said it would appeal the case to the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver, Colo.

From a religious group of people who liberally utilize their First Amendment rights everyday, this decision to limit others cannot stand.

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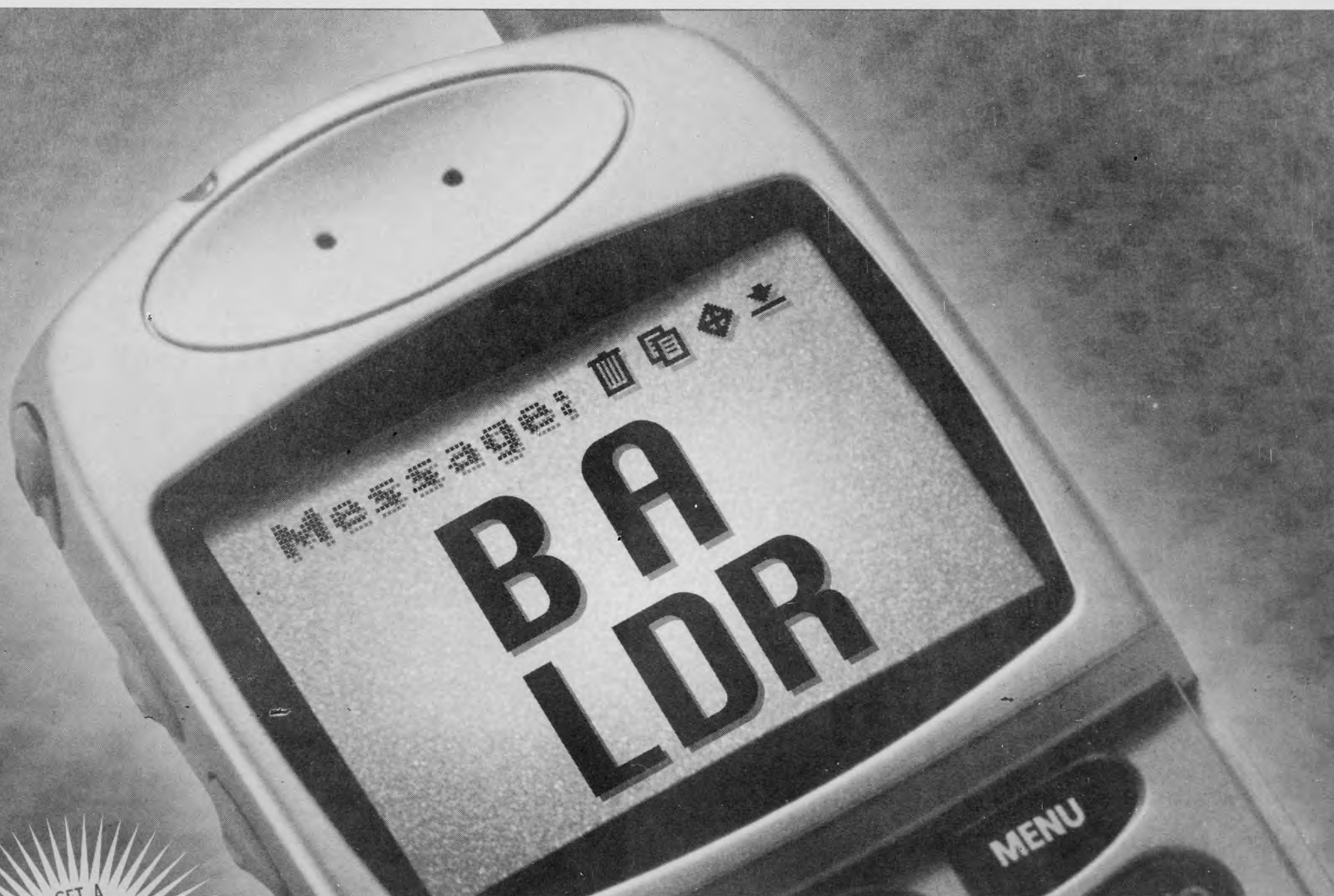
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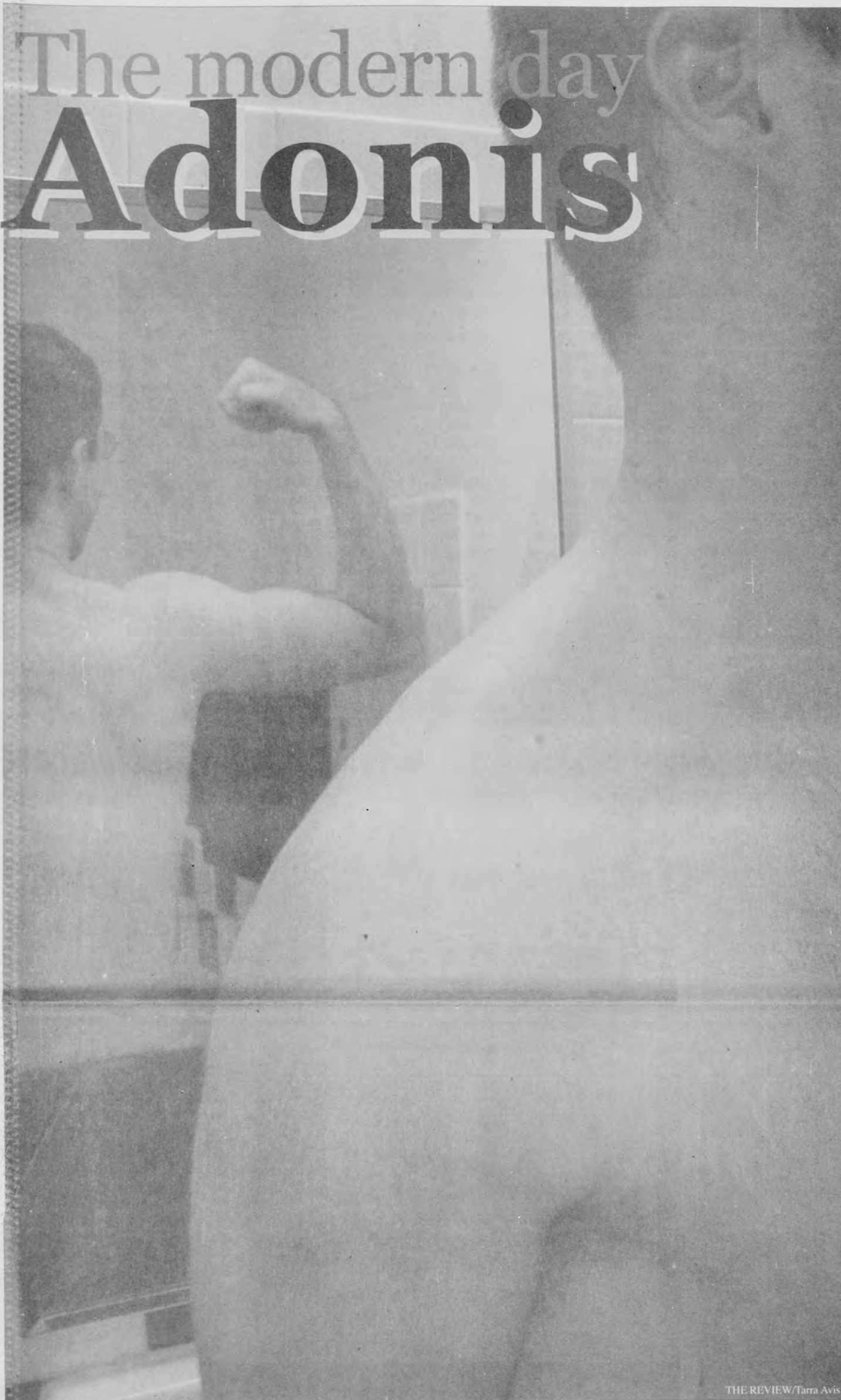
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Study shows media's portrayal of male bodies negatively affects men

BY CARSON WALKER

Staff Reporter

They are everywhere. Found in magazines, billboards and in commercials — they are modern day Greek gods.

Their official title is male model, but their bodies look more like a Michelangelo sculpture than the average human physique.

University students, and even some professors, flock to "Little Bob" on a daily basis striving to achieve the ideal body image. What exactly is the ideal body image?

Stacey Dunn, psychology professor at the University of Central Florida, says she recently led a study on the effects of media images on young males.

"There are many pressures on males these days," she says, "we wanted to look and see the extent to which they are effected."

Dunn says the study shows males who are regularly exposed to muscular males in advertisements are negatively affected, while males exposed to ads with regular men show no affect.

"At the end of exposure to ads with buff men," she says, "the males were depressed and dissatisfied with their own muscularity."

Dunn says she has been studying body image since 1989 and recently there has been an increase in ads focusing on male body image.

"Several ads feature what I call supersized men," she says, "which are very unrealistic."

Dr. Tania Heller, medical director for the Suburban Center for Eating Disorders and Adolescent Obesity, says there has been an increase in male cases at the center.

"We are seeing more guys with body image problems," she says, "but we don't know if it is a true increase or more are just coming for help."

Heller says males make up 10 percent of all people with eating disorders. However, few facilities address male body image problems.

The lack of attention to male disorders can result from embarrassment due to the disorder's association with females.

"Many symptoms go unnoticed in boys," she says.

Marie Laberge, women's studies professor, says bigger is better when it comes to the ideal body image in the media.

"Being heavy for men is a problem for some," she says, "but most men are under pressure to conform to the ideal of muscularity."

Males are introduced to the ideal body image of sculpted pecs and chiseled abs at an early age through the media highlighting a shift in societal norms, Laberge says.

Heller says recent ad campaigns focusing on body image have targeted boys of lower ages more than ever before — G.I. Joes, Rescue Heroes, even the revival of He-Man and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles exemplify the way actions figures and toys target young boys.

Heller says she has noticed the change in G.I. Joe's attributes during the last 10 years.

"It's stunning," she says. "They are becoming more and more huge. Young boys going through puberty just can't measure up and end up feeling poorly about themselves."

In addition, Laberge says the perception of a man's success is no longer be measured simply by the amount of money he makes.

"Success for men now means both money and also a buff body," she says.

Junior Steve Harrell says he has lost more than 35 pounds in the past year, but he has done it more for himself than because of pressures in the media.

"I don't feel like I was influenced by the media, and I wasn't doing it for a person," he says. "I did it totally for myself. Part of it was I just wanted to look a little better."

Laberge says a large part of achieving the "perceived" ideal body image in males is working out and lifting weights.

"Boys and college men are more likely than girls to work out with weights," she says. "And eat to increase bulk, or take steroids, which have a negative impact on the body."

The focus on muscular men and thin females in the media likely leads young men to weightlifting problems and young females to eating disorders, Laberge says.

Reverse anorexia, a problem recently addressed, can be found by observing fitness habits of males, Heller says.

"You see guys with this at the gym," she says. "Despite being big and muscular they feel puny and spend hours and hours working out. In the past they were just thought of as regular athletes."

Harrell says he lost weight by working out and eating better.

"I was really putting time in working out," he says. "I was making sure that when I was eating, I was eating healthier stuff."

The media does place pressure on males to look a certain way, Harrell says, but not all males are affected.

"There is pressure on guys," he says. "You see what girls do to an extent with their body image."

"I'm not saying it also happens to all guys, but some guys."

THE REVIEW/Tarra Avis

New generation of 'School House Rock'

BY JOE OLIVIERI

Staff Reporter

The teacher looks confused as the children help design his lesson plan.

"Call me dim but I don't see how memories of my grandpa's True Hardware store will help me teach grammar," he says.

Suddenly, music starts playing and the children around him dance excitedly.

"I think I feel a song coming on!"

With that, the six cast members at the Candlelight Theatre start into another song from "School House Rock," a live-action children's show in Ardentown Saturday.

"School House Rock" was originally a popular educational cartoon series on Saturday mornings on ABC from 1973 to 1985.

A simple story charts a path through the classic children's songs. A teacher awakes early on the first day of school, nervous about what he will teach his new students. Looking for relief, he turns on his television and is surprised to find "School House Rock" playing on the screen. Children magically appear from out of the television, and after dissuading him from changing the channel, they begin to sing songs.

Props come into play when describing the lessons the children teach.

During the song "Unpack Our Adjectives," cast member and university student Maria Papachrysanthou brings out a large bag of colorful bubble-lettered adjectives that she uses to describe her camping trip.



Courtesy of J.T. Koffenberger

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Last cup of 'FRIENDS'

BY LAURA BOYCE

Features Editor

"How you doin'?"

Possibly not so great if "Friends" has been your guiding light to the coolest styles over the last 11 years.

Although Rachel's layered 'do was actually hot at the time, inspiring many to make a mad rush to the nearest salon, not all trends from the show can be described so favorably.

So while saying goodbye to Monica, Phoebe, Chandler, Ross, Rachel and Joey last night might have been hard for many, a farewell to some of their heinous attempts at fashion might be long overdue. Good riddance.

Monica's Braids

Being in the Caribbean is not justification for just anyone to get braids. Obviously Monica thought otherwise. As quick fix to her frizzy hair resulting from the fierce humidity, Monica thought she was the next Stevie Wonder. Becoming increasingly annoying to everyone around her, Monica still loved the feeling of swinging her new beaded braids and the clickity-clack noise that resulted. Against her will, she was forced to remove the terrible look, thank heavens!

Joey's Turkey Pants

Eating an entire turkey is no.

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Clichéd film barely 'alive'

"Van Helsing"
Universal Pictures
Rating: ☆ 1/2

Sneak Peek HOLLYWOOD

As the first blockbuster film of the summer movie season, "Van Helsing" stands as a shining example of the appalling lack of originality found in Hollywood today. The title character and his blood-sucking arch-enemies are borrowed from the renowned Bram Stoker novel "Dracula." Frankenstein's monster is lifted from the Mary Shelley narrative and Mr. Hyde is stolen from Robert Louis Stevenson. The fact that all these characters are somehow jammed into the same movie (with Wolfman thrown in for good measure) is a testament not to the skill or creativity of the filmmakers, but rather to the fact that all the characters are owned by Universal Studios.

The threadbare plot which brings them all together goes like this: Van Helsing (whose first name,

inexplicably, has been changed from Abraham to Gabriel) is a monster hunter in the employ of the Vatican who is sent to Transylvania to wipe out Dracula once and for all. Dracula, meanwhile, has launched a nefarious, if wholly illogical scheme to bring life to his thousands of vampire children, who are all "born" dead, utilizing the techniques of Dr. Frankenstein.

To call this movie an homage to the literature or films from which its source material is lifted would be doing the word a great injustice. The only scene that seems to pay any real tribute is the black and white opening, where Dr. Frankenstein cackles, "It's alive!" after bringing life to his monstrous creation inside a massive castle under attack from the angry villagers. Nearly everything else is as embarrassing and self-indulgent as the Gus van Sant shot-by-shot remake of Hitchcock's "Psycho."

In case audience members aren't familiar with the classic Universal Studios monster movies or the novels on which they're based, writer/director Stephen Sommers throws in enough clichés as a way of driving home that nothing, save for the dim-witted storyline, was his idea. There's a gadget wizard/comic-relief sidekick in the form of Friar Carl (David Wenham, "Lord of the Rings"), the tough, martial arts babe on a quest for vengeance, Anna (Kate Beckinsale, who should have learned after 2002's "Underworld") to stay far, far away from vampire/werewolf movies) — even the stunts and special effects owe much to Sommers' far more enjoyable film "The Mummy."

The movie's \$150 million plus budget would suggest that, if nothing else, the monsters would look cool. As with the equally disastrous "League of Extraordinary Gentlemen," this is not the case. The



giant demon-bat form of the vampires is unnecessarily campy, Frankenstein's monster is goofy looking and Mr. Hyde looks like Hellboy.

But good special effects do not make a good movie — just ask George Lucas — and even if a movie looks ridiculous, it can sometimes be saved by the strength of its principal performers. Hugh Jackman, as the lead, was far better as Wolverine in the "X-Men" films, and is given very little to work with here; his Van Helsing some sort of Indiana Jones/Batman hybrid who isn't even given the courtesy of clever one-liners. Beckinsale is alluring as always, but her character, who for some reason dresses like a pirate, feels so out of place in 19th-century Transylvania that even in a movie where Frankenstein's monster does battle with one of the brides of Dracula, she's unbelievable.

Speaking of story elements which extend far beyond the suspension-of-disbelief necessary for a movie of this sort, Van Helsing's weapons are far more advanced than anything found in a late 1800s-era Europe. Somehow, he has access to nitroglycerine, a semi-automatic machine-gun crossbow, a grappling hook gun with a zip-line that extends several miles and deadly, handheld spinning saw blades.

There's no reason to see this movie. Everything about it has been done before, and done better. With a running time of more than two hours, "Van Helsing" seems to want to punish its audience for being stupid enough to pay eight dollars to see it.

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The Gist of It

- ☆☆☆☆ Dracula
- ☆☆☆☆ Frankenstein's Monster
- ☆☆☆ Mr. Hyde
- ☆☆ Wolfman
- ☆ Michael Jackson in "Thriller"

"New York Minute"
Warner Brothers
Rating: ☆☆

In their big-screen debut, tween queens Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen play polar opposite twins who get stuck in a series of events-gone-bad, all in a day's time, aka "New York Minute."

Jane Ryan (Ashley Olsen) is prim and proper, but her sister Roxy (Mary-Kate Olsen) is primarily concerned with finding new ways to get away with cutting school. The two girls don't have a stellar relationship, although they are independent spirits, due to their mother's death and their father's (played by MTV "Love Line" medical guru Dr. Drew Pinsky) workaholic schedule as a doctor.

During one fine day in their hometown of Long Island, both girls need to get to New York City for different reasons.

Jane needs to get to the city to make "the speech of her life" to a board of trustees in order to win a Fellowship award. On the other hand, Roxy is concerned with getting to a live video taping for real-life pop/punk band Simple Life, so she can hand out her band's demo CD. The band's manager Justin, played by real-life record label scout Jack Osbourne, informs her to be on the lookout for recording company representatives to give the demo.

The cameos in "New York Minute" are random. In one scene, while the twins are running down a crowded city



street in towels, their former TV dad Bob Saget ("Full House") catches a glimpse of them and does a confused double-take.

Eugene Levy ("American Pie") plays Max Lomax, an over-anxious truancy officer who lives for catching Roxy in the act, because she is such an experienced and successful class-cutter.

The TV-like flakiness of "New York Minute" may please pre-teen girls, but older audiences will get bored quick. For example, even though the film spans less than 24 hours, the girls manage to change outfits four times, including their romp around the city in white hotel towels.

On screen, Ashley and Mary-Kate are likeable and, at times, even funny. Despite their successful turn to big-screen tween queens, it seems unlikely that the hokiness of "New York Minute" will launch any type of individualized career for either girl.

— Callye Morrissey

"Envy"
DreamWorks Pictures
Rating: ☆

Ask yourself one question before heading out to see the new movie "Envy." Do you find flim funny? Apparently, Jack Black and Ben Stiller thought the rubbery Spanish dessert could be funny, but were entirely mistaken.

The premise of "Envy" centers around Black, who plays Nick Vanderpark, a dreamer who invents an aerosol spray that evaporates poop and is known by its oh-so-clever name, "Va-POO-rize."

Stiller plays Nick's best friend, Tim Dingman, who is the sensible and annoyingly realistic polar opposite. Tim takes every chance he gets to remind Nick of his dreamer qualities and the idiocy of all of his inventions, most specifically, Va-Poo-rize. Unfortunately for Tim, his family and the audience, his assumptions about the feasibility of Va-Poo-rize were completely wrong.

Nick's invention goes on to make him a billionaire many times over, which sends Tim reeling with gut-consuming jealousy. The newly moneyed family decides to stick around the neighborhood, and builds a new White House-sized mansion on top of their modest suburban home.

Nick is an over-the-top billionaire who gallops around the street on his large gallant white stallion "Corky," drives a yellow Lamborghini with a license plate that reads "Caca



King" and dresses eerily similar to Robin Williams in "Birdcage."

Dingman's family leaves him after the envy for his best friend's riches overtakes him. Everything goes downhill from there. The usually straight-laced good guy ends up at a dive bar drinking cocktails from a carved-out pineapple with an extremely creepy bum played by Christopher Walken. In the most disgustingly predictable scene of the film, Dingman in drunken stupor, stumbles into Vanderpark's theme park yard and shoots an arrow at Corky, which inadvertently kills the horse.

Stiller's performance is stiff and offers very little of the hilarity of his usual characters. Black also falls short of the funny finish line with his gaudy character. "Envy" has many of the makings of a fantastic film, but is missing a key ingredient — humor.

— Crista Ryan



"Trick 'n' Dupe-fer th' Soul"
By: Todd Miyashiro

SAY WHAT?

The Review asks students:

Who is your favorite "Friends" character?

— compiled by Allison Clair



Jennifer Seelah
Freshman

"I would say Ross because he's the goofy intellectual."



Lauren Kindeiter
Freshman

"My favorite has constantly fluctuated. Right now, it's Chandler and Ross."



Melissa Marin
Sophomore

"I love Chandler. He's the funniest, but he can also be serious."

"I liked Joey's duck" — junior Peter Tadross



Randi Murray
Freshman

"Chandler. He's so funny and sarcastic."



Dan Miller
Junior

"Definitely Jennifer Aniston (Rachel). Because she's hot."



Peter Tadross
Junior

"I liked Joey's duck."

CONCERT DATES

ELECTRIC FACTORY — (215) 568-3222

Ghostface Killah,
May 7, 8 p.m., \$30

TRUMP TAJ MAHAL — (609) 449-5150

Jewel,
May 7, 9 p.m., \$50.50

THE TRACADERO — (215) 922-5483

Bouncing Souls,
May 8, 7 p.m., \$13

MOVIE TIMES

REGAL PEOPLES PLAZA
(834-8510)

New York Minute 12:00, 1:55, 2:30, 4:05, 5:00, 7:05, 7:35, 9:25, 9:55
Van Helsing 12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 3:20, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:40, 10:10, 10:40, 11:10
Envy 11:45, 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35
Godsend 12:30, 2:55, 5:20, 8:05, 10:45
Laws of Attraction 11:50, 2:00, 4:15, 6:55, 9:30
Mean Girls 11:45, 12:15, 2:15, 2:45, 4:45, 5:15, 7:15, 7:50, 9:45, 10:15
13 Going on 30 12:20, 2:40, 5:05, 7:45, 10:05
Man on Fire 12:50, 4:10, 7:25, 10:35
Kill Bill-Vol. 2 3:30, 7:20, 10:20
The Punisher 7:40, 10:30
Ella Enchanted 12:55
Johnson Family Vacation 12:25, 7:55, 10:25
Hellboy 2:50
Home on the Range 12:05, 2:05, 5:10
Clifford's Really Big Movie 11:55

NEWARK CINEMA
(737-3720)

Matchstick Men Fri. 4:15, 6:45, 9:15 Sat. 1:00, 3:30, 6:45, 9:15 Sun. 1:00, 3:30, 6:15, 8:45
Once Upon a Time in Mexico Fri. 5:00, 7:15, 9:45 Sat. 1:30, 4:00, 7:15, 9:45 Sun. 1:30, 4:00, 6:40, 9:10
The Rundown Fri. 4:45, 7:00, 9:30 Sat. 1:15, 3:45, 7:00, 9:30 Sun. 1:15, 3:45, 6:30, 9:00
Rocky Horror Picture Show Sat. 11:59 p.m.

THEATRE N AT NEUMORS
(658-6070)

The Fog of War Fri., 8:00, Sat., 8:00, Sun., 2:00

THE HITLIST

FRIDAY

Trabant University Center
Theater: "Cold Mountain,"
7:30 p.m., "50 First Dates," 10
p.m., \$3

Deer Park Tavern: DJ Rick
Daring, 10 p.m., no cover

Stone Balloon: DJ Dance Party,
8 p.m., \$5, no cover with univer-
sity ID

Klondike Kate's: Dynamite DJ
Dance Party, 9 p.m., no cover

East End Café: Diatribe, 10
p.m., \$12

SATURDAY

Trabant University Center
Theater: "50 First Dates," 7:30
p.m., "Cold Mountain," 10
p.m., \$3

Stone Balloon: Urban
Sophisticates 8 p.m., all ages, \$5

East End Café: The Calling
Wood, 10:00 p.m., \$3, \$5 minors

Deer Park Tavern: Lower Case
Blues Band, 10 p.m., \$3

Klondike Kate's: Awesome '80s
Night, 9 p.m., no cover

Balance the sweetness of a truffle with a kick

Cowgirl Chocolates creates delicacies using ingredients such as hot peppers

BY SARA O'REILLY
Staff Reporter

Some people put pineapples and sardines on their pizza and are considered risk-takers in the world of food, but these adventurous few have probably never tried a spicy lime tequila truffle.

Cowgirl Chocolates pack a fiery twist into their truffles unlike any chocolate tasted before.

Head Cowgirl Marilyn Lysohir is responsible for this hot and tasty product. She says her brother Bob came up with the idea and pitched it to the chocolate factory Marylin had worked at as her first job.

"Bob gave them the idea of putting hot pepper into chocolates and they just laughed at him," Lysohir says. "They thought it was a ridiculous idea, but if they hadn't made fun of him, I never would have done this."

She explains the experience of eating a bite of Cowgirl Chocolate as having the "cowgirl kick."

"The truffle tastes like a normal fine truffle at first," Lysohir says. "Then, about three seconds after you swallow, you get a physical feeling of heat in the back of your mouth."

She says the truffles come in seven spicy flavors, including the new macadamia-taster, a per-

sonal favorite of the head cowgirl herself. There is also a mild line of milk and dark chocolate for those who cannot handle the heat. Aside from new truffle flavors, Lysohir says they now offer Delicately Hot Caramel Dessert Sauce.

"It's great for berry season and not to mention ice cream," she says.

Lysohir says she picked up her love for spicy food while traveling the world.

"I've been to Mexico, India and Africa and in sampling all the wonderful food they had to offer," she says. "I became addicted to spicy food."

Lysohir says Cowgirl Chocolates has won many awards including Best New Product in the Industry in 1998 at the Fiery Foods Contest.

"After we won that award, I knew I was doing something right, so I kept going," she says.

In 2002, the chocolates were showcased on the Food Channel's program "Unwrapped," and Lysohir says this airtime gave the company a boost in popularity and sales.

"When we were first getting started, the orders were for 40 pounds of chocolate and I was overwhelmed with that number," Lysohir says. "Now we get orders for over 4,000 pounds.

It's incredible."

Nizza Mangus, Lysohir's long-time friend and customer says she likes the orange flavored truffles.

"I enjoy the nice little feeling in the back of the throat and behind my ears," Mangus says.

A retired high school teacher, Mangus says she and five other teachers have made a cowgirl club and can be seen about town going about their cowgirl ways.

"We've all got black cowgirl hats," she says. "We wear them to most places and people recognize us and say 'Howdy!'"

Vikki Reich, an employee at the Moscow Food Co-op in Idaho, says they have been carrying Cowgirl Chocolates for so long that she cannot even remember how she discovered them. Reich remembers being drawn to the product by the whole package.

"It is a local product, it's packaged very nicely and it's one of the most unique ideas to come along in a while," Reich says.

The most popular sellers are the espresso and orange truffles, she says, but personally thinks the new raspberry truffles are "killer."

Reich says Lysohir often comes into the store to have them sample possible new flavors.

"We are her guinea pigs, sometimes," Reich says. "We taste-test and also let her know what's selling and what's not and hopefully that's a help to her."

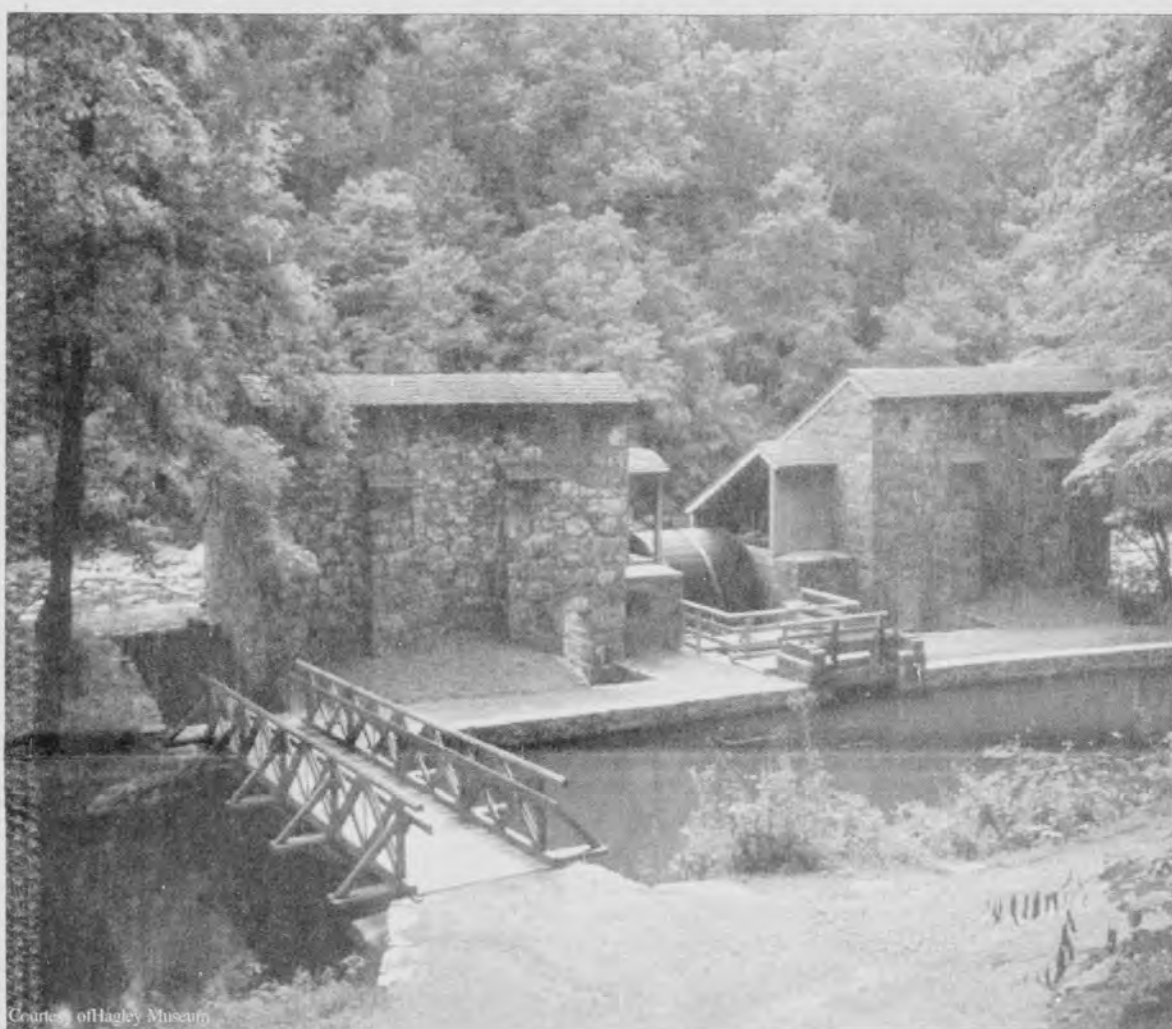
The Harry Potter studio in England is

among some of the orders Cowgirl Chocolates fills regularly, Lysohir says. There is also a scientist in Antarctica who buys the chocolates for the spicy cowgirl kick on a regular basis.

"When we get response from all over the world, it makes me so happy," she says. "Some customers even say things like, 'you giddy up, cowgirl, because these are the best chocolates we've ever had!'"



Courtesy of Marilyn Lysohir



Courtesy of Hagley Museum

Hagley Museum hosts 'Explosive Era' exhibit

BY NATALIE BISHOP
Staff Reporter

An old stone building with a rusted roof sits beautifully along the green trees and the sounds of the flowing Brandywine River. It is hard to imagine this was once the land of the largest producer of gunpowder in the United States. A loud "pop" is heard in the old roll mill as a man demonstrates how to test the strength of gunpowder.

With a few exceptions, all of the buildings at Hagley Museum in Wilmington are set along the riverbanks, which once fueled Eleuthere Irenee du Pont's gunpowder company. The river water still fuels the land, but it is only used to demonstrate what Hagley looked like when it was in use.

The "Explosive Era" exhibit, a mostly self-guided tour, allows the visitors to experience the process of making gunpowder. The aged buildings are set up to show how they used to operate when E.I. du Pont was in charge.

The powder houses line the banks of the river, the once solid metal roofs now rusted away and the floors, which once housed gunpowder, are now a bed of moss, trees and weeds.

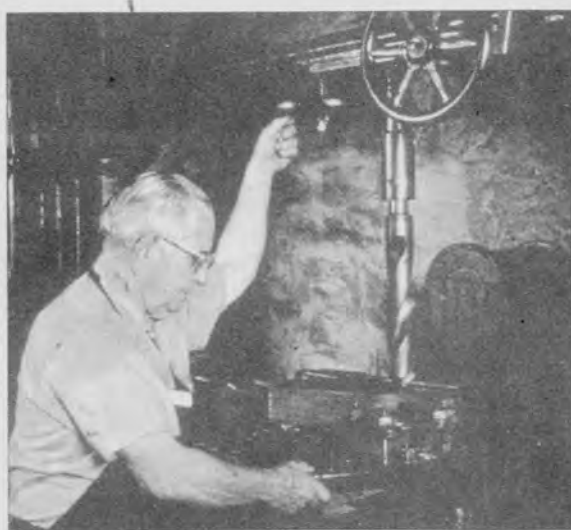
Two large eight-ton cast-iron wheels move in a circular motion in a shallow tub, shaking the bridge outside of the building while grinding the larger ingredients of gunpowder into a fine substance. The three ingredients for gunpowder — sulphur, saltpeter and charcoal — are set up for observation in the millwright shop.

The whole process, from the raw materials to the final product can be seen through miniature models set up in the millwright shop, demonstrating what it would be like to work in a powder mill.

Following the display of the gunpowder ingredients, several very large tools are seen hanging on the wall. The tools resemble large spoons and forks. A black evaporating kettle that looks like a witch's pot is set up to purify the ingredients.

The models represent the powder mill exactly how it used to be, going as far as putting a miniature train in one of the models to show how materials were transported. The models show the buildings with little water mills on the riverbanks, and how the river was used for energy to run the mill. A miniature model of Cooper's Shop demonstrates that each powder keg was made with seasoned oak, and that the kegs traveled by boat until after the war.

The machine shop, a guided tour starting every half hour, is a dark room lit by gas lighting with all black machinery. William Dickey, a volunteer tour guide, says boys ages 16 to 18 worked in the shop for 10 hours per day, six days per week, making a nickel an hour.



Courtesy of Hagley Museum

Volunteer William Dickey explains that boys ages 16 to 18 worked for 10 hours per day.

They were only allowed to make five cents per hour, but they were only allowed to keep half of that and the rest was put away to save for bad times. He says they had two vacation days every year, Christmas and Independence Day.

Long paddles attached to beams in the high ceiling start and stop the machines, while conveyor belts moving around rollers operate the machines. The machine shop was used for making and repairing machines.

Dickey says the young employees made their own gears, starting with a round piece of metal, then drilling a hole in the middle of it and finally cutting the grooves. Even after the gears broke, the boys would repair them instead of making new ones because the process took such a long time.

A yellow wooden train caboose sits on the tracks of the Narrow Gauge Railroad, which once carried materials from one building to the next. This train is the larger of the two and was pulled by either horses or mules along the tracks. A smaller version, which looks like a palette on four wheels, sits farther down the tracks and was pulled by men when in use.

Jack McCool, equipment demonstrator, says dynamite killed the black powder business. Dynamite was a safer explosive at the time, as gunpowder accidentally exploded from time to time.

Chris Gautreaux, a visitor from Connecticut, says the tour is a great experience.

"It's awesome. It is interesting and enjoyable," she says. "I recommend coming here."

'Crazy for This Girl' duo begins tour after 3 years

Band creates independent recording label

BY MELISSA BRACHFELD
Student Affairs Editor

Jaron Lowenstein of the guitar-playing duo Evan and Jaron says he and his brother are on a musical mission.

The twin brothers best known for their Top 10 radio hit "Crazy for This Girl," have recently released a follow-up to their self-titled album in April titled "Half Dozen."

Jaron says the new album showcases their growth as people and as musicians.

"With life experience comes new stories and we've just lived a lot more," he says. "Last time, we were 26 years old, but now it's four years later. Sonically, it's a lot more Americana, less ethereal and more straight-forward."

"This time we recorded it with a live band in the studio as opposed to piecing it together and layering it track by track. This record is more straightforward because we had a better idea of what we were doing."

Jaron says "Half Dozen" was recorded in a unique and different manner.

"We recorded an entire album in Nashville — 12 songs — and we decided to put six on this record and six on another album which will be released sometime in the winter," he says.

It was upon the completion of "Half Dozen" in Nashville that Evan and Jaron found out that they, along with 200 other recording artists, had been dropped from Columbia Records. This turn of events prompted the brothers to have to make a decision as to how to best get their music out to the public.

Jaron says after turning down offers from other major record labels, the duo decided to start up their own independent recording label, 12 Between Us Records. The title of the record company stems from many possible ideas.

"We like to keep the rumors afloat," he says. "There's the donut theme depicted on the cover of the album, the concept that there's 12 people working at the label ... we'll never tell."

Jaron says not being on a major record label is hard work, but well worth the effort.

"There's a distinction between the record company and the music business. 12 Between Us Records is about music, not money," he says. "We'd rather just have people hear our music. We're nice guy entertainment."

So nice in fact that Jaron says the band has arranged for the album to be sold at the lowest price possible, \$6.

It's true, we walked away from the opportunity to be on a big record company," he says. "In doing so we also walked away from selling our record for \$19 like last time. We also walked away from being misrepresented in order to make a few quick ones."

"No hard feelings, though, we have many friends at Columbia Records as well as many other record companies, but we just feel it's time to do it on our own."

Jaron says he understands college students are low on funds and can not always afford the latest CDs.

"We're kind of like in 'School of Rock,' he jokes. "We want to stick to the man."

Jaron says he and his brother rely heavily on their Web site to interact with their fans.

"I can get to my fans right now through our own Web site," he says. "There's not 300 or 400 people between us."

Evan and Jaron kept this idea of intimacy alive while embarking on their current 21 city tour.

"It's non-stop for the boys," he says.

The duo have been playing in clubs in an effort to get closer to their fans and increase interaction, Jaron says. They also had offers to open for three major tours over the summer, but opted to go the club route.

"We had a lot of offers," he says. "We haven't toured in almost three years and we wanted to come back and get reacquainted with our fans. It was a conscious decision [to headline a smaller tour] and some people are confused by it, but when they show up, they understand it."

"We're not above going back to the start for awhile."

Evan and Jaron will be playing at the Ram's Head Tavern in Annapolis, Md., on May 12 and will be appearing at the Crash Mansion in New York the following day.

"We just don't get a lot of sleep," Jaron jokes.



Courtesy of Evan and Jaron

After being dropped from Columbia Records, rock duo Evan and Jaron created their own independent recording label.

feature
forum

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Heading to the library is never a positive experience. It means that you need to study something like International Economics or write a paper about Egypt's policies on Islamic fundamentalism. So why does the library try to compound this less than enjoyable experience?

In my three years at this school, every single time I've left the library they've insisted on checking my bag to see what books I've stolen on that particular day.

Everyone who goes here knows this policy is ridiculous. Usually, my hands are full when I approach the gate out. Without fail, I forget this policy and hold up the whole line all so some bored employee can look up from their textbook to pretend to glance in my bag and look for some stolen books.

There was one time when I actually had a book in my bag. I forgot about it, and a bored kid didn't quite catch it.

So I was striding past the gate and the alarm started, and then the gate actually stuck. The notebooks in my arms went flying, and I almost fell over the gate.

Is that necessary? The stuck gate literally blocks you into a little jail. Like I'm really looking to go running out of the

Overwhelmed at the library

library with the books. I think an alarm would be sufficient.

Not to mention, those library books aren't really worth stealing. Every book I've ever taken out of the library looks like it came from my grandpa's musty basement and smells like mildew.

They are mostly hardcover, have thin breaking pages, and seem as though they were bought sometime in the 1920s.

There must be some new books in there, but I've never come across one.

I like books. I like to read. I don't like to read a smelly book though. Border's Bookstore has some great smelling books. You open them up and they just smell new. That makes me want to read. Opening a book that accosts my nose just doesn't.

Of course, finding those books is the real fun the library provides. When I was a freshman, I remember stomping out of the library in frustration many times, because it's so damned difficult to find the books I needed.

There's about 18 numbers and letters all mashed together that need de-coding before you can begin to look for a book. And the 'map' of how to find them usually isn't very helpful. It's a process, to say the least.

You would think with all the money this university spends on bricks they could spare some to re-do the library.

For one, those wonderful posters that

line the library walls are a little outdated. I'm no interior decorator, but I think we could update them to the 21st century, as they probably went up sometime in the '70s or '80s. I don't even recognize most the "celebrities" entreating me to read because reading is just that cool. Except Kermit the Frog, I recognize him.

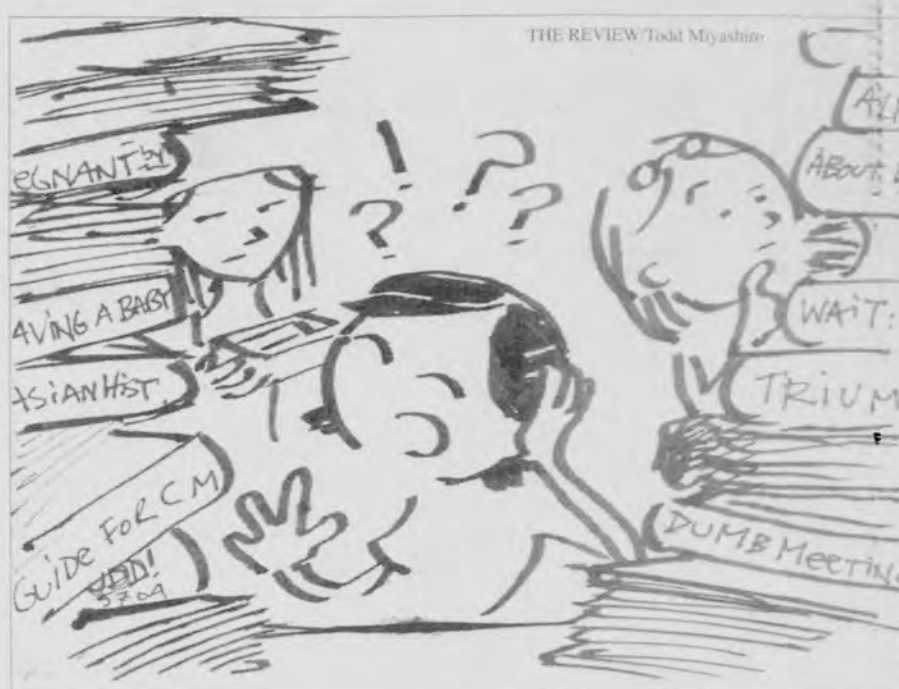
And I don't even want to get into the hours that the library keeps, but I will. Many other schools have libraries that stay open all night. Turn out most of the lights, let the staff go home, but keep the library open a little later. We won't steal any books, promise.

Freshman year I particularly needed this to happen. My dorm was an especially noisy one, and many times I wanted to stay past the midnight closing time. I literally had nowhere to go, except back to a chattering roommate and a rowdy hallway.

At the risk of sounding like a loser, I get my best studying done late at night. Midnight just doesn't do it.

Even during finals, although the times are extended somewhat, I just don't think that it's too much to ask to keep the building open for a night. There's not that many other places to go, and it would be helpful for a lot of people.

A lot of other schools have a 24-hour library system. If UD claims that it's coming up to Ivy League standards (ha) then maybe it could do something to help its



THE REVIEW/Todd Miyashiro

students get to those levels.

Overall, there are definitely some good things about the library. You can usually get a computer, and the internet is unusually fast there.

They provide us with good databases that are accessible from dorm rooms. The staff can also be very helpful.

However, our university is getting more

prestigious as time goes on. President David P. Roselle has acquired the University a lot of money to make improvements, and I think some of this should be spent to re-vamp our library.

Many kids spend a good portion of their day studying away within the library walls. I don't think it's too much to ask for some upgrading of this often-used building.



Courtesy of J.T. Koffenberger

"School House Rock" sings favorites such as "Conjunction Junction" and "Interplanetary Janet" to children.

'School' teaches timeless jingles

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"I unpacked 'frustrating' first / Reached in and found the word 'worst' / Then I picked 'soggy' and / next I picked 'foggy' and / Then I was ready to tell them my tale / 'Cause I'd unpacked my adjectives."

Cast members hide behind support beams and cover behind audience tables as a hide and seek game turns into a song about multiplying by fives, "Ready or Not, Here I Come!"

Nearby, wide-eyed children watch the cast members' every move while their parents make hand gestures toward the stage, blithely chanting "5, 10, 15, 20."

Songs cause the performers to turn into non-human roles as well, from forming a train in "Conjunction Junction" to becoming visited planets in "Interplanetary Janet."

Paul Miller, one of three co-owners of the theatre, says "School House Rock" has been playing three times a week since the beginning of March and will continue until May 22.

"School House Rock" was a nice choice because it has name recognition," he says.

"It's fun, it appeals to our age group, and we wanted to keep something slick but still maintain some educational properties for the children."

Tara Bonner of Wilmington enjoys the show.

"[I] grew up with all the cartoons on the TV so [I] knew all the words," she says.

"I think [I was] more excited about it to come watch in the beginning than he was, but he enjoyed it too," Bonner says of Matthew, age 5, sitting next to her.

"I liked the songs," he says.

Dave Gross says aside from attending to watch a friend in the cast, his favorite part of the show was "learning things I didn't learn in grammar school."

Cast member Kristen Lanouette says the show's appeal stems from the universality of its humor.

"During the week, we have mostly all kids and Saturdays are when the parents can come," she says.

"So the kids have a blast and they don't get all the things the adults get, which is fun because then the adults come and they kinda get our other humor that we add in there."

A fan of the show since childhood, Miller cannot decide on one favorite song from today's performance.

"It's hard to be a judge of that because we grew up with these cartoons so we kinda like them all," he says.

"They have an annoying way of getting stuck in your head."

'Best Mom' announced Sunday

BY JACQUELINE RIVA

Staff Reporter

Barbara Eden, best known for her starring role in the much-loved television series "I Dream of Jeannie," will soon spread her cheer to mothers all across America this Sunday.

As host of the contest "America's Best Mom," Eden says she will crown one lucky winner with that exact title on a live television special set to air on Mother's Day, May 9 at 4 p.m. on PAX TV.

"We all take our mothers so for granted," she says. "We don't think we do, but we do."

To nominate a deserving mother, participants logged on to the America's Best Mom Web site and were allowed to cast their entries until April 30, according to the Web site's rules.

A portion of the profits from the contest will be donated to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, an organization created by mothers to prevent intoxicated driving and support those who have been victims of the act.

As stated by contest rules, randomly selected applicants were picked and narrowed down to 50 percent of the pool. Upon notification by e-mail, those nominators were asked to write an essay on behalf of the special mother they chose. Two thousand nominees were picked at random and their essays were reviewed. Submissions were judged on the compelling nature of the tribute, the mom's role in her family and her generosity toward others.

Finally, 50 of the mothers were interviewed by telephone this week and narrowed down to just five extraordinary women. These semi-finalists will be flown to Branson, Mo., with their families as part of the television finale.

A panel of celebrity judges, the studio audience and home viewers will then collectively deem one of the five women "America's Best Mom" for 2004.

The three guest judges, responsible for 50 percent of the vote, will be represented by Susan Jeske, the reigning Ms. America, Dr.

Rex L. Forehand, psychology professor and co-author of the book "Parenting the Strong-Willed Child" and Wendy J. Hamilton, national president of MADD.

Home viewers who call in their votes, along with the studio audience members, will both determine the other 50 percent of the outcome.

Eden says the television special is a wonderful idea that will allow Americans to pay tribute to mothers everywhere.

"We pick up flowers or buy a card, but it's more than that," she says. "It goes deeper."

Eden believes the contest is a way to draw attention to the hard work mothers endure every day and to show appreciation while it is still possible.

"I didn't realize how much I depended on my mother until she was gone," she says.

According to www.everythingmothersday.com, the concept of honoring mothers began with the ancient Romans and finally became a holiday in the United States on May 8, 1914, when President Woodrow Wilson designated the second Sunday in the month as a day to honor all mothers.

This was largely due to one woman, Anna Jarvis, who created a day to raise consciousness of the poor health conditions in her community and called it "Mother's Work Day," the Web site states. When Jarvis died in 1905, her daughter sought to celebrate her life and lobbied with politicians to create a holiday solely dedicated to the appreciation of mothers, which was finally honored by Wilson.

The grand-prize winner of the "America's Best Mom" contest won't have to worry about feeling unappreciated. She'll take home a prize package consisting of a trip for two to Hawaii, a lease-free Honda Accord for three years, and her fair share of fresh flowers, chocolates, maid service and dinners.

Although one winner will be showcased on Sunday afternoon, Eden says all mothers can relate to the contest's message.

"Everybody is 'America's Best Mom,'" she says.

Farewell 'Friends'

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easy feat. To embark on such a task would require pants with an expanding waistline, or as Joey saw fit, maternity pants. Passed from Phoebe to Rachel for use in her pregnancy, Joey saw opportunity in the huge stretchy belly as the perfect Thanksgiving dinner attire. The parachute-like women's pants looked no better on Joey than they would on any pregnant lady.

The Holiday Armadillo

Not since Santa Claus has a holiday icon been so unique. The giant armadillo Ross dresses as to excite his son about the joys of Hanukkah is more scary than exciting. Seeing Ross dressed in the brown costume creates a disturbing image that confuses the topic more than clarifies it. An armadillo for Hanukkah? A very interesting holiday outlook on Ross's behalf, no one else seems to share the same views. Dressing up as a giant menorah may have been a bit more effective.

Rachel as Princess Leia

In attempts to fulfill Ross's sexual fantasy, Rachel dresses as Princess Leia in the bedroom. Already a bit weird to begin with, the situation backfires as he begins having visions of his mother's face in place of Rachel's. Rachel in the "Star Wars" inspired costume: a little freaky; images of Ross's mother in same sexual fantasy: worse. Trying to satisfy the bizarre wishes that Ross confided to Rachel in the end satisfied no one. Maybe some things are better left unsaid.

Phoebe's Christmas Bow

Being rushed to make it to Ross's presentation on time is no reason for the hideous broach Phoebe attaches to her shirt to cover the hummus stain rather than just changing her shirt. Although Phoebe tries to cover up the fact that she looks ridiculous by telling someone the giant ribbon is worn in support of the Christmas cause, it is really no excuse. The red accessory should remain decoration on top of a nicely wrapped gift, not a nicely dressed, yet stained, Phoebe.

Chandler's 007 Tuxedo

The name's Bing, Chandler Bing — it just doesn't have the same studly appeal, and neither did seeing him in the too tight, too short James Bond tux. Desperately wanting Monica to allow him to wear the famous spy's outfit at their wedding, the viewers spied a Chandler they hoped never to see again.

Ross's Leather Pants

As Ross learned the hard way, being exceptionally hip does not necessarily equate to leather pants. Trying to impress a woman with the Jim Morrison-like pants, he winds up looking more like a fool than cool. As his legs expand with the heat, watching Ross try to squeeze back into the pants is not his most flattering TV moment. Neither baby powder nor lubricant work and instead create a paste that is quite gross and unfortunately no help in pulling the pants back up. Apparently it takes a special kind of person to pull off leather pants, and Ross is not one of them.

Joey's Man Purse

A guy carrying a purse is not the most typical sight, but then again it is Joey, not the most typical man. Not even Ralph Lauren could create a male tote that escapes the friends' ridicule. Although Joey grows to like his purse, liking something is not the same as looking good, and in this case that holds true.

Rachel's Cheerleading Outfit

Pulling her old cheerleading outfit out to make herself feel young, Rachel finds herself at a new low. Attempting to feel better about having a younger boyfriend, Tag, wearing her old uniform not only doesn't make her feel any better, but it scares away the boyfriend too. He is less than impressed and leaves Rachel looking like a lonely, and not to mention 30-year-old cheerleader.



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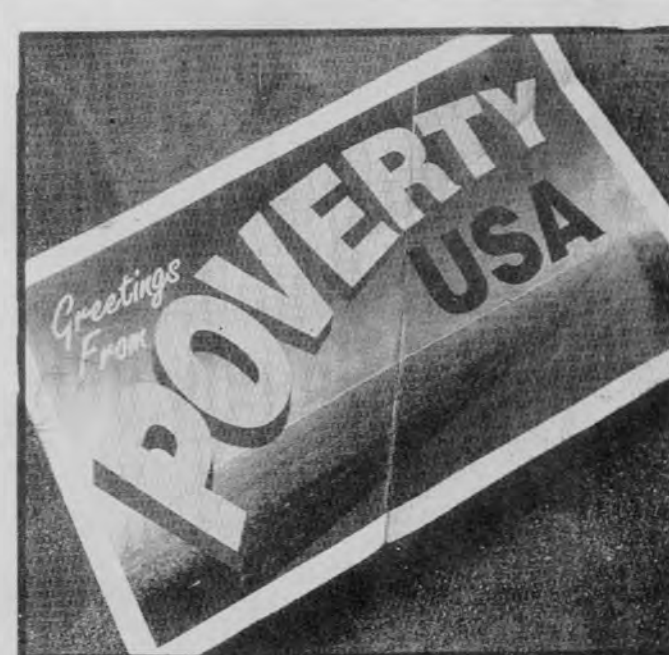
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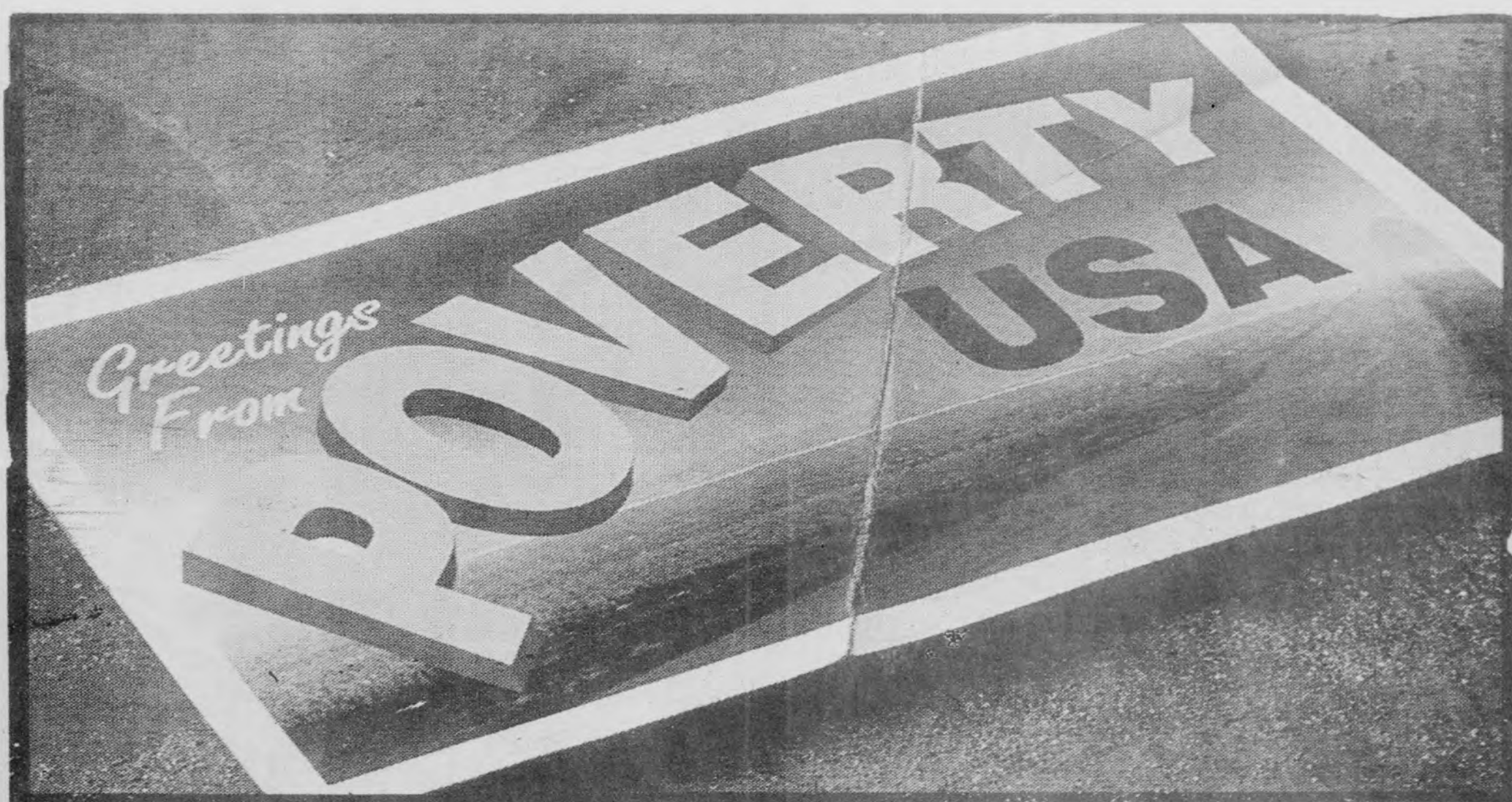
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Unfitting end to great year

BY BOB THURLOW

Managing Sports Editor

Despite losing its first ever appearance at the Colonial Athletic Association tournament, the Delaware men's lacrosse team proved this season why it belongs in the powerful lacrosse conference.

With three of its six teams spending most of the season in the top 20, according to United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, the CAA has once again been one of the leading lacrosse conferences in the country.

Entering this season, the Hens had never won a conference game, but that all changed on April 3, when the men defeated Hofstra 12-10. The win came on the heels of a Hens' 11-10 victory over No. 14 UMBC. The victory over Hofstra gave Delaware its highest ranking of the year, No. 11, when the polls were released on April 5.

Before conference play began, the

Hens jumped out to a great start, winning their first three games and eight of the first ten games, including upsets over Air Force and UMBC.

The reason for Delaware's early-season success was mainly due to the shut-down performance of the defense.

Led by senior Ryan Drummond, juniors Ian Wright and Chris Willits and sophomore Paul Rodriguez, the Hens defense was among the tops on the country at mid-season, allowing only 6.89 goals per game in the team's first nine games.

Another reason for Delaware's strong play was the consistence of junior goaltender Chris Collins, who has been the No. 1 goalkeeper since joining the squad. Collins posted an 8.60 goals against average this season, the lowest of his three-year career.

Although the defense anchored the team, the young offense, led by freshmen

face-off specialist Alex Smith and attackman Cam Howard helped bolster the Hens' offense.

Smith won 63 percent of his face-offs and Howard was second in the team with 39 points, including a team-leading 20 assists.

While the freshmen helped propel the offense, the spark came from senior Matt Alrich, who recently passed 100 points for his career with a five-goal performance against Denver this past weekend. Alrich led the team with 46 points, including 34 goals this season and became the first Delaware player since John Grant and Kevin Lavey in 1998 and 1999 to score 30 or more goals in consecutive seasons.

Despite losing to rival Villanova 15-6, the Hens have a lot to take from this season and should only be more competitive next year, losing just six seniors due to graduation.



THE REVIEW/File Photo

Freshman Alex Smith has helped guide the Hens this season with his face-off wizardry and sporadic goal scoring.

Weekend Preview

Redshirt freshman quarterback Brad Michael has decided to transfer from Delaware. A backup to Andy Hall last season, Michael would be behind junior transfer Sonny Riccio and sophomore Ryan Carty next season.

Michael, a native of North Carolina, could transfer to a Division II or III school and still play next season. He would be forced to sit out next season if he transferred to a I-AA school.

Although he enjoyed his time at the school, Michael said he never felt comfortable in Keeler's spread offense.

Four Delaware athletes were recently awarded Colonial Athletic Association player-of-the-week awards.

Men's lacrosse players Matt Alrich (senior attackman) and Alex Smith (freshman face-off specialist) were awarded player of the week and rookie of the week, respectively.

Alrich netted a career-high five goals in his final game at Rullo Stadium and Smith scored a goal and won 20 of 27 face offs in the Hens 15-9 win over No. 16 Denver on Saturday.

Softballers Carolynn Sloat and Laura Streets were awarded rookie of the week and player of week, respectively, for their performance last weekend against Towson.

Sloat won game No. 17 this season, a rookie record, as well as her 25th complete game this season, a school record, and Streets had a successful offensive weekend, upping her average to .399, one point shy of the .400 mark.

The men and women's track and field teams will compete in the Towson Invitational tomorrow and the Villanova Invitational on Sunday.

Both teams are coming off successful performances last weekend when they each placed first in the second Delaware Invitational.

Junior Mike Yost has been almost unstoppable this season in throwing events and senior Jerome Holder has been very successful in 110-meter hurdles.

For the women, attention will yet again be on freshman Mandy Stille who has been dominant in the heptathlon. Junior Casey Bennett will also be expected to perform solidly and perhaps secure her fourth pole vault title of the season.

- Compiled by Bob Thurlow

NCAA approves new standards

BY ROB MCFADDEN

Sports Editor

The NCAA took steps toward improving student-athlete academic standards last week, approving several reforms that could affect as much as 75 percent of men's basketball teams and more than half of the football teams.

Delaware athletic director Edgar Johnson said he has mixed feelings about the reforms, which would penalize schools that failed to meet standards twice in four years, three times in seven years or four times in 10 years.

"It looks pretty lenient to me," he said. "But there are schools out there that haven't graduated anyone in 10 years. To have them reach a minimum graduation level comparable to their institutional setting four times in 10 years is certainly better than zero times in 10 years."

"But it's still egregiously bad."

According to the NCAA Web site, an assessment of the approximately 6,000 Division I teams will be conducted over a two-year period. Teams will be ranked according to their Academic Progress Rates, which measures the percentage of athletes who are complying with the NCAA academic requirements already in place.

Starting in the fall of 2007, the Graduation Success Rates of the lowest-ranked teams will be evaluated and compared with the overall graduation rates of their schools. If the team's rate is lower than that of its school's overall rate, the team will face penalties starting in 2008.

Teams that did not meet the standards twice in four years would lose scholarships and the number of campus visits by recruits would be decreased.

Teams that failed to meet requirements three times in seven years would be ineligible to be involved in NCAA championships in any sport.

A team that did not meet the standards four times in 10 years would not be able to vote on rule changes and would not be able to receive other NCAA benefits, including sponsorship money.

"What the NCAA is doing with this is trying to say that there are institutions out there that have not graduated anyone in their men's basketball program in a decade, yet they're in the NCAA tourney every year," Johnson said.

"Shouldn't they be held accountable for that? Shouldn't there be some penalty? And the penalty is that if you're not graduating kids, you're going to lose scholarships and you're not going to be able to participate in any NCAA championship."

Johnson said the changes would not affect Delaware.

The NCAA Board of Directors also did away with the unpopular "5/8" rule, which limits the ability of schools to award scholarships.

Johnson said he was against the rule from the start and was pleased to see it go.

"If you have an institution where a coach leaves and kids transfer out, or kids get injured and can't play again ... There are a number of reasons why you might need more than five scholarships."

The reason the NCAA instituted the rule in the first place was to prevent schools from running players off, Johnson said.

"I just think we're publishing the graduation rates and that's all the institutions need to be aware of," he said, "and that's all the public needs to be aware of."

"We just need to do a better job of penalizing institutions that run kids off or don't graduate kids. That's what I think the NCAA was trying to address."

Season to conclude Women's lax faces Penn St.

BY TIM PARSONS

Staff Reporter

The women's lacrosse team will wrap up its 2004 campaign on Saturday when it faces off against No. 20-ranked Penn State in a 1 p.m. match at Rullo Stadium.

The Hens (5-10, 2-5 CAA) will have had a 17-day layoff since their last game, an 11-10 victory over Temple on April 21.

Freshman midfielder Jenny Diana scored five goals for the second straight game, while sophomore midfielder Kristen Cellucci and junior midfielder Erin Edell each added two goals for the Hens.

Senior attacker Shannon Kron led the game with three assists. Junior goalkeeper Lauren Burtch made 14 saves to pick up the win.

The layoff occurred because the Colonial Athletic Association held the conference championship over the weekend of April 30 to May 2. The conference did not want the championship to conflict with the final exam schedules of some member schools.

Delaware head coach Denise Wescott said she thinks that the long break has helped the team.

"We have been able to rest our legs a little bit and recover from some injuries that the girls received," she said.

Even with a losing record, Wescott said she believes that her team is capable of competing with very good teams.

"Our record is not a good indicator of how good we are," she said. "The team is really starting to play well together. The defense has really been coming together well and the offense has been good at moving the ball up the field and creating scoring chances."

"They are the best team to do that since I took over coaching here."

The Delaware offense has already scored one more goal than last season (151) with one game remaining. The 2004 squad has also taken 79 more shots on goal than the 2003 team.

Diana leads the team with 35 goals this season, 11 more than last year's leading scorer Nikki Kucharski.

Diana has 10 goals over the last two games, including the game-winning tally with 35 seconds left in the last game against Temple.

The Delaware defense has also done better than the 2003 squad. One hundred seventy-four goals



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Junior midfielder Diana Hall is second on the team in fouls with 34 (Lindsey Greer leads with 36).

have been scored on Delaware goalkeepers in 2004, while 191 were scored on the net-minders in 2003.

Diana and Edell were named second team All-CAA on April 30.

Diana leads the Hens in total points with 41 (35 goals, 6 assists), and Edell has tallied 24 points (21 goals, 3 assists).

Wescott said she believes that the team will be strong in the future.

"As long as the girls continue to improve, they should be able to compete for the conference title a few years down the road," she said.

Wescott said she is hoping that the team will come ready to play on Saturday.

"We need to improve our intensity a little bit," she said. "We need to set the pace and be consistent in our play. We have come out sluggish in the past, but I think the girls will come to play on Saturday."

"Even though we know this is our last game, I know that the girls will play with pride for the school and will be very motivated to win."

The Road Report

Hens defeat Maryland Late rally extends win streak

The Delaware baseball team just keeps finding ways to win.

Sophomore Todd Davison's sacrifice fly in the top of the ninth inning scored the game-winning run as the Hens defeated Maryland 7-6 Wednesday at Maryland.

BASEBALL

Delaware entered the ninth inning trailing 5-4, but after junior Brock Donovan was hit by a pitch with bases loaded that brought home Brian Valichka, tying the score at five. Later in the ninth, freshman Dan Kozek scored on a wild pitch to give the Hens a 6-5 lead, setting the stage for Davison's late-game heroics. Davison's sacrifice

fly scored Ed McDonnell, giving the Hens a 7-5 lead.

Davison's RBI proved to be critical as Maryland led off the bottom of the ninth with a homerun by Will Frazier to cut the Hens lead to 7-6.

Sophomore Joe Coudon entered the ninth inning and preserved the win for Delaware.

Delaware (25-16) has now won five straight games, including 11 of its last 13.

The Hens will face Hofstra in a three-game series starting Friday with possible playoff implications on the line, as Delaware will need to continue its hot streak in order to make the Colonial Athletic Association playoffs.

Playoff future unsure for Delaware softball

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"Right now, we just have to

be optimistic that the stars are in our favor and that we'll be there next Thursday," she said. "It's a very difficult position to be in."

The Hens have advanced to the CAA Tournament each of the past two seasons, finishing third in 2002 and fourth in 2003.

Terrapins game one starter Monica Cyphert did not give up

a hit until the third inning and

Sloat retired the first 11 batters she faced. The game remained scoreless until Maryland stroked two consecutive singles and a double to put two on the board in the fourth.

The Hens came back with two runs of their own in the fifth on a sacrifice bunt by junior right fielder Kelley Pastic and a sacrifice fly by senior first baseman Liz Winslow.

The game remained tied through the seventh inning, but a sacrifice fly in the top of the eighth downed Delaware.

The Hens were again unable to jump start themselves offensively in game two while the Terrapins jumped on the board with two runs in the first. Joseph settled down and scattered four hits over the next four innings.

Maryland's Jessica Aditays (12-11) allowed only four hits in her seven innings of work as she picked up the win in a complete-game effort.

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Commentary

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Numbers don't lie

Apparently Sunday is Mother's Day. Of course, I had no idea and had to be reminded. Can't they send out a fax for stuff like this? Or an e-mail? Something?

Anything would be helpful for guys like me who never remember any holiday, birthday or anniversary without being told by someone more responsible than me. (In case you're wondering why I'm rambling about my own stupidity, I'm getting to that.)

See, the reason why I never remember any dates of significance is because my brain simply has no room left to store any of that information.

My mind is so cluttered with batting averages, ERA's, point spreads — and a host of other useless information that prevents me from ever remembering anything of significance.

It's a sickness, really. Sadly, my head has become that one drawer in your house that you throw random things into because you can't think of a better place to put it. In my house we called it a junk drawer.

That's what mind has slowly morphed into — a junk drawer with a sports twist.

I can recite the last 15 NCAA football champions without missing a beat. Ask me to remember my brother's birthday and I'll give you Theo Epstein's How-the-hell-did-the-Yankees-get-A-Rod face. Total bewilderment.

It's the same with college basketball. I can ramble off NCAA champions and their Most Outstanding Players dating back until before I was born. But ask me to remember your birthday? There's a better chance of the Eagles winning an NFC title game.

And even more sad, on the off-chance that I do actually remember something that I'm supposed to, it's only because I somehow equated it with something sports related.

Like my dad's birthday, I remember it because it's Babe Ruth and Willie Mays (3/24). Starting to get the picture?

And it's like this with not only important dates, but basically everything in my life. For instance, when I'm at the mall or a stadium parking lot and hopelessly searching for my car, the only way I find it is because I gave the lot number a sports reference.

Ever have this conversation with your buddies while leaving a ballgame?

"Do you remember where we parked?"
 "Uh, nope. I thought you would remember it."

Then you remember to head toward Joe Montana (J16), make a right and you find your car waiting in Jim Kelly (K12). It's like this with everything.

I once spent over two hours walking around a mall parking lot because I was sure I parked in Chris Webber (C4.) Turns out, my car was one lot over in Brett Favre (B4). Starting to see how this has become a burden?

I'm a walking sports almanac, which, sadly, will not take me very far in life.

Fortunately though, I don't think I'm alone.

Judging by the amount of people (read: husbands and sons) I will see at the local pharmacy Sunday morning in a mad scramble to try and find any card somehow related to Mother's Day, provides solace that they may also suffer from my affliction.

When I can't sleep at night, I don't count sheep like a normal person. I'll make a list of the best athletes of all time, according to jersey numbers, starting with one and going through 99.

Now my original intention is for this to help me fall asleep, but I eventually become so involved in a debate with myself over who should be No. 4, Lou Gehrig or Bobby Orr, I end up getting so frustrated with having to choose, that I stay awake even longer.

And what's worse is that there is no way I can fix it. There's no filter system in my brain that sorts out the useless information and stores information that I can actually use.

I'm just hoping that somewhere down the line, a job application will ask for Don Mattingly's career batting average (.307).

Until then, I'm stuck waiting for a cure.

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Who popped out today?

Johnny Unitas - 1933 - NFL great
 Marv Hubbard - 1946 - Ol' Mother
 Traci Lords - 1968 - "Actress"
 Eagle Eye Cherry - 1969 - Singer
 Brad Isbister - 1977 - NHLer

Wildcats capitalize on fast start

Lax falls in tourney

BY STEPHEN MANGAT

Staff Reporter

All season the men's lacrosse team had spent the first half recovering from slow starts and grabbing victories in the second half.

Unfortunately Villanova was so far ahead at the end of the first half Wednesday night that Delaware had no chance of catching up.

The CAA playoff showdown with Villanova gave the Hens a chance to redeem their loss to the Wildcats earlier this season. Alas, the Wildcats maimed the Hens 15-6.

Villanova exploded like an M80 in the hands of a careless child on the Fourth of July, jumping out to a 5-0 lead in the first quarter.

Wildcat attacker Brendan O'Donnell scored three of the five goals to record a hat-trick in the first 8:23.

Delaware defender Paul Rodriguez said the Wildcat offense took Delaware off guard early.

"Villanova shot really well from outside and we weren't expecting that," he said.

Junior Joe Trentzsch scored for the Hens at the end of the first quarter to give Delaware hope, but the second quarter only brought more doom and gloom.

Villanova ran riot over Delaware from the opening face-off, scoring eight

seconds into the quarter, adding three more unanswered goals.

Delaware meekly countered with a Chad Holmes goal with 3:24 left in the half, but the Hens defense was at the mercy of the high-powered Wildcat attack.

Stung into action by Delaware's goal, Villanova grabbed two more goals before the half ended.

With the score at 11-2, the Hens drew on past experience to show themselves that a comeback was possible.

"We were thinking of the UMBC game," Rodriguez said. "We came back from an 8-4 halftime score against them and we pulled that one off so maybe we could do it again."

The third quarter showed promise with the Hens scoring three straight goals after giving up one.

Alex Smith, who went 16 for 25 on face-offs, scored his third goal in as many games to start the Hens comeback.

Attackers Cam Howard and Matt Alrich scored the next two and Delaware showed signs of life closing out the third quarter.

Unfortunately, the Hens flatlined again as Villanova scored the first goal of the fourth quarter to stretch the lead to 13-5.

Alrich scored again to provide a fitting ending to his career, but the Wildcats refused to let up, scoring twice more. The 15 goals allowed was a season high for Delaware. The final goal, coming with nine seconds left in the game, left a bad taste in the Hens' mouth, especially Smith.

"The coach of Villanova showed no class by telling his kids to take it to the



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Junior midfielder Joe Trentzsch pushes around a defender in a game earlier this season. Unfortunately, the Hens were unable to get around Villanova on Wednesday, losing 15-6 in the NCAA Tournament game.

goal with only a few seconds left," he said. "It was a classless act, and I think that's pretty pathetic that he wouldn't call off the dogs up that many goals."

Penalties plagued the Hens, keeping them from establishing a flow to their play all game. Delaware racked up 10 minutes of penalties versus two for Villanova.

"Refs seemed to be calling really tight game and we play a physical game," Rodriguez said. "We needed goals in the second half and we were man down for most of the third. It killed our chance for a comeback."

In the other CAA playoff game, Towson defeated Hofstra 6-5 and will

host Villanova in the championship game on Saturday.

Although Delaware lost out on an automatic berth into the 16-team NCAA tournament, they still have hope for an at-large berth. Having defeated three teams in the top 20, the Hens have a remote chance of getting one of the 10 at-large bids.

"We're not practicing today so I guess we're not expecting it," Rodriguez matter-of-factly said.

The loss marked the end of the line for Delaware seniors Matt Alrich, Ryan Metzbow, Andrew Benazzi, Mike Sayre, Ryan Drummond and Ryan Overs.



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Sophomore catcher Brian Valichka prepares to swing in a game this season.

Hot Hens take five-game win streak to Hofstra

BY CHASE TRIMMER

Staff Reporter

The Colonial Athletic Association baseball championship is less than a month away, but some very important dates remain on Delaware's schedule. The Hens must finish among the top six teams in the conference if they hope to be playing on UNC-Wilmington's Brooks Field May 26.

Delaware is currently in good position at fourth place in a conference that head coach Jim Sherman described as "tough from top to bottom."

This weekend, the Hens travel to Hempstead, N.Y. for a three-game series against Hofstra that will test just how tough the bottom of the conference really is. The Pride are in last place in the CAA with a somewhat deceiving conference record of 3-15.

Hofstra lost a hard-fought conference opener against second-place Virginia Commonwealth, (13-5), in March. The first two games of the three-game series were decided by a total of three runs. The Pride were beating the Rams by two runs in the ninth inning, but Hofstra was unable to stop a rally that gave Virginia Commonwealth a 5-4 victory.

Hofstra lost three straight games to James Madison with identical scores of 6-5. In the first game of their series in April, Hofstra suffered an upsetting loss after having the lead until the eighth inning when Skyler Doom hit a pinch-hit homerun for James Madison. The third game of the series was another tough one for the Pride. They fought back from a six-run deficit but fell short of victory in the end.

James Madison was ahead of Delaware in the standings until the Hens swept the Dukes last weekend.

The Pride beat Towson in two of their three

meetings. The same Towson team beat Delaware once and played a very close game on April 23, losing to the Hens in ten innings.

"[The Pride] plays well at home and many of their games have been close this season," Sherman said.

The Hens have won 11 of their last 13 games, including Wednesday's defeat of Maryland in which the Hens rallied for three runs in the ninth inning to win the game 7-6. Sophomore shortstop Todd Davison drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly.

With the playoffs approaching, Delaware is focusing on doing what has worked so far this season.

"Practice is the same old, same old," Sherman said. "We're swinging the bats well, getting some good pitching and we just hope we continue to keep playing well."

Delaware will send the same rotation to the mound this weekend that has worked against conference opponents all season — the trio of junior Scott Rambo, senior Mike Mihalik and senior Jarame Beaupre. They will face a Hofstra lineup that is last in team batting (.275).

Hofstra sophomore infielder Ricky Caputo leads the team in four offensive categories and his (.406) batting average is third highest in the CAA.

Last season Hofstra beat Delaware once out of three games. Sophomore David Huth pitched a complete game for his first collegiate victory on May 3, 2003.

The top two teams in the conference, George Mason and Virginia Commonwealth, still lurk on the end of Delaware's conference schedule, but Sherman said that the Hens' attention is focused elsewhere right now.

"As the saying goes, we're taking it one game at a time."

Softball drops two to Terps

BY ROB MCFADDEN

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Most athletes and coaches will say that there is no such thing as a meaningless game. Yet with the Delaware softball team's regular season conference schedule complete and its postseason future in the hands of its conference rivals, yesterday's doubleheader against Maryland didn't really hold much importance for the Hens.

The Terrapins swept the twin bill, 3-2 and 3-0, holding Delaware to just eight hits on the day. The Hens wasted the pitching performances of freshman Carolyn Sloat, junior Jenn Joseph and sophomore Lindsay Jones, who combined to allow just four earned runs.

Sloat (17-13) recorded her 26th complete game in the eighth inning of game one and made her school-record 37th appearance of the season.

Joseph (9-6) started game two and gave up two earned runs in five innings before Jones (1-2) came on in relief to pitch two shutout innings.

Delaware (27-22-1) is currently ranked fourth in the Colonial Athletic Association with a 9-8 conference record. The team's playoff hopes depend on either third-place Towson losing twice to sixth-place Drexel or fifth-place George Mason dropping one game to last-place UNC-Wilmington this weekend.

The CAA Softball Championship is scheduled for May 13 to 15 and will be held at the location of the highest seed.

Delaware head coach B.J. Ferguson said the only thing her team can do is practice tomorrow, then sit and wait to see what happens.

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Sophomore Kinsey Lowry moves to field a ball in a contest earlier in the season.