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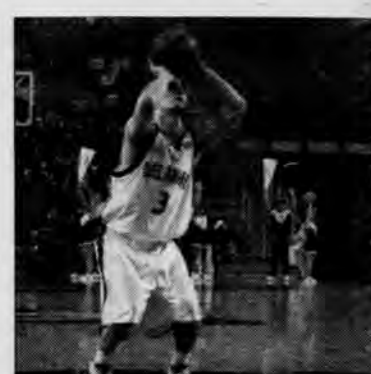
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Delaware adds to Kerry lead

BY BROOK PATTERSON
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Delaware Democrats went to polling places Tuesday to cast their vote for one of the seven democratic candidates they hope will take over the White House.

It was the largest turnout nationwide of voters in a primary, according to the Democratic National Committee, with participation doubling 2000 rates in Delaware and Oklahoma.

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., won five of the seven races in states participating in primaries, receiving 50 percent of the votes in Delaware, and gaining 14 delegates for the convention in Boston this summer.

The only other candidate to receive delegates in Delaware was the Rev. Al Sharpton, who although he received only 6 percent of the votes, gained one delegate.

Sen. Joe Lieberman and Sen. John Edwards were tied for second place, and received 11 percent of the votes, followed by former Vermont governor Howard Dean and Gen. Wesley Clark

with 10 percent. Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, came in last with 1 percent of the votes.

Lieberman, Sharpton and Kerry visited Delaware prior to the primaries, in hopes of boosting their campaign supporters.

Lieberman, however, did not make a good showing in any of the races, and as a result decided to pull out of the race Tuesday night.

Announcing his decision to drop out at his campaign headquarters in Arlington, Va., Lieberman said "we have waged a campaign of which

we can all be proud. We have strived to stay true to ourselves, true to our beliefs, and true to what we believe is best for this great country."

"Our campaign has been about vision, and while the door on our campaign has closed, a window opens tonight for us to continue fighting for what's right. I pledge to support whoever the Democratic nominee may be, to deny George Bush a second term."

Edwards spent a majority of his time campaigning in South Carolina,

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Courtesy of Lynne Connor

Democratic presidential hopeful John Kerry signs autographs while visiting with Delaware citizens in New Castle last Friday. Kerry won the state primary by more than 50 percent.

and won the state with 45 percent of the votes.

Clark won Oklahoma with only 1,275 votes more than Edwards, causing a tie, with both receiving 30 percent of the votes.

In a post-primary speech at a victory rally in Oklahoma, Clark said he was very proud of the accomplishment. "Oklahoma is 'OK' by me," he said.

Clark spent a majority of the week

prior to the primary campaigning in the state, hoping it would result in a win.

The candidates will continue their focus on primaries and caucuses across the country with new races beginning Saturday.

Michigan and Washington will hold caucuses Saturday, Maine will hold its caucus Sunday, and Tennessee and Virginia will both hold primaries Feb. 10.

City votes against PATRIOT

BY NATALIE BISHOP
Staff Reporter

The Newark City Council passed revisions to the PATRIOT Act Monday in its effort to protest the privacy issues covered in the legislation.

A report drafted by Karl Kalbacher, 3rd District, maps out the groundwork for the revisions.

The report states that the council believes the PATRIOT Act violates the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights.

There is also opposition to random arrests, detention without hearing, and "sneak-n-peek" searches and seizures without consent.

Kalbacher's proposal was approved and will be sent to Delaware's state and federal representatives, he said, in hopes that it will be considered during debate regarding a potential PATRIOT Act 2.

"I am pleased with the outcome and that I received approval from the council," Kalbacher said. "I am pleased they supported it."

A political matter of this sort is unusual for the Newark City Council, he said.

"Newark is a very thoughtful and well-educated community with a pretty conservative city council," Kalbacher said. "We don't usually stick our necks out on controversial issues."

A majority of the citizens who attended the meeting supported the revision, but some spoke against the idea.

Newark resident Albert Porach said he does not oppose the PATRIOT Act.

"I don't have a problem applying the law to people who are fugitives of the law," he said, "whether they be illegal aliens, whether they be terrorists or marijuana smokers."

The fugitives he refers to, he said, are those who commit crimes and do not want to be punished for their actions.

"They want special consideration to do some duty without consequences for their actions, whether it be over alcohol consumption, automobile violations or drug consumption," Porach said.

Kalbacher said the PATRIOT Act has pros and cons that the committee hopes to alter through its revisions.

"We want to convey to the elected officials the concerns of the community," he said. "We are hopeful the senators, the congressmen and the president will take a hard look again."

One problem with the PATRIOT Act, Kalbacher said, is the fact that the U.S. security agencies are permitted to look through American citizens' files without notifying them of the action.

In the revisions, it is suggested that the government make rules to prevent intrusive searches, he said.

"The United States security agencies need additional legal tools ensuring that they have appropriate safeguards," Kalbacher said, "so they don't abuse their power."

The government or the agencies should not be able to check someone's records without getting their approval first, he said.

"I am hopeful," Kalbacher said, "that we will be part of a group of people who persuade the federal level to make changes."

Metachem site water contaminated

BY AUDREY GARR
Administrative News Editor

The Environmental Protection Agency is working on cleaning up and testing the Potomac aquifer in Delaware City, recently found to have been contaminated.

Hilary Thornton, EPA engineer and project manager for the long-term clean up efforts, said the EPA became aware of the contamination at the Metachem site, which was closed in May 2002, in December 2003.

"We received the preliminary results from the initial sampling of the well in December," he said.

"There is a validation process where the results are carefully analyzed to make sure they are correct," Thornton said, "and to also identify any ambiguities in the lab."

They received those results toward the end of the same month, he said.

David Sternberg, spokesman for the EPA, said in addition to the Potomac aquifer, there is another aquifer at the same site.

"Columbia aquifer is a shallow aquifer which has been known to be polluted for a number of years," he said.

Thornton said benzene, a volatile organic compound and a known carcinogen, as well as a number of chlorobenzene compounds, were found to have

leaked from the Metachem plant into the aquifer.

"Metachem took chlorine and benzene as raw materials and made the [chlorobenzene] compound for further industrial use or as a product that could be sold for consumer use," he said.

"For example," Thornton said, "these compounds have been used in moth balls in the past."

Sternberg said Metachem abandoned its facility due to bankruptcy and is currently going through court proceedings.

"Under the law," he said, "they would be liable for [the contaminants left behind], however the company declared bankruptcy."

"While we continue to pursue possible assets, it was not possible to make them pay for the clean up."

Thornton, who is in charge of the remedial or long-term clean up efforts at the Metachem site, said the chemicals seeped through the ground into the water source.

"The nature of these chemicals is such that they sink down into the ground and dissolve in groundwater," he said. "We are in the process of designing a containment barrier that we hope will stop the spread of these chemicals."

Sternberg said local water companies sample for these compounds regularly.

"These samplings have not shown any of these contaminants to be present [in drinking water]," he

said.

Kevin Vonck, graduate research assistant and a member of the Newark's Conservation Advisory Committee, said the city does not get its water from the Delaware City aquifers.

"Newark gets its water from two locations," he said. "Most of the water is from surface water originating in White Clay Creek State Park, which is then diverted to a water treatment plant on Paper Mill Road, while ground water is drawn from well fields."

Vonck said he believes there are certain factors that promote the safety of the city's water.

"Lucky enough, the surface water intake in the watershed does not have a lot of development around it and there is an ordinance which prohibits building within a certain number of feet from a well head area," he said.

Vonck said the state's water is protected by the 2001 Delaware Source Water Protection Law, which sought to implement the standards of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996.

"[The legislation] says any municipality exceeding 2,000 people has to implement source water protection programs such as zoning, land use, buffer areas for construction, et cetera," Vonck said.

In addition, these programs must be adopted by 2007, he said.

Thousands take an icy polar plunge

BY LEAH CONWAY
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More than 2,000 people charged across a snowy and icy Rehoboth Beach and into the ocean for the 13th Annual Lewes Polar Bear Plunge Sunday, one of the coldest days in the event's history.

Heather Hirschman, director of Public Relations for Special Olympics Delaware, said while braving the 32 degree water and 28 degree air temperature, the Polar Bears raised about \$330,000 for the organization, which is located on the university's campus.

"With this year's effort, the Lewes Polar Bear Plunge has now topped \$2 million raised in 13 years," she said. "All of the money goes to support Special Olympics Delaware, the state's largest year-round organization devoted to sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with mental retardation and cognitive delays."

Allan Waterfield, professor in the department of health and exercise sciences and a long-time Special Olympics volunteer, said this was his sixth year helping out at the event.

"They are all insane," he said of the "Polar Bears" taking the plunge. Waterfield said despite the extremely frigid temperatures, the plunge did take place 10 years ago in even colder weather.

The conditions could have been worse, he said, since there was no rain. Hirschman said each participant collected a minimum of \$50 in pledges and donations to take the plunge.

"If you can do it this year, you can do it any year," she said. Senior Steve Koczirka, a member of the university's emergency care unit, said the EMS squad came to the event because they wanted to help out.

The EMS squad volunteered to serve the Polar Bears by providing extra security and standing by in case of any emergencies on the beach, he said.

Junior Abby Eddinger, a member of the university's emergency care unit, not only volunteered her services, but also took the dreaded plunge herself.

"Well, at least the sun is out," she said. "And it's worth it, since it's for such a good cause."

Sophomore Lindsey DiStefano said after taking the plunge, she was the coldest she had ever been, but it was still fun.

"I thought it was cool how there was such a big turnout," she said.

DiStefano said when she emerged from the ocean, she could not even feel her fingers to put her clothes back on.



Courtesy of Dan Cook

Brave swimmers beat a hasty retreat from the near-freezing water at Rehoboth Beach in the 13th annual Polar Bear Plunge.

Many participants agreed the worst part about taking the plunge is that it causes their feet to go numb.

"Right afterwards, I could barely walk," DiStefano said. Hirschman said because of events like the plunge, Special Olympics athletes can participate in sports without having to pay for uniforms and equipment.

The organization, which currently consists of about 2,000 athletes, hopes to increase its number of participants to closer to 3,000 by the year 2005.

The Plunge first began at Cape Henlopen State Park, when the Lewes Polar Bear Club, which leaps into the ocean every first Sunday of the month from November until March, dedicated their February plunge to Special Olympics Delaware, she said.

The Plunge moved to Rehoboth Beach after damage occurred to the park, Hirschman said, and the number of participants grew.

The event has grown tremendously since the original plunge. The first dive into the frosty water started with only 78 people and now has grown to more than 2,000 people, she said.

The plunge was sponsored by Happy Harry's and Comcast, and additional support was given by the Lewes Polar Bear Club, The Cape Gazette, WJBR-FM, WGMD-FM and the Bay Center at Riddertowne.

Hirschman said more than 4,000 people volunteer for Special Olympics Delaware.

"We build sports skills, confidence, strength, motivation and self-esteem not just for the athletes, but for everyone involved," she said.

Orchard spaces cut

BY ALIZA ISRAEL
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The impending construction of the Center for the Arts and a corresponding parking garage extending from Elkton Road into Lot 14 reduced the number of gold-sticker parking spaces available in the Orchard Road lot, effective Feb. 10.

Lt. Jenny Sparks, coordinator of Public Safety, said the amount of non-gated parking spaces was reduced from 540 to 225, and will be completely eliminated after June.

Capt. Jim Grimes, senior assistant director of Public Safety, said the non-gated portion of Lot 14 solely served those with gold-sticker permits, an option available to faculty, staff and commuter students who live outside the parking perimeters and have earned at least 110 credit hours.

A gold-sticker costs \$127 for an entire semester. David Hollowell, executive vice president of the university, stated in an e-mail message the construction of the parking garage will begin later this month.

This effort will extend into the existing lot, he said, and space must also be set aside for staging construction and truck access.

"The garage will extend from Elkton Road into the existing parking lot," Hollowell said, "and the Center for the Arts will face Orchard Road across from the president's house."

He said the entire Orchard Road lot will be closed when the Spring Semester is over, with the

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Voting security questioned

BY BENJAMIN ANDERSEN

News Features Editor

Touch-screen voting may be here to stay, but some question its security.

Mike Wertheimer, spokesman for RABA Technologies, said the company reported Jan. 28 that Maryland voting machines are susceptible to attacks from hackers.

His company was hired to test the security for new voting machines in Maryland.

Wertheimer said the findings were disturbing.

RABA technicians were able to guess passwords, hack into modems and change unofficial vote counts, he said.

"If unofficial results don't match official results," Wertheimer said, "there will be massive voter mistrust."

Maryland election officials are wary of upgrading software on the servers that hold the votes for fear the system might crash, he said.

Extra precautions need to be taken by officials at polling sites for the March 2 primary, Wertheimer said, because the software is so far behind.

"We have to do a lot of training and security that we were hoping the software could provide," he said.

Wertheimer said a failure to create security standards by the Maryland State

Board of Elections and Diebold Election Systems, the company who manufactures the voting machines, makes the voting vulnerable to a well-funded extra-national assault.

Kevin Zeese, spokesman for the Campaign for Verifiable Voting in Maryland, said the voting machines could also be compromised by an insider attack.

A programmer could insert malicious code into the computers that count the votes, he said, which may be invisible to observers.

Zeese proposed a system in which voters make their choices electronically, and then verify their selections on a piece of paper. The paper ballots could be recounted later if necessary.

Mistrust in the voting system sours many people on voting, he said.

"You can see it in the turnout," Zeese said. "People just don't feel that their vote counts."

Only half of the potential voters in the state are registered. Out of those, only half of the registered voters cast their ballots, he said.

Joe Torre, Maryland voting systems certification coordinator, said the demand for paper receipts is high right now, but until standards are written, Maryland will not be compelled to offer them.

Making receipts available would necessitate a change in the software that runs the voting machines, he said.

Torre said he feels confident about the safety of the voting machines.

"We are the only state in the United States that has gone through two security checks," he said.

Some changes that were requested in the security reports cannot be accomplished before the March primaries, Torre said, but the state will be working on them in anticipation of the November presidential elections.

Frank Calio, Delaware commissioner of elections, said Delaware does not face the technological threats that other states may.

"Our voting booths are not connected to a modem or an internet system which can be hacked," he said.

Votes are recorded on cartridges, Calio said, and then the cartridges are hand-delivered to a central area where the votes are tabulated.

Voters also sign cards that signify they have voted. The number of cards must match up with the number of votes cast in the election, he said.

The only problem Delaware faces is human error when tabulating absentee ballots, Calio said, but they can always be recounted.

In the News

MASS. RULING WILL REQUIRE FULL GAY MARRIAGE RIGHTS

BOSTON — The highest court in Massachusetts, clarifying its stand on gay unions, ruled Wednesday that same-sex couples are entitled to marry, beginning as early as May 17.

The Supreme Judicial Court ruling makes Massachusetts the first state to grant the full rights of marriage to gay and lesbian couples. In clear and forthright terms, the court declared that civil unions or other marriage-like institutions would not meet the state's constitutional standards.

"The history of our nation has demonstrated that separate is seldom, if ever, equal," the court ruled. Three of the seven justices dissented.

The landmark ruling comes as states across the country are considering constitutional amendments to keep gays from marrying and are passing statutes to protect the union between a man and a woman.

The issue is likely to be troublesome for Democrats in this year's presidential race. The current front-runner, Sen. John F. Kerry, D-Mass., has long opposed gay marriage but advocates full legal protection for same-sex couples. The controversy may remind conservative voters that he comes from a liberal state. Kerry did not comment on the court's action.

Wednesday's ruling affirmed the court's November decision granting seven same-sex couples the right to marry, and extending that privilege to all gay and lesbian couples in Massachusetts. The court gave the legislature six months to establish a law to allow for same-sex marriage.

The justices were firm in responding to a request by the state legislature that the court approve civil unions instead of marriage for homosexual couples.

"The very nature and purpose of civil marriage," the justices said Wednesday, renders unconstitutional any attempt to ban all same-sex couples from entering into civil marriage."

Massachusetts Attorney General Tom Reilly said the meaning of the court's ruling was indisputable.

"Same-sex couples have the constitutional right to marry under Massachusetts law," he said.

Next week, state legislators plan to convene a rare constitutional convention to consider pursuing an amendment that would limit marriage to heterosexual couples.

U.S. GOVERNMENT TO ENTER MIDDLE EASTERN TV MARKET

WASHINGTON — President George W. Bush announced Wednesday that the U.S. government would next week begin broadcasting an Arabic-language satellite TV network designed as an alternative to Middle Eastern broadcasts often critical of the United States.

In an appearance at the Library of Congress, Bush said the network, Al Hurra, would join other U.S. government broadcasts that are aimed at cutting through the "hateful propaganda that fills the airwaves in the Muslim world" and telling people "the truth about the values and the policies of the United States."

"The truth always serves the cause of freedom," Bush said.

Al Hurra, Arabic for "the free one," is the most expensive of a number of efforts that have been made since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks aimed at changing attitudes about the United States through government-supplied information.

U.S. officials have acknowledged that they plan it as a rival to Al-Jazeera, the Qatar-based satellite network, and Al-Arabiyya, based in Dubai, which have often drawn complaints about their programming from senior Bush administration officials.

The broadcasts will be transmitted from a facility in Springfield, Va., and will cost the government \$62 million for the first year of operation.

The network will be overseen by a Lebanese-born news director who has been directed to hire a staff of more than 200, including many Arabs.

The broadcasts will include news, sports, movies and educational programming, and will be aimed at the young audience that dominates in most Arab countries. The network will broadcast 24-hours daily, to match Al-Jazeera.

Officials of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, the agency responsible for U.S. government-sponsored international broadcasting efforts, promise that it will have high-quality production and editorial independence.

PAKISTAN OFFICIAL CONFESSES TO SELLING NUCLEAR INFORMATION TO OTHER STATES

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Abdul Qadeer Khan, the father of Pakistan's atomic bomb, confessed in a televised address Wednesday to illegally passing nuclear weapons secrets to other countries, and begged for forgiveness.

Khan asked President Pervez Musharraf to grant him clemency for what Pakistani authorities have said were black market sales of nuclear bomb technology to Iran, Libya and North Korea that earned Khan millions of dollars.

The statements left many questions unanswered and also left many Pakistanis and independent analysts speculating that he was being forced to take the fall for more powerful military officers who many believe were secretly behind technology transfers.

After being held under house arrest for days, Khan made at least three separate appearances on state-run television Wednesday, first to ask forgiveness from Musharraf, and then to read a confession to the nation.

Expressing "the deepest sense of sorrow, anguish and regret," Khan said he wanted "to atone for some of the anguish and pain that has been suffered by the people of Pakistan on account of the extremely unfortunate events of the last two months."

"I take full responsibility for my actions and seek your pardon," Khan added as he read from an English text.

Khan said he, and unnamed accomplices, had acted without government authorization. But he did not provide specifics about to whom he gave the secrets, how or why he dispersed such technology or what he received in return.

"I wish to place on record that those of my subordinates who have accepted their role in the affair were acting in good faith like me, on my instructions," Khan said.

Politicians from across Pakistan's political spectrum and independent analysts said it appeared that Khan, who has staunchly defended his nation's right to have nuclear weapons, might have been falling on his sword to protect others.

Ayesha Siddiqi-Agha, a Pakistani defense and strategic analyst, said the confession was part of a compromise that would allow Khan, and anyone in the armed forces who approved of his actions, to suffer limited consequences.

In Washington, U.S. officials said they were eagerly awaiting information about the Pakistani government's investigation into the dispersal of nuclear secrets.

—compiled by Brook Patterson from L.A. Times and Washington Post wire reports

Antidepressants under scrutiny

BY JOCELYN JONES

Copy Editor

Antidepressants may increase the risk of suicidal behavior in children and adolescents, advisers to the Food and Drug Administration said Monday at a public hearing.

Dr. David Fassler, child and adolescent psychiatrist, who was present at the hearing, said it was an emotional situation.

"There were parents there on all sides of the issue," he said. "There were parents who believed these medicines had saved their kid's life as well as those who thought they had helped to end it."

Approximately 65 people testified, Fassler said.

In over 25 antidepressant studies reviewed by the FDA involving 4,000 children and teens, no suicides occurred, he said. Instead, the studies measured suicide attempts and suicidal thinking, but each study differed greatly in what was considered suicidal behavior.

Fassler said the FDA hired Columbia University to reanalyze the data and make it more comparable so it can be accurately evaluated.

Thomas Laughren, team leader of the Psychiatric Drug Products Group for the FDA, said the current available data is not sufficiently interpretable and, in the meantime, they will

increase the warnings on the suspect drugs' labeling so the products are taken more seriously.

"Physicians need to have more respect for these medications as well," he said. "And they need to pay close attention to patients as soon as they've started them."

Graham Emslie, professor of psychiatry at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, said the data has not convinced him that there has been a significant increase in suicidal behavior as a result of treatment.

"There has been a 30 percent decrease in adolescent suicide in the past 10 years," he said.

"During that time there has also been an increase in treatment with antidepressant medication."

However, 5 to 8 percent of children suffer from depression, and there are over 1,000 teen suicides per year, Emslie said.

Suicide is a risk while treating anyone with depression, he said.

"Up to 60 percent of those with depression already have suicidal thoughts or tendencies before starting any medication," Emslie said.

Fassler said one teenager in four thinks about killing themselves each year. One in 10 has made a suicide attempt by the end of high school.

"Kids struggling with depression have even higher sui-

cidal attempt rates — one in three," he said.

Antidepressant medications are generally considered safe, Fassler said, although, as with any medication, there can be benefits, side effects, and risks.

It is certainly possible that there may be a small subset of young patients that have an unusual reaction, he said. One out of every 100 may become agitated, leading to an increased chance of risky behavior.

Emslie said antidepressant medication might help to improve a suicidal person's mood, although completely eliminating suicidal thoughts takes much longer. The problem may occur when medication increases a patient's energy and, in turn, increases their ability to attempt suicide.

While antidepressant medication can be extremely helpful, it is rarely the whole answer, Fassler said.

"We're still learning a lot about childhood depression," he said. "Kids don't always display the same symptoms as adults, so it's not the easiest disorder to diagnose."

Emslie said another issue is that common symptoms of depression, sadness, withdrawal, loss of appetite, sleepiness and decreased energy overlap with many other disorders, like bipolar disorder.

Bush calls for school drug tests

BY ANDREW AMSLER

Copy Editor

More than \$20 million is allocated for drug testing programs for the nation's secondary schools in President George W. Bush's budget proposal for 2004.

In his State of the Union address, President Bush said "drug testing in our schools has proven to be an effective part of [the effort to reduce demand for illegal drugs]."

"So tonight I propose an additional 23 million dollars for schools that want to use drug testing as a tool to save children's lives."

Brian Blake, spokesman for the White House Office of National Drug Policy and Control, said the president's proposal is not an answer to drug problems in schools, but is a viable preventive method.

"Any school that thinks its drug problem will go away if they test students is incorrect," he said. "[However,] testing is a proper and healthy approach to dealing with the disease of addiction."

There are a number of test cases, Blake said, that support the president's claim that testing is an effective method of drug prevention.

"The military has successfully cut drug use rates to less than 3 percent with this method and many Fortune 500 companies use testing as well," he said.

There are also test cases at Ball State University and several Oregon secondary schools as evidence of the effectiveness of such programs, Blake said.

Drewery Fennel, spokeswoman for the American Civil Liberties Union of Delaware, said random drug testing in schools is a violation of students' civil liberties.

"Just because something is effective, that does not mean it is constitutional," she said.

Drug testing that does not result in any legal involvement or expulsion could still harm students and disrupt the learning environment in schools, Fennel said.

In addition, she said this type of intervention is typical of the Bush administration.

"The current administration is very heavy into the idea of all kinds of intervention, including drug testing," Fennel said. "There has been a renewed push to develop fairly invasive and broad agendas for students."

Blake said the Supreme Court has established the legality of drug testing in schools, alleviating any concerns about whether or not civil liberties are at issue.

Part of the conditions for legal drug testing in schools, he said, is that local law enforcement must not be involved.

"Testing in schools is merely a method of early intervention," Blake said, "which leads to other methods of deterrence and prevention."

More than \$600 million of the president's budget has already been allocated to other preventive methods that should be used in conjunction with testing, he said.

Fennel said despite problems with random drug testing in schools, testing that is not done randomly could prove beneficial to educators.

"Drug testing based on individualized suspicions or when the health and safety of students is at risk can be effective," she said.

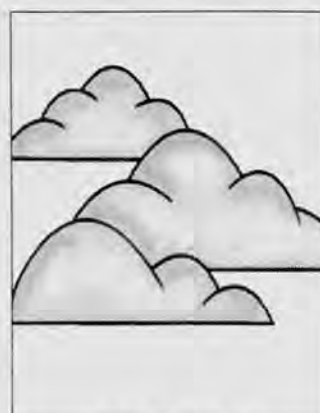
Drug testing associated with athletic programs in school, Fennel said, is allowed by law and is not an invasion of privacy because it deals with the general welfare of students.

THREE-DAY FORECAST



FRIDAY

Freezing rain, highs in the 40s



SATURDAY

Mostly cloudy, highs in the 40s



SUNDAY

Mostly sunny, highs in the 30s

—courtesy of the National Weather Service

Police Reports

STUDENT ASSAULTED AT IVY HALL

A university student was assaulted early Sunday morning in his Ivy Hall apartment, Newark Police said.

After an argument between a man and the student's roommate, the student confronted the man, Cpl. Tracy Simpson said.

The individual then punched the student in the face and fled, police said. The man, whom the student knew only by his last name, has yet to be apprehended.

ATTEMPTED THEFT AT SQUARE

Unknown individuals attempted to steal two cars

DISRUPTION CAUSED AT GAS STATION

An unknown man caused a disruption in the BP gas station on Elkton Road after being refused cigarettes, Simpson said.

The man attempted to buy a pack of cigarettes and was refused by the clerk, police said.

The man then knocked over a store display, using an ice cream machine and screamed obscenities at the clerk before fleeing in a white car with Maryland tags, Simpson said.

There are no suspects at this time, she said.

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—Tom Monaghan

Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca draws to close

BY BENJAMIN ANDERSEN

News Features Editor

Millions of Muslims from around the world converged on Saudi Arabia from Jan. 27 to Feb. 1 to complete their mandatory pilgrimage, the Hajj, to Mecca and Medina.

Rabia Ahmed, communications coordinator for the Council on American Islamic Relations, said all Muslims who are able must complete the Hajj.

The Hajj officially begins when the pilgrims enter Saudi Arabia, she said. They are required to enter ihram, or a state of calm, which lasts the entire journey.

During ihram, pilgrims change into simple clothing, cannot raise their voice in anger and may not kill any animals, including insects, Ahmed said.

The pilgrimage begins in Mecca, she said, where the faithful perform tawaf, or

a circling of the ka-aba seven times. The ka-aba is the holiest Islamic shrine, the mosque in Mecca. The pilgrims walk around a large black stone in the center of the mosque.

The journey then moves toward the holy city of Medina, stopping to reenact the story of Hager's desperate search for food and water for her infant child, Ahmed said.

Hager, the wife of the prophet Abraham, was cast into the desert where she ran between the two mountains, Safa and Marwa, she said. After seven trips between the mountains, water miraculously sprung up at the feet of her child.

This holy water, zam-zam, still quenches the thirst of weary pilgrims today, Ahmed said.

Continuing toward Medina, pilgrims stop and throw pebbles at stone pillars, she said, which represent Abraham's

repulsion of the devil.

Ahmed said the Hajj culminates in the day of Arafah, which is a day of reflection and prayer. This day is representative of the day Mohammed gave his final sermon from mount Arafah.

Men and women often cut their hair and sacrifice animals at the end of the journey to signify their sacrifice, she said.

Although the Hajj fell in late January this year, Ahmed said, it moves approximately two weeks every year because it is based on the lunar calendar.

She said the pilgrimage is a way for millions of Muslims from different cultures to come together as a single nation of people.

"It's a very intense physical and emotional spiritual event," Ahmed said. "The Hajj is about self control, sacrifice and unity."

Alan Fox, university philosophy

professor, said he agreed the Hajj is a unifying force among Muslims.

"Generally it connects people back to the roots of their tradition," he said.

The Hajj is one of the five pillars of Islam, Fox said, along with the belief in Allah as the true god, charity, fasting and daily prayers.

Muslims often cannot make the pilgrimage because of financial or other obligations, so it is the most easily forgiven if it is not completed, he said.

Fox said there should be more positive coverage of the Hajj in the media.

There is always a danger when such a large group of people gathers together, he said. During the stoning at the pillars this year, 244 pilgrims were trampled to death.

"It's a shame that's the only publicity it gets, instead of the spiritual journey," Fox said. "There's a million people in

Mecca. Mecca was not built to handle a million people."

The Saudi Arabian government has made the Hajj safer for pilgrims, he said, and this year's tragedy was an anomaly.

Ilknur Aydin, a Muslim graduate student at the university, said she was excited about going on the Hajj to meet fellow Muslims from around the world, but has to put it off for now because of financial reasons.

"You go there and you see all of these people no matter what language they speak, no matter where they're from," she said, "you see all of your brothers and sisters in Islam."

Aydin said after Hajj, one's sins are forgiven and they are like a newborn child.

"It has a kind of spiritual energy where you could renew your faith," she said.

Candidates visit Delaware before primary

Kerry receives wide majority

BY ANDREW AMSLER

Copy Editor

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., captured more than 50 percent of the vote in the Delaware Democratic primary Tuesday after he rallied voters at the local 313 electrical workers union in New Castle on Friday, Jan. 30.

Kerry won similar margins in four other states, including Arizona, Missouri, New Mexico and North Dakota.

During his visit Friday, the senator addressed more than 250 Delaware residents and union workers, and focused on his ability to successfully run against President George W. Bush and his plans for the economy.

"We veterans may be a little older, we may be a little grayer," he said, "but we still know how to fight for our country."

"And I didn't come here tonight just to pass the hours before Tuesday. I came here tonight to mark with you the beginning of the end of the Bush presidency."

Mike Moffo, Kerry's field director for Delaware, said defeating Bush in November will be difficult.

"For any Democratic candidate, especially in a time of war, going up against a Republican attack machine is going to be an uphill battle," he said.

However, Moffo said, the senator believes he is the Democratic candidate who will have the most success campaigning against the president.

"His whole life has been preparing for this and has made him the perfect candidate suitable for what we need in a commander in chief," he said.

Sen. Joseph R. Biden, Jr. D-Del., introduced Kerry at the event and referred to the senator's ability to both beat Bush and manage the country successfully.

"You are capable of not only beating Bush," he said, "you are capable of doing the one thing America needs more than anything: to restore America to the position where the rest of the world will say 'I need no proof that the president is telling the truth.'"

Kerry, although focusing primarily on his military record and experience in the U.S. Senate, outlined several goals for the economy he would like to accomplish if elected president.

The senator said he will restore health to America's economy by fighting corporate scandals, reducing unemployment and preventing companies from sending jobs overseas to reduce costs.

"We deserve a president who understands that Americans should not just be working for the economy," he said, "they deserve an economy that is working for Americans."

In addition, Kerry said he will issue an executive order during his first 100 days in



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Senator Kerry speaks with union members in New Castle County Friday.

office that will prohibit any political figure from going directly from politics into lobbying for a period of five years after they leave office and make every action of a political figure or lobbyist a matter of public record.

He also proposed reforms to the healthcare system that would make it readily available to those who need it.

"Healthcare is not a privilege for the rich and powerful," he said. "It is a right for everyone."

Many of the people who attended the event on Friday said their decision to vote for Kerry was swayed by their belief that he has the experience and policy goals to beat Bush.

Sophomore Brock Roman, a volunteer for College Democrats at the university, said Kerry is the best all-around candidate.

"I think Kerry has the best and most realistic chance of being able to get things done in Washington," he said. "He'll use his military experience and his record as a senator, and will stand up against the Bush administration."

Kerry's ability to identify with the needs of the American people is another distinguishing factor in the senator's campaign for the presidency, Roman said.

Newark resident Anita Lohinecz, a social worker, said Kerry's stance on issues that affect the Latino community make him the best choice for president.

"As far as recognizing there is a distinctive gap in this country, economically, socially and justice-wise, Kerry seems like he would be the one," she said.

Sharpton gains Del. delegate

BY BROOK PATTERSON

National/State News Editor

The Reverend Al Sharpton visited the Police Athletic League Center in Wilmington Saturday, in an attempt to gain more supporters for the Delaware primary.

Although Sharpton received only 6 percent of the votes in the Delaware primary, he still was able to spread his message to the Democratic voting population.

The Tuesday primaries were an opportunity to make and shape election history, he said, and was also the first time primaries were being held in states representative of the Democratic Party voting block.

"New Hampshire and Iowa I respect," Sharpton said, "but they are not representative of the Democratic Party."

The Democratic Party, he said, is in trouble because of the confusion caused with the 2000 Florida election controversy.

"George Bush is a result of party leadership that went to sleep and forgot the constituents," Sharpton said. "Bush is an accident of the Democratic leadership."

For the upcoming election, he said, Democrats have to make sure that the same thing does not happen.

"We cannot use the same strategy to correct what caused the problem in the first place," he said.

The war in Iraq is the first issue he will address if elected president, Sharpton said, because there is no reason for the United States to be involved in war.

He was the first candidate to oppose the war, he said, because there was no proof of weapons of mass destruction.

"I had no inside information, but I had common sense," Sharpton said. "Any man who had weapons of mass destruction and access to nuclear weapons would not have been hiding in a rat hole."

If elected, Sharpton said, he will immediately withdraw troops from Iraq, revoke the United States' current foreign policy of unilateral attacks, apologize to the international community and admit to the United Nations that the evidence presented about Saddam Hussein's threat was false.

"We will work with the world as partners for the re-development of Iraq," he said.

The economy is also important, Sharpton said, because the American people are not seeing any progress.

"They tell us we're in recovery," he said, "but the only ones announcing recovery are the ones who weren't ill in the first place."

Among his campaign proposals, Sharpton said, are plans to decrease the number of unemployed Americans and to implement a job creation plan so underemployment is no longer prevalent.

The job creation plan includes a five-year,



THE REVIEW/Brook Patterson

Rev. Sharpton shares his vision with Delaware residents. He earned one delegate to the Democratic convention from the state's primary.

\$250 billion infrastructure public works plan, he said, similar to former President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal program during the great depression.

Education is an issue that affects all Americans, he said, and President George W. Bush's "No Child Left Behind" Act is ineffective.

"[Bush] proposed 'No Child Left Behind,' then he leaves behind the budget," Sharpton said. "The role of government is not to select, the role of government is to make education available for all."

Federal money needs to be spent on public education, and an increase in teachers' salaries, he said.

There are 40 million people in the United States with no healthcare, Sharpton said, an issue he will resolve if elected through his proposed universal healthcare system.

"The money is there if the will is there," he said.

Choosing the right person to vote for is a difficult decision and should not be taken lightly, Sharpton said. He reminded voters to make sure they vote for the candidate that best represents them and what they believe in.

"You shouldn't vote for the candidate who isn't speaking to the issues or to you. You have to hope they win, and hope they remember you," he said. "Six folks are going to lose, and I'm the only one running you can't lose with."

The campaign, Sharpton said, is about making a difference in the lives of all Americans.

"When you stand up," he said, "you mobilize and cause effects."

Sharpton assured the crowd that no matter what, he would not be pulling out of the race anytime soon.

"Come hell or high water," he said, "I'm not dropping out of this race."

Lieberman withdraws from race after second-place Del. finish

BY BROOK PATTERSON

National/State News Editor

Before leaving the race for the Democratic presidential nomination, Joe Lieberman campaigned Jan. 30 at the Bowlerama in New Castle.

Approximately 30 supporters showed up to support Lieberman as he talked with seniors and listened to their concerns about the current administration.

Sen. Thomas R. Carper, D-Del., who spoke to constituents about his support for Lieberman, escorted the candidate through Bowlerama, and to other campaign stops throughout the state.

"The Democratic Party and moderate democrats like Joe Lieberman," Carper said, "will bring fiscal responsibility and economic growth to the people of America and Delaware."

Lieberman said Delaware

was an important state in the primary for him because of the great team of support he had.

"Delaware is the first state in my heart and is first in my mind," he said.

Lieberman said Carper told him he needed to visit Delaware because he had a unique message and was the most experienced moderate in the race.

"I'm carrying my message of hope and opportunity with me," he said. "I've always worked across party lines to get things done for the people."

Ezra Temko, 18, of Newark, said he decided to support Lieberman after former congressman Dick Gephardt dropped out of the race.

Lieberman, he said, is the only candidate that addressed the issues he cares about.

"Joe is the only remaining candidate that is strong on defense and is also socially



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Senator Lieberman, who came in second in the state, talks to supporters as Senator Carper stands by.

progressive," Temko said.

The race against Bush will be very close, he said, but he believes the Democrats have an opportunity to take the White House.

"We have a great chance of

beating Bush," Temko said.

Paul Murray of Newark said he supported Lieberman because of his character.

"I respect him and his position, and think he is a honest man," he said. "He is the

closest to my way of thinking."

As Lieberman walked through Bowlerama, he discussed various issues with concerned citizens including the federal deficit and tax cuts.

"I am afraid our children and our grandchildren will pay interest on the deficit that they are irresponsible for building up," Lieberman said. "I'm going to reduce the deficit every year, I'm going to do it by pulling back the Bush tax cuts from Americans and by closing the corporate tax loopholes."

Of all the democratic presidential candidates, he said, his spending plan was evaluated as the lowest and most promising for the country.

Helen Pocznek, 73, of New Castle, said she could not vote in the primary because she is a registered independent, but feels it is important to replace President George W. Bush.

"I'll do anything to get Bush out of there," she said.

In the November election, Pocznek said, she will vote for a Democrat, even though it may not be Lieberman.

"I like him, but I don't think he will win," she said.

It is important that presidential candidates visit all states, Pocznek said, because all of the candidates need some help.

"Joe is nice, but I haven't listened to all of [the candidates]," she said. "I wish them luck."

Lieberman said he was the only moderate Democrat in the race and was qualified to be president because of his 30 years of experience in the public light.

"I'm a mainstream democrat, just like Bill Clinton," he said, "and I'm good for this country."

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exception of the gate-controlled area and a small number of handicapped and metered spaces.

Grimes said the current gated portion of Lot 14 will expand during construction to absorb some of the displaced gold-sticker holders who are willing to pay an additional fee to park in the same general area.

"There have been 74 staff members who have changed to gate-controlled parking in Lot 14," he said.

Sparks said this parking area will be available for university employees only until the garage opens, and it will cost \$222 for use throughout the entire semester.

Upon completion of the garage, she said, this gate-controlled section will likely become a grassy area with a walkway leading to the Amy E. du Pont Music Building.

Grimes said those who do not gain access into this section will filter into other lots, including Lot 34 near Morris Library and Lot 19 on North College Avenue.

He said he does not expect a dramatic increase in competition for on-campus parking spaces.

"I think the number of faculty and staff changing over frees up that number of spaces," Grimes said, "and will make room for the students."

Excess gold-sticker holders who park in Lot 14 will be fined \$25, he said, and those who park in a fire lane or a handicapped parking space will be fined \$60.

Hollowell said the construction may be inconvenient to many members of the campus community, but the administration is attempting to minimize the impact and duration of that time period.

The new parking garage will hold approximately 720 cars, he said, whereas Lot 14 held 680.

"The garage will operate similar to Trabant and Perkins, with a combination of monthly and hourly parkers," he said.

Sparks said several service lots may be placed in the area upon completion of the Center for the Arts and the garage.

"It is still under question based on the design phase," she said. "There may be a few spaces on the south side of the project, but it would pretty much be handicapped — for those who need to get into the [Center for the Arts] through the front doors without walking from the garage."

Vic Costa, director of Facilities Planning & Construction, said drivers will be allowed to park in the garage regardless of their attendance at the new building.

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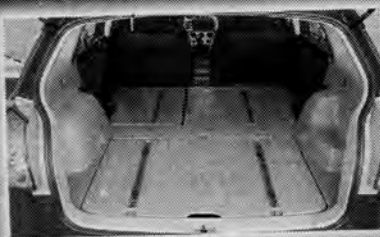
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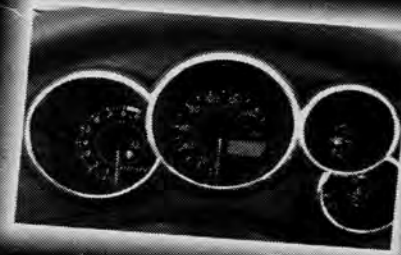
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Metachem

The Environmental Protection Agency discovered two months ago that a Metachem site in Delaware City, which has been closed since May 2002, has contaminated groundwater outside the plant.

The Potomac aquifer has been contaminated with benzene, a volatile organic compound and carcinogen.

Newark does not receive its water from the Delaware City aquifers, and an EPA spokesman confirmed that frequent samplings at local water companies have shown the contaminants have not reached any drinking water.

Since the company has gone bankrupt, Metachem is not held financially responsible for cleaning up the site, and the EPA is currently

attending to the cleanup efforts.

The Review believes the EPA should not be satisfied or consoled because the contaminants have not reached drinking water.

The fact that the contaminants have leaked outside the plant and continue to fester in the groundwater is in itself unacceptable.

This is an inefficient cleanup operation and officials should be acting more aggressively to ensure the safety of local residents.

Review This:

The EPA should take a more aggressive stance on cleanup efforts at the Metachem site.

PATRIOT Act

Newark City Council passed a proposed revision of the PATRIOT Act Feb. 2 and has sent it to state representatives for consideration.

The city acted on several fronts, including concerns for the PATRIOT Act's effect on the university's international student population, local law enforcement efforts and resident's privacy.

Since the PATRIOT Act was passed in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, several state and local government officials across the country have spoke in protest of its provisions of broad powers of surveillance and intrusive searches.

While some Newark council members and residents opposed the resolution and how it would be perceived by state

and federal governments, a majority voted in favor of sending it to state representatives.

The Review commends the city for taking a strong

stance on such a controversial issue.

The Newark City Council is known for its conservative methods, yet has decided to take part in a national effort to affect the outcome of PATRIOT Act 2.

The council is a law-making body that knows the community and its budgetary and privacy issues. While the council may not always have a perfect approach to local issues, The Review applauds its members for taking a stand to protect the personal and public interests of its citizens and law enforcement.

Review This:

The city's stand against the PATRIOT Act should be applauded.

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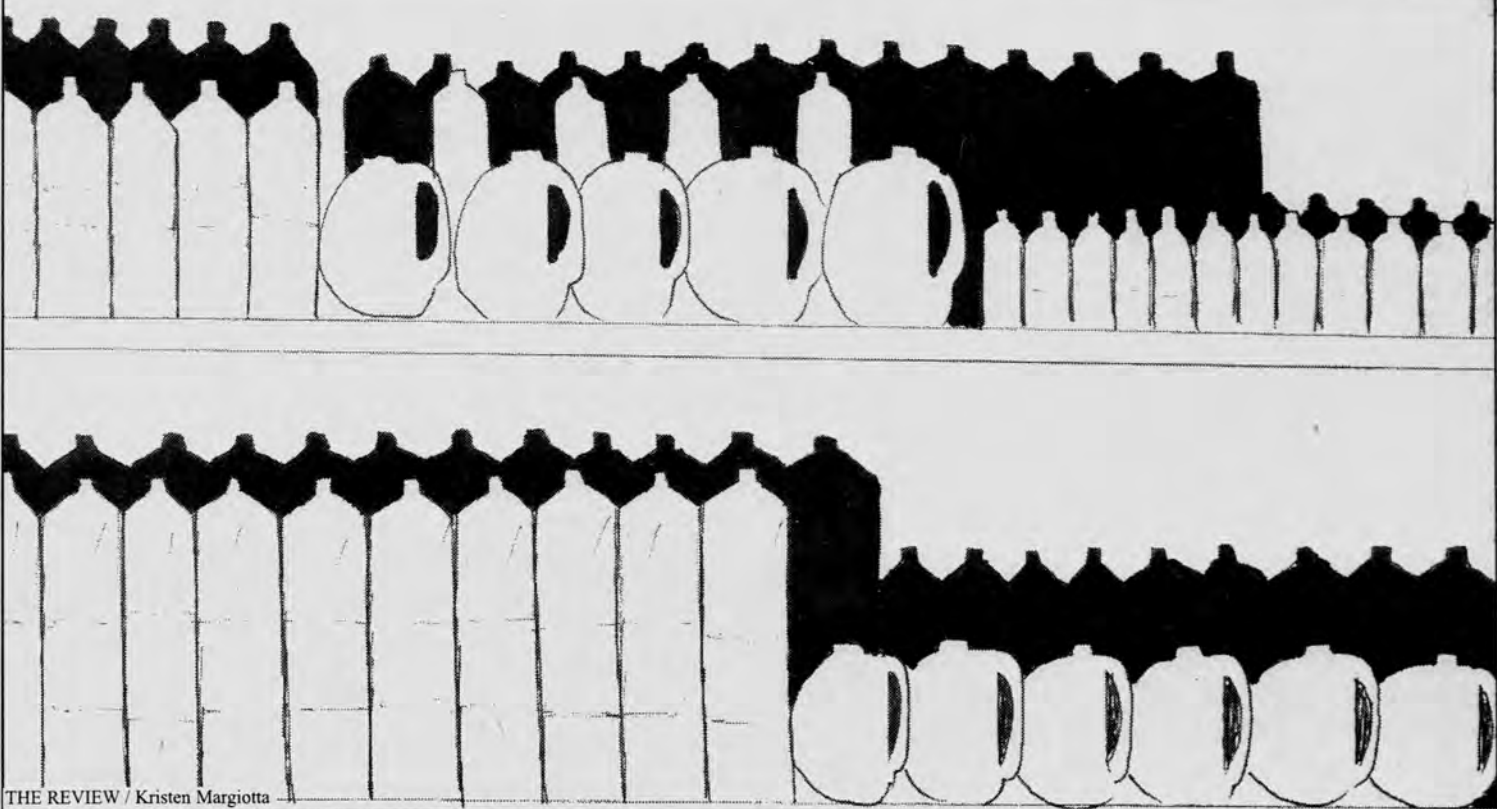
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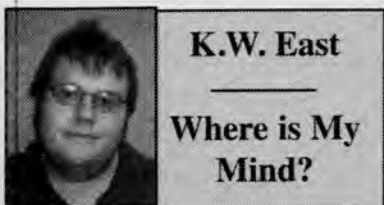
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American people are the real boobs



K.W. East
Where is My Mind?

Of course I was viewing the most watched program of the year when Janet Jackson decided to one-up her brother by exposing herself to millions of little boys (and girls, and adults) during the halftime show at Super Bowl XXXVIII.

Choking on my Yuengling; my response to the nearly two second flash was similar to millions of Americans across the country.

"What the hell was that?"

Luckily, one of my more worldly friends explained to me that it was, in fact, a boobie.

After he carefully explained to me what a boobie was and how one worked, I was shocked and outraged. How dare CBS, the NFL, MTV and Jackson herself expose me to such a lewd and deliciously lascivious display!

Like most decent Americans, I had never in my life encountered one of these dreadfully sinful boobies, nor heard of anyone who had. Now, there it was, flopping around in my face for close to two seconds, inviting me to rest my head on a pillow of indecency and earthly pleasures.

Here I was settling down for a quiet night with friends, expecting a nice, clean game, the wholesome gymnastic talent of the cheerleaders and some of the newest songs from the freshest acts in the music business.

Everything was going fine until that horrible moment when I think I thought I caught a glimpse of something naughty.

And if that wasn't bad enough, ever since then I have been forced to subject myself to thousands of slow-motion instant replays, still shots, extreme close-up internet pictures, et cetera of this alluringly disturbing scene. Now I seem to see these boobies everywhere I go.

Sometimes, at night, when I close my eyes, the visage of that satanic teat still dances in my head.

Then the news broke that the incident was actually a "wardrobe malfunction," and didn't I feel silly. How embarrassing it must have been for Ms. Jackson! Thank God she was wearing what I'm told was a "pastie," or millions might have been subjected to glimpsing an unadorned, lusciously wicked nipple! Can you imagine? Where do these musicians find these things?

I suppose there are a few malcontents out there who would claim this "isn't a big deal" or was just a "P.R. move" to "stir up controversy" and "a pathetic attempt" to "create interest in a sad, fading, middle-aged pop star's career."

But I say, what about the children? Lord knows how many hapless, innocent kids were subjugated to a part of the female body they should be taught to be afraid and ashamed of. We have worked hard as a society to associate the naked breast with shame and disgrace. What's next? Two exposed breasts? Smaller pasties?

Sadly, however, the aforementioned boobie has resulted in a cleavage



THE REVIEW / Dan Lisowski

in our society. Ms. Jackson's music, instead of lifting, has separated us. Some have said Jackson's faux pas was a statement about "freedom" in an "artistically threatened environment."

Well, there's a place for that kind of filth, and it's called an art museum. Trust me, I wandered into one of these deceiving exhibits once. What a scandal, trying to pass off pornography for culture. I can only imagine what kind of drug-addled orgies go on in those places.

It seems like celebrities will do whatever they can to get attention these days. Does Jackson really expect that associating sex with her music will help her album sales? When has that ever been the case?

Now, I tried to be accepting when Britney Spears and Madonna French kissed onstage. Who could make the claim that such a sincere and loving moment was a mere "P.R. stunt?" Britney and Madonna are obviously in love, and while I may not approve, I wish them nothing but happiness.

Some cried foul when the Crocodile Hunter dangled his month-old son over one of the voracious beasts. But as he explained, he was merely trying to teach his child the family business, and it really never is too early to get them started.

But it was not Jackson's child that dangled before the gaping jaws of the American public. Nor was it an act of love between her and that devilishly clean-cut Justin Timberlake fellow, who I'm sure was as surprised as the show's producers and sponsors.

Instead, it was an act of violence. At a football game!

Unfortunately, Jackson will most likely profit from her depravity, and I will continue to be offended to the point where I feel the need to actively seek out all the updated news and pictures and spend hours deploring the public's obsession with this kind of smut.

I guess it's true what we say in the journalism business ... there's no such thing as bad breast.

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WMD blunder signals need for regime change



Mike Fox
Will Write For Food

"But the safety of the People of America against dangers from foreign force, depends not only on their forbearing to give just causes of war to other nations, but also

on their placing and continuing themselves in such a situation as not to invite hostility or insult; for it need not be observed, that there are pretended as well as just causes of war."

— John Jay, *Federalist No. 4*, Nov. 7, 1787

President George W. Bush announced Monday, after some initial reluctance, that he was going to form an independent, bipartisan panel to review prewar Iraq intelligence and what went wrong after the Bush Administration was convinced that Saddam Hussein had stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction.

This comes after former Iraq Survey Group head David Kay testified before Congress that "we were all wrong" about the alleged WMD. This seems to be the culminating moment in the credibility gap in the Bush White House.

A majority of Americans at the start of Operation Iraqi Freedom believed Saddam had nuclear weapons, established ties with al Qaeda and was involved with the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Yet, there was no proof Saddam had such weapons, Osama bin Laden personally hates Saddam and none of the Sept. 11 hijackers were Iraqi.

Answering questions concerning how this intelligence was obtained and why it was believed is critically important, but Bush's politics about loosely tying Saddam with Sept. 11 and al Qaeda must also be evaluated. Although the Bush Administration never explicitly said "Saddam and al Qaeda worked together to make Sept. 11 happen," a large majority of the American public believed it; Bush didn't bother to intervene. This is an issue Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., a ranking member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, wants investigated.

In Bush's State of the Union address last year, he said intelligence showed that Saddam attempted to buy nuclear materials from Africa. This "intelligence" proved not only to be untrue but fabricated by an unknown third party.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair, who has been copycatting the Bush Administration for some time now, also said he would form a panel in Parliament to investigate WMD intelligence. It was, after all, British intelligence, according to Bush, that discovered Saddam wanted that uranium from Africa. Kay did testify that the Bush Administration did not pressure the CIA to find or forge intelligence to bolster the war effort, and the Clinton Administration had a regime change policy since 1998. It is also apparent that even Saddam thought he had WMDs, but it turns out his scientists deliberately misled him, and Iraq's WMD program was simply a sketch on a cocktail napkin, or something.

But Bush is still at fault for the intelligence flaws, because, as well as being Commander in Chief, he is also head of the CIA, Defense Department and National Security Council. He believed the intelligence his subordinates discovered, and it was his decision to send American troops overseas.

Even Secretary of State Colin Powell recently admitted that his perception of Iraq's threat to the United States would have been different had he known key intelligence was incorrect. It was a year ago at this time he made America's case for war before the United Nations.

Other presidents have also suffered from realizing delusions. North Korea's propaganda machine was able to convince President Harry Truman and Gen. Douglas MacArthur in 1950 that troop and civilian movements on its southern border was merely an agricultural experiment. On June 25, the communists invaded South Korea.

When an American warship was attacked off the North Vietnamese coast in 1964, Congress gave President Lyndon Johnson almost unlimited military authority in Southeast Asia to retaliate. It turns out the ship in question was a spy ship on surveillance, and it was never even attacked.

As political tensions deepened in Iran in 1979, the Carter Administration was assured by Savak, the Shah of Iran's intelligence detail, that everything was under control. After the Shah's exile, the Islamic Revolution erupted and Americans in the embassy in Tehran were held hostage for over a year.

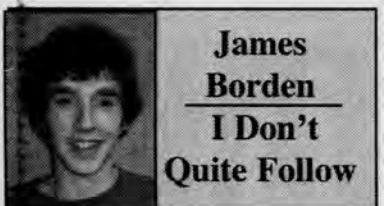
"Military intelligence" is apparently an oxymoron.

There is some serious shadiness with Bush stating that this panel will not release its results until sometime next year, conveniently after Inauguration Day. Also, the Sept. 11 investigation committee in Congress was originally denied a deadline extension, probably because it would creep too close to Election Day, but Bush relented, likely under pressure that if the committee was rushed, the final report and conclusions would be under higher scrutiny.

It is now time for a regime change in the United States.

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Bush unworthy of peace prize



James Borden
I Don't Quite Follow

So I was killing time on the internet the other day, reading

about the upcoming Presidential election and trying to figure out why anyone thinks re-electing President George W. Bush could be considered a good idea, when I stumbled across this headline: "Bush, [British Prime Minister Tony] Blair Nominated for Nobel Peace Prize." I started to laugh at first, thinking that my insomnia was finally starting to take its toll on my sanity. Had I slipped into the Twilight Zone? But after a search of my house failed to procure even one Rod Serling-related program activity, I started to consider the grim possibility that somewhere in the world, our unjustified invasion of Iraq had been mistaken for a bold and peaceful action.

Wincing, I clicked on the hyperlink, hoping against hope that the URL which proclaimed the article to have originated from Reuters was mistaken, and that this was just another satirical jab against the President from fake-news site The Onion. No dice.

Turns out this wasn't the first time the dynamic duo was nominated; according to the article, "Mr. Bush and Mr. Blair have been nomi-

nated several years in a row, including this year, by Norwegian lawmaker Jan Simonsen of the right-wing Party of Progress."

"In his nomination, Mr. Simonsen wrote that by removing Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein, they lessened the chance of a war using weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East and laid the foundation for the development of democracy."

Said Simonsen, "Bush and Blair definitely still deserve it. Even though they haven't found those weapons they got rid of a dictator and made the world more safe [sic]," he told Reuters on Friday, sticking by the choice. "They got rid of a madman."

Good point, Simonsen. Now that Saddam is out of the picture, I definitely feel a lot safer knowing that Iraq is no longer a dangerous, unstable region of the world. All seriousness aside, I started wondering, what, exactly, had motivated Simonsen to nominate such undeserving candidates for this great honor. Was Osama Bin Laden ineligible because no one knows where he is? Maybe "Kim Jong Il" was too hard to spell. The only way to get to the bottom of this, I decided, was a Google search of Simonsen's name.

The shocking (and once again, factual) results from an MSN political Web log:

"Simonsen had misused his position to try to obtain an alcohol permit for a criminal friend. The friend in question, Ivar Berge, had been sentenced

to four years' imprisonment in Germany for pimping out boys down to the age of 14 for prostitution. A criminal record makes it considerably harder to receive a permission to serve alcohol in Norway. For this favor, Simonsen had been promised free drinking in the bar."

Jesus Christ, I thought to myself, so not only are Bush and Blair wholly unqualified for the prize, Simonsen is apparently a terrible judge of character — or at least a total lush.

Then I realized something; like Simonsen, I'm a poor judge of character and a total lush, and like Bush, I don't deserve the Nobel Peace Prize.

Maybe, I thought, I could nominate myself for removing the wasp's nest from underneath my window ... thereby lessening the chances of me getting stung for throwing rocks at it. Although my chances of winning probably wouldn't be much higher than Bush's, "Nobel Peace Prize Nominee" would be a surefire way to beef up the old resume.

Turns out, I'd be in direct violation of the seventh statute of the Nobel foundation, which prohibits self-nomination, and requires that a nominator must be a "person competent to make such a nomination ..." whose status is "incumbent on representatives, domestic as well as foreign, of the field of culture in question, in conformity with detailed regulations issued by the prize-awarding body."

Aside from that juicy tidbit above, I wasn't able to find out much else about Simonsen, or why he's considered competent to nominate someone for the Nobel Peace Prize — if there were any justice, he would've been deemed ineligible after the first time he nominated our war-mongering leader and his British ally, and after becoming a worldwide laughingstock, would be forced to drink the rest of his days away in a bar run by a pedophile.

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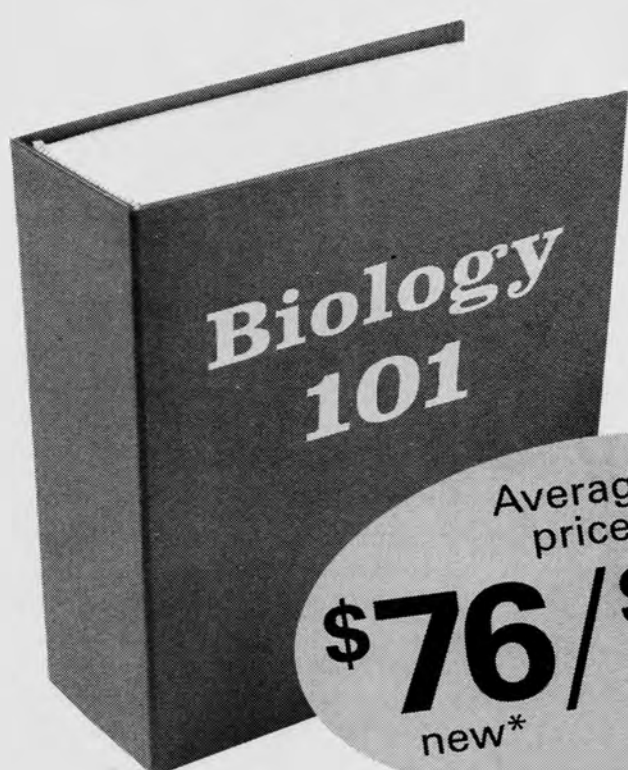
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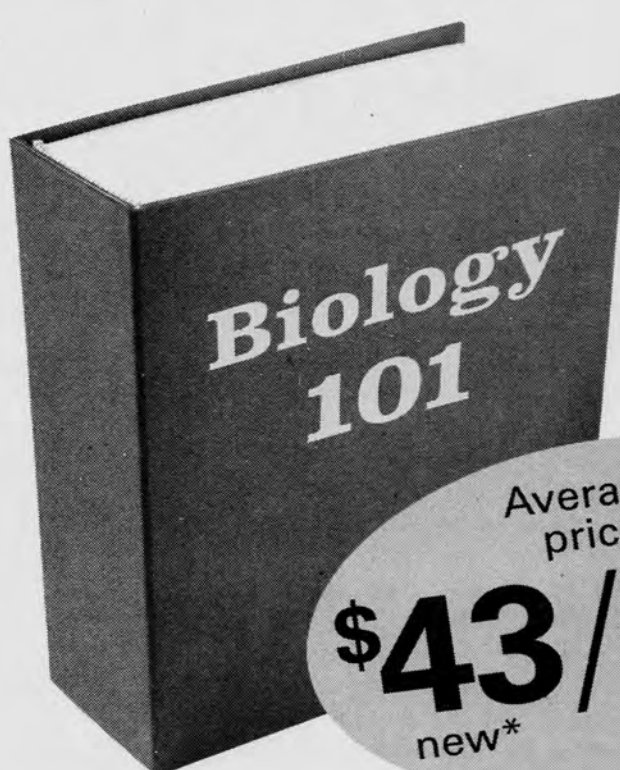
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Local author celebrates survival



Courtesy of Debra Puglisi Sharp

BY R. BRECK WIEDENMANN
Staff Reporter

A cool breeze blows across Debra Puglisi Sharp's face as she digs her sweat roll and spade into the earth. Small beads of sweat roll off her brow as she plants rose bushes, a gift from her neighbor, Gene Nygaard.

Roses are one of her favorite flowers: red, pink and white. She has a couple hours or so before she is due in for work.

Down the street in a green Dodge Hatchback sits a cocaine addict. He sneaks around to the back of the Newark home and enters through a sliding glass door, a door Debra usually keeps locked.

He waits for her.

On April 20, 1998, Debra was abducted from her home, raped and held against her will for five days, a story she retells in the book "Shattered: Reclaiming a Life Torn Apart by Violence."

That beautiful Monday afternoon in April, Debra went out into her garden. One of her four cats, Homey, curled up next to her as she worked.

Her husband, Nino, came home from work around 3 p.m. and walked over to chat with his wife.

Unbeknownst to her, it was to be the last conversation with her husband of almost 25 years.

"Hey, looks like you've got a helper there," he

"I've pretty much moved on, not allowing fear to be a part of my everyday life."

says, smiling at Homey.

"Yeah," she responds.

Nino Puglisi headed into the house.

"Do me a favor, Nino," she asks. "Tell me when it's 3:45. I need to report in to work."

Upon entering the house, Nino Puglisi was shot and killed instantly. The gunshot went unheard.

"[Nino] never came out, but I didn't think anything about it," Debra remembers.

Knowing the time must have been near 4 p.m., Debra, a mother and nurse, brushed the caked earth from her pink sweatpants and went inside.

She says she was hit on the left side of her head as she walked through the door. The hit knocked both her glasses and her to the floor.

In her book, published by Atria Books, Debra says her eyesight is so poor without glasses or contacts that she can scarcely count the fingers on her hand, but through her distorted vision she could see the silhouette of a man with a tan jacket and base-

ball cap.

"I thought he was there to rob me," Debra recalls.

Unfortunately, the stranger, Donald A. Flagg, had other ideas. Debra was tied up, dragged to the basement and raped inside her own home, which was decorated with Beanie Babies, angels and Gone with the Wind plates.

Debra says after she was raped, Flagg dragged her back up the stairs and covered her with a quilt. He left the house and after five or 10 minutes passed, she thought it had to be over.

It wasn't.

After backing his car up to the front door, Flagg returned for her.

"When I heard the footsteps, I was hoping they were my husband's," Debra says. "At the time I didn't know my husband was dead."

With a knife to her throat, Debra, blindfolded and gagged, was loaded into the trunk and driven

away. Only tire marks remained.

The car came to a halt just as an automatic garage door shut.

Debra was trapped.

With the television blaring to muffle her screams, Debra was routinely tied up and raped in a back bedroom of Flagg's Bear residence.

The entire ordeal lasted five days, 101 hours. On the fifth day Debra was able to free herself enough to dial 911. She was rescued at last.

Debra says in her book that while at the hospital, police asked her to choose a password used to filter unwanted reporters and television crews from family visitors. "Tell them 'roses,'" she said. "The password is roses."

Since her rescue, Debra says she has completed numerous hours of counseling to battle post traumatic stress disorder.

Debra remarried in July 2000 to Bill Sharp, a boyfriend from her youth. The words "New Beginnings" are inscribed on their wedding bands.

"He's been wonderful as far as supporting me,"

Debra says.

She also credits the public with her recovery.

"I just appreciate the community's kindness. I

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OK Go (top) and Spiraling (right) performed at the North Star Bar in Philadelphia on Wednesday night.



No stopping OK Go

BY JAMES BORDEN
Entertainment Editor

Halfway through its set at the North Star Bar in Philadelphia Wednesday night Spiraling's keyboardist and lead vocalist Tom Brislin introduces "Is That the Last Glass of Water" by telling the crowd, "This next song's a love ballad ... at least, it's a love ballad where we come from."

The soft-spoken Brislin later admits he borrowed the line from "Back to the Future," where time-traveling teenager Marty McFly prefaces his performance of the as-of-yet unreleased Chuck Berry song "Johnny B. Goode" by saying "This next song's an oldie ... at least, it's an oldie where I come from." But the wild, rapid-fire way he rocks his dual keyboards during the show? That's all Brislin.

The quartet, based out of New Jersey, is composed of Brislin, guitarist Marty O'Kane, bassist Bob Hart and drummer Paul Wells. The band can trace its roots back to the early '90s, when Brislin founded the jazz-rock outfit You Were Spiraling. He says the current incarnation, which can be described more as new-wave art rock, was the result of an evolution in the group's sound and changes in the lineup.

Spiraling's 2002 album "Transmitter" — for which the record release party was held at Asbury Park's famous venue the Stone Pony — has been extremely well received by critics and fans alike with its blend of clever lyrics, catchy hooks and inspired, well-crafted melodies.

The band kicked off its current tour with OK Go last week in Chicago, and tonight is its second show back on the East Coast after a Tuesday night performance in Boston.

Several hours before they are scheduled to go on, the band members are huddled in the cold, cramped basement of the North Star, trying to unwind from their lengthy drive to Philadelphia this afternoon. When asked what it's like to return to the region, Wells gives a response that might come as a surprise to those who've been suffering from the region's bitter cold for the past few weeks: "Actually," he says, "It's a lot warmer out here ... when we left Chicago, the temperature was in the negatives, even though it's freezing in here, it's not as bad as it was back there."

Brislin says that when asked, he used to tell people he loved playing in Atlanta, but after a long enough time on the road, he realized that it's not so much where the band plays that matters, but what type of audience they're able to play to. The rest of the group agrees, adding that playing

in front of a different audience in a different venue every night is their favorite part of touring.

"Well if I had to pick my favorite place to play," O'Kane says with a sly smile, "it would definitely be 'insert-the-name-of-your-town-here.'"

Brislin says the group remains unfazed by the success of "Transmitter."

"We're the type of people that if we do reach a certain level, the only thing we're thinking about at that point is trying to take it to the next level."

Brislin, who writes all of Spiraling's songs, says they are a mix of personal stories and "a healthy dose of fiction — I used to get in trouble for writing stuff that was too autobiographical," he says, pausing to exchange grins with his fellow band members, "but mostly, I just try to do whatever makes for a more interesting song."

"Yeah, if we could pick one band to tour with, it'd probably be Weezer," Wells adds, nodding his head in agreement.

Brislin says the band has no plans for any drastic changes in the near future, though Wells remarks that it would be nice to have a road crew, and some extra equipment in case anything breaks while they're on tour.

"I think Madonna was asked a similar type of question when she was first starting off, you know, what plans she had for the future, and she said she was bent on world domination. All we really want is to have some spare instruments," Hart says, laughing, "We just want to keep doing what we're doing right now."

Upstairs, OK Go is finishing its sound check for tonight's performance, before Kitty Kat Dirt Nap, the local band opening for Spiraling and OK Go, takes the stage to configure its equipment.

After they've set everything up with the sound engineer, the members of OK Go still have a number of things left to do before they play. Lead vocalist/guitar player Damian Kulash, however, is able to slip out the back entrance and take some time in the group's tour van to answer a few questions about the band.

"Well I've known Tim [Nordwind, the bassist] since I was 12, Andy [Duncan, a guitarist and keyboardist] since I was 15, and met Dan [Konopka, the drummer] in college, but it wasn't until the fall after I graduated in '98 that we put the band together," he says.

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A 'miracle' worth reliving

"Miracle"
Walt Disney Pictures
Rating: ★★☆☆ 1/2

Sneak Peek HOLLYWOOD

It has been referred to as "The Miracle on Ice" and "The Greatest Moment in American Sports History." It is arguably the greatest upset the Olympics have seen since Jesse Owens defeated Hitler's Aryans in 1936. It is, for Americans, one of the greatest games of hockey ever played — not merely a win over a team favored above all odds — but a decisive, historical achievement representative of the nation's bold, if misguided, struggle against the evils of communism.

"Miracle," which concerns itself with the unprecedented 1980 victory over the undefeated Russian Olympic hockey team by a group of American college hockey players, is a far cry from that of the typical Disney "good underdogs vs. evil reigning cham-

pions" sports flick. Arguably, it's one of the best sports films ever made. There's no "Flying V," no knuckle pucks, no unsettled scores between the head coaches — nothing to distract the film from warping the audience back twenty-four years to a troubled, Cold War-era America where, for a short time, the focus of an entire nation was shifted to a single game of hockey.

Save for Kurt Russell, who plays Herb Brooks, the team's head coach, and Noah Emmerich ("The Truman Show") who plays his assistant, the cast is a group of unknowns, a choice that ends up working on a number of levels. One of the major themes is that of teamwork, the concept of putting the group ahead of the individual — something of an irony, given that the entire movie builds up to a game against a team of communists.

Thankfully, the film is largely free of political and social commentaries, though this is not to say the filmmakers fail to establish a proper historical context for this momentous occasion. The movie starts off with a news montage highlighting the tragedies which plagued the nation for the years leading up to the game, including Vietnam, Watergate and the oil crisis. Throughout the film, other real-world events intrude on Brooks' and his players' dreams of winning the Olympic gold medal.

For a film based in real life, and one in which the outcome is already known, it's interesting to see how the historical events are woven into the plot to create a real sense of tension. At one point, President Jimmy Carter decides to boycott the 1980 summer games in Moscow, potentially crushing the American team's hopes of taking on the greatest hockey players in the world.

While the movie is rated PG, it never once feels



watered-down or censored. Coach Brooks pushes the team almost beyond their physical and mental limits, and there is one brutal scene where, after playing an exhibition game he doesn't feel the team took seriously enough, he forces them to run drills to the point that both the team doctor and assistant coach begin to protest that enough is enough.

The games, like the rest of the movie, are shot extremely well, but there may not be as much actual footage of the team playing as die-hard hockey fans would want. (The film ends not with the game against Finland, which won them the gold medal, but rather, with the game against the Russians, for example.)

But because this is a movie as much about the historical and social context of the "Miracle on Ice" as the game itself, this is appropriate, and though it is

slightly on the long side for a Disney sports film, it never drags or slows down — every moment is engrossing, entertaining and educational.

When watching "Miracle," it becomes immediately clear that everyone involved was on their top game. Russell nails Brooks' Minnesota twang perfectly and completely owns the role. The dialogue is authentic, rarely hammy or over-the-top and the director, cinematographer and costume designer perfectly capture the look and feel of America circa 1980. By the end of the film, everyone in the audience will finally understand why announcer Al Michaels exclaimed in the final seconds of that fateful game: "Do you believe in miracles? Yes!"

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The Gist of It

- ★★★★ Olympic Gold Metal
- ★★★★ Stanley Cup
- ★★★ Vince Lombardi Trophy
- ★★ The Green Jacket
- ★ Pee-Wee League MVP

"Barbershop 2: Back in Business"

Rating: ★★☆☆ 1/2

The original "Barbershop" was a solid, character-driven comedy anchored by the strength of its performers and their sharp, witty back-and-forth repartee. In spite of this, it was not the type of movie whose ending left audiences begging for a sequel.

But Ice Cube, who reprises his role as Calvin, the shop's owner, also serves as the film's executive producer, and was able to successfully put together two entertaining, successful, though slightly unnecessary follow-ups to 1995's hilarious "Friday," and his streak continues with "Barbershop 2."

This time around, instead of a loan shark who plans to turn the store into a gentlemen's club, it is a greedy land developer who plans to run the barbershop out of business by opening a franchise of Nappy Cutz — replete with flat-screen TVs, titanium clippers and leather smocks — directly across the street. As with the original, the plot takes a backseat to the characters and dialogue.

Cedric the Entertainer — who played the semi-retired, scene-stealing barber Eddie in the original — comfortably



reprises his role, spouting off about everything from Michael Jackson to the Washington, D.C., snipers. Although the first film drew some flack for Eddie's assertion that "Rosa Parks didn't do nothin'" but sit her black ass down," his raw humor isn't toned down any, with him ranting at one point that "Before the D.C. sniper, at least black folks could say, 'We aren't that crazy.'"

Nearly all of the central characters return as well, thankfully, with all of the charm and depth given to them in the original. While it mostly follows the same formula of its predecessor, "Barbershop 2" nonetheless remains an enjoyable, laugh-out-loud comedy with minimal slow-down and a positive underlying message.

— James Borden

"The Perfect Score"

Rating: ★★☆☆ 1/2

Some kids will do anything to get a decent score on the SAT. But most don't have the connections or the willpower to steal the answers. "The Perfect Score" is the story of seven high school students who have both.

Scarlett Johansson plays Francesca, a rich punk rocker with a father who conveniently works in the office building where the SAT scores are kept. When schoolmates Matty (Bryan Greenburg) and Kyle (Chris Evans) come to the conclusion that the SAT is unfair and they will never get into the schools they want, they plot to steal the answers. After recruiting Francesca and four other desperate students, the unlikely group of partners plots their ultimate revenge on the system to steal what they believe is the key to their future.

Like other MTV movies, "The Perfect Score" is a feel-good film for teenagers, but even teenagers can see through the corny lines and fake romantic setups that conveniently pop up at obvious moments. Director Brian Robbins is no stranger to teen flicks, since he has previously directed MTV's "Varsity Blues" and Nickelodeon's "Good Burger."



Johansson does a decent job playing a bossy, and at times, comical angst-ridden teenager who plays down her intelligence. Erika Christensen is quite the opposite as Anna, the runner-up for class valedictorian who joins the group because she doesn't want to let down her mother by not getting into Brown University.

Each one of the students has a different reason for wanting to steal the scores, whether it's because they want to please their parents by getting into a dream college or whether it's because they simply have nothing better to do.

While "The Perfect Score" brings up relevant ethical issues concerning the fairness and necessity of the SAT, it falls short in challenging any of the ideas it brings to the forefront.

— Callye Morrissey



"The Chicken Dance"
By: Todd Miyashiro

SAY WHAT?

The Review asks students:

What did you think of the Super Bowl Halftime Show?

— compiled by Ryan Mignone



Stephanie Merkler
Sophomore

"The music was kind of terrible. They should play music most football fans like."



Tim Weber
Sophomore

"The Halftime Show should be catered to a larger audience rather than teeny boppers."



Kaitlin Green
Freshman

"Nipple rings are great — I show mine off all the time."

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— freshman Kaitlin Green



Brian Vanderslice
Sophomore

"I missed it — we were watching the Lingerie Bowl 2004."



Signe Jones
Senior

"I thought it was extremely inappropriate."



Brian Mladenetz
Junior

"I think it was a big publicity stunt."

CONCERT DATES

TROCADERO — (215) 922-LIVE

Mushroomhead, Dope, Twisted Method, 13EVEN, Feb. 14, 7 p.m., \$15

ELECTRIC FACTORY — (215) 336-2000

Ludacris, Young Guns, Chingy, March 6, 7:30 p.m., \$34.50 (in advance), \$38 (day of show)

TWEETER CENTER — (215) 336-2000

Neil Young & Crazy Horse, March 14, 8 p.m., \$37.50-\$85.00

MOVIE TIMES

REGAL PEOPLES PLAZA (834-8510)

Anything Else 1:05, 3:35, 6:50, 9:20
Cabin Fever 12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:35, 10:05
The Big Bounce 12:05, 2:15, 5:00, 7:25, 10:00
The Perfect Score 12:50, 3:30, 7:05, 10:35
You Got Served 1:00, 4:10, 7:50, 10:15
The Butterfly Effect 12:00, 12:30, 4:00, 4:30, 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30
Win a Date with Tad Hamilton! 12:10, 2:40, 5:05, 7:20, 9:40
Along Came Polly 12:45, 4:40, 7:40, 10:35
Torque 2:00, 4:25, 7:10
My Baby's Daddy 11:45 a.m., 10:30
Cheaper by the Dozen 12:25, 2:50, 5:15, 7:30, 9:55
Monster 1:10, 4:10, 7:25, 10:10
Calendar Girls 12:34, 5:10, 8:05, 10:35
The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King 11:55 a.m., 3:50, 8:00
Something's Gotta Give 12:20, 3:55, 7:20, 10:20

Big Fish 12:40, 4:05, 7:00, 9:50
Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World 13:15, 3:45, 7:10, 10:05
Mystic River 11:50 a.m., 2:55, 6:45, 9:50

NEWARK CINEMA (737-3720)

Along Came Polly Fri. 5:00, 7:00, 9:00 Sat. 1:15, 3:15, 7:00, 9:00 Sun. 1:15, 3:15, 8:30
The Big Bounce Fri. 4:45, 9:30 Sat. 1:30, 9:45 Sun. 1:15, 8:45
Miracle Fri. 6:45, 9:15 Sat. 1:00, 3:45, 6:45, 9:15 Sun. 1:00, 3:45, 6:20, 8:50
Rocky Horror Picture Show Sat. 11:59 p.m.

THE HITLIST

FRIDAY

Stone Balloon: DJ Dance Party w/ DJEvel-E 8 p.m., no cover with university ID

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

East End Café: Darren and Friends, 10 p.m., \$3, \$5 minors

SATURDAY

East End Café: Apex Watson, 10 p.m., \$3, \$5 minors

Deer Park Tavern: Diatribe, 10 p.m., \$3

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

SUNDAY

East End Café: General Electric, 10 p.m., \$3, \$5 minors

Deer Park Tavern: Chorduroy, no cover



Kids show off culinary masterpieces

BY R. BRECK WIEDENMANN

Staff Reporter

What do coconut creme pie, crème brûlée, pumpkin pie and chocolate truffle all have in common? They are all mouth-watering desserts. And who doesn't have room for dessert?

Imagine eating several different desserts during the course of the day — downing endless portions of gooey brownies made with Coca-Cola, and being forced to surrender to scrumptious cherry turnovers for three hours — somebody had to do it, and I did.

Although one runs the risk of getting sick from undercooked food along with the possibility of weight gain and sugar-induced cavities, being an assistant dessert judge at the 4-H Favorite Foods Contest definitely has its advantages.

Last Saturday, New Castle County 4-H held its annual Favorite Foods Contest at Kirk Middle School in Newark.

Sixty-five participants (a number that leaped from the 25 of two years prior) must be between the ages of 8 to 18.

Upon entering the middle school cafeteria, participants find their name and number printed in black permanent marker on a card.

Broken into three categories (beginner, junior and senior), the contest enables the 4-H'er to compete among those the same age.

As each contestant wanders into the room in 15-minute intervals to present each dish prepared at home, they assemble their place setting in front of the judges.

Along with the dish, participants are graded on the menu accompanying the entry, recipe, food preparation, table setting and the attitude of the contestant.

It is obvious many contestants are very tense.

Little nervous ticks are evident among the competitors. One little girl who dressed as an Indian to complement her entry is so nervous she twiddles her fingers around a bead belt that hangs from her waist.

The 4-H department breaks the food into classes, breads, meat/main dish, appetizers/soups, fruits/vegetables, cookies/cupcakes/candy (beginners only) and desserts.

After a nine-course meal of sinful pleasures, judges are permitted to taste a dish of their liking, such as jambalaya or beef burgundy.

The cast of judges includes chefs, former contestants and some who just appreciate good food. Even a fire company cook appears to set the best dishes apart from the rest.

Rebecca Gibson, junior meat/main dish judge, has participated in the contest for 10 years, making her the perfect candidate to judge contestants' culinary creations.

Based on the tally of the score, an overall winner of each division is selected along with an honorable mention.

I select 10-year-old Mackenzie McCracken, a very shy and young girl, for her excellent Coca-Cola brownie recipe.

McCracken is visibly nervous during her interview, as anyone could tell as she continued to twist her neck.

In the end, she had the best overall score and was selected as the champion of beginner desserts.

Even though winners are selected, the 4-H attitude maintains everyone is a winner. No one leaves the contest empty-handed as the judges award everyone a ribbon based on their entry.

"The best part of the contest is watching their faces light up when they walk back in the room," Gibson says. "They are so excited over the ribbon and their accomplishment, no matter red or blue."

After the awards are distributed and the coordinator thanks all Favorite Foods Contest participants, parents and kids alike are able to walk around viewing and tasting all the entries.

Time has changed the format of the contest over the years. Each county used to hold its own contest and the county winners would meet the following week to determine the state winner.

"I remember having to cook right in front of the judges," says Gail Simpson, a former contest-winner and beginner desserts judge.

Simpson says she developed a hatred for making cupcakes because she never knew exactly how much batter to pour into the paper baking cups to create the perfect cupcake.

Despite the changes, the goals for 4-H contest remain the same: to increase the knowledge and importance of good nutrition, help club members improve skills in food preparation and display, and encourage originality and creativity.

Above all, the 4-H encourages kids to develop wholesome attitudes, character and personality traits. The 4-H Favorite Foods Contest has become a staple event on the 4-H calendar.

More and more entries are filed each year, making the contest the fastest growing event in 4-H.

The contest is always looking for the next Emeril Lagasse or Julia Child.



Pale is the new fad

BY CALLYE MORRISSEY

Entertainment Editor

Pale might be a new band on the streets of Newark, but that hasn't stopped them from inching into the scene, one venue at a time.

At a recent show at the East End Café on Main Street, Pale belts out its brand of noisy but melodic rock, while snow falls with messy intent on the streets outside. Despite the looming possibility of being snowbound in a cozy bar until the blizzard-like conditions subside, patrons risk it to listen to Pale, a four-piece with an all-original repertoire from Newark.

Vocalist Taylor Weber adjusts the Dr. Who-ish scarf tied around his neck before he grabs the microphone to sing over guitarist Thaddeus Cebula's passionate riffs, bassist Alex Teague's roaring bass lines and drummer Sean Mis' hammering drum beats.

The crowd begins to witness one of the area's newest and most promising bands.

Pale unofficially formed in April, and thanks to quick digital recording, it already has an impressive debut CD to tote around.

The band was initially conceived years ago as an effort to get involved in something productive that didn't involve playing sports, so Mis and Weber began playing in bands together until they met Teague. The only thing they were missing was a singer.

"We tried out different singers but we kind of just ended up asking our friend and roommate Taylor to sing, since him and Alex used to sit around and make stupid songs while being drunk," Mis says.

Despite the haphazard circumstances of his recruitment, Weber has quite a strong and confident voice.

Pale recorded its self-titled album in November and December, and quickly burned hundreds of copies and designed the unique hand-stamped packaging so they could send copies out to venues and media outlets.

The album does Pale justice, unlike most band



Courtesy of Pale

Members of the local band Pale unofficially formed in April 2003 and finished recording its first self-titled album in December.

recordings. It is a diverse, talent-ridden debut. Different songs have different personalities, such as "Disconnected," in which Weber's howls are slightly reminiscent of ex-Misfit's vocalist Glen Danzig. But the comparison ends there, as Pale sounds almost nothing like either band. The track "Goat Lost in a Cheese Field" begins with the bass and guitar going in different directions, until the guitar drops out and Weber lets out some Kurt Cobain-esque husky growls. "Seven" sounds similar to the Pixies, but with a British vocalist. The same Brit-rock vocal style comes out on "Swing Low," a super catchy song (and one of the best tunes on Pale's album) with an extremely unique bass line.

The four early 20-somethings are out to quickly conquer more than just Newark, as they recently played a show at the Acme Underground in New York City and are set to play an all-ages matinee show on Sunday at Big Nick's Saloon in Philadelphia and at Bootlegger Buck's in Media, Pa., on March 6.

"Our goal as a band is to make enough money so we don't have to have other jobs. Music is simply a feel good source, so we just want to make people feel something amazing when it's sometimes hard to otherwise. Sounds easily put, but that's what music is all about. A lot of it is subconscious," Mis says.

Helping others to heal

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had received hundreds of cards with people saying that they had prayed for me."

Debra says she feels it is important for victims of crime to get as much help as they can, even if it means having someone to talk to and assure them they did nothing wrong.

Nearly six years after her abduction, Debra has written a book about her experience, which she says was very therapeutic.

Debra titled the book "Shattered," because her life was torn apart on April 20, 1998. The subtitle, however, describes what she has been doing since her rescue — reclaiming her life.

In addition to her continued work for a hospice, Debra speaks publicly about her misfortune and how she uses her experience to help other victims of crime.

Debra has also given lectures to law enforcement officers, health professionals, criminal law students and forensic nurse students to help them better understand the long-term effects of victimization.

When giving speeches, Debra says she likes to retell her story, sometimes even replaying the tape of her 911 call. "It's pretty chilling."

In her book, Debra says at times during her abduction, for no more than a few brief moments, she pictured herself in her garden tending her rose bushes, sifting the soil in her hands, wondering about the pH and acidity and whether the poor things would survive.

Debra believes there should be more support systems and opportunities for victims to get the help they need.

"So many people haven't had the opportunities that I've had to heal," she says.

Her brush with death has given Debra a greater appreciation for life, family and friends. She makes a point, each time they speak, to tell her kids how much she loves them since she wasn't able to say goodbye to her husband.

"When you lose someone suddenly and not have the opportunity to let them know you love them," she says. "It's pretty difficult."

The scars from her injuries have faded, but they still remain, reminding her every day about

the events that occurred.

Debra says she is always aware of her surroundings and makes sure the doors are locked. But she does not let the past take over her life.

"I've pretty much moved on, not allowing fear to be a part of my everyday life."

Debra tries to help victims of crime through a number of organizations, especially the Sexual Assault Network of Delaware, a division of CONTACT Delaware.

Gov. Ruth Ann Minner appointed Debra a public representative for the 911 Enhancement Board, a committee used to increase emergency awareness. She has also been a guest speaker at many seminars and conferences.

Debra says she is presently focusing on promoting her book, more public speaking on a national level and being more active in the local chapters of CONTACT Delaware and SAND organizations through volunteer work.

Sometime in the future she wants to be certified in the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program to help other rape victims.

It has been a long, emotional trial, but Debra Puglisi Sharp has reclaimed her life and gone back to enjoying what it has to offer.

In her book she writes, "In closing, I have one final message. Yes, Gene, I will always love roses."

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Picking just the right fingernail color can be difficult.

As any girl knows, when standing in CVS staring at a wall full of more colors than the Crayola Big Box, it can take a while to decide which bottle to choose.

Do I want quick drying, sparkly, bright, non-bright, one coat finish or metallic?

Though there are many choices, there is one thing that all bottles of nail polish have in common — anyone can use them.

Yes, despite popular belief, that includes us nail biters.

I am a nail biter, always have been, probably always will be. The years of scolding from my parents to "Get my fingers out of my mouth," hasn't stopped me. To be honest, I don't know why it is such a big deal.

I understand it's not the most attractive thing to see someone chewing on their fingers, but neither is smoking, and people do that in public all the time. So what is the big deal if I bite my nails when no one is around?

I have no idea why I bite my nails or when I started. Maybe it is just out of nervousness,

This bad habit really bites

or possibly boredom. I have no clue. It's just a habit, and like any habit, it is hard to break. In fact, I would be reluctant to say that it is a bad habit. It doesn't hurt my health or the health of anyone else, it doesn't suck up my money or time, it's just something I have a tendency to do.

What I am a bit confused about is why longer nails are considered more feminine? Often I see people ashamed to show their fingers if they bite their nails. For these nail biters, even pointing to a destination on a map can become an embarrassing situation. Why the shame, people?

Some people are short, some are tall, some are fat, while others are thin. Likewise, some people have short nails and like to bite them and some grow their nails longer. Either way, nails are nails.

I am a girl just like any other, I like to do the same things any girl might like to do, which includes painting my nails if I feel so inclined.

There seems to be this preconceived notion that short nails should not be and don't deserve to be painted. I have, on more than one occasion, been laughed at for painting the short nails that top off each of my fingers.

I get a variety of reactions when people see me painting my nails.

My family usually rips on me, asking what

I am even painting, and my father reminds me that skin is not supposed to be painted — thanks Dad.

Other people smirk, while remarking, "You are painting your nails?"

I have also been flat-out laughed at. One time after I finished, a good friend of mine looked at my fingers, burst out laughing, grabbed my hand and held it up for everyone to see, laughing, "Look at this!"

Don't worry, I don't let it discourage me. I will admit there was a time when I tried to grow my fingernails out, but I didn't get too far before realizing I just wasn't having it.

I don't know how people with the long nails do it. Personally, I think they would be more of a hassle than anything else. Any daily activity would become a task — writing, dialing the phone, among other things. Besides, you worry about breaking them all the time, something I don't want to be bothered with.

And forget fake nails. Why would I want something glued on my hands, painted with crazy designs that are longer than half my finger alone? They just look absolutely ridiculous — even more ridiculous than my freshly polished pink stubs.

So for all of you people who think it's stupid for someone like me to paint my nails, I don't care.

I like my nails just how they are. I enjoy



relieving my tension by gnawing on my nails, just as I also like to make them look pretty by painting them.

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, so while you might like the acrylic claws stuck on the ends of your hands, I take delight in my

nubs, and if I'm happy then I could care less what anyone else thinks.

And besides, it takes a lot less nail polish to paint my short nails, which means fewer times I have to face the task of standing in CVS, pondering which bottle to buy.

Who had the best kickoff?

It has been estimated that nearly 2/5 of those tuning into to watch the Super Bowl every year do so not for the game itself, but rather to catch all of the new, hopefully funny and hopefully entertaining commercials debuted throughout the night.

While most people were left talking about the New England Patriots' close 32-29 victory over the Carolina Panthers and the "wardrobe malfunction" that left Janet Jackson partially exposed, there was no shortage of new ads that left people laughing, scratching their head or just plain bored. Without further ado, The Review presents the best and worst of the Super Bowl Ads of 2004.

The Best:

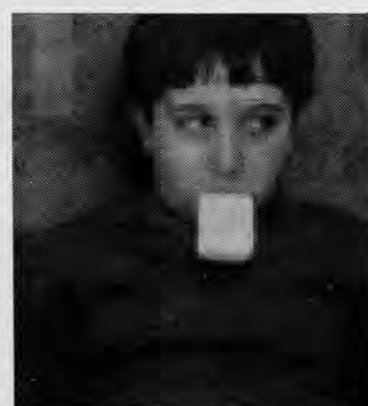
1. "Randy the Supply Supervisor"

In this clever ad for the office-supply store "Staples", a mafia-like supply clerk demands donuts, muffins and assorted pastries in exchange for ink cartridges, legal pads and file folders. But when an employee shows up with supplies from staples and Joe Vitrelli — Jelly from "Analyze That" — in toe, the clerk gets a lesson in intimidation.



2. "Soap in Your Mouth"

In one of a number of ads unveiling Chevrolet's new "American Revolution" of cars, a new truck/convertible hybrid is debuted — triggering every kid who sees it to say something along the lines of "Holy Sh—" before being cut off and having a bar of soap shoved in their mouths.



3. "Kerry and Misty Play Snow Volleyball"

In this titillating Visa ad, bikini-clad members of the U.S. women's volleyball team decide to get in shape for the summer games by practicing on a frozen, snow-ravaged beach. While the shots of them diving bare-legged into the snow are equally enticing and wince-inducing, the really painful part comes at the end — when one of them is forced to retrieve the ball out of the wintry seas.



4. "Alien Shipping"

One of the more bizarre ads came in the form of a FedEx commercial, where two office workers confront a new employee — they know he's an alien, because the only thing he can say is "Why don't we use FedEx?" That, and the fact that he's clearly a giant alien with an ill-fitting two-dimensional human mask.



5. "Homer Gets His Errands Done"

While the quality of "The Simpsons" has gradually been slipping over the past several years, this clever MasterCard "priceless" ad follows Homer around while he runs assorted errands so that he can have more time to spend with his family — or grab a beer at Moe's.



The Worst:

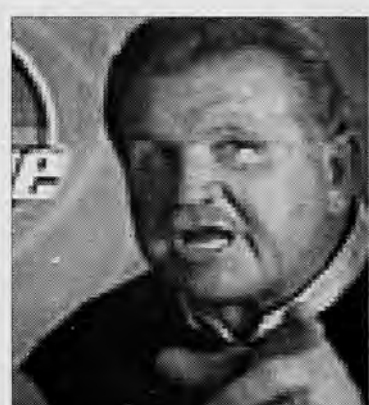
1. "Pot Smoking Teens"

While this isn't the most outrageous or slanted ad the Office of National Drug Control Policy has ever aired, the cheesy special effect of a girl's day of smoking pot and getting drunk being rewound to the beginning so that her mom can prevent her from destroying her life is lame enough to make anyone's eyes roll.



2. "Take the Levitra Challenge"

In this not-so-subtle ad for the erectile-dysfunction pill, former Coach Ditka draws an odd comparison between football and baseball "In football, it's Levitra," he says "Baseball...could use Levitra." In case anyone didn't quite get the message, the ad ends with Ditka throwing a football through a tire swing screaming "And you gotta love that!"



3. "The Power of Four"

"First there was one blade," the commercial begins, "then two, then three. But four blades? Give me a break, right?" Had this been the end, the commercial would have at least gotten points for honesty. Sadly, the smug spokesman lulls the viewer out of their complacency by shouting "Wrong!" before spouting off the various advantages of having yet another blade tacked onto your razor.



4. "Fight to the Death?"

This offering from Frito-Lay, which features an elderly couple battling it out for a bag of chips, could have been funny, like if one of them dislocated their hip, or if the kid who the chips belonged to had come back and taken it by force. Instead, the old lady ends up with the old man's dentures. Yawn.



5. "Clydesdale Donkey"

After the events of Sept. 11, 2001, Budweiser broke from tradition and made a beer ad that wasn't crude, offensive and brainless — it featured the famous Clydesdale Horses taking a solemn bow towards New York City. This year, the company showcased a donkey whose only dream in life was to become a Clydesdale Horse. Was this supposed to be funny? Inspirational? Regardless, it failed.



Censored:

1. CBS deemed the winning Moveon.org's "Voter Fund's Bush Ad in 30 Seconds" too controversial to air, claiming they prefer to steer away from so-called "issue-ads" (unless, as "Saturday Night Live" news anchor Tina Fey pointed out, that issue is: "Women are sluts for beer.") The grim ad features a number of young kids working in a variety of menial jobs, with the tagline at the end reading "Guess who's going to pay off President Bush's \$1 Trillion Deficit?"



— James Borden

'Spiraling' up in the music world

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Kulash has had a lifelong passion for music, but says he can't remember if being in a band was a lifelong dream of his.

"If you were to read all the interviews I've ever done — I'd look like a total liar, I've got a terrible memory. But I can remember the first time I thought of playing was when I met Tim, who said we should put a band together."

The two formed the group The Greased Ferrets, but Kulash says he doesn't remember much about it, and that in high school he became involved with another band.

"Originally, I saw myself more as a visual artist, I was into music during high school and everything, but music was like what I wanted to do second most, you know?"

For a while, Kulash says he poured his creative efforts into paintings and sculptures, before switching to "some really abstract stuff." After tiring of how free of rules and boundaries the abstract art was, he switched back to more traditional styles before entering college, where his passion for music really took off.

"The art scene in college was ... a lot of bullshit," Kulash gripes while re-stringing his guitar. "But then my art projects in college turned into me recording things. I got access to the recording studio and basically spent all my time in there, and by my second or third year I was the head of the studio, so I could have access anytime I wanted."

Despite his strong passion for art, Kulash majored in semiotics in at Brown University — which he admits was something of an odd choice.

"My first day of class, the professor said: 'I can't explain to you today what semiotics is. And you're not going to understand a lot of what I'm saying, but hopefully in a few weeks, it'll make sense.'"

Pressed for a brief explanation, Kulash says that it's a discipline somewhat comparable to philosophy, but rooted in the study of linguistics.

After graduation, he remained in Rhode Island and worked for the summer before deciding to move out to Chicago, where Nordwind, Konopka and Duncan had attended college, to found OK Go.

"We're not the type of band that really aims at a specific sound or has specific influences, it's more like everything we listen to goes into the bag of tricks."

Asked about his favorite bands, Kulash says that during high school he became a fan of D.C.-based punk-rock bands like Fugazi, Jaw Box and Minor Threat, though he also had a penchant for the popular music of the time as well.

"I was really into pop, a big fan of Prince and The Cars, and I

really liked early Depeche Mode; these are all still things that I listen to, and I think Prince is about as good of a musician as they come."

But, he adds, "The Pixies sort of became the perfect band for me, cause they were kind of punky and kind of poppy, so, if I had to pick a favorite band, I'd definitely go with them."

Tonight's show has drawn between 100 to 150 fans into the small North Star Bar, Kulash says his favorite type of venue to play is one where there's a more intimate setting between the band and the audience.

"I mean, it's really exciting to play festivals and you look out and there's 10,000 people there, that's super-exciting, it's an intellectual rush but it's not super-musical, it's more about being able to tell your friends 'Can you fucking believe I played in front of all those people?'"

"Especially when you're a band like us, and you're playing in front of 10,000 people, you know they're there to see someone else. The best type of show is when you get between four and five hundred people — close enough so they can see you sweat."

This is certainly the case tonight, as long-time and newcomer fans alike are jammed against the stage and on a balcony overlooking the stage.

As Spiraling begins its set, Brislén transforms from the quiet, seemingly-reserved guy he was less than an hour ago to something like a singing, keyboard playing madman — think Beethoven at the mall in "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure" — and his energy seems to infect the entire band, as they tear it up on stage. Highlights include energetic renditions of the songs "Holy Grail" and "Lightning Twice," as well as a cover of the Devo song "Whip It," the last song it plays before turning the stage over to OK Go.

None of the energy worked up by Spiraling disappears, as OK Go begins to play their vigorous, if slightly eclectic, set. Kulash is a huge fan of audience participation, and at one point coaxes two girls to come on stage and slow dance with each other during their performance of "It's Tough to Have a Crush."

The band also makes sure to play their breakout single "Get Over It," a song that seems to be designed perfectly for a live performance. And, not to be outdone by Spiraling's Devo cover, the group plays the Toto song "Hold The Line," after polling the audience on what cover song they wanted to hear the most.

As the night winds down and OK Go finishes its last song, the fans begin to trickle towards the back of the room, some of them buying band merchandise, others waiting to pose for pictures with the performers, but all of them satisfied after a great show.

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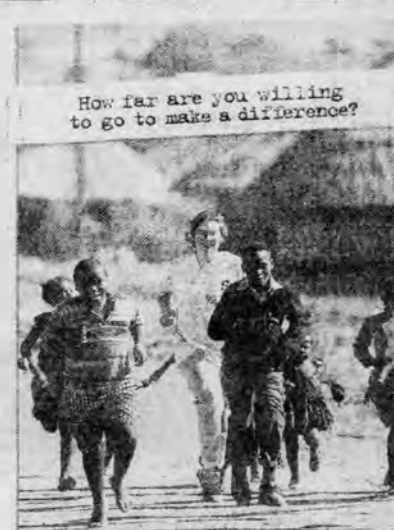
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Champs reload for 2004 season

Head football coach K.C. Keeler announced Wednesday the signing of 18 high school football recruits that have signed letters of intent to play football at Delaware beginning in the 2004 season. Below is a list of the recruits that will be attending Delaware in the fall:

Demetrice Alexander - LB
5'11" 202 lbs.
4.57 40-yd dash
Lilburn, GA / Parkview HS
Benches 305 lbs, squats 480 lbs.
36" vertical leap
Ranked 128th out of all linebackers in the nation by TheInsiders.com
Fourth highest ranked linebacker to commit to a Division I-AA school (TheInsiders.com)
First Team All-Gwinnett County
Second Team All-State
Recruited by Division I-A schools Indiana, Wisconsin and Virginia
Recorded 145 tackles in 2003 to lead his team in tackles for the third straight year

Fred Andrew - DB
5'10" 180 lbs.
4.56 40-yd dash
Bairico, FL / Durant HS
First Team All-Hillsborough County (as a kick returner)
Honorable Mention All-State
One of 13 nominees for the Guy Toph Award, Hillsborough County's highest football honor
Recruited by Division I-A schools Florida International and Central Florida
In 2003, rushed for 800 yards and returned an interception and a kick for touchdowns
Currently holds a 3.86 G.P.A.

David Beachy - TE
6'3" 205 lbs.
Manassas, VA / Osborn Park HS
First Team All-District (as both a tight end and line backer)
Second Team All-State (as a tight end)
Honorable Mention All-Met (as a linebacker)

Manny Beneby - DB
6'1" 170 lbs.

Lauderhill, FL / Plantation HS
First Team All-Conference
Honorable Mention All-Broward County

Mike Byrne - C
6'5" 265 lbs.
4.95 40-yd dash
Lititz, PA / Manheim Central HS
First Team AP All-State
First Team All-PA Football News
Recruited by Division I-A schools Clemson, Boston College, Pittsburgh and West Virginia
In 2003, Manheim Central went 15-0 and won the PIAA Class AAA championship

Gomez Cambridge - RB
5'10" 190 lbs.
Riviera Beach, FL / Dwyer HS
First Team All-County
Honorable Mention All-State
In 2003, rushed for 1,498 yards and 24 touchdowns and returned two kicks for touchdowns

Jim Casertano - DL
6'2" 230 lbs.
4.87 40-yd dash
Hatfield, PA / North Penn HS
First Team All-PA Football News
Named a Top Senior and Player to Watch by EasternPAFootball.com
Named to the Patriot-News Platinum 33 Team as one of the top 33 seniors in Pennsylvania
As a fullback, rushed for 640 yards and 10 touchdowns and caught six passes for 102 yards
In 2003, North Penn went 15-0, won PIAA AAAA championship and was ranked eighth in the nation by USA Today

Armand Cauthen - WR
6'1" 195 lbs.

4.40 40-yd dash
Douglasville, GA / Hargrave Military Academy
32" vertical leap
Ranked 70th out of all wide receivers in the nation by TheInsiders.com
Highest ranked wide receiver to commit to a Division I-AA school (TheInsiders.com)

Jahiri Gunthorpe - DB
6'2" 176 lbs.
4.61 40-yd dash
Brandywine, MD / Gwynn Park HS
Twin brother of Rafiq



THE REVIEW/Internet Photo
Jim Casertano was a two-way standout in high school at fullback and defensive line. He is expected to play on the line at Delaware.

Rafiq Gunthorpe - DB
6'2" 175 lbs.
4.61 40-yd dash
Brandywine, MD / Gwynn Park HS
Twin brother of Jahiri

Ralph Hines - LB
5'11" 215 lbs.
Lithonia, GA / Dunwoody HS
First Team All-DeKalb County
Second Team All-State
Four-year starter
2003 Team Defensive MVP

Dan Jones - RB
5'8" 170 lbs.
4.28 40-yd dash
Stratford, NJ / St. Joe's Prep HS

First Team All-Catholic League (as a defensive back)
Second Team All-PA Football News
In 2003, St. Joe's Prep went 12-0, won Philadelphia Catholic Red Division championship and was ranked third in the nation by USA Today

Aaron Love - WR
5'8" 160 lbs.
Oak Park, MI / Southfield HS
First Team All-Conference
In 2003, caught 56 passes for 755 yards
Recruited by Division I-A schools Toledo, Northern

Illinois, Eastern Michigan and Central Michigan

Manuel Marshall - DL
6'3" 270 lbs.
Cheverly, MD / Gonzaga HS
Honorable Mention All-Met
Nominated for U.S. Army All-American "Tough Man" Award
Three-year starter

Mario McLean - DB
6'2" 175 lbs.
Towaco, NJ / Montville HS
First Team All-Conference
First Team All-County
First Team All-State

Kervin Michaud - WR
5'10" 170 lbs.
Levittown, PA / Pennsbury
Second Team All-Southeastern PA (as a running back)
Honorable Mention All-PA Football News

Jarryd Moyer - QB
6'4" 202 lbs.
Manheim, PA / Manheim Central HS
First Team AP All-State
First Team All-PA Football News
Named 2003 Lancaster-Lebanon League Section II Outstanding Player of the Year
2003 team went 15-0 and won the PIAA Class AAA championship

Stephen Purkey - DL
6'1" 235 lbs.
4.85 40-yd dash
Port St. Lucie, FL / John Carroll HS
2003 Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers Defensive Player of the Year
Three-time All-State selection
Registered 11 blocked kicks (state best) and 12 sacks in 2003, as well as 126 tackles (78 solo) and five forced fumbles
Recruited by Division I-A schools Florida Atlantic and Florida International

—Compiled by Rob McFadden

Turnovers prove costly in Hens' loss

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last year's season opener against LaSalle. Henderson said the team couldn't expect to win on the road with so many mistakes.

"We turned the ball over entirely too many times," he said. "When you have 26 turnovers, it's difficult to win in this league on the road. We've got to take better care of the ball. That was our biggest issue last night."

Delaware returns home Saturday for a rematch against Towson in another CAA battle. Earlier in the season, the Hens lost to the Tigers in a closely contested 70-68 road loss. For every way Delaware has found to lose games on the road, they have found ways to win them at home. With conference play heating up, they'll need to step up and continue that trend tomorrow.



THE REVIEW/File Photo
Junior guard Mike Slattery shoots a free throw in a game earlier this season. The Hens turned the ball over 26 times in their loss to Hofstra Wednesday night.

Speed will help UD

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schools, including Indiana, Wisconsin and Virginia, but none of them showed the dedicated interest that Delaware did.

"He reminds us a lot of what we had with Mike Adams," Keeler said. "He's just a true leader with an infectious personality."

On offense, the Hens scored big with two great talents at the skilled positions.

Running back Gomez Cambridge brings a rare combination of size and speed to the Hens after rushing for 1,498 yards and 24 touchdowns for Dwyer High School in Riviera Beach, Fla.

The 5-foot-10, 190-pound back was named district 5A Offensive Player of the Year while compiling over 100 yards in 11 of the Panthers 12 games this season.

"Gomez is an electrifying back," Keeler said. "He's built a lot like Germaine Bennett in that he's a thick strong back."

Dwyer head coach Jack Daniels also raved about Cambridge's talent.

"He's the toughest kid I've ever coached, and I've coached over 30 Division I-A players," he said. "Delaware got a steal."

Keeler tended to agree. "We saw him and offered," he said, "and kept on holding our breath [until he signed]."

But the highest rated prospect Delaware nabbed on Wednesday had to be Armand Cauthen, a 6-foot-1, 195-pound wide receiver from Douglasville, Ga.

The speedy Cauthen (4.4 40-yard dash) is currently enrolled at Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia as a post-graduate student. TheInsiders.com rated him as the 70th best wide out in the nation this season and the fourth best receiver to come out of Virginia. He is also the highest rated receiver to sign in Div. I-AA.

Hargrave is renowned for its football recruits and its strict academic program. Forty-nine of the academy's players signed letters of intent Wednesday, including 40 to I-A institutions.

Head coach Robert Prunty called Cauthen a "Division I-A

player" that had many offers on the table, including ones from Virginia Tech and North Carolina St.

"Coach Bossard did a great job recruiting and Armand loved that spread offense," he said. "We run a similar one here."

Keeler's face lit up when Cauthen came to mind.

"Armand is a talent.. We are very excited about him coming here," Keeler said. "He is a mature guy that will come in here and compete right away."

Before attending Hargrave, Cauthen earned first team all-state honors in Georgia at Douglas County High School for the 2002 season.

This class, along with the talent Delaware is returning, assures Hens fans of another stellar upcoming season. Keeler also gave one more assurance Hens fans love to hear.

"There's a future here at Delaware football," he said, "And I plan on being here a long time."

Hen Peckings

• The Delaware football team will be celebrating its 2003 Division I-AA National Championship Feb. 10 at The Bob Carpenter Center. The event is free and open to the public. Among the night's activities will be speeches from Head Coach K.C. Keeler as well as members of the team. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and nation championship merchandise will be available to purchase.

Bobcats sweep Hens Hockey drops seven of last ten

BY BILL WILLIAMS

Staff Reporter

The No. 14 ranked Delaware ice hockey team lost a pair of games to No. 2 Ohio last weekend, including a frustrating 3-0 shutout Saturday night at the Fred Rust Ice Arena.

The Hens (11-13-2) have now lost seven of their last 10 games, while the Bobcats (22-7-2) are on a 9-0-1 streak.

Forward Nick Bassarab led Ohio with a goal and two assists and goalie Brian Gallagher was flawless in net, stopping 20 shots.

Saturday night's action began with a fluid, yet bruising pace as each side continually plas-

tered the puck into the net. Bassarab made with Verdi on the play, but no penalties were issued.

In the second period, the Hens missed a golden chance to score when the puck loomed in front of the Ohio net. They frantically tried to tuck the puck past Gallagher, but were unable to get on the board.

"This was a frustrating loss in general," head coach John O'Connor said. "Our guys fought hard, but the bounces didn't go our way."

Bassarab did score later in the period, stuffing the puck past Verdi for a power play goal. He was assisted by Craig Foglesong and Hernandez on the play, which put the Bobcats ahead by two goals.

The contentious play of both teams continued, with dirty looks flying constantly and shoving the theme of the game.

Delaware freshman forward Kyle Keller was injured after taking a nasty hit from an Ohio player against the boards behind the Bobcat net. The Delaware bench complained that it was an elbow to the head that had

not been called by the referee.

O'Connor said Keller suffered symptoms consistent with those of a concussion and was looked at by team trainers.

Ohio put the game away in the final period when Matt Sherk collected a

pass in the slot and whipped it past Verdi. Bassarab and Richardson had the assists on the play.

Verdi prevented further damage when he made a save on a redirected shot by Sean Gallagher and poked the puck away as it

fluttered above the Delaware goal.

The game ended with an incident that was typical of that night's contest: a shoving contest. The scrum went on between both sides behind the Hens' net.

O'Connor said he felt his team was shortchanged on several decisions by the referee.

"Some calls seemed marginal," he said. "They always seemed to go against Delaware."

The Hens will look to end their run of bad luck tonight when they travel to Penn State for the first of two games this weekend.

O'Connor said there are a few areas in which his team will need to improve in order to win.

"We need to work on special teams," he said. "Our power play was non-existent [Saturday]."



MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

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Commentary

JUSTIN REINA



It's just a nipple

Another Super Bowl gone by, another controversy lingering on the minds of millions. And wouldn't you know it, another Jackson is making headlines for a sex-related incident.

Now I'm not a lawyer. In fact, I'm not very smart at all. However, it would only seem to be common sense that revealing your breast on national television while your brother awaits trial on charges of child molestation isn't a wise decision.

Although, despite all this talk of indecent exposure and what is morally right and wrong I honestly feel this situation is being blown out of proportion.

In our society, which prides itself on using sex to sell products, it seems rather hypocritical to get upset over something as minor as a nipple, especially since it was hardly visible with that crazy, asteroid-like star piercing covering it.

Let's face it, television shows today continue to push the boundaries of what is suitable for the general viewing audience. And with recent shows such as the "OC" and "Skin" cleaning up in the ratings — both having much higher sexual content and themes in every episode — it's no surprise that boobs are popping out during halftime shows.

The more lenient the television networks are with what is shown in their weekly lineups will only generate an influx of people trying to "one-up" them to steal the ratings.

Unfortunately, I wasn't one of the millions to see Janet's nipple live. I had to wait until the following day.

I was preoccupied cheering for my new favorite football squad, "Team Dream" during the lingerie bowl that also took place during halftime.

Those of you who thought Janet's breast was a big deal obviously didn't tune in to the lingerie bowl. Now that was some quality programming — but that is besides the point.

The point I'm trying to make is that it's only a breast. As much as our society hates to admit it, I'm almost positive every kid who witnessed "the breast" has probably seen one or two prior to this occasion.

Whether it was when they were sneaking around in their parents' room and came across dad's hidden stash of Playboys, or possibly when you were out to dinner and somehow the wires behind the cable box got switched around, kids have seen nipples before. They have seen much worse than a single boob — I mean c'mon, it wasn't even the complete set.

Yes, I agree it was distasteful and probably not a very smart idea.

However, it seems crazy that in a society based around sex in advertising, television and just about every other aspect, that Janet would be reprimanded to this extent.

Personally I think that NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue should be the one apologizing for using his post-game interview to address such an insignificant issue rather than to congratulate the Patriots on their fine performance. There is no reason Janet Jackson's breast should be getting more publicity and coverage than the New England Patriots pulling off a win in what turned out to be a great Super Bowl game. But I think the last thing I'll hear coming out of Tagliabue's mouth with be, "sorry Miss Jackson." For now, we'll leave that up to Outkast.

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Hens fall to Pride 63-61

Washington's six 3-pointers not enough for UD

BY ROB FRANCE
Assistant Sports Editor

There are only so many ways to lose a basketball game. Unfortunately, the Delaware men's basketball team found another way to let a win slip away Wednesday night in a sloppily played 63-61 defeat at the hands of the Hofstra Pride.

The Hens (12-8, 6-5 Colonial Athletic Association) spoiled a breakthrough performance by sophomore guard Rulon Washington, who led all scorers with 20 points and added 6 rebounds.

Washington's biggest contributions came when they have tended to come all season — as the clock was winding down. After sending an earlier game against George Mason into overtime, Washington tried to repeat history against the Pride by hitting three consecutive three-point shots in the final minute of play. But this time, his opponents were able to answer back, keeping the game just out of reach as time expired.

Despite his performance, Washington considered the final score more important and said the loss was painful.

"We were looking forward to another road victory in the [CAA]," he said, "and we let it slip away."

The game didn't start out badly for



Freshman forward Herb Courtney goes up strong to the basket in a game against George Mason earlier this season.

the Hens. Clutch three-point shooting from senior guard Mike Ames gave the Hens a six-point lead midway through the first half. Later in the half, Ames extended the Delaware lead to 24-14, hitting his third three-pointer of the night.

The shot was Ames' 112th career

three-pointer, setting a new Delaware record that surpassed former Hen Kestutis Marciulionius.

Delaware head coach Dave Henderson said he has been impressed with Ames' performance all year long.

"He has been one of the premier shooters in the league," Henderson

said. "He's had a solid season and he needs to continue to improve, because the games only get harder towards the end of the season."

However, Ames and the rest of the Hens' hands fell cold. Hofstra went on a 9-2 run to close the Hens' lead to three points at the half, with the score 26-23.

Things didn't get much better in the second half when poor shooting by Delaware allowed the Pride to go on a 16-6 run, staking Hofstra to a 39-32 lead.

The Hens fought back, retaking the lead with nearly four minutes left to play by a score of 48-47. Washington, Ames, and junior forward Robin Wentt led the way, making key shots throughout the second half. Wentt's 17 points and 14 assists gave him his first career double-double. His totals were career highs in both categories.

"Robin had a monster night," Henderson said. "When you're on the road, you need people to step up like that."

The biggest reason Delaware lost wasn't clutch shooting from the Pride, it was the season-high 26 turnovers the Hens committed, with 15 of those coming in the first half. It was the most they had committed in one game since

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THE REVIEW/Matt Basham

The Delaware women huddle up prior to a free throw opportunity. The Hens' two-game winning streak came to an end at the hands of James Madison.

JMU breaks women's streak

BY ROB MCFADDEN
Sports Editor

When the Delaware women's basketball team traveled to James Madison Sunday for a Colonial Athletic Conference matchup, the stage was set for the collision of two streaking teams.

The Hens (13-5, 5-4 CAA) strolled into the James Madison University Convocation Center riding the wave of a two-game win streak, having won four of their last five games.

On the other side of the court, the Dukes (8-12, 3-6 CAA) found themselves in the midst of a two-game losing streak, having dropped games to Hofstra and Virginia Commonwealth on their own court.

By the end of the first half, it was clear to the 4,288 fans that both streaks would end. Delaware suffered its worst defeat of the season, losing 84-57 despite 16 points from junior forward Tiara Malcolm and senior forward Tracey Howell's first career double-double.

The Hens shot a measly 28.3 percent (17-60) from the field, while James Madison made 27 of 54 field goal attempts (50 percent) including a scorching 10 of 14 from behind the arc. The team's seven first-half three-pointers tied a school record. The Dukes currently lead the CAA in

three-point percentage.

Malcolm led Delaware in scoring for the eighth time this season, with Howell and junior forward Tiffany Young contributing 12 points each. Howell grabbed a career-high 13 rebounds to lead the Hens.

Malcolm is currently ranked seventh in the CAA with an average of 14.4 points per game. She is ranked sixth in rebounding (7.3) and Young is ranked just behind at seventh (7.1).

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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The Dukes were led by senior guard Jody LeRose, who notched 20 points and matched a school record by hitting six three-pointers. Freshman guard Shirley McCall (19 points), freshman forward Lesley Dickinson (17 points) and freshman forward Meredith Alexis (13 rebounds, 10 points) also contributed in the James Madison rout.

Alexis was named CAA Rookie of the Week for her performances against Delaware and Virginia Commonwealth (14 points, 14 rebounds). Her 12 double-double games this season are a freshman record at

James Madison.

The Hens never led, but kept the game close until the Dukes jumped out to a 31-17 lead with 5:22 remaining in the first half. They never looked back, reaching leads of 30 points four times before winning by 27.

It was the first time James Madison had defeated the Hens since they joined the CAA in 2001.

Delaware has four conference losses for the first time since it joined the CAA.

One bright note for the team was its 15 turnovers. Delaware has allowed fewer turnovers only once this year.

After last night's matchup with Virginia Commonwealth which ended after this issue went to press, the Hens next matchup will be Sunday at 3 p.m. Delaware will host William & Mary (7-11, 3-6 CAA) at the Bob Carpenter Center and attempt to avenge a 68-56 Jan. 9 loss to the Tribe.

William & Mary is currently in ninth place in the CAA, just above last place Towson. The Tribe are led by two freshmen guards, Kyra Kaylor and Kyle DeHaven. Kaylor and DeHaven average 12.7 and 12.3 points per game respectively. Kaylor also leads the team with an average of 6.9 rebounds per game, good for eighth in the CAA.

Delaware lands three Blue Chips

BY JON DEAKINS
Sports Editor

As evident on Wednesday, the Delaware football team and head coach K.C. Keeler are still reaping the benefits of their 2003 National Championship run with the addition of 18 new student athletes to the football program.

On National Signing Day, when high school football players from all over the country make their commitments official, Delaware landed one of its best recruiting classes ever.

"We're really excited about this group coming in," Keeler said. "We felt last year we had a strong recruiting class. We certainly stepped it up this year."

Among the 18 new Hens players, seven hail from either Georgia or Florida, a striking statistic considering Delaware's championship run cut into the program's recruiting chances.

Coach Keeler stressed how hard it was when their recruits were touring other campuses and Delaware had to wait until late December.

"It took a lot of energy recruiting the way we recruited," he said. "We actually had three coaches go down to Georgia the Thursday before our National Championship game down in Chattanooga to talk some kids."

Keeler also mentioned that they extended 20 total scholarship offers to high school players, meaning they missed out on merely two players.

"It was really powerful for the kids to see us on ESPN, in [Sports Illustrated] and in all the newspapers," Keeler said. "Last year we thought KeiAndre Hepburn was going to get to play for us. I think a lot of this class is in that kind of mold."

Of the 18 players that signed with the university, Keeler seemed particularly excited with three who have received a good deal of national attention.

One of the highest rated prospects of this year's recruiting class is 5-foot-11, 202-pound defensive standout Demetrice Alexander, a linebacker from Lilburn, Ga.

Alexander led Parkview High School to an 11-2 record in 2003, totaling 145 tackles while serving as a team captain.

"When I saw [Alexander] I wanted him here," Keeler said. "He is a special football player."

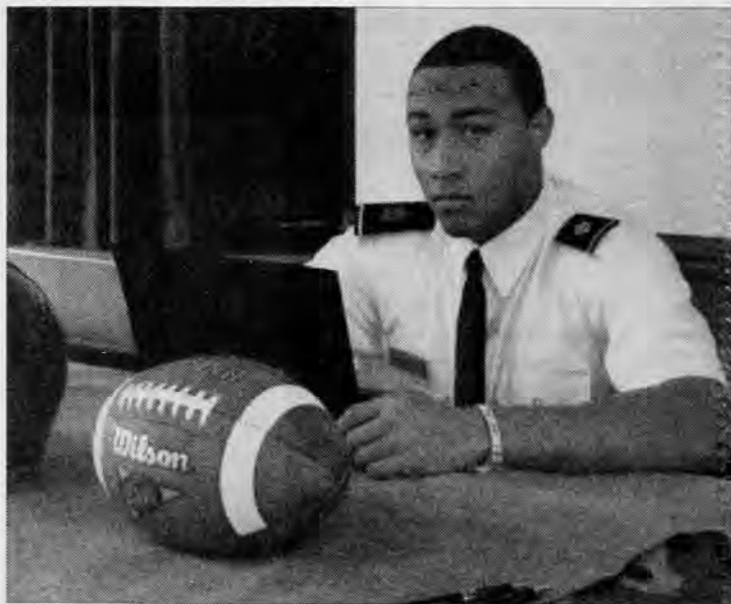
Alexander's post-season honors included being named first-team All-Gwinnett County and second-team Georgia All-State.

Parkview High School coach Mark Whitley described Alexander as a true team leader.

"He has a great work ethic to go along with a unreal natural ability for the game," he said. "His footwork is amazing."

Alexander received attention from several Division I-A

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Armand Cauthen was one of the recent recruits to sign for Delaware and will represent the Hens in the 2004 season. Cauthen is expected to compete as a freshman receiver.