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Five-year graduation rate reaches high

BY LEAH CONWAY

News Features Editor

Although the university's annual student retention study displays an increase in student graduation rates, the number of students taking five years to graduate climbed to a new high with the freshmen class of 1999.

Dale Trusheim, associate director of the Office of Institutional Research and Planning, said the five-year graduation rate, which will affect 74 percent of the entering class of 1999, usually grows each year.

The number of people graduating from the freshmen class of 1999 is the

highest it has been since 1992, he said. Trusheim said the study also shows university students of diverse ethnicities have higher graduation rates as compared to other schools.

"Our graduation rates are considerably strong for Hispanics and African Americans," he said.

The purpose of the study is to determine a college's success in advancing students to the graduation level.

Joseph DiMartile, university registrar, said he was not sure if availability of courses impacts the number of students graduating in five rather than four

years. "The spring semester is harder [to get courses] because there are more students," he said. "In the fall there are no graduating seniors in the mix, and freshmen have already registered in the summer."

Senior Sean Galvin, a political science major, was surprised to find he had only been enrolled in two of the five classes he had registered for. A number of other seniors he knows did not receive their requested courses, he said.

"I can't believe second semester of senior year, I couldn't get the classes I wanted," he said. "I thought I would get

at least four, and some of them were huge classes."

Galvin said getting the classes he wanted was easier during his freshmen year.

However, DiMartile said this semester did not stand out as being unusually harder to get classes.

Prior experience shows it is likely that students will resolve scheduling problems by the end of the drop/add period, he said.

Both DiMartile and Trusheim also said students changing their major once or multiple times could be a reason for more students falling a year behind.

Many students also begin freshmen year undeclared, which could result in a fifth year, Trusheim said.

No particular major can be pinpointed as the hardest to schedule classes for, DiMartile said.

Some popular courses including Oral Communication in Business and Introduction to Performance are typically difficult to get into.

Trusheim said that the retention rates change slightly from year to year, but he does not expect them to change dramatically from their current level.

Newark to vote on PATRIOT Act protest

BY ANDREW AMSLER

Copy Editor

The Newark City Council will vote on a resolution to oppose the PATRIOT Act at its Jan. 26 meeting.

Scott Stevens, director of the university English Language Institute, said the resolution is a form of protest, not a request for repeal.

"Federal law always trumps local law," he said, "so the university would still be required to follow the guidelines set forth by the PATRIOT Act and the Department of Homeland Security."

"However, it sends a strong message back to Washington."

The PATRIOT Act was instituted in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks to enhance the government's ability to monitor and control the amount of people entering and leaving the country, Stevens said.

"It does create a kind of Orwellian society," he said.

Conrado Gempesaw, vice provost for academic programs and planning, said the university is required to register all foreign students in the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System. No student can be given a visa without being registered.

Stevens said the act particularly pertains to the university because of the number of foreign students who are being deterred by the new security measures, he said. Institutions such as Ohio State University, Duke University and Georgetown University have all released information indicating this decline.

"The potential impact could be detrimental," Stevens said. "Our whole economic and scientific infrastructure is at risk and what will be insecure is our leadership in a global setting."

However, not everyone is as skeptical of the effects of the PATRIOT Act.

Margaret Aitken, press secretary to Sen. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., D-Del., said the senator will consider the complaints of his constituents, but considers the act important to Americans.

"Senator Biden supports the PATRIOT Act primarily because he thinks local law enforcement should be given the necessary tools to fight terrorism," she said. "His concern is not with the law, but its implementation."

The senator believes the Justice Department has become too overreaching and must be made more candid with the American people, Aitken said.

Councilwoman Christine Rewa, 6th District, said the meeting will be intense because of the strong support on both sides of the issue.

"Because the resolution is an issue of great concern and is open to the public," she said, "I expect we are going to have a lively debate."

Steve Hegedus, a member of the Newark coalition that developed the resolution, said although the coalition did not adopt a more extreme request for repeal, it is a powerful statement based on three main concerns.

"The act creates a category called domestic terrorism, by which anyone who speaks out against the government could be seen as a terrorist," he said.

Newark relies heavily on international students, scholars and teachers, and businesses that may be affected by the act, Hegedus said.

The third reason the coalition opposes the act is because it constitutes an unfounded mandate by the government to local law enforcement, he said. It essentially requires local law enforcement to cover the tab on investigations pertaining to domestic terrorism.

"Although the weakest of three arguments," Hegedus said, "this is the one city politicians take very seriously because of its effect on local law enforcement."

The coalition, he said, is comprised of university students, local citizens and organizations and relies on individuals to call their local representatives in support of this resolution.



Men's basketball wins against William & Mary in overtime. See story, B8.

International leaders attend UD program

BY KELLY MCHUGH

Staff Reporter

The university is currently hosting a group of international scholars and leaders, participating in the five-week Fulbright American Studies Institute.

Richard Taylor, director of the Institute for the U.S. State Department, said this is the second time the university has been selected to host the program.

Sponsored by the State Department, the program focuses on giving foreign leaders and academics an insight into the formulation of American foreign policy in the era of globalization, he said.

Sean Cox, associate director of international programs at the Center for International Studies, said the university applied to hold the institute through an open competition.

Mark Miller, a political science professor in charge of organizing the curriculum, described the application process as a "load of work," but he said it garnered the university a \$200,000 grant.

The Institute is comprised of a series of seminars and excursions to government offices to help the participants examine the myriad factors that influence United States policymaking, he said.

University faculty teach several of the seminars, which are held on campus.

Taylor said the Institute's purpose is to foster a mutual understanding between the United States and other nations, using the scholars as ambassadors.

The program strives to give foreign academics new, firsthand knowledge about the United States that they will disseminate to their students and colleagues, he said.

"A typical scholar," Cox said, "is a mid-career academic in their thirties."

Ten of the current scholars are professors in their home countries. For nearly all of the participants, this is their first visit to the United States.

Taylor said, although some scholars have traveled abroad before, the program seeks scholars who would otherwise not have a chance to visit the United States.

"Ideally, we strive to find candidates who have minimal experience with the U.S.," Taylor said.

Miller described the participants as "engaging people," and agrees on the importance of giving future foreign leaders

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Four named professorships awarded

BY ALIZA ISRAEL

Contributing Editor

Four university faculty members were appointed to named professorships, effective Jan. 1. The chosen professors are Mary Dozier, Debra Hess Norris, Babatunde A. Ogunnaike and Roberta M. Golinkoff.

Dan Rich, university provost, stated in an e-mail message that named professorships are awarded to faculty with documented records of superior accomplishments in teaching, scholarship and service.

Deans of specific colleges recommend their faculty members after a review of each candidate's achievements and contributions, he said, and the appointments are ultimately decided by the president and provost of the university.

"Named professors fulfill the same set of teaching, research, and service responsibilities as other faculty," Rich said. "The appointment recognizes the high level of achievement of the faculty member in fulfilling these responsibilities."

Mary Dozier, a faculty member in the department of psychology since 1993 and the research director of the university's Early Learning Center, was named the Amy E. du Pont Chairwoman in Child Development.

The position recognizes her internationally acclaimed research on early childhood experience and on disruptions in foster care, he said.

Her research recently earned a \$1.5 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to study the effectiveness of foster-parent training programs.

This study will take place at the ELC.

Dozier said the purpose of this exploration is to assess whether these programs affect short and long-term child and parent outcomes, including children's attachment to caregivers and their relationship with peers.

Her professional goals have been enhanced since her recent appointment to the professorship.

"One goal is to help launch the new ELC as an integrated services, research and training facility that will provide childcare for about 220 children," she said. "The ELC will provide state of the art childcare, a laboratory for developmental research and a training site for students and faculty."

Rich said Debra Hess Norris, a professor in the department of art conservation since 2003, was named the Henry Francis du Pont Chairwoman in Fine Arts because of her achievements in the field of photographic preservation.

"She has influenced the ways photographic collections are conserved and preserved in America and throughout the world," he said.

Norris, who is also the director of the Winterthur/University Graduate Program in Art Conservation, said she attended the university for her undergraduate and graduate degrees and currently teaches at both levels.

She said the most enriching part of teaching is the exchange of experiences and information.

"I find that I learn tremendous amounts when I teach," Norris said, "and I love to try to instill excitement about conservation and photographs."

She anticipates increased support for her research and scholarship in the field of photographic conservation as a result of her professorship.

"I look forward to the possibility of teaching short workshops and seminars in photographic conservation internationally," Norris said. "[As well as] consulting on the preservation of photographic collections in museums, libraries and archives in Third World countries where preservation needs and challenges are immense."

Norris said her experience prior to her professorship includes consultation regarding the

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State of Union reactions mixed

BY BROOK PATTERSON

National State News Editor

President George W. Bush gave the State of the Union address before Congress and the nation Tuesday night, focusing on the war on terror, Iraq, the economy, health care, same-sex marriages and faith-based initiatives.

Reactions from Congress varied, with Democrats still unhappy with the president's performance in office and Republicans approving of his plans.

Sen. Thomas R. Carper, D-Del., said the president's speech was similar to addresses made in previous years.

"Like other State of the Union Addresses, tonight we listened to the president spell out a host of spending and tax cut initiatives he'd like to see passed in this election year," he said. "But we've yet to see this administration set priorities when it comes to the federal budget."

"Instead, they continue to say that 'deficits don't matter.' I disagree."

Rep. Michael N. Castle, R-Del., said he was happy with the president's speech and many of the issues he addressed such as the emphasis on employment and the economy, health care, the war on terror and homeland security.

"I am pleased to see the President's emphasis on employment. I am pleased to see the President focused on improving access to health care," he said. "I share his commitment in helping Iraq transition towards sovereignty this year."

The president praised America's servicemen and women for their efforts in making America more secure.

Law enforcement personnel along with members of the Homeland Security Department were recognized for providing protection for America as well.

In the televised speech, Bush said "law enforcement personnel and intelligence officers are tracking terrorists threats, analysts are examining airline passengers lists; the men and women of our new Homeland Security Department are patrolling our coasts and borders. And their vigilance is protecting America."

Congress was also acknowledged for the changes made to public schools and for their prescription drug plan for senior citizens who are covered under Medicare.

Americans were urged by the president to move on with the changes or they will be held back by "old policies and old divisions."

Americans were assured that, because of their input and efforts, the state of the union is "confident and strong."

The president stressed the importance of the controversial PATRIOT Act, which gives federal law enforcement the ability to share information more easily and track terrorists with the intent of breaking up particular cells.

"We must continue to give homeland security and law enforcement personnel every tool they need to defend us," Bush said.

In Iraq, he said, there is a need for an emphasis on working with the Iraqi Governing Council to form a bill of rights.

Bush said he expects the Iraqi people to have complete sovereignty by summer.

"We are working with Iraqis and the United Nations to prepare for a transition to full Iraqi sovereignty by the end of June," he said.

The president told Congress he will be sending a proposal asking for the budget of the National Endowment for Democracy to be doubled.

With the increased budget, Bush said, he plans to focus on the development of free elections, free markets, free press and free labor unions in Middle Eastern countries.

Although 2.4 million jobs have been lost since the president took office, Bush lauded the tax cuts that were implemented during his administration.

Bush said new home construction is the highest in 20 years, home ownership rates are at a high, manufacturing activity is high and exports are growing. Low inflation and interest rates were also mentioned.

"America's growing economy is also a changing economy," he said. "As technology transforms the way almost every job is done, America becomes more productive, and workers need new skills."

"Much of our job growth will be found in high-skilled fields like health care and biotechnology. So we must respond by helping more Americans gain the skills to find good jobs in our economy."

With the launch of the No Child Left Behind Act, Bush said he will not give up on any child and will require higher standards in schools, regular testing and reports of students' progress to parents.

A program called Jobs for the 21st Century, which promises to provide tutoring to middle and high school students, expand Advanced Placement programs in lower income schools and employ professionals in the math and science fields by having them teach part-time in high schools was proposed.

"I propose larger Pell Grants for students who prepare for college with demanding courses in high school," he said.

Bush also proposed there be increased support for community colleges so Americans can be properly trained for jobs in industries that are offering the most jobs.

The president urged Congress to make his large tax cuts a permanent part of U.S. tax code.

Unless Congress acts soon, Bush said, many of the tax reductions Congress passed will go back up, which he claimed will be detrimental to job growth and the economy.

Bush also discussed the recently proposed temporary worker program, which matches foreign workers with American employers when no Americans are available to fill the jobs.

Bush defended the plan and said it would help the economy and protect the nation by allowing law enforcement and border patrol to concentrate on the most critical threats to national security.

The costs of health care are too high, he said, and the need for Congress to work with

the administration to control the costs and also extend modern medicine benefits to every citizen was stressed.

Bush's said his goal is to provide every American with the ability to afford the best private health care coverage to fit individual needs.

In order to make health insurance affordable, he said, Congress has to tackle the rising costs of health care and allow small businesses to align and negotiate lower insurance rates.

"A government-run health care system is the wrong prescription," Bush said. "By keeping costs under control, expanding access, and helping more Americans afford coverage, we will preserve the system of private medicine that makes America's health care the best in the world."

The Association Health Plans, he said, will aid low income Americans by giving them a tax credit that will allow many to buy basic health insurance.

Computerized health records will cut down on medical mistakes, reduce costs and improve the overall care of patients, Bush said.

The president also urged an end to what he called "frivolous" medical lawsuits in order to protect doctor-patient relations.

Americans who subscribe to catastrophic health care coverage will be allowed to deduct 100 percent of premiums from their income taxes, he said.

Bush advocated doubling the funding for abstinence programs, which he hopes will aid in ending the rise of sexually transmitted diseases among teenagers.

"I propose a grassroots campaign to help inform families about these medical risks," he said.

The president supported the Defense of Marriage Act, which was signed into legislation by President Clinton and asserts that marriage is between a man and a woman.

"That statute protects marriage under federal law as the union of a man and a woman, and declares that one state may not redefine marriage for other states," Bush said, alluding to recent state rulings that have moved to recognize marital rights between same-sex couples.

The president addressed religious charities and announced that he has opened billions of dollars in grant money to benefit faith-based charities.

Finally, Bush proposed a \$300 million Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative over a four-year period that would expand job training and placement services, provide housing and would help newly released prisoners receive mentoring.

"When the gates of prison open, the path ahead should lead to a better life," he said.

Castle said it is now up to Congress to turn the president's visions into a reality.

"It will take hard work and some compromise on the part of the Congress and the Administration to achieve these goals, but I am confident in our ability to set policies that reflect these improvements," he said.

In the News

PENTAGON OFFICIALS ADMIT UNCERTAINTY THAT PILOT MISSILE DEFENSE PROGRAM WILL BE EFFECTIVE

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon's chief weapons tester said Wednesday that the Defense Department will not know whether its multibillion-dollar missile defense system will be able to accomplish its mission when it becomes operational in Alaska in September.

In a report to Congress, Thomas P. Christie said because of a limited testing schedule that has been hampered by engineering setbacks, "it is not clear what mission capability will be demonstrated prior to initial defense operations."

The fledgling system is to be based in Alaska, with a second component in California, and is intended to help protect against a long-range missile attack from North Korea.

After years of debate over the wisdom of building such a complex and expensive system, President George W. Bush vowed early in his term to have a system built before the end of his first term.

Defense officials maintain that it is better to start with a rudimentary defensive system than to have none at all. They say that a continuing series of tests and upgrades will improve the capability of the system, which is now being erected at Fort Greely, Alaska, and Vandenberg Air Force Base in Southern California.

Critics seized on the report by the Pentagon's own expert as the latest evidence that the deployment decision is unwise.

Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said "we won't know what this system can do, if anything. This is a rather severe indictment."

The system's capabilities, he said, would be unproven even if two flight tests scheduled to be held before September are successful.

John Isaacs, president of Council for a Livable World, an arms-control group based in Washington, D.C., said the report is "essentially confirmation that the deployment is essentially a sham, and that there's no evidence it will work. It's a political deployment."

The Pentagon is spending approximately \$9 billion a year on various missile defense programs. Estimates of the final cost of the evolving system range from tens of billions to hundreds of billions of dollars.

EXPERTS RECOMMEND FLAWED VOTING SYSTEM BE SHUT DOWN

WASHINGTON — A federal online voting system for United States military personnel and other citizens overseas is fraught with security risks and researchers suggest it should be shut down before it is implemented next month.

Since the system relies on the Internet and personal computers, voter privacy could be jeopardized and votes could be altered by hackers or even terrorists — and could change the outcome of a close race, the report released Wednesday said.

Avi Rubin, associate professor of computer science at Johns Hopkins University and one of the report's authors, said "computers were not built to be voting booths, they're vulnerable to all kinds of attacks and viruses."

The new Internet-based voting system, which is being administered by the U.S. Department of Defense, is called the Secure Electronic Registration and Voting Experiment, or SERVE. Up to 100,000 voters who hail from 50 counties in seven states are expected to use it to cast ballots in this year's primary and general elections.

Eventually, 6 million overseas voters from service members to students could be eligible to vote this way.

The intention is to make it easier for citizens living overseas to cast absentee ballots for races in their home districts.

Currently, people have to send away for paper ballots and then wait for them to arrive, a process sometimes marred by unreliable foreign postal services.

SERVE's rollout is expected to be in place in time for the important South Carolina primary Feb. 3. Despite the criticisms identified by some members of a peer review group commissioned by the Defense Department, there are no plans to slow down the process.

Glenn E. Flood, a Defense spokesman, said "we respect what they have done. They have excellent credentials," but, "we plan to continue the program."

R. Michael Alvarez, a political science professor at the California Institute of Technology who is charged with evaluating SERVE, said the key to the program is the last word in its title: Experiment.

"It's meant to be an experiment. It's meant to be a controlled environment," he said. "It's going to provide a lot of information on whether we can help enfranchise this group of voters with the use of technology. The criticism is welcome," he said. "That's what we expected from the people we brought in to look at this part of the program. The goal here is openness. The goal here is to learn."

Rubin was the principal author of a report released last summer that cited security problems with touch-screen voting machines made by Diebold Election Systems.

Despite the many problems found with those machines, there were a series of recommended fixes.

However, the authors said, this time nothing can be done. They praise those who designed SERVE but said the computers that are well known to be vulnerable to worms and viruses are the problem.

The report said, "there really is no good way to build such a voting system without a radical change in the overall architecture of the Internet and the PC, or some unforeseen security breakthrough."

Barbara Simons, a computer scientist and one of the report's co-authors, said she is worried that the results of the "experiment" can never be properly verified.

Since voting is inherently based on privacy, she said, there is no way to know that a ballot was properly cast or counted.

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

Security plan stirs controversy

BY BILL WILLIAMS

Staff Reporter

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security plans to implement a controversial airport security measure that will screen passengers before they board commercial flights.

Amy von Walter, spokeswoman for the Transportation Security Administration, said the TSA's Computer Assisted Passenger Prescreening program has been in the works for a while.

"The purpose of the CAPPS 2 program is to verify passenger identity," she said. "It will decrease the delay for passengers and will decrease the number of passengers subjected to a secondary search."

When a person makes an airline reservation, information including name, address, telephone number and date of birth will be checked with commercially available computer databases, she said. The passenger

will then be assigned a score regarding his or her level of threat.

The program will involve all U.S. airports and domestic carriers. The government also reached an agreement with the European Union allowing passengers aboard flights to the United States from Europe to be screened as part of the program.

Travelers from other countries will not be part of the CAPPS 2 program, Walter said, but will still go through some form of screening.

Larry Frankel, legislative director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania, believes the program is an invasion of privacy that will not be effective.

"The CAPPS program will be ineffective," he said. "It also entails the government collecting all sorts of personal information. It is definitely a privacy issue."

Walter said the government is taking steps to ensure passenger confidentiality.

"If a passenger presents no threat, their information will only be kept for several days before being discarded," she said.

The Department of Homeland Security has appointed a chief privacy officer, Nuala O'Connor Kelly, to make sure records are kept confidential, Walter said.

Frankel said there are too many ways to get around the system for it to be completely effective.

Someone who may present a threat will be allowed onto a plane because they have a previously clean record, he said.

"What prevents someone who has done nothing wrong before from getting angry and doing something?" Frankel said.

People from certain countries are not screened, he said,

and a terrorist who is actively trying to commit a crime will find a way around such security measures.

"We should be checking all passengers and putting them through reasonable security procedures and not singling them out based on race and nationality," Frankel said.

The new security measures will also hurt U.S. relations with other countries, he said.

In response to the new U.S. policy of fingerprinting and photographing all foreign travelers, Frankel said, the government of Brazil recently began requiring American visitors to be fingerprinted upon arrival.

"This administration has not worked well with other countries to fight terrorism," he said. "The rest of the world will resent us. All it does is creates more anger towards the U.S."

THREE-DAY FORECAST



FRIDAY

Partly cloudy, highs in the 20s



SATURDAY

Partly cloudy, highs in the 20s



SUNDAY

Chance of snow, highs in the 30s

—courtesy of the National Weather Service

Police Reports

MAN THREATENED WITH KNIFE OUTSIDE GROUND FLOOR

A juvenile threatened another juvenile with a knife after a dispute outside the Ground Floor Grill and Nightclub at approximately 9 p.m. Tuesday, Newark Police said.

The juvenile who was threatened had become involved in a dispute with an unidentified third party while taking his equipment out to his car after performing at the nightclub. Cpl. Tracy Simpson said.

A second juvenile entered the dispute and held a knife to his throat, threatening to kill him if he continued to fight with his friend, police said.

Simpson was unable to release the names of the individuals

because of their age.

MAN ASSAULTED OUTSIDE NEWARK HIGH SCHOOL

A Newark man was assaulted as he attempted to leave Newark High School at approximately 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, police said.

The man had come to sign up for night classes at the school and was attempting to exit when he was approached by five to six young men who asked to borrow money, Simpson said.

When the man refused, one of the young men punched him in the face, knocking his cell phone out of his hand, which the young men took and fled, police said.

PROPERTY REMOVED FROM GEORGE READ VILLAGE HOME

An unidentified individual entered and removed property from a residence in George Read Village between approximately 8:30 p.m. Monday and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Simpson said.

Residents of the neighborhood observed two women knocking on the front door of the house shortly before an unidentified man approached the rear door of the house and forced his way in, police said.

The man made several trips out of the house, removing various items, Simpson said. Police have so far been unable to contact the homeowner, who is currently out of state.

—Tom Monaghan

Caucus results shift primary dynamics

Gephart drops out of race after poor Iowa showing

BY BROOK PATTERSON
National/State News Editor

Registered Democrats in Iowa participated in the Iowa Caucus Monday night and were successful in making Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., the new front-runner in the race to be the democratic presidential candidate, with 38 percent of the support from Iowans.

Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., came in second with 32 percent, followed by former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, with 18 percent, Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., with 11 percent and Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, with one percent.

Edwards was surprised by his placement in the caucus and has thanked his supporters for standing up and speaking out.

However, Edwards' campaign has emphasized that Iowa is only the beginning and there are still more primaries to go.

Dean is optimistic about the future of his campaign, despite his third place outcome, and said in his post-caucus speech that he cannot believe the success his campaign has had in the past year.

Gephardt's fourth place ranking in the race led him to withdraw from the presidential race altogether.

In a statement made in his home

state after the caucus, Gephardt said his presidential pursuit had reached an end and he would be returning to a private life after many years of public service.

Although Kucinich took only 1 percent of the votes in the caucus, he feels that remaining in the race requires a daring approach, one he is ready to take.

In a post caucus statement, Kucinich said that the "up one day, down the next" results of unofficial polls prove that it is any man's race.

The Iowa caucuses, the first official event in the primary season, follow a unique procedure. Close to 2,000 voting districts hold meetings for each party, in which registered

members gather and debate the candidates.

As voters make up their mind on their vote, they signal their decision by physically moving to a section of the room designated for their candidate.

The results have no official meaning, but are the first step toward choosing delegates for county and state conventions, which eventually decide how the state will vote in the national nominating convention this summer.

The first official primary, which always takes place in New Hampshire, is slated for Jan. 27.



Courtesy of John Pettitt/DeanForAmerica.com

BY BROOK PATTERSON
National/State News Editor

Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, did not do as well as expected in the Iowa Caucus, but he still believes he will win the Delaware Primary.

Garrett Graff, spokesman for the Dean campaign, said that from the start Dean has said that he will win every primary he participates in.

In Delaware, he said, there are organizations of Dean supporters to help ensure his victory in the state.

"There are three major meet-up groups in Delaware that are powerful and have formed a sort of grassroots organization," Graff said.

The three main groups meet once a month, he said, in Wilmington, Dover and eastern Sussex County.

In Delaware, Dean was also the first to qualify on the presidential primary ballot, Graff said.

"He received 772 signatures," he said, "which is well above the number necessary."

Dean has several plans that appeal to Americans, Graff said, but there are three major areas of concern that Dean addresses.

First, he said, Dean recognizes that Americans need and want to restore their sense of community, which has been lost.

Americans want to re-engage themselves in the political

Howard Dean: early favorite earns third, looks ahead to N.H.

system, Graff said, and Dean offers the opportunity for all Americans to do so.

Finally, Dean wants to restore America's role as an idealistic and moral force in the world, he said.

"Dean did great things in Vermont," Graff said, "and he can do great things for America."

As governor of Vermont, he said, Dean balanced the budget, although it was not required to be done in the state.

Dean provided health care for all children, Graff said, and has a health care proposal for the United States as well.

"He has an ambitious health care program, much like the one he introduced in Vermont, that would cover all Americans up to the age of 25," he said.

There are several issues, Graff said, that appeal and affect college-aged students and children planning to go to college.

"Dean has a plan to help with college financing that is less relevant to current students, but will help students in the future," he said.

The plan proposes that eighth grade students meet with a guidance counselor to begin planning their college education, Graff said.

After the initial planning, he said, students would then be guaranteed \$10,000 a year from the government to help pay for college.

In addition to initial tuition payment, the government will aid in paying off student loans, Graff said.

"Graduates will never have to pay more than 10 percent of their income in loans," he said. "After ten years, all loans will be repaid entirely."

Students choosing a career in the public service field, such as teaching, Graff said, will benefit because they will never have to pay more than 7 percent of their total income back in loans.

The political system is at a standstill, he said, and Americans want a change.

"Most Americans understand the political system has stopped working," Graff said.

The campaign also acknowledges that the United States should be respected worldwide, he said, and Dean is fighting to gain that respect for America and all its citizens.

Atkins diet in the spotlight

BY NATALIE BISHOP
Staff Reporter

A recent article in the New York Times claims Atkins Nutritional, the promoters of the popular Atkins diet, are making changes to the popular high-fat, controlled carbohydrate diet.

Atkins Nutritional, however, still endorses the diet and denies that its program is being altered.

Dr. Mary Vernon, Atkins Nutritional physician, said the Atkins diet is an effective approach for anyone who is interested in losing weight or for those who are at risk for diabetes.

"The Atkins diet is appropriate for people who need to control their weight," she said, "although people who have diabetes or high blood pressure need to be monitored while on the diet."

Michelle Fullmer, spokeswoman for the American Heart Association, said she does not believe the Atkins diet is a safe strategy for weight-loss.

"The Atkins diet eliminates fruit, vegetables and other proteins which protect the body from heart disease and some forms of cancer," she said.

Vernon said there are no studies that specifically link Atkins' high-fat, low-carbohydrate approach to negative effects on the heart.

"There has not been a study done to prove that the Atkins diet approach leads to heart disease," she said. "There have been 16 studies that prove Atkins improves health."

Fullmer said the brevity of the studies conducted on the effects of the Atkins diet make it impossible to conclude that it does not eventually lead to heart disease, stroke, breast cancer or colon cancer.

"There are no long term studies," she said. "Their studies last six months. There is a large body of research that shows that high saturated fat leads to stroke or heart attack."

Vernon said the Atkins diet has a high success rate for those who follow its guidelines, and more than 30 million people in the United States are following the four-step program.

The first step reduces carbohydrate intake to 20 to 90 grams per day and lasts approximately two weeks.

The second step adds more carbohydrates to the diet, she said, including leafy greens and other vegetables that do not contain starch.

The next two steps allow dieters to find their permanent carbohydrate intake level to use as a guideline for the rest of their lives, Vernon said.

People can vary their carbohydrate intake, she said, as long as they do not consume more carbohydrates than protein.

Patrick von Keyserling, senior director of communication for the AHA, said heart disease is the No. 1 cause of death in the United States, kills more women than breast cancer and affects all age groups.

"The American Heart Association does not endorse the Atkins diet because it does not represent a balanced lifestyle," he said.



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The Atkins diet advocates avoiding carbohydrates but allows high levels of fats, like meat and cheese.

The AHA recommends dieters organize a specific emphasis on calories, von Keyserling said. The organization's guidelines suggest consuming 2,000 calories per day from vegetables, fruits and other healthy foods.

In addition, the AHA recommends that 55 to 60 percent of calories should come from complex carbohydrates, which are higher in fiber and healthier than simple carbohydrates like sugars.

The Atkins diet does not distinguish between these two types of carbohydrates when making restrictions, von Keyserling said. Fuller said the AHA's diet represents a change of overall lifestyle, including eight to 10 glasses of water per day, five to eight servings of vegetables and daily exercise.

"If someone is eating these recommended meals, it will feel like a positive change rather than taking away," she said. "People will be less likely to snack because they will be satisfied."

Von Keyserling said the Atkins diet does not provide the body with foods that will keep the individual healthy.

"The Atkins diet excludes vitamins, fibers and protein," he said, "which enhances fullness and leads to good health."

Vernon said she believes doctors dislike the Atkins diet because they have not done research on it.

"I try to believe that doctors have not looked at the science," she said, "and that is why they think the diet is bad for people."

Fullmer said heart disease has been the No. 1 cause of death in the United States since 1919, and kills someone every 34 seconds.

Obesity rates in children have doubled in the last 20 years, she said, and have increased by 60 percent in the last 10 years in adults in the U.S.

"We are a fast food, super-size generation," Fullmer said. "People need to start choosing the kids meal rather than the super-size meal."

State abortion rates top nation

BY AMY KATES
Copy Editor

Delaware abortion rates were among the nation's highest in 2000, with statistics almost double the national average, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

A spokeswoman for the CDC said Delaware's abortion rates for women ages 15 to 44 was 29 per 1,000 women. Only Washington, D.C. and New York had higher rates.

Delaware also has the fourth highest percentage of women who come from other states to have abortions performed.

The CDC report also showed the state is lacking in family planning services.

Suzanne Cohen, vice president for public affairs at Planned Parenthood, said the statistics are high because of the number of out-of-state residents who come to Delaware to receive abortions.

"When such a high number of people come in for different services, including abortion, and that's compared to Delaware's in-state small population, our rates are going to appear higher," she said.

Cohen said she doubts the state's abortion rates are high as a result of the absence of a 24-hour waiting period for the procedure.

"I don't buy that," she said. "New Jersey has no 24-hour waiting period, and according to the CDC, our rates are higher."

Bess McAneny, president of the Delaware Pro-Life Coalition, said she feels waiting periods affect abortion rates.

"Where there are 24-hour waiting periods, abortion rates go down because women have time to gain parental support or support from a boyfriend, and gather information about other options," she said.

Clinics can target women in crisis situations, McAneny said, and they offer what women believe is a quick solution.

"If you get out a Yellow Pages and look under 'Abortion Services,' you'll see a huge ad highlighting Delaware clinics with no 24-hour waiting period, the least expensive fee in the area, and the fact that a 16 year-old minor does not need parental consent," she said.

Abortion fees are approximately \$250.

McAneny said women are not always made aware of the effects of abortion, she said, and no other surgery is done so quickly and without extensive explanations.

"I maintain that I wouldn't even want my pet treated like that," she said.

If sexual education programs that emphasize contraception do not decrease the pregnancy rates, something is wrong, McAneny said.

"I'm getting a mixed message when sex ed programs are saying abstinence is the correct choice, but then giving the student a condom and telling them to put it on," she said.

Janet Ray, health education associate at the Delaware Department of Education, said although abortion is not a topic included in the curriculum, lessons on sexuality, family life, contraception and abstinence will educate students about the consequences of unwanted pregnancies.

"We opted to focus on skills to avoid high-risk behavior and we are happy with an increase in abstinence," she said.

Of students surveyed, Ray said, 60 percent use condoms when sexually active.

If programs help students focus on the negative effects that pregnancy can bring, abortion rates should decline, she said.

Men maintain most scientific professorships

BY BENJAMIN ANDERSEN
News Features Editor

Women may be the majority on college campuses, but men still control most of the professorships in science and engineering classrooms.

According to a study of the top 50 colleges in 14 science fields, women make up 3 to 15 percent of college professors nationwide.

Donna J. Nelson, assistant professor of chemistry at Oklahoma University, which released the study Jan. 15, said the study began in 2000.

When one of her students asked Nelson why there were not more reports comparing minorities and genders among college professors, she initially dismissed the

idea of administering her own study.

After further consideration, however, she decided that the relative scarcity of such reports would make it worthwhile to explore the topic.

"That's not the reason not to do the survey," Nelson said. "That's the reason to do the survey."

There are many reasons that white men are the majority of professors, she said, but the specific underlying factors vary at different institutions.

"Some of it is going to be historic," Nelson said. "Many of the people retiring now are white males because 20 or 30 years ago, that's all that were hired."

Female applicants are more likely to be rejected, she said, which could eventually discourage them to seek out positions.

According to the most recent data from the Office of Institutional Research and Planning at the University of Delaware, women make up 20 percent of the current enrollment in the College of Engineering.

However, according to the study, only one of 20 professors in the mechanical engineering department at the university is a woman, while women hold two of 19 positions in the chemical engineering department.

The study also concluded that none of the professors in the civil engineering or electrical engineer-

ing departments are women.

Annette Shine, associate professor in the university's chemical engineering department, said she was not surprised by the results of the study.

"It's pretty obvious," she said. "Look around — you're not the only woman in the room, but out of 100 people there may be five women."

The 15-year employee of the university said she was inspired to become a chemist on her first day of high school chemistry.

Emulating her teacher, she mixed sulfur powder and zinc together over a Bunsen burner, causing a green flame to be emitted.

Most of the women in the

classes she teaches became chemical engineers because they know someone who is an engineer or they enjoyed a science program in high school, Shine said.

In addition, she said many of these women choose not to teach for personal reasons.

"They love to teach," Shine said, "but they don't want to go into this competitive field where there's not time for a social life or a family."

Future generations of women will not be discouraged from teaching by a lack of female professors, as long as they love what they are teaching, she said.

Mark Barteau, chairman of the university's chemical engineering department, said the minority

of women professors is a trend he predicts is already changing.

"I think it will," he said, "but I don't think we can wait for it."

The university needs to be proactive and lead the way toward diversifying the engineering field, he said.

Donna Tuites, coordinator for the Office of Women's Affairs, said the university has many organizations to promote women's participation in the sciences, such as the Women in Science and Engineering committee.

"I feel like the university is committed to doing this," she said, "you just have to put in the resources and the effort."

FAFSA critical as tuitions rise

BY JOCELYN JONES

Copy Editor

It is important for students to quickly complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, released earlier this month, to ensure financial assistance for the next academic year.

Marty Guthrie, director of governmental affairs for the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, said waiting on financial aid forms is a bad idea.

"It's important to fill out the FAFSA as early as you can to make sure that you're eligible for all available funds," she said.

Linda Peckham, director of financial aid communications for the College Board, said with the increase in tuition rates, financial aid is as valuable as ever.

According to the College Board statistics released in October, tuition rates at public four-year colleges have increased 14.1 percent or \$579 from the previous year and 6 percent at four-year private colleges, she said.

"The shrinking economy has had the most devastating effect for public schools," Peckham said.

The softening economy is a large contributor to tuition jumps, along with a declining tax base and dwindling endowments, she said.

Guthrie said completing the FAFSA allows students the opportunity to collect not

only federal aid, but also state and institutional aid.

"It's important to remember that the FAFSA form does serve multiple functions," she said.

The FAFSA increases students' prospects of getting grants and work-study programs, Guthrie said.

There are many factors that are taken into account to determine a student's eligibility for financial aid, she said.

The size of the family, number of children in college or private school, unusual expenses or circumstances and family assets are just a few of the issues considered when allotting aid, Guthrie said.

Peckham said even when the economy is in good shape, colleges are still under pressure to remain on the cutting edge of education, which requires almost continuous technological improvements.

"Operating costs at colleges are just so different from operating costs in different sectors," she said.

Sixty percent of all undergraduate students are receiving some form of financial aid, Peckham said.

William Leith, deputy director of application processing for the Department of Education, said the number of submitted FAFSA applications have increased with every year.

"For the 2000-2001 year there were 10.5 million applications, and this year there are 13.1 million applications on file," he said.

The FAFSA is required for any student who wants to receive any type of federal aid, Leith said, and deadlines are of the utmost importance.

"While the final deadline isn't until May of next year, each school will have its own deadlines for institutional aid," he said. "It's very important to meet all applicable deadlines as well."

Filling out the FAFSA online is probably the best option, Leith said.

"Not including mailing," he said, "the hard copy takes five days to process, while the online version only takes three days total."

Schools will not only receive the form faster online, but also the application rejection rate is almost non-existent because the computer puts the form through all data entry, edits and informs the student of any errors before submission, Leith said.

Patricia Harr, a prospective university student, said while she is not done filling out the FAFSA yet, she hopes to complete it in the next week.

"I wish my parents would finish it," she said. "Getting money for school is very important to my family because I don't want to come out of college owing thousands of dollars."

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an accurate picture of the United States' policymaking.

"These are the people that will shape the perception of the U.S. in the rest of the world," he said.

Cox said the scholars have visited a wide array of both local and federal government officials.

The group recently traveled to Washington, D.C., he said, where they met Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, and also visited the State Department's Office of Counter Terrorism and the World Bank.

Locally, the scholars have toured the offices of both Sen. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., D-Del. and Sen. Thomas R. Carper, D-Del. and traveled to Dover to visit the state legislature.

Miller said scholars may be selected from any country and the process is extremely competitive, beginning when a scholar is nominated by their country's embassy. There are currently 17 scholars.

The 18th, a Lebanese man, experienced difficulty obtaining a visa because of security restrictions and could not attend, he said.

Despite the extensive work involved in planning the institute, Miller said it is an unmatched experience.

"I am exhausted, like you feel after an exam, but it's a fantastic opportunity," he said.

The scholars are residing at the Sleep In Motel on S. College Avenue while studying at the Institute, which runs until Feb. 4.

Cox said in addition to getting an academic education about the United States, the participants are learning interesting lessons about American culture.

"We got a lot of comments about how big American portions of food are," he said. "They were also surprised at how early businesses closed in the U.S. and how early we eat dinner."



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preservation of the Dead Sea Scrolls, treating a privately owned photographic album documenting the Beatles' rise to stardom and developing preservation and exhibition guidelines for Andy Warhol's photographs.

"If I had to pick [a favorite project], it would be the negatives of the Dead Sea Scrolls," she said. "It was a chance to experience not only those negatives, but also in doing so to examine the scrolls themselves."

"I think that it is so important to pay close attention to the preservation of our cultural heritage and to the history that came before us," Norris said. "It's the whole idea of enriching future generations by learning about

artifacts and art from past societies."

Babatunde Ogunnaike, a professor in the Department of Chemical Engineering, was named the newly endowed William L. Friend Professor in Chemical Engineering.

Ogunnaike earned outstanding achievements in his research on process control and the modeling of process dynamics, Rich said.

He is also the author and co-author of four chemical engineering textbooks and 40 articles.

Ogunnaike, who began teaching at the university as an adjunct professor in 1989, said Mark A. Barteau, chairman of the department of chemical engineering, recommended him for this

honorary title.

Barteau said he recommended Ogunnaike because he is a highly visible scholar, the author of a leading textbook in his field and has exceptional teaching skills.

"His course evaluations are always superb," Barteau said. "He's team-taught with others on our faculty and I've heard him lecture — he's outstanding."

Ogunnaike said he will continue striving for his current goals of advancing the field and producing the next generation of university graduates, while enjoying the stipend the professorship awards him.

"[The stipend] could help me participate in conferences," he said, "or to defray the cost of

travel for visitors that I may want to bring to our research group."

Rich said university faculty are appointed to professorships when endowed positions become available, and the number of these has increased from less than 10 to 91 over the last dozen years.

"Such funding is most often obtained through donations from alumni and friends of the University who wish to provide support for faculty excellence in particular academic fields," he said.

Roberta M. Golinkoff, a professor in the School of Education, was named the H. Rodney Sharp Chairwoman in Human Services, Education, and Public Policy, but was unavailable for comment.

Philly schools ban soda

BY LEAH CONWAY

News Features Editor

Philadelphia public schools are second in the nation to propose a strict ban of soda and other sugar-sweetened drink products in vending machines and cafeterias.

Duane Perry of Food Trust, a non-profit organization, said the vending machines and cafeterias will be filled with healthy alternative beverages such as 100 percent juices, milk products and water.

"The primary reason for this is to improve overall health for the children," he said. "Children consuming soda and sugar drinks are at a higher risk for diet-related diseases such as type two diabetes."

Mindy Valorie, university alumna, nutritionist and registered nurse, said soda and sweetened drinks are highly caloric with little or no nutritional value.

"I think this idea is a wonderful tool for promoting good nutrition," she said. "With childhood obesity on the rise in America, calorie-filled soda can sometimes substitute for more nutritious drinks."

She said she predicts children and young adults will experience more proper nutrition and will be healthier after the ban.

"I think the earlier you start teaching about proper nutrition the better," she said. "It is difficult to change a habit that you have been practicing for many years, learning to eat and drink nutritiously when habits are still forming would be ideal."

Perry said New York state school districts are the only other districts in the country with as strict a policy on drinks. He said he predicts a number of other school districts and states will not be far behind in this move to improve children's health.

By banning such drinks, kids are only given the option of a healthy alternative, Valorie said. However, she has some concerns children will continue to bring these drinks from home.

Teacher and nurses are in full support of the ban, Perry said.

Christine Rainis, parent of a child attending The Shawmont School in Philadelphia, said she thinks the ban on the drinks is all for the best.

"As a mom, I really just want my child to be drinking good fruit juices," she said.

Linda Bosnick, a teacher at Shawmont School and former public school parent, said she hopes the city carries this through.

"I think they should make sure the juices they are supplementing are 100 percent, not just the ones with lots of sugar and only 10 percent juice."

Other school districts have banned soda, but Philadelphia is one of the only to enact such strict bans on juice.

One hundred percent juices such as orange juice and cranberry juice can offer many important vitamins and nutrients essential for children.

Sugar and carbohydrates are the major sources of energy in the human body, she said, but research is still in process to determine if these products have a direct link to hyperactivity.

Perry said too much caffeine and sugar can affect the learning environment.

In addition, it would benefit the children to ban unhealthy snack foods, she said. While Philadelphia is not dramatically unusual, it does have a high rate of childhood obesity.

"Paul Vallas, CEO of the School District of Philadelphia, has already committed to evaluate the snack foods," Perry said.

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Retention Rates

The university's annual student retention study shows that the number of students taking five years to graduate is the highest it has been since 1992.

Seventy-four percent of the entering class of 1999 has taken more than four years to graduate.

The university has not directly addressed unavailability of courses or shortage of professors as potential reasons for this high rate.

However, officials did say entering freshman year undeclared or changing a major could result in staying an extra year.

This high retention rate is unacceptable. It is highly unlikely that 74 percent of a class stayed at the university for a fifth year simply because they wanted the extra education or because they were just too lazy to complete the work in time.

The university is certainly not doing everything in its power to make sure students are getting the classes they need to graduate in a reasonable time period of four years.

The university boasts that a student can graduate in four years without being forced to declare a major right away or taking a Winter or Summer Session.

The university should revise its advisory system to give students more direction. A majority of students would benefit from more accessi-

ble and knowledgeable advisors to give them the guidance they need to avoid a costly fifth year.

Certainly, the university benefits financially the longer students are here. However, students and their families do not, and the university should do something about it.

Review This:

The university should do more to ensure students can graduate in four years.

Airport Security

The Transportation Security Administration is planning on implementing a new airport security screening process this summer despite some privacy concerns.

The screening program will go into effect when a person makes an airline reservation. A person's name, address, telephone number and date of birth will be filed through computer databases and then he or she will be assigned a score based on his or her threat level.

The TSA says the new system will decrease delay for passengers and the occurrence of secondary searches.

This system provides too

many loopholes for terrorists and comes at too high a cost for innocent travelers.

A terrorist could provide false information when making an airline reservation, and a person with a clean record could board a plane but still pose a serious threat to passengers.

Security measures should be applied strictly to all passengers and people should not be singled out for having a

name representative of a certain race or nationality.

These changes could invade travelers' privacy and harm U.S. foreign relations.

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State of the Union is a defunct tradition



Erin Fogg
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We interrupt our regularly scheduled programming to bring you ... well, crap.

And it was crap that graced us with its presence Tuesday night in the form of President George W. Bush's annual State of the Union address. He popped up on our television screens and stayed there for an excruciating 54 minutes, delivering a speech as typical and unsurprising as it was painful and uncaptivating.

He bounced from national security to domestic affairs, covering such expected topics as recovery efforts in Iraq, terrorism, tax cuts, health care and the No Child Left Behind and PATRIOT Acts. He touched upon several other concepts as well, but in the hopes of staying awake long enough to finish writing this editorial, I won't bore myself — or you — with the details.

Equally predictable, as the address comes a day after the Democrats began their presidential nomination selection process with the Iowa caucus, was the fact that the speech boiled down to his making a case for reelection. Bottom line is, we need him. He got Saddam, he got his sons, he is working on getting some other bad guys, but the threat to our country is still real. We are still in danger from being attacked by terrorists and this cowboy is the only candidate

capable enough to protect us.

Bush stated, "America this evening is a nation called to great responsibilities. We have not come all this way — through tragedy and trial and war — only to falter and leave our work unfinished."

Hmm. "We?" "Our?" "Unfinished?" Interesting choice of words. Even more interesting: "We have no desire to dominate, no ambitions of empire. Our aim is a democratic peace — a peace founded upon the dignity and rights of every man and woman. America acts in this cause with friends and allies at our side, yet we understand our special calling: This great republic will lead the cause of freedom."

I remember watching State of the Union addresses as a child, not understanding the words but still comprehending that the speaker's solemn tones meant it was all very, very important.

Surely our forefathers meant this address to be important when they made a provision in the Constitution for the president to occasionally present to Congress "information of the State of the Union and recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient." But Bush's message was a far cry from this guideline.

Thomas Jefferson got it right when he began sending his address to Congress in writing, rather than through a public speech. He denounced the yearly addresses as speeches "from the throne."

Jefferson had something that presidents decades later do not. He had the ability to realize disgraceful,

unnecessary, obnoxious propaganda when he heard it.

I am not holding Bush solely responsible for my disgust. He is only following a tradition that began, nearly a century after Jefferson, with Woodrow Wilson. Since then, the yearly State of the Union addresses have become an expected and strangely comforting ritual for most Americans. They fool themselves into believing the current president is conveying some sort of information in these speeches.

It is clear from Bush's "unfinished work" phrase that he abused the president's constitutional responsibility to deliver an annual address. He manipulated the duty to benefit his own reelection. Again, I am not only attacking Bush, but attacking the tradition as well.

A real president would have the willpower to halt an unnecessary custom set by presidents before him. He would fight the temptation for free publicity and would just deliver the relevant, required information to members of Congress as it is outlined in the U.S. Constitution. He would abandon the pageantry associated with State of the Union addresses aired during primetime television and just be a president.

State of the Union addresses as they are presently approached by presidents are an excessive and detrimental practice. Until the leaders of our country can combat the urge to be a media superstar who



THE REVIEW / Kristen Margiotta
makes false claims and promises, the tradition of the annual address should be declared obsolete.

Erin Fogg is the editorial editor for *The Review*. She thinks you should try the Hot Pockets. They're breathtaking. Send comments to efogg@udel.edu.

Religious relics do not belong in City Hall



Ryan Mignone
Down With Homework

A heated battle in Winston-Salem, North Carolina has raised the issue of separation of church and state.

City Council member Vernon Robinson purchased the same two and a half ton granite monument of the Ten Commandments that was previously in the rotunda of the Alabama Judicial Building.

Robinson placed the monument in front of City Hall and did not receive permission to do so. He claims he did not know the proper procedure to add monuments on city hall property.

In order for a monument to be legally placed in Winston-Salem, formal petition must be submitted to City Council members.

Robinson failed to contact any of these members of his initiative and placed the monument in its location on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a holiday when the city offices were closed in observance.

He purchased the monument for \$2,000 and moved it himself. His actions were prompted by Roy Moore, former Alabama Chief Justice.

"This display is intended to acknowledge the undeniable role that the Ten Commandments and Bill of Rights have played in developing the American legal tradition," Robinson said. However, others have the opposite opinion.

The Mayor of Winston-Salem, Allen Joiner, said Robinson's endeavor does not promote unity among the citizens in the town.

The monument has the Bill of Rights written on one side and on the other face the Ten Commandments.

Regardless of what your religious denomination may be, let's examine the issue here. The separation of church and state prohibits using religious views in governmental affairs.

Many of the commandments can be seen in our laws, such as "thou shall not kill" or "thou shall not steal."

However, other commandments such as "thou shall not worship any other god but Yahweh," isolate people of other religions.

Would an atheist or Muslim feel that he or she is being represented when in front of his or her city hall lies the Ten Commandments?

No, of course not.

This monument was so controversial that a federal judge ruled in 2002 that it was unconstitutional and had to be moved from its original location in Alabama.

The Ten Commandments are intended to endorse a good message. Any religious doctrine that preaches tolerance, humility and good works, I believe, sends a good message to Americans.

However, to force these beliefs on its citizens and tie them to the government is unconstitutional.

In a country that prides itself as a melting pot and promotes religious tolerance, how can we say that a



THE REVIEW / Dan Lisowski
monument outside city hall reading, "you shall not take the name of Yahweh in vain," is not taking away from our freedom of speech?

Even though I do not agree with some of the commandments I am able to gather from them what I believe is true and decent. I do not think it is that hard for rational people to do the same.

Tying in a local matter dear to our hearts, we have our own religious preacher at the university. I am sure everyone is familiar with the boisterous "preacher guy" outside Smith and Kirkbride Hall.

He is out there most mornings and afternoons and whether you agree with his sentiment or not, we cannot deny him his right to advocate the Bible or call us students "fornicators."

However, he is legally prohibited from coming on university property to preach his views.

The separation of church and state is so strict that the original owner of the monument, Alabama Supreme Court Chief Justice Roy Moore, was charged with six accounts of unethical conduct.

In addition, he was removed from his position as chief justice because he would not back down from his religious beliefs.

The federal government asked Moore to remove the monument, but he refused.

He even suggested moving the controversial Ten Commandments to the U.S. Capitol. Instead, Vernon Robinson bought it.

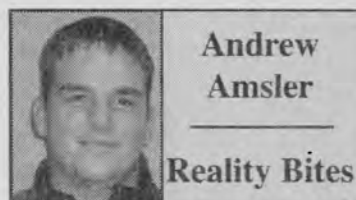
If the separation of church and state is so controversial that it caused the removal of a state Chief Justice, does Robinson really believe it promotes unity?

In addition, does he really think it will be able to inhabit its current location in front of the City Hall in Winston-Salem?

Realistically, the monument will most likely be taken away in the future, and I'm OK with that decision.

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Dean may be down, but not out of the game



Andrew Amsler
Reality Bites

After an excessive beating in Iowa, Howard Dean is in an uncomfortable position. That is, once again the political underdog.

Perhaps he has always been the underdog, merely riding on the media train with nothing to hold him up. Perhaps Dean has been thrown into the limelight by forces beyond his control and made the poster boy for Bush haters everywhere.

Perhaps, but Iowans have revealed an even more troubling facet of the Dean campaign: Dean's staff has spun him as a young ideologue, but conveyed little in the way of actual ideology.

Sure, he has some ideas, but I'm afraid Dean is running thin on credible plans to remedy the problems facing our nation. More like an overconfident student council candidate, Dean has little to be zealous about.

His campaign is hell-bent on opposing the war in Iraq, but shares few plans for "picking up the pieces" of the Bush Administration's foray overseas.

This does not entail bailing on the Iraqi people, but formulating real policies to create the best conditions for them. Howard Dean, however, has been too involved with politicking to make such a plan known.

For a candidate who is supposed to have the answers to the problems of this administration, I am stunned by his apathy.

This is too bad for Dean. As he continues to convey little substance in his game plan, the media is left to fill in the rest.

The Dean campaign is largely ineffective in this way. This may seem like a rash statement, but consider this: the key to Dean's success is his image.

Without a background in foreign policy or presidential politics for that matter, Dean must be solid in the preservation of his come-from-behind appearance (so, Iowa could be a clever ploy).

This image is tarnishing, however. It has been for some time now and, worse yet, Dean has allowed the media to run with it.

President George W. Bush signaled the beginning of a new era. His is the age of image-based politics. Sure, this is not something new, but Bush is really good at it.

Bush not only refuses to allow reporters to conjure up significant spin on his politicking, but also condemns the naysayer as a threat to national security. I think this is completely despicable, but the fact is, Bush has the capacity to control — Dean does not.

Nonetheless, Howard Dean continues to run an image-based campaign.

Faced with a less than accommodating news media (although his press office is not particularly forthright) Dean cannot realistically run an effective campaign based on image alone. I don't know if it is disregard for the facts or sheer arrogance, but the approach is not working.

This appears problematic, but the worst is yet to come. Dean has been bashed by his opponents, the media and even his supporters at times, but no one can bury a candidate like George W. Bush.

With a coalition of conservative hard-liners at its disposal, the Bush administration has successfully trampled on those who get in its way.

Whether attacking politicians, journalists or even citizens alike, this administration is a well-oiled machine that will stop at nothing to get its way.

This ability to undermine opponents does not bode well for the Dean campaign. For a person who is the most visually presidential (or could be) of the Democratic candidates, Howard Dean shows little indication of having the strength to topple one of the most politically ruthless

"More like an overconfident student council candidate, Dean has little to be zealous about."

presidents in history.

Dean is undoubtedly taking a step back this week. No longer beyond the grasp of his opponents and susceptible to the attacks of a president who has filled the foreign policy hole in his resume, Dean is down for the count.

He is not out of the game, however. Once again, Dean has the space and time to improve on his underdog status.

A running mate with a strong background in foreign policy and a little more talk about the issues could win Dean a debate with Bush.

Only then could Dean give President Bush a run for his money and expose his secretive tactics for what they are.

After a conservative and ultimately unimoving State of the Union address, President Bush is vulnerable to an ideological campaign. Let's see one, Dr. Dean.

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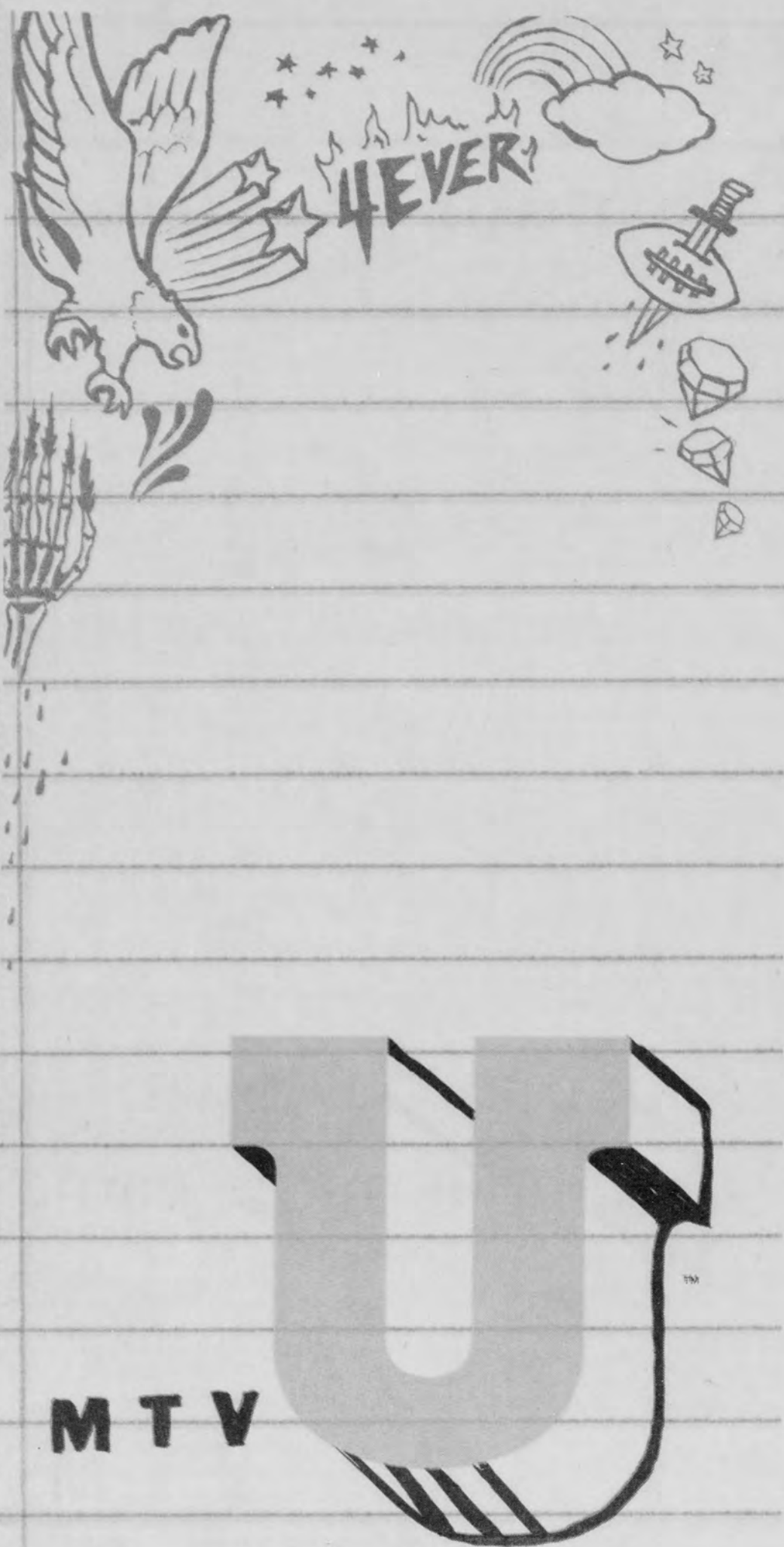
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Johnny Cash's spiritual journey

BY LINDSAY HICKS
Features Editor

"I wear this crown of thorns upon my liar's chair / Full of broken thoughts I cannot repair / Beneath the stains of time / The feelings disappear / You are someone else / I am still right here."

The first time university alumnus Dave Urbanski heard musical icon Johnny Cash's interpretation of Nine Inch Nails' "Hurt," his reaction mimicked that of many.

Within the cracked, deep tone of Cash's unmistakable voice echoed the life of a man who's commitment to faith towed him from the wreckage of drug and alcohol addiction.

"There's no regret in his voice, but you can hear the pain and brokenness," Urbanski says. "And he's still getting through the song and singing it, it's just really for me the song, 'Hurt,' that is Johnny Cash."

In "The Man Comes Around: The Spiritual Journey of Johnny Cash," the timely book that went to print weeks after Cash's death, Urbanski leads readers through the spiritual journey and events that shaped the life of this musical and spiritual champion.

The biography combines Urbanski's deepest abiding interests: music, writing and Christianity. He ties these elements together to present all shades of The Man in Black.

When Urbanski, who graduated from the university in 1988, agreed, at the request of Relevant Magazine, to expand his feature-sized review of Cash's final album for the third part of a "Spiritual Journey" series, he embarked on an enlightening path.

Writing this biography provided Urbanski with the perfect opportunity to transition from journalist to author.

"There's tons of material on Johnny Cash," Urbanski says. "But what makes this book different is that it focuses on his spiritual journey. It's sort of infused in everything that happens in his life."

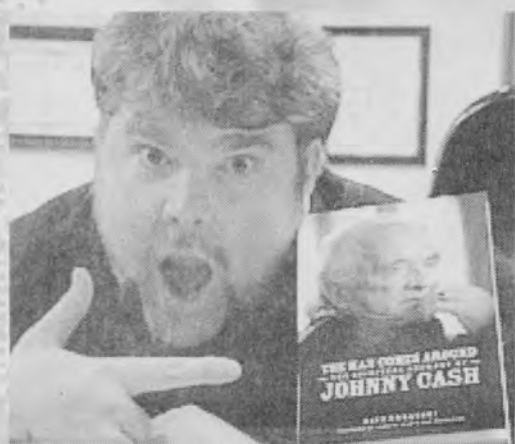
The first chapter of "The Man Comes Around" begins the same way Urbanski says he would write his own autobiography — with lyrics.

Unlike the scratchy vocals of the Janis Joplin vinyls that flooded Urbanski's childhood home in Palo Alto, Calif., Cash's life and ultimate musical interest, he says, could be heard through the pews of a church in Arkansas.

Cash originally dreamed of making a career out of singing hymns, Urbanski reveals, which he could not do until he had proven himself as a musician. Some called his music country, while others prefer folk, but Urbanski says Cash chose the label, "Johnny Cash-type music," if anything.

Urbanski, a music critic in his spare time, says his greatest challenge was to create a unique biography that presents Cash's life as something beyond a typical chronological tale;

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Courtesy of Youth Specialties

University alumnus Dave Urbanski has published a biography of Johnny Cash.

Kids honor Dr. King by learning his dreams

BY JAMES BORDEN
Entertainment Editor

More than two decades ago, in November 1983, President Ronald Reagan signed into law a bill declaring the third Monday of every January a national holiday celebrating the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., making him one of only three individuals — alongside George Washington and Christopher Columbus — to have a national holiday in their honor.

Much like the civil rights accomplishments of King, this law was not passed with great ease. Some felt there were other great Americans more deserving of a holiday, while others believed a national holiday in King's honor would be little more than a meager appeasement to black people by the federal government for slavery. Controversial Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., protested on the grounds that King was a communist and some feared the economic costs the holiday would potentially impose, with the extra overtime that would have to be paid to federal workers who were required to work on the holiday.

Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., expressed the sentiments of the majority when he suggested that the critics "hurry back to their pocket calculators and estimate the cost of 300 years of slavery, followed by a century or more of economic, political and social exclusion and discrimination."

Today, the memory of King continues to be commemorated throughout the nation with speeches, parades, community service projects and lectures. This past Monday, Delaware residents were given a number of different occasions to embrace the spirit of diversity set forth by King.

One such opportunity was presented by the

Delaware Museum of Natural History, which held two separate events for children during the day.

Located 20 minutes outside of Newark in Greenville, the museum caters mostly to children and seeks to educate them about the natural world on subjects ranging from anthropology to zoology.

Andrea Gathers is a museum employee who has organized the Martin Luther King Jr. Day events for the past five years. She says the day's first activity is

a poetry reading session of some of the works of Gwendolyn Brooks. After the reading, she says the children are encouraged to write their own poetry and compose illustrations for the Langston Hughes work "Dawn," which Gathers describes as a personal favorite.

Later in the afternoon in a classroom-like section of the museum's "Discovery Room," a small group of children have gathered to hear Gathers read a book written by Hughes and illustrated by the eclectic artist Basquiat.

Gathers, who serves as a science teacher at the museum, communicates easily with the children, telling them how Basquiat used to

tell his stories through art, be it on a wall or a refrigerator door.

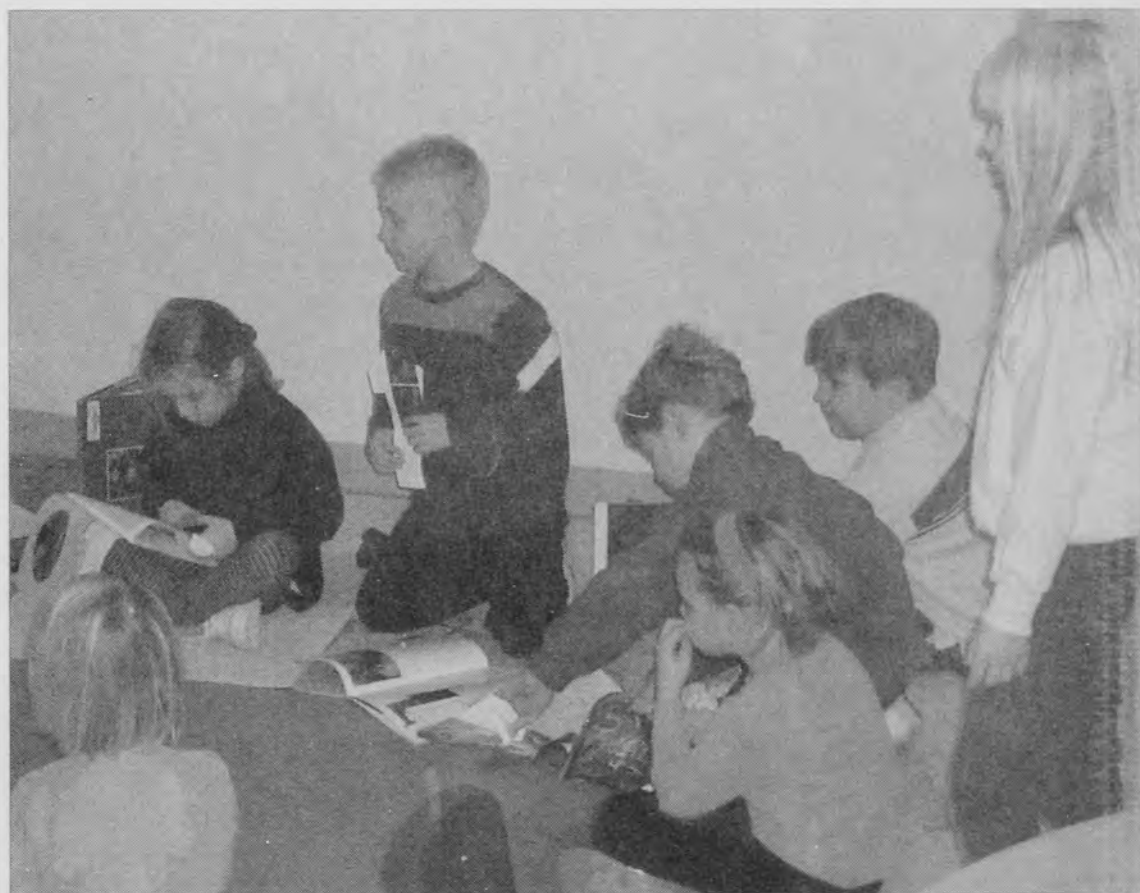
"He would cut out pictures and paste them together, he would use all sorts of different materials, and like you he didn't always worry about drawing straight lines," she says to the circle of gathered children.

While the children learn about Basquiat, they create a mural representative of the museum, and, like the artist, employ a number of different techniques in putting it together.

After the mural is completed and as the children

"[Martin Luther King Jr.] was a great man, because he did a famous speech and he made the world a better place and his wish was that everyone could be treated fairly and be in peace."

— 6-year-old Aaron Whitenight



THE REVIEW/James Borden

Children celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day at the Delaware Museum of Natural History.

file out and express their thanks, Gathers comments that she's pleased with the way the mural has turned out, and adds that she hopes she'll be able to display it in an empty section of the museum for the remainder of the week, until a new exhibit arrives.

Gathers says each year she tries to pick a different theme for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day events.

"We like talking to the kids about culture, talking about arts, this time we picked a sort of arts and poetry theme, teaching them about self-expression through art."

"Some years have been bigger, we've had speakers come in, folk artists, Shao-Lin kung-fu dancers, drummers, it's always a lot of fun."

Joey Outten, the museum's marketing and communications manager, says the museum held special Martin Luther King Jr. Day activities because they knew there would be a surplus of visitors because of the school closings.

"These types of activities aren't available on your average museum visit, Martin Luther King Day gives us a theme to tie them into, where we can showcase a couple of African-American artists," she says.

"I think with the school system the kids get a lot of the same history, you know, who is Martin Luther King, that kind of stuff, and there's a lot of repetition, and we're able to give them something different."

Carlan and Mike Whitenight are two of the parents who attended the activities today with their young children Aaron and Katie, in part because Aaron enjoys coming to the museum with his kindergarten class.

"He's been learning a lot about Martin Luther King in school, he actually wanted to go down to Washington, D.C., today," Carlan says.

"The other day he came home and was telling us how smart [King] had been as a child — that he skipped a couple of grades in school, I didn't even know that," Mike adds, smiling.

When asked what he thinks about King, Aaron responds:

"He was a great man, because he did a famous speech and he made the world a better place and his wish was that everyone could be treated fairly and be in peace."

A convincing Chaos Theory

"The Butterfly Effect"
New Line Cinema
Rating: ★★☆☆

Sneak Peek HOLLYWOOD

"The Butterfly Effect" is loosely based on Edward Lorenz's chaos theory. It proposes that the flapping of a butterfly's wings in one part of the world could potentially affect weather patterns in another. It-boy Ashton Kutcher's vehicle film into dramatic roles, "The Butterfly Effect," uses this concept about the different choices we are given in life and the drastic results they have on future events. While the psychological thriller won't quite become a classic for his younger fans, it just might make Kutcher a bankable star.

Chaos theory has been used as a plot device before. Ray Bradbury's short story "A Sound of Thunder," used a similar premise and inspired a parody in a "Simpsons" episode. The writing duo from "Final Destination 2" incorporated their experience with hor-

ror films into a commended directorial debut. Many of the scares are unexpected and audiences must prepare for scenes seemingly intended solely for shock value. The writing and storyline lack in comparison to the delivery of action, but overall the movie is entertaining. Kutcher's talent, not to mention sex appeal, shines through in a movie that confirms his comedic talent and reveals his potential as a dramatic actor.

Those waiting for Ashton Kutcher's arrival must endure 30 minutes of the movie until he initially appears. The film begins by jumping into the young and tortured life of 7-year-old Evan Treborn. Prone to blackouts during stressful events where he can't remember anything, his mother fears he might have inherited the problems of his father, who lives in a mental hospital. Evan's condition progressively gets worse after an encounter with his friend Tommy and Kayleigh's abusive father (Eric Stoltz) and a dangerous visit to his own father. Seven years later, Evan's puppy love for childhood friend Kayleigh is apparent. Their union is threatened after they are involved in a horrific accident. Evan struggles to recall what happened during psychotherapy, which begins the first of his many nosebleeds in the film. To make things worse, the effectively menacing Tommy (Jesse James), is furious after he discovers his best friend and sister are romantically involved. Evan is eventually torn apart from Kayleigh and fails to keep his promise that he will come back for her.

Finally, Kutcher, as 21 year-old Evan, arrives. Heavily bearded, his dark eyes practically fade into his hairline, making him all the more mysterious. He is a hard-working psych major at "State," and things aren't so bad. He has a token fat Goth roommate, but they seem to get along just fine. He hasn't seen Kayleigh, Tommy or their friend Lenny in years. It isn't until the



discovery and reading of his journals he kept as a child that Evan is brought back to the memories he once blacked out.

As he reads the entries aloud, Evan watches in shock when the words dart frantically all over the page and the walls around him shake. The special effects here are impressive as Evan's surroundings morph into the traumatic events of the past.

After his first experience with time travel, Evan goes about finding Kayleigh. The results are disastrous and the movie goes on to see him in alternate universes where he can't seem to get anything right. In trying to avoid the tragedy Kayleigh meets in reality, Evan changes the past which in effect drastically alters the lives of many, most notably actress Amy Smart, who portrays Kayleigh as an adult. Her appearance in the film wildly transforms from popular sorority chick to

crack whore. She is a talented young performer ("Outside Providence") and will hopefully emerge more onto the Hollywood circuit. Kutcher's comedic timing is certainly put to use in the film. His hilarious disbelief after waking up as a frat guy and horror at ending up in prison is infectious.

"The Butterfly Effect" will win over men and women alike with the dark visuals, science-fiction theme and action scenes, but it will be hard to argue against what is largely a female box office draw for such a hot star. While the film excels in terms of thrill, it does fall slightly short in its attempt to execute a true love story. Nevertheless, watching Ashton Kutcher try to deliver one is worth every penny.

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The Gist of It

- ★★★★ Spider-Man
- ★★★★ Cocoon
- ★★★ Arachnophobia
- ★★ The Fly
- ★ Mothman Prophecies

"In America"

For Searchlight
Rating: ★★☆☆

After a film year that offered some very bleak movies, "In America" looked as if it might fit into the mix as well, telling the story of a modern immigrant family. Instead, director Jim Sheridan tells the story from a point of view that uplifts any moviegoer.

Co-written by Sheridan and his daughters, Naomi and Kirsten, "In America" gracefully conveys the story of an immigrant Irish family and their move to Manhattan following the death of their son.

Instead of telling the family's struggle through the eyes of the parents, Johnny and Sarah, Sheridan and his daughters magically show the audience hope for the family through the eyes and innocence of a child, the family's eldest daughter, Christy (Sarah Bolger).

Christy, along with her sister Ariel (real life sister Emma Bolger), both represent hope for the family. Their optimistic look at a new home and life brings joy to the faces of their parents in times of trouble. Had "In America" been told through the eyes of either Johnny or Sarah, the film might have come off as too depressing for an audience to



embrace, as seeing Johnny going through his depression and guilt over his son's death could become too much.

Johnny, played by British actor Paddy Considine, is so guilt stricken from his son's death that he has lost nearly all emotional feeling. This loss of feeling first comes out in his work as he auditions for Broadway plays but cannot get to the heart of the role. At one point his daughter Ariel looks into his face and says, "You're not my daddy" as she shuns him because he is not the same person he was a year earlier.

Fortunately, Sheridan's most logical approach at telling the story through the eyes of a child makes "In America" a film about hope and starting a new life, and most of all succeeding at it, which makes "In America" arguably one of the top films of the year.

—Kevin McVey

"Girl With a Pearl Earring"

Lion's Gate
Rating: ★★☆☆ 1/2

Scarlett Johansson is everywhere, mainly because of her recent Golden Globe nominations for her role in Sofia Coppola's "Lost in Translation" (best actress in a comedy) and "Girl With a Pearl Earring" (best actress in a drama).

The 19-year-old will awe audiences once again in the screen adaptation of Tracy Chevalier's 1999 novel about the famous, yet mysterious painting by the 17th century Dutch painter Johannes Vermeer. The film serves as a beautiful and dramatic perspective on the inspiration and motives behind the painting.

Johansson plays Griet, a maid who is forced to work for the Vermeer family. The family is entirely dependant on being sponsored by wealthy patrons who take a liking to Vermeer's (Colin Firth) paintings. Vermeer is a recluse of sorts, who barely comes out of his studio and has a difficult time finding new inspirations for his paintings. Griet becomes the quiet painter's muse, but not without enduring hell from Vermeer's snotty wife, their bratty children and his bossy mother-in-law. Her situation becomes even more precarious when one of Vermeer's patrons takes a liking to



her and demands that he have her for himself.

Johansson barely speaks in the movie, yet she is captivating to watch. Her intense, wide eyes give out more emotion than words could. The few lines of dialogue she has are usually sparse mumblings that accompany her innocent and unknowing facial expressions.

The cinematography in the film is breathtaking. Many scenes in "Girl With a Pearl Earring" could be compared to paintings in the way they are framed and lit. Many shots look as if they could be painting themselves. The film has a beautiful quality to it, and the acting is superb. Colin Firth and Scarlett Johansson make a wonderful duo. Even if the story behind the painting is completely contrived, it makes for an intriguing explanation.

—Callye Morrissey

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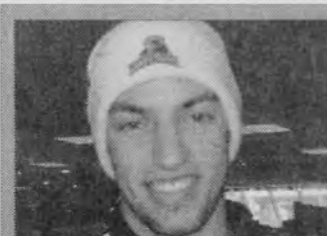
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— compiled by Tarra Avis



Jason Wright
Junior

"The electric generator, because nothing we have would work without it."



Peter Gerborn
Sophomore

"The beer bong."



Maggie Salzbrenner
Sophomore

"The printing press, because it supplied me not only with reading, but with a job."

"The clock, because it keeps me on time."
— senior Kacie Krum



Kacie Krum
Senior

"The clock, because it keeps me on time."



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"TV, because it distracts me from work."

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THE HITLIST

FRIDAY

Ground Floor: Hostile Intentions, 7:30 p.m.

Stone Balloon: DJ Dance Party, 8 p.m., no cover with university ID

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

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

SATURDAY

Stone Balloon: SoleCraft & Blonde Date, 8 p.m.

East End Café: Montana Wildaxe, 10:00 p.m., \$3, \$5 minors

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

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

'70s Loop: 13 Clubs in Wilmington, 8 p.m., \$7



Kids show the depth of their imaginations

BY KEVIN MCVEY

Senior Mosaic Reporter

Matt Sheffield just finished making a mini-hot air balloon out of paper towel rolls, water balloons and netting used to hold a bag of oranges.

As he makes his way up to one of the tables at the convention at Hagley Museum, he is greeted by staff member Cheryl Nathan who nods with satisfaction and asks him to fill out a patent form. After Nathan labels the patent form with a gold seal-of-approval, she sends him on his way and Matt Sheffield now has his own patent that he can show his third grade classmates.

Not his fellow scientists, Ph.D.'s, engineers or even co-workers, but third grade classmates.

However, for those visiting Hagley Museum last weekend, patents were the norm for children of all ages.

Hagley Museum held its annual Invention Convention, open to the public. Created in 1999 by Hagley Museum Education Coordinator Lisa Marcinkowski, the convention presents a simple idea — to make science fun.

Without any advertisement in its first year, the show attracted approximately 600 people, mostly children and their parents. The following year, the convention became a word-of-mouth hit and by the end of the final show, 2,000 people attended.

The convention eventually became too big for

its location and the event was moved to the Soda House at Hagley, where it was held last weekend.

After paying a \$2.50 admission fee for the children and \$4.00 for themselves, many parents may take their children — or in many cases the children take their parents — to one of the three activities happening during the day.

Who has ever wondered at one time or another what the inside of a VCR looks like, or what the inner workings of a keyboard, printer, or computer look like? For the young ones whose imaginations wander and for the parents who never had an opportunity to find out, the Deconstruction Room is the place to find out.

Here, countless appliances and products used for home entertainment make for a world of discovery as children take apart a DVD player down to the very last nuts and bolts.

However, Marcinkowski points out there's more to those parts the children are taking apart than meets the eye.

"All of the stuff you see here is donated, so we're recycling," Marcinkowski says.

As visitors walk through the Deconstruction Room, they are likely to see a child trying to unscrew part of an appliance, like 7th grader J.J. Zolter, who fiddles with a VCR.

Zolter, who is from northern Virginia, happens to be visiting his grandparents on the three-day



THE REVIEW/Kevin McVey

(Above) Children apply for their invention patents. (Left) The Invention Convention features an Invention Room, which holds bins with interesting "junk" for their creations.

weekend. Still trying to unscrew part of a VCR, Zolter looks on with the intensity of a chess player deciding to make his move. As Zolter finally finishes his task, he says that taking apart electrical gadgets isn't all he likes to do.

"We had a computer and I like to learn how that works," Zolter says. "But I really like to create stuff and upstairs [in my bedroom] I have a Lego Mindstorms, so I can create my own robot."

After kids finish disassembling their favorite electrical appliance, they make their way to the Invention Room to create their own technical gadget. Here, they pick from countless bins of "junk" consisting of everything from corks to pipe cleaners and old doorknobs to keyboard keys.

Hagley staff members Jane Peters Estes and Mary Pro walk back and forth, helping any children who need a certain part and refill the bins running low.

Like the Deconstruction Room, the parts in the Invention Room are all donated by different contributors, promoting the effectiveness of recycling.

As Estes helps some of children, she glances over at the table with the bins of donated parts and is still amazed at the variety of choices.

"This is a salad bar of ideas [for the kids]," Estes says. "This is something where the children come in and they have to think [about what they will create]."

Pro, who has worked with the convention since its start, still marvels at its success and effects on the children.

"At first, I was overwhelmed with the number of kids who came," Pro says. "It's neat because you can see the gears working in the kids when they're creating their inventions."

Once the children finish construction of their own inventions and receive their patents, many head upstairs to the presentation room where The Miracle Workerz Robotics Team presents their robot, Little Moe, which won the 2001 Robotics National Championship at Epcot Center in Disneyworld.

Jerome Joynes, a senior at St. Marks High School, opens up his team's robot to display all the wiring and hard work that went into making their award-winning robot, which could mistakenly be taken as one of the fighting machines on TLC's "Junkyard Wars."

After six years, some might think the convention would give parents ideas so they can let their children build right in the comfort of their own home, but surprisingly, many families return.

"It's great because there was one family who after coming here, went home and created their own bin [of recyclable parts]," Pro says. "But they still came back the next year."

Rock legend inspires alumnus to write biography

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instead, he aimed at displaying Cash's struggles and triumphs through a narrative splattered with intelligent commentaries on his music.

Cash communicated best through his own lyrics as well as renditions of other songs, Urbanski says. Therefore, including a great deal of musical commentary was necessary in the biography. Explaining Cash's views of redemption and faith allowed Urbanski to recognize similarities between the outlaw and himself.

"His singing and his style is unparalleled," he says. "But beyond that, his life and his faith is just inspiring to anybody. Beyond the music, there's a really complex and passionate life that he led."

By listening to the albums in chronological order from Johnny Cash & the Tennessee Two's "The Complete Original Sun Singles" to "American IV: The Man Comes Around," Urbanski was able to understand and appreciate Cash's feelings during different periods of his life.

"For me, the way to get inside his head and his heart was to listen to the music and lyrics and see what songs he was choosing, what was important to him. Then I would ask, 'How is this album different than the last?'"

Not surprisingly, Urbanski says the most interesting point of Cash's life to research and write about involved the point in time when he reached the pinnacle of his musical career after using faith in God to overcome drug addiction.

"You're just like, 'C'mon Johnny — you can do it,'" Urbanski cheers.

Cash's role as Everyman, Urbanski says in his biography, serves as inspiration because of his representation for the struggle of man.

The man never denied his wrongdoings and he believed in the word of the gospel, he says.

The author's own career, as product manager for Youth Specialties Inc., a group that provides resources and training for adults who work with teenagers and churches, aided him in understanding Cash's dependence on his faith.

"He lived how he lived, made the mistakes he made and didn't

try to make them less than what they were," Urbanski says. "But he also did some really awesome things. His honesty and fearlessness inspire people to be the same way."

Redemption for one's sins ultimately comes down to a matter of grace, he says. It is the idea that if you compare the whole of humanity to God, there is no comparison.

Cash understood the belief that one cannot live a flawless, righteous life, Urbanski says. Despite his drug addiction, Cash is able to go to Heaven because he never denied his faults to himself or his fans.

"There are a lot of good people in the world," Urbanski explains. "But if you get down to the nitty gritty, people do great things but there are also some really horrible things that happen."

Urbanski learned from the research of this biography that Cash's concept of faith mirrors his own in two ways. Neither finds it necessary to place a label on their faith and both believe that the mistakes of the common man are forgivable.

"We've all done some things we're not proud of," he says in reference to the struggles Cash faced with drugs. "It's not a big deal."

Besides a hugely successful music career and commitment to faith, Urbanski looks up to Cash for his self-acceptance.

"It's hard to live up to the ideals of Christ and you can't," Urbanski says. "Try as you may, but there are times when any people of faith are going to do things in the name of that faith that are questionable and that can be hard for some people to do."

But Johnny Cash could.

Name any artist who started in the 1950s who is still doing anything vital, Urbanski challenges. The answer is no one.

The university alumnus does not forget to mention Cash's ability to relate to people from all societies.

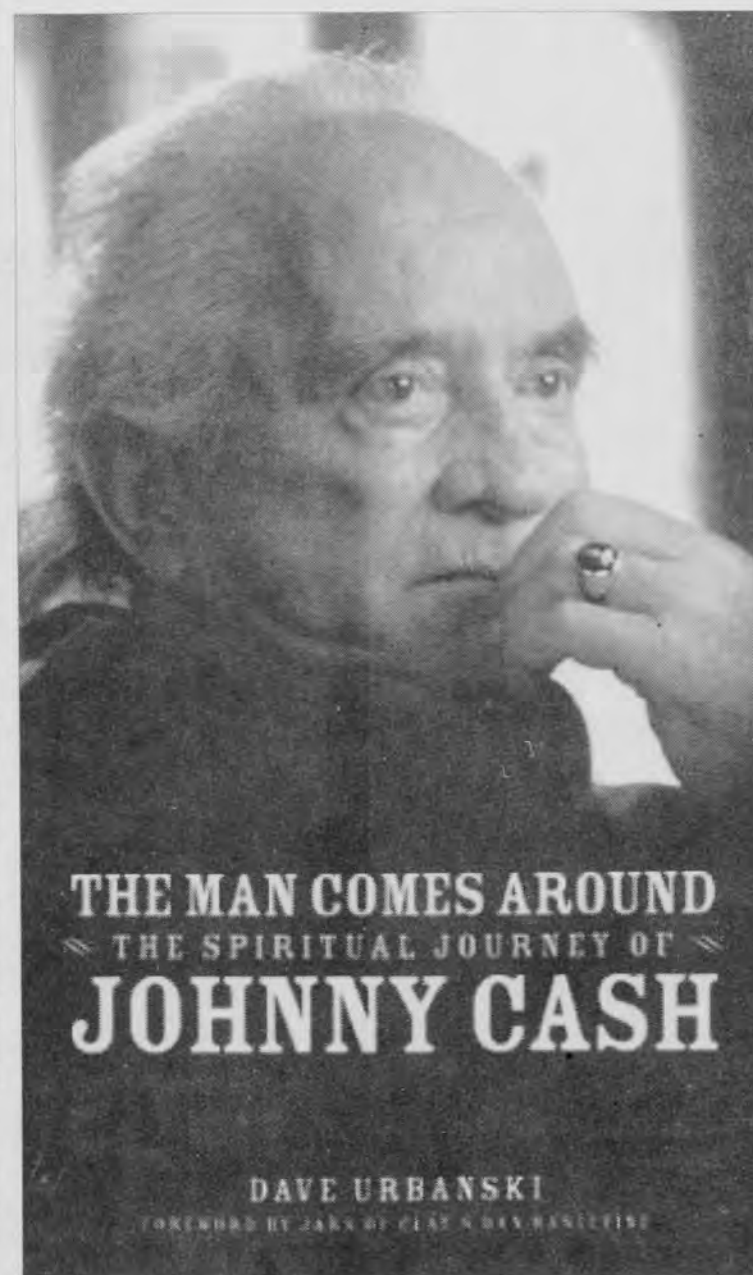
He once played a concert for the White House during the Nixon presidency and then turned around and played an anti-war concert with Bob Dylan, Urbanski recalls.

"He was who he was. He wasn't easily pigeon-holed. You couldn't define him."

He battled a lot of adversity, pain and turmoil, the author says. He kept working through it and kept his faith.

"The life that he led, especially his drug abuse, really played a part in his life coming to an end," Urbanski says. "His health became a fragile thing and that's consequences and stuff. That's just how it goes."

Cash's life did in fact end within the last two weeks of the writing of the biography.



The long-expected, yet tragic death of the legendary Cash left the author with regret that he never met his hero in person.

He says he would have liked to ask Cash, "How do you feel?"

Urbanski does not say much about the timeliness of his book, adding that after hearing of the death, he knew it was time to finish up.

"But just so we're reminded

of the ones who are held back / Up front there ought to be a Man in Black."

"Johnny Cash did a lot of really great things. I never did those things, but I mean, as for internally, that's what I would aspire to. That's a cool way to live out your faith."

Urbanski's own spiritual journey took off during his senior year in high school when he says the stories and lessons of the Bible began to sink in.

English and history, with a minor in political science.

Every great writer must begin somewhere, and for Urbanski, this place was the busy newsroom of the university's tabloid newspaper.

The first time Urbanski opened The Review to find his name attached to an article was during his freshmen year. He remembers the article as being about a couple of street evangelists.

Urbanski started on staff at the paper as assistant news editor and he moved through other positions until becoming editor in chief by the end of his four years.

His fondest memories while working on staff took place during the late-night deadlines and time spent hanging out around the office, he says.

It certainly wasn't all business, he admits.

"Still, when I look back on those nights," Urbanski says, "It's just like, 'Why was it so hard for us to get this paper out?' I think it's mostly because we were just students and wanted to hang out together and have fun and put the paper out at the same time."

While earning his master's degree in English and American literature, Urbanski fulfilled another desire — music, which contributed to his future career as music critic and reviewer.

From the soulful lyrics of Led Zeppelin's "Kashmir" or the untouchable guitar chords of Christian singer/songwriter Phil Keggy, music has always been a part of his life.

Urbanski says he does not discriminate between Christian and mainstream musicians and his favorite bands vary from one month to the next.

Urbanski's career as a journalist launched after he left the university in 1990.

He initially freelanced for newspapers like the Philadelphia Inquirer and Chicago Tribune, contributing articles on a wide range of topics, his favorite being music, naturally.

In search of stability, Urbanski said he hooked up with Youth Specialties Inc. in San Diego and was able to combine his interests in writing, music and Christianity.

He apprenticed for Youthworker Journal for a year beginning in September 1995

before being promoted to editor, a position he held until 2000.

Youthworker Journal is a professional journal that covers articles of interest for youth pastors, Urbanski says, dealing with statistics and special issues teens are facing.

"It's a pretty multi-faceted, wide-ranging occupation that has a lot of variables that make it pretty complex," he says.

He was recently invited to become product director for Youth Specialties, a job overseeing the creation of books and other products, which are resources for youth ministries.

Urbanski, practicing the same drive and devotion to faith as Johnny Cash, accepted the offer as a challenge and interesting undertaking.

Now, as stacks of this alumnus' first book are piled on shelves of bookstores across the country, and positive reviews are flooding newspaper and Internet sites, Urbanski reflects on his accomplishment but returns to life before writing the biography.

He says he would love to write another musical biography and eventually seeks the challenge a fiction novel would provide.

He plans to remain in San Diego with his wife Jenny, who he met at a youth worker's conference a few weeks following the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

No matter where Urbanski's life takes him, he will continue to live out his faith and follow the word of the gospel through his personal and professional life.

As for his writing career, Urbanski hopes to improve with time. He admires the style of his favorite author, Stephen King, because of the enthralling storytelling abilities and interesting writing style.

He says his lyrical writing has evolved since his days as a news reporter because doing features, profiles and music reviews leave more room to grow.

"My aspiration has always been to have a cinematic feel to writing," he says. "I don't think I've arrived at it."

To any students dreaming of becoming a successful journalist, youth worker, music critic or author, Urbanski offers this advice:

"[Success is] just pure desire, it can't be taught."

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Find the right tanning moves

I'm not willing to pay money just so that I can run around in mid-Winter as if I had just stepped off the plane from the Cayman Islands. I'll tell you what, tan girls of Delaware, you're not foolin' anybody.

Over the break I saw a bunch of girls who had recently returned from Hollywood Tans where they tried spray tanning.

"Spray tanning?!" I said, unsure whether to hold back laughter.

Yeah, one of them said, you go in and do dance moves while sprays blast bronzer.

She may have been exaggerating a bit, but nevertheless, the thought of having to perform choreographed dance moves sends me into hysterics.

Now I can't help but wonder whether other tan girls, too, have been performing the moves, wearing only a shower cap and goggles, letting showerheads spray an orange substance from all angles.

And so my curiosity concerning this new tanning procedure led me to Hollywood Tans.

After glancing behind my back, paranoid that passers-by might think I am an actual customer, I began inquiring about the procedure to the only employee on duty.

She looked at me as though she believed me to be ... well, slow.

Maybe her blank stare was the result of the absurdity that a 20-year-old girl didn't know

the newest fake tanning trend or maybe she was simply blinded by my illuminating white face.

Still, she answered my questions. She said a video guides customers through the movements necessary for a great tan.

Fascinated by the dance move portion of this procedure, I persuaded the girl behind the desk to demonstrate. She timidly lifted her hands from side-to-side almost like Michael Jackson in "Thriller."

She then informed me that although Main Street does not have this procedure to offer yet, they give a 10 percent-off coupon for the Kirkwood Highway location.

The cost? 25 bucks. About the same you might pay for a knock-off Louis Vuitton purse, right?

But the thing is, the tan only lasts somewhere from five to seven days, leaving the dedicated (or obsessive) tanner paying close to \$100 per month to be consistently the same shade.

The spray tan is a healthy alternative to the George Foreman grill-style tanning beds and claustrophobia-inducing booth, and is yet another way for girls to remain unnaturally tan through the long winter months.

I understand a little fake glow boosts the confidence of a girl feeling the winter blahs, but it simply isn't for me.



THE REVIEW/Todd Miyashiro

First, my poor dancing skills might leave me looking like an orange and brown zebra.

Second, no response could ever be witty enough to answer the question, "Where did you go on vacation?" when I appear at a friend's party with an impossible tan.

Next, I heard once that tanning is addictive. You know how their skin seems to turn darker and darker as the weather gets colder? Oh, but that could be the result of the strong UV rays that pour down with the freezing rain we've been having.

Still, 25 bucks a week is a bit too much to spend on an addiction anyway.

Lastly, now that I have written an article for The Review, including my picture, I'm eternally obligated to stay clear of any kind of tanning salon so as not to be seen as a hypocrite.

Oh, and if I were to submit to the fake tan craze, I'd rather spend 10 minutes in one of those closets of fire.

Forecasters say we are entering the coldest two weeks in 25 years, and my space heater simply doesn't do the job.

Don't let an expensive Winter Session ruin your fun

BY JAMES BORDEN

Entertainment Editor

Although temperatures are not predicted to rise above the freezing mark until early next week, there will be a number of indoor events this weekend to help keep people out of the cold without going out of their budgets.

Friday, Jan. 23

The Delaware College of Art and Design is holding a scarf design exhibition and reception for the opening of "Inspiring Hope" at 600 Market Street Mall in Wilmington from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is free and those seeking further information should call 622-8000.

CrownHeartRuin, The Gunpowder Plot, ¡El Toro!, Allison Ranger and Smalltown Superhero will all be playing at the Harmony Grange. Admission is \$5 and the doors open at 6 p.m.

There will be a vocal music performance featuring students from the Cab Calloway School of the Arts at the Downs Cultural Center in Wilmington. Admission is free but reservations are required; those wishing to attend should call 575-0250, ext. 244.

The Wilmington Drama League will be performing "The Glass Menagerie," a drama about a Depression-era family tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Admission is \$12 for students and seniors, \$15 for adults and \$9 for children 12 and under. For ticket availability and other information, please call 764-1172.

A professional deejay will appear at the Fred Rust Ice Arena from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. for a public skating session. Admission is \$5 and skate rental is \$3. For further information, call 831-6038.

Saturday, Jan. 24

The Bob Carpenter Center will host a Lego League Competition from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The participants will build a robot for this year's theme, "Mission to Mars."

Admission is free and those wanting more information should call 451-4795.

The Enchantment Theatre Company will perform Prokofiev's "Cinderella," incorporating puppets, masks and magic, beginning at 3 p.m. at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington. The event will also feature First State Strings, which is comprised of students from the southern Delaware area. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. For more information, call 652-5577.

Sunday, Jan. 25

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., there will be a collectibles show at the Aetna Fire Hall on route 273 featuring sports cards, comic books, Nascar memorabilia and more. For more information, call 438-0967. Admission is \$2 and free for children 12 and under.

A documentary titled "Uncovered: The Whole Truth About the Iraq War," which was produced and directed by Robert Greenwald, will play at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Wilmington at 3 p.m. Admission is free and those looking for more information can call 656-2721.

From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the Fred Rust Arena will continue its "Family Fun Sundays" series, with appearances today by Nemo and Ariel from "Kool Beans." Admission is \$5 and skate rental is \$3. For more information, call 831-2868.

Monday, Jan. 26

A film adaptation of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," followed by a discussion led by professor John Gardner of Delaware State University will be held at 7 p.m. in the Robinson House in Claymont. For more information, call 792-2127.

Also at 7 p.m., the Downs Cultural Center in Wilmington will host a debate about the controversial PATRIOT Act, featuring Colm Connolly, the U.S. Attorney for Delaware and Drewry Fennell from the Wilmington Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union. The event is free and open to the public, but reservations are required and can be obtained by calling 575-0250, ext. 244.



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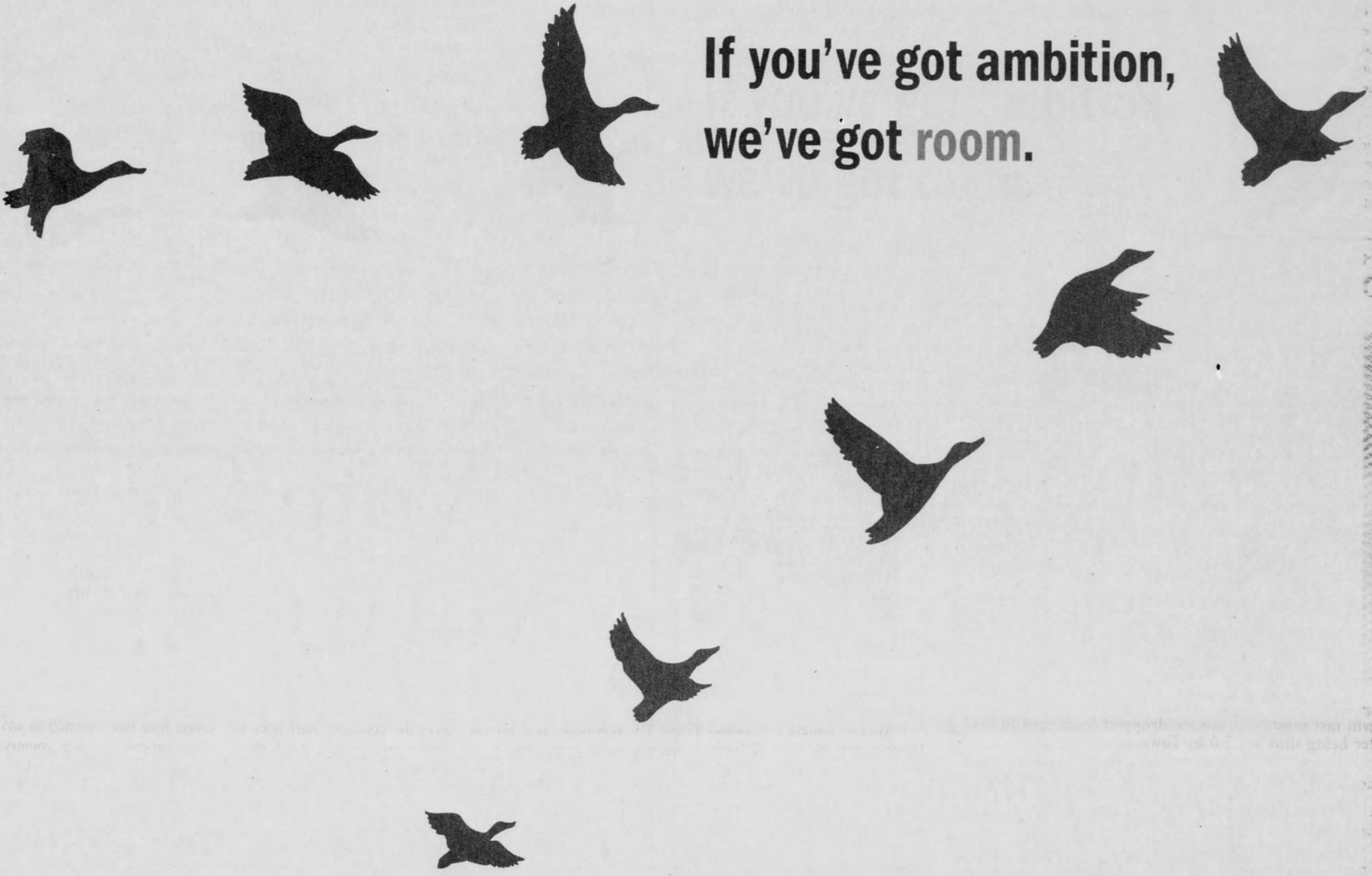
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Hayes leads Hens

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end of over-reliance on the brilliant offensive play of senior guard Cyndy Wilks, whose 30 points raised her CAA leading scoring average to 19.5 per game.

The Rams have lost four of their last six and are currently in fifth place, or second to last, in the CAA.

The first half was a see-saw battle that saw the lead change hands several times. While Wilks was torching the Hens for 15 first half points, Delaware coach Tina Martin looked to her bench to keep the game close. Freshman guard Alena Koshansky stepped up and provided 10 first half points to pace the Hens until half time.

As the second half got underway, the Hens seemed to break out of their first-half funk with Hayes leading the way. A 10-0 Delaware run in the space of three minutes and 11 seconds put the game out of reach.

While the impact of Hayes' and Young's scoring cannot be denied, the importance of Delaware's defense is impossible to overlook. The Hens blocked eight shots, made 12 steals and

forced Virginia Commonwealth to commit 26 turnovers.

But the most telling statistic is the fact that Delaware is 11-0 this season when holding their opponents to less than 60 points, a stat that underlines the tough attitude that has come to epitomize the Hens this season.

The Hens' victory was their

fifth straight over the Rams and places them in third place in the CAA.

Delaware is 6-1 on the road this year and they take their game away from the friendly confines of The Bob, taking on George Mason next Thursday in another CAA battle.



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Senior guard/forward Tracey Howell penetrates inside the paint in a game earlier this season. The women are 6-1 on the road this season.

Skid reaches five



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Former Hens Dan Howard and Jeff Earley celebrate after a win last season. Delaware dropped its record to 9-11-2 after being shut out 3-0 by Towson.

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the net after intercepting a Towson pass.

The Tigers put the game out of reach five minutes into the final period of play when Gabay

flipped the puck past Bowker on a breakaway, with Birstill and Mastropolo assisting him. Gabay is currently tied for eighth in Division I with 16 goals.

O'Connor said the Hens'

defensive effort wasn't bad overall.

"Towson did not have a whole lot of scoring chances," he said, "but a couple of breakdowns led to the goals."

In the ACHA, the top 12 ranked teams at the end of the regular season make the national tournament. O'Connor said the Hens will probably fall out of the top 12 when the new rankings are released today.

"We need to start winning games," he said. "We might change up the lines a little in order to start generating offense. We just need to keep our heads down and work harder."

Delaware will look to end its five-game skid tonight when they host SUNY-Binghamton at 5 p.m. at the Fred Rust Ice Arena. The Hens defeated the Bearcats 10-0 earlier this season.

After tonight's game, Delaware will host No. 17 Navy (9-14-1) tomorrow at 5 p.m., also at the Fred Rust Ice Arena. The Midshipmen will arrive in Delaware looking to end a two-game losing streak in which they have been outscored 12-3.

Hen Peckings

Senior guard Mike Ames was named Colonial Athletic Association Player of the Week for the week of January 19 for his performance. Ames averaged 25.3 points per game in a three-game span, including a 30 point performance in a loss to Drexel. Ames also set a record for most consecutive three-point field goals made with nine and managed to shoot at a 50.0 percent clip from behind the arc for the week. His game-winning three-pointer against Old Dominion with 1.8 seconds left was his 200th career three-pointer, making him just the third Delaware player to surpass 200 three-pointers for his career.

In other news...

This weekend Delaware competed in the UCA/UDA College Nationals mascot, dance team and cheerleader competition in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In the mascot competition, YouDee finished third in a challenging field consisting of 19 teams including such mascot greats as Auburn's "Aubie" and "Scratch" from Kentucky. Michigan State's "Spartan the Spartan" took first overall in the competition.

In the dance competition the Delaware dance team managed a fifth place finish out of a field of 11 other schools. The first place prize was awarded to Cal State Fullerton.

In the cheerleading competition the Delaware women came in sixth place overall out of nine teams. The squad from Morehead State reeled in the top honors, followed by Western Kentucky in second and Cal State Sacramento bringing in third.

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Recruiting season heats up

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continues to play during December, as Delaware did, it becomes a challenge for the coaches to balance recruiting time and preparing for playoff games. But Flood feels there is also a benefit for recruits to see a potential college in the playoffs.

"It's a real positive thing with the kids you've already identified with," Flood says. "But when a kid pops up from nowhere, that's where you get hurt."

"And it also helps with the local kids, because they see the media surge and the excitement that the playoffs create."

The recruiting area for the Hens stretches nearly the entire east coast, from upstate New York and the Pittsburgh area all the way south to Florida. Each coach is assigned a specific area to recruit any player that Delaware may be interested in.

Regardless of position, each coach is given the latitude to evaluate the players and then will send a tape of the player to the respective position coach.

Once the position coach evaluates a player, it is then sent to the offensive or defensive coordinator to be evaluated. If the coaching staff is still interested in a player after the videotape evaluations, head coach K.C. Keeler evaluates the tape and eventually makes the final decision on every player that comes to Delaware.

Flood says Delaware usually competes with regional schools such as Villanova, Rutgers and Temple to sign the top local area players. He also says the coaching staff tries to find as many possible I-A players as they can and lure them to Delaware.

Flood and the coaching staff try to sell the entire school to each recruit, not just the football aspect of Delaware.

"When you sell the University of Delaware, first and foremost the kids are getting a great education," he says. "When a kid leaves with that degree, it's going to mean something."

"Dr. Roselle also meets every recruit and that shows that football is important to Delaware and that the kids will be treated the right way."

Flood also feels that the game day environment of Delaware Stadium plays a major role in battling many Division I-AA schools.

"The environment here is what makes us unique, no one else has an environment like we do," he says. "There's also a tradition here that's as rich as any other program in the country, including I-A schools like Ohio State and Michigan."

The Hens have received verbal commitments from 11 players as well as two Division I-A transfers.

Head to Head: Will the Eagles be back?



ROB MCFADDEN

The Carolina Panthers marched into the Linc and embarrassed the Eagles in their own house. "Chunky Soup" didn't have his best game, Todd Pinkston had his worst game, which says a lot, and the Eagles defense wouldn't have won any beauty contests either.

Well, get over it.

They'll be back next year. Andy Reid will finally sign a wide receiver that can play professional football. Duce Staley, Troy Vincent and Bobby Taylor will ...

... leave?

Letting the Big Three sign with another team is obviously not a healthy move on the Eagles part. But Philadelphia didn't need Taylor for seven of their wins. Duce Staley is a talented back with size and strength, but the Eagles won seven games with Duce carrying the ball five times or less.

For better or worse, they'll be back. They'll win their division for the fourth straight year and make yet another playoff run. And everyone knows anything can happen in the playoffs, especially after watching Brett Favre heave up that beauty of an interception.

First of all, McNabb and Westbrook will return. This is not a best-case scenario or some false hope—the Eagles playmakers will return.

I say to you that these two players alone can win games for any team. If you doubt me, go look at your Giants and Packers tapes again. Without McNabb and Westbrook, the Eagles' offense is nothing. But they will be back, ensuring Philadelphia will not have to suffer through an 0-16 season.

But how will they win their division?

Well, Andy, what's the plan?

"I am satisfied with our wide receivers."

I am already on record as saying I despise Reid. I would now like to go on record and say that I apologize, I didn't know he really was that stupid.

Oh, wait. This is the "pro" side. My bad.

Andy Reid is the best coach ever.

Look, the most glaring problem the Eagles had this year (and last year, and the year before ...) was their lack of quality receivers. The latest performance of "Stinkston" and "Trash" should be the ultimate wake-up call for a team that needs a good kick in the pants.

Hey, we do have a good kicker.

But because of what happened in Carolina and has continued to happen over the past couple of years, I believe the Eagles will finally go out and sign that big-name wide receiver. And lucky for us, this year's free-agent pool has some big names.

Before you even think it, no, I don't think Terrell Owens would even think about visiting Philly, let alone

play here every Sunday. All that crap about Owens being too "high-maintenance" and having too much of an attitude is ridiculous and irrelevant. It's ridiculous because if a player is as good as T.O., who really cares? I think the Eagles need someone with an attitude. And it's irrelevant because Owens doesn't want to come here anyway. Trust me on this one.

I think Steve Smith will be re-signed by Carolina, but Seattle's Darrell Jackson is definite possibility. He has the talent and the numbers; the Eagles have the numbers (\$\$\$) and the need.

Other possibilities include Dennis Northcutt, a speed demon who probably won't be re-signed by the Browns, and Tai Streets, a disgruntled 49er who has put up big numbers as San Fran's No. 2 receiver.

The Eagles WILL sign one of the above. They are \$22 million-plus under the salary cap and they need a wide receiver.

And there's always Keyshawn Johnson.

So what's my point with all this rambling?

Take McNabb, Westbrook and "First Down Freddie," throw in a new wide receiver, a healthy "D," and a more experienced L.J. Smith, re-sign Carlos Emmons and I can easily see the Eagles losing the division championship again next year. I mean, um, doing well again.

The Eagles are the kings of winning ugly (kind of like my colleague over there, except for the "winning" part) and you know it.

Don't put anything past them.



JON DEAKINS

I told you so.

But you didn't believe me. Last week, in this very paper, I predicted a Panthers win. But noooo! You had to go and believe Sports Illustrated's Dr. Z or the Sporting News's six writers.

You should have known better. You're a Philadelphia fan. The urge to listen to the ESPN commentators on NFL Gameday predict an Eagles victory was just too strong to resist.

What a shame.

And now, after all your hopes and dreams of watching the Birds in play on Super Bowl Sunday have been washed away, you got this bozo to my left (just look at him ... yikes!) telling you to "keep the faith" and "don't give up hope."

What a crock.

The Eagles faltered again this year. (What else is new, right?) but for different reasons than in years past.

In 2001, it was due to the inexperience of a young team having to face "The Greatest Show on Turf."

In 2002, the Eagles just happened to run into one of the best defenses ever in Tampa Bay, evident of their total domination in the

Super Bowl.

In 2003 however, Philadelphia lost to Carolina in the NFC Championship game for one basic reason.

They do not have the talent to compete with the big boys. It's plain and simple. They are a mediocre to above average talented team, lead by one of the best defensive schemes in the league. And one thing we all should know by now, (come on people, say it with me) "Defense wins championships."

So before you start blaming "Stinkston" and "Trash," open your eyes and look at the overall team talent.

And it's not going to get much better. Unless owner Jeffery Laurie uncharacteristically opens up his checkbook and decides to use some of the team's \$22.8 million in cap room, second only to Baltimore, the Eagles will falter even worse next year.

Contrary to public opinion, the Eagles' D was overrated this year, finishing 20th out of 32 teams in total defense. Now take away possibly three of the Eagles' five best defenders, in free agents Bobby Taylor, Troy Vincent and Carlos Emmons. Teams won't have to just run all over Philly, they'll have the option to pass too.

Also, Andy Reid is quite alright with letting Duce Staley leave town, putting a lot of confidence in two promising, but under-sized running backs in Westbrook and Buckhalter.

Say Laurie does shell out a few bucks and bring in a big name or two. And the Eagles strike it rich with a good draft this year (hypo-

thetically speaking here, people). What makes you think that the NFC will be as bad as it was this year?

America's Team with Parcells should be better next year, especially with the strong possibility of Duce carrying their offense.

The Redskins, who also might make a run for Staley, can only go up with the addition of a coaching legend in Joe Gibbs. If the Eagles can't stop the run now, how well do you think they'll fare against a pissed off Staley with something to prove?

And these are just four tough games the Eagles will have in the NFC East.

The Eagles have Baltimore, Green Bay, Minnesota, Cincinnati and Carolina all coming to the Linc next season. Ouch!

Seeing how the Eagles also have a tough-as-nails road schedule as well, it is not far-fetched to assume that they will struggle to win the division.

But, the Eagles can easily fall back on a wild-card berth because the NFC will be a joke again, right, Rob?

Wrong!

Many teams, besides the recent division champs, such as Seattle, New Orleans and Minnesota will all improve in 2004.

Now don't get me wrong. The Eagles will be competitive next year and will have a chance to grab one of these wild-card spots. But their days of blowing Super Bowl opportunities are over.

Now they just get to blow.

Enjoy, Philadelphia ... Bwa ha!

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Commentary

AMY KATES



Faith in Philly

Fourth and 26. Three simple words that, to a championship-starved city, held more promise than a Geno's cheesesteak at 3 a.m.

After a 21-year streak of not bringing home a single major sports championship, (that's 81 seasons, just in case 21 years didn't sound discouraging enough) Philadelphia fans were just beginning to uncover their eyes and exhale.

Could this be the end? Would this break a curse that even Beantown's would shudder at?

Let's ponder this for a moment. The Panthers, who were a dismal 1-15 in 2001 and clinging to the bottom of the NFC South in 2002, were coming into our brand new house, playing against a quarterback strong enough to carry the weight of an entire city on his shoulders.

We are vicious fans. We've booed Santa, pelted him with ice balls, and even been known to throw batteries on occasion. If somehow the Panthers did get ahead in the game, the home field advantage alone should have been enough to scare them off.

Right?

As we all sat in silence, the truth sank in. Yes, McNabb really did just throw three interceptions. And yes, Muhsin Muhammad caught that ugly duck Jake Delhomme lofted into the middle of the end zone that Brian Dawkins and Bobby Taylor overplayed.

As we all wiped our tears and snot onto the sleeves of our green number fives, we realize one sobering fact:

We knew it was coming. If there is one thing you can count on Philadelphia for, it's choking when the game is on the line.

The 2000 Flyers loss to the Devils in the Eastern Conference finals immediately springs to mind. Not only did we witness Coach Neilson triumph over cancer, we had rookie Brian Boucher playing like a seasoned pro. Add to that mix the undefeated 3-1 lead in the series. No team had ever bounced back from a 3-1 deficit to go on and win the Cup.

In 2001, we loved our Sixers, an overachieving squad which won 56 games that season. Hustling through two Game Seven's in the playoffs had Philly fans on top of the world. Sadly, a six-point win over the Lakers in Game One was as far as Philly success would go.

Now Philadelphia sports fans have a choice. We could either all give up and watch our hopes and dreams go down with the Vet, a place leaving behind a lifetime of heartbreaking sports heritage, or we could listen to the words of Philadelphia legend Tug McGraw and believe.

I still believe and I'll let you in on a little secret why. I think I know of a group of guys who just might be able to turn this all around.

We are rapidly approaching my absolute favorite time of the year: Baseball season.

With spring training right around the corner (26 days to be exact), Philadelphia needs to start getting psyched for what the 2004 Fightin' Phies have to offer.

Erase 1993 out of your memory. Forget Killer Conine. Forget Pat "No Bat" Burrell and a heart wrenching loss to the Fish.

Think Billy Wagner. Think Eric Milton. And for God's sake, think Jim Thome.

The ninth inning belongs to Wagner, and the notion of missing Jose Mesa will disappear faster than Wagner's 100 m.p.h. heater. Coming off a career year in which he saved 44 games in 47 opportunities for the Astros, Wagner is just what the Phil's bullpen.

And with Mike Schmidt helping out down in Clearwater this spring, Pat Burrell has an awesome opportunity to get back into the groove of his swing.

The 2004 Phillies look fantastic on paper, and will look even better on the new field at Citizens Bank Park.

So, what's it going to be, Philly? Despite the pain of the Eagles flightless path to Houston, Philadelphia fans have yet another chance, and it's lurking right behind winter's bitter cold. Just believe ... it's what we always do.

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Hens outlast Tribe 93-82 in OT

BY ROB L. FRANCE

Assistant Sports Editor

The comeback victory the men's basketball team had against Old Dominion was nice. One comeback win is always good for team morale. Following that performance with a similar come-from-behind victory, however, is downright unhealthy.

Just ask Delaware head coach David Henderson, who muttered after the Hen's 93-82 overtime victory Wednesday night against the William & Mary Tribe, "I can barely talk. I thought I was going to have a heart attack out there."

The Hens were led by senior captain and point guard Mike Slattery, who finished the game with 17 points and nine assists and sophomore guard Herb Courtney, who finished with a double-double, contributing 20 points and 10 rebounds. Sophomore forward Harding Nana added 19 points and 11 rebounds, many of which came at the most important moments of the game.

Despite the gaudy stats, things looked bleak for the Hens throughout the game. William & Mary jumped out to an early lead, boosted by senior guard Adam Hess' 12-point first half, and looked to keep the lead nearly all game.

At one point in the first half, the Hens were down 24-14 with 9 minutes to play. Fortunately for Delaware, Slattery kept the Hens in the game with four points, one assist and two steals over a two-minute span to help tie the game at 24, and the Hens looked to be in position to overtake the Tribe at the half, with the game nearly even at a 32-31 lead for William & Mary.

However, the second half started nearly identical to the first, as a myriad of



Senior Mike Slattery holds the ball on the wing waiting for an opportunity to work it inside. The Hens won the comeback effort in OT.

turnovers, missed lay-ups, and poor defense kept the Tribe close. Midway through the second half, the six turnovers the Hens committed staked William & Mary to a 57-47 lead. Slattery felt that the Hens just could not get moving at the pace they wanted.

"We're not content with how we played the entire game. We were sluggish."

One player, however, who was not sluggish was Courtney, who had 18 points in the second half en route to a career night. Courtney's timely shooting throughout the half never let the Hens get out of striking

distance from the Tribe. For the first time, he felt he played the game on his terms.

"I let the game come to me tonight, and didn't try to be somebody I wasn't," Courtney said. "I just tried to get more comfortable out there."

Slattery was particularly impressed with Courtney's performance.

"Herb Courtney played one of the greatest games I've seen since I've been here," he said. "20 [points] and 10 [rebounds] in 24 minutes is just ridiculous."

Still, the Hens were staring defeat straight in the eyes, trailing by nine points

with two minutes left in regulation. Even though William & Mary was missing free throws, the Tribe still clung to a six-point lead with 28 seconds left to play.

Then, as Henderson put it, "God smiled down on Newark, Delaware for once."

Harding Nana hit two consecutive 3-point shots, and after another missed free throw, the Hens had six seconds to reel off one more play to tie the game. Slattery scurried up the court, and with nobody covering sophomore guard Rulon Washington, the ball found his hands. He knew exactly what to do with it, hitting nothing but net and sending the game to overtime.

If it was Slattery and Courtney who kept the game close, and Washington who kept the Hens alive, it was Nana who put the game away. From the start of the period, Nana dominated the floor, scoring nine of Delaware's 14 points while adding three rebounds, a steal and a block in the overtime session. The Tribe, deflated by Washington's shot, could not keep up.

To Henderson, it was Harding's presence that was needed all game long.

"Down the stretch he just clicked and he really came up huge for us inside," he said. "We had been waiting for that all game long, because we needed that inside presence. We need him to play that way every night."

The Hens travel to UNC — Wilmington on Saturday for another CAA showdown. Maybe this time they can take care of business in regulation and save their coach the coronary.

The battle for talent

BY DAN MONTESANO

Managing Sports Editor

Two bins overflowing with videotapes sit in the corner of Kyle Flood's office. The recruiting coordinator and offensive line coach for the national champion Delaware football team has yet to watch the tapes of possible recruits for the Hens.

For Flood and the rest of the Hens coaching staff, their time is spent shuffling back and forth between Newark and traveling to high schools up and down the east coast recruiting high school football players.

The recruiting process starts in March, after various scouting services publish an index of the top high school football player in each state.

"A lot of the services don't necessarily rank the top players in the order as we would," Flood says, "but they do a good job of getting the top players in each volume."

After the services produce the lists of the top players, the coaching staff evaluates each player they may be interested in. They contact high school coaches throughout March and April to acquire information on each possible recruit, including game film and a copy of the player's transcript.

"After we make the contacts to the coaches, we go out in May for the evaluation period," Flood says. "We go to the schools and look at the kids. We aren't allowed to speak with them but we can

watch the kids compete in a track meet or something like that."

Flood also says that high schools are beginning to take a page out of the NFLplaybook and hold combines for prospective recruits, giving the athletes a chance to showcase their abilities as well as giving college recruiters a chance to evaluate the athlete.

After the evaluation period ends, the coaches are then allowed to invite the athletes they are interested in to visit and tour the campus. Here they begin to talk specifically about football. The invite days for the recruits usually last from June until the end of the summer.

Once the regular season starts in the fall, the coaching staff has less time to devote to recruiting and Flood feels it is necessary to have a focused list of possible recruits.

"As the season goes on, our lists get shorter and shorter," he says. "No kid comes to campus that we don't want. We have seen him and spoken to him many times, so we know the kids before they come here."

After the season wraps up, the recruiting visits pick up again, as the coaches are allowed to invite the possible recruits back to campus for a second visit. However, if the team makes the playoffs and



Head coach K.C. Keeler and the rest of the Delaware coaching staff are currently hitting the road as the recruiting season is under way.

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Sophomore guard Amanda Blackstone searches for an open player as she gets double-teamed at the top of the key in a game earlier this season.

UD relies on deep bench

BY STEPHEN MANGAT

Staff Reporter

Thanks to a superb second half defensive effort and a balanced offensive attack, the Delaware women's basketball team defeated Virginia Commonwealth 66-56 Sunday at the Bob Carpenter Center.

After a tentative first half that ended with the Hens down three points, Delaware came out in the second half looking like a team possessed.

Inspired by the sweet shooting of freshman guard Liz Hayes and the tough rebounding of junior forward Tiffany Young, the Hens (11-3, 3-2 CAA) immediately took control of the second half and never looked back.

Hayes fired up her teammates and the Blue Hen faithful after she sank three-pointers on consecutive possessions to start the half, giving the Hens a 36-33 lead.

After Hayes' sharp-shooting display, Young began to assert her influence on the game with a steal, four rebounds and two blocks in the first five minutes of the second half.

Young's success on the defensive end transferred to the offensive end and she finished the game with 12 points, tied with Hayes as Delaware's leading scorer. Young also chipped in with 14 rebounds to tie a career-high.

Although Hayes and Young were the Hens' standouts against the struggling Rams, the game proved to be a showcase for the depth of the squad.

Five Delaware players reached double-digits in scoring and the Hens bench outscored that of their counterparts 26-10.

On the other hand, Virginia Commonwealth continued its

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Hockey blanked, losing streak continues

BY BILL WILLIAMS

Staff Reporter

Forward Marc Mastropolo scored two goals and goalie Kevin Birnstill tallied 42 saves as the No. 11 Delaware ice hockey team was shut out 3-0 by No. 13 Towson Saturday night at the Fred Rust Ice Arena.

The Tigers (15-9-1), who defeated the Hens 3-2 the night before, swept the season series 4-0 for the first time in school history.

Delaware (9-11-2) dropped its fifth straight and is just 2-7-1 in its last 10 games. Saturday was the second time the Hens have been shut out this season.

Mastropolo's first goal came 85

seconds into the opening period as he deflected a shot by forward Stefan Hull past Hens sophomore netminder Ryan Bowker.

Bowker stopped 29 shot in the night, including a nice save on Towson forward Kevin Earley on a shorthanded breakaway, but three pucks snuck past him. It was Bowker's first game of the season for the Hens.

Delaware peppered Birnstill all night, but was unable to find the back of the net. Hens sophomore forward Phil McKeon missed one of the team's best opportunities when he fired a back-han-

der just wide of the Towson goal in the second period.

Missed opportunities seemed to be a common theme Saturday for Delaware, as the Hens failed to take advantage of a five-on-three power play midway through the second period. Delaware failed to convert with the man-advantage despite the Tigers' 22 penalty minutes.

"We were holding on to the puck too long," head coach John O'Connor said. "Towson also blocked a lot of our shots."

The Tigers added to their lead with

three minutes remaining in the second period as Mastropolo scored his second goal in the dying seconds of a power play. Forwards Kyle Gabay and Steve Cruickshank assisted on the play.

Mastropolo was named American Collegiate Hockey Association Player of the Week for his performance, which included three goals and an assist in two games against Delaware. He currently leads Towson in assists and is tied for seventh in Division I with 36 points.

The Hens missed another chance to get on the board when freshman forward Ryan Lewis wristed a shot wide of

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