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# BUSH WINS SECOND TERM

## Incumbent re-elected

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — After more than 12 hours of voting in each state and a record turnout nationwide, President George W. Bush will remain in the White House for another four years.

Marked by a tense night of waiting for election results, President Bush announced victory at 3 p.m. Wednesday.

In his acceptance speech at the Ronald Reagan Building in Washington, D.C., Bush acknowledged the decision process has been lengthy.

"We had a long night and a great night," he told a crowd of supporters, "and we delivered a historic victory."

In addition, Bush said he is proud to lead the United States forward.

He also reached out across partisan lines in attempt to unite the country that had been so divided in recent months.

"To those who voted for my opponent to make this nation stronger and better I will need your support," Bush said, "and I will work to earn it."

"We have one country, one constitution and one future that binds us."

But only hours before Bush offered his acceptance, the election was anything but decisive.

As many experts predicted, several states were too close to call by nightfall, but as the night wore on, three states became pivotal to Bush's re-election.

Former Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry scored an early victory when he won Pennsylvania's 21 electoral votes, but hours later when Bush claimed Florida's 27, Ohio stood out as the battleground of the election.

By Wednesday morning, Bush had successfully captured 254 electoral votes, winning nearly all of the Midwest and Southern states.

Still, Ohio remained too close to call.

It soon became clear that it was statistically improbable for Kerry to win Ohio's 20 electoral votes, and he conceded at 2 p.m. Wednesday.



Courtesy of GeorgeWBush.com

President George W. Bush received 51 percent of the popular vote Tuesday.

By most standards this election was one of the closest in history. Bush received 51 percent of the popular vote, only 2 percent more than Kerry.

In addition, turnout was at an all-time high nationwide. An estimated 120 million Americans showed up at the polls, some waiting in line for up to nine hours.

In Washington, D.C., where Kerry trounced Bush 90 percent to 9 percent, voter turnout was unprecedented.

Beatrice Watson, executive director of the St. Mary's Court Senior Housing Facility in the Foggy Bottom district, said voter turnout has been phenomenal in the election.

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THE REVIEW/File Photo

Former Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry admitted defeat to the president Wednesday afternoon.

## Kerry concedes election to Bush

BY BROOK PATTERSON AND CARSON WALKER

News & Entertainment Editors

BOSTON — Former Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry conceded to President George W. Bush Wednesday after a long and hard-fought race for the White House.

An Election Day full of optimism and hope in the streets of Boston dragged into a day full of disappointment for the Democratic candidate.

Kerry planned to contest the Ohio results but later realized President Bush's margin of victory was overwhelming.

"The outcome should be decided by voters and not a protracted legal battle," he said Wednesday in his concession speech at Faneuil Hall in Boston.

Kerry said he called Bush to congratulate him and the two discussed division between the American people.

"We had a good conversation, and we talked about the danger of division in our country and

the need — the desperate need — for finding common ground in America. Today I hope we can begin the healing."

Bush won a majority of the popular vote Tuesday night, but was in a tight situation with Ohio being too close to call.

Shortly before 1 a.m. NBC announced Bush would win Ohio. Fans left with their heads down and tears streaming down their face, only to have their emotional roller coaster of a night take an upswing when CNN confirmed Ohio was still up in the air.

Former vice presidential candidate John Edwards made an appearance and promised all of the votes would be counted.

"It's been a long night," he said, "but we've waited four years for this victory we can wait another night."

Voters flooded polling places Tuesday in what was called one of the most important elections in U.S. history.

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## Minner prevails

Democratic incumbent edges Lee with 51 percent of the vote

BY MONICA SIMMONS

Copy Editor

Incumbent Gov. Ruth Ann Minner fended off fierce competition from Republican opponent Bill Lee Tuesday night to claim a second term.

The race was much tighter than the 2000 race, in which Minner, a Democrat, trampled Republican John Burris by more than 20 percentage points. This year, Minner edged out Lee's 46 percent with 51 percent of the vote.

Joined onstage with her three sons and their families, Minner said the people of Delaware continue to surprise her.

"They put their trust in the right people," she said. "Tonight proves that the people of Delaware respond to plans and visions rather than a list of complaints."

Minner said while she suspected it would be a tight race, she was surprised by the negative advertisements launched in recent weeks attacking her remarks on the rape of Cassandra Arnold, a Smyrna prison counselor who was held hostage by an inmate last June.

She plans to continue with initiatives to improve education and health in Delaware, she said. She also alluded to her accomplishment of preserving farmland.

One initiative she hopes to focus on is the creation of the Delaware Teaching Corps, a program that would pay for high school seniors to attend a Delaware



THE REVIEW/File Photo

college if they agree to teach math or science in Delaware public schools once they graduate.

There was one more accomplishment she could safely check off her list.

"Re-electing the governor: done!" she said, joined in unison by the crowd and bouncing to Bachman-Turner Overdrive's "Taking Care of Business."

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., appeared before Minner spoke and embraced her. Biden, who defended Minner when she was criticized in advertisements, said Minner's performance during the last four years proved to voters she is a politician of caliber and substance.

"This is my governor and I'm proud of her," he said. "She's got more steel in her backbone than any man or woman I know."

Democrat Lt. Gov. John Carney, who also celebrated a landslide victory over Republican

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THE REVIEW/Jessica Duome

Many students turned traditional news coverage of the election into a social event by gathering with friends.

## Campus anticipated election results

BY MIKE HARTNETT

Copy Editor

No televisions were turned off Tuesday night as students stayed up late to watch the outcome of one of the closest presidential races in U.S. history unfold before their eyes.

In a Cleveland Avenue living room, a group of friends were huddled around a television watching CNN's election coverage while munching on donkey and elephant-shaped sugar cookies and sipping cans of Busch Light beer.

Senior Ashley DeFelice, Republican, looked confident as she watched President George W. Bush take an early lead, and said she felt it was important to vote because of its heavy impact on her life.

"I'm graduating college and entering the real world," she said. "Things will begin to affect me more than when I lived with my

parents."

DeFelice said she is not taking the election results lightly.

"If [President Bush] loses, I'm moving out of the country," she said with a facial expression indicating she may not have been joking.

Senior Stacy Mest, Independent, did not look as exuberant as her friends while she sat on the stairs smoking a cigarette, occasionally glancing at the television.

"I don't think either candidate is intelligent enough to run a country," said Mest, a Pennsylvania resident who chose not to vote. "And a vote for Nader would just be throwing my vote away."

Although she did not vote, Mest said she enjoys Election Day.

"Election Day brings out people's opinions you wouldn't otherwise hear," she said. "It evokes passion."

Across campus, red, white and blue plastic hats filled an East Delaware Avenue living room bursting with shouting and laughter.

Senior Matt McDermott, the lone Republican in the room, said he originally liked Bush but voted for the former Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry because he wanted a change.

"Their policies are so similar that I don't think there will be a big difference in policy changes," he said. "But a change will at least shake things up a little."

By 11 p.m., "The Daily Show" ended and the atmosphere sharply switched to silence as MSNBC showed Bush's percentage continue to climb in Ohio, a state McDermott and many analysts predicted would be a close race.

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# A day in the life of a UD voter

BY ANDREW G. SHERWOOD

*Administrative News Editor*  
Like many other university students on Election Day, Becky Eppig went home to vote.

At 10 a.m. Tuesday morning, Eppig, a senior and Wilmington resident, drove to Dickinson High School to vote in her first presidential election.

Prior to casting her vote, she stood outside the polling place and talked about her political views and voting in general.

With family in the military fighting in Iraq and more on the way, one of Eppig's main gripes with President George W. Bush's administration is the war.

"I don't agree with the war," she said, "and I don't agree with the way that [President] Bush has handled things in the war, like the beheadings and such."

While she talked, shouts of "vote for me," or "vote for the working man," came from local candidates carrying their names on sticks and handing out campaign buttons.

Eppig said she is a registered Independent, but will be switching to the Democratic Party.

Voting is a privilege that cannot be taken for granted, she said while being handed a campaign button.

"I just think because I have a right to vote, I should," Eppig said. "Some people say your vote doesn't matter, but I think every vote counts, especially in this election."

She said she hopes college students get out and vote, because of the importance of this election.

"I've heard a lot of people say they're going to vote," Eppig said, "because of the war and other issues, people who don't usually vote are going to this election."

Another election Eppig believes extremely important is the governor.

"I do not like Ruth Ann Minner," she said. "I'm voting for Bill Lee."

The three-tiered diploma is a major issue for Eppig, and she does not like the idea.

"Even though it doesn't affect me," she said, "I still think the idea just isn't fair."

Each election is important for Eppig, but most important is the presidential election.

"It's very important," she said



THE REVIEW/Andrew G. Sherwood (top) and Benjamin Andersen (bottom)  
**Senior Becky Eppig, a Wilmington resident, voted in her first presidential election Tuesday. She has family fighting in the military and said the war in Iraq is the most important issue to her.**

while getting in line to vote. "I think it may determine the state of our country."

Outside, the candidates still campaigned.

Bob DiClemente, campaigning for Tim Sheldon in the 21st district, said the turnout has been

massive at the polling places he visited.

"The other school already had 162 people by 9:30," he said, "and they normally have like 150 for the whole day."

"It's gonna be a record turnout, and that's the most impor-

tant thing."

Myrtle Henderson, 72 and a Wilmington resident, also voted Tuesday.

"I've voted in a lot of elections and this one is just as important as any."

## ★ LOCAL ELECTION RESULTS ★



Michael N. Castle, Rep.

### U.S. House of Representatives

Michael N. Castle, R-Del., was elected to his seventh term, fending off Democrat Paul Donnelly. Castle earned a 69 percent victory over Donnelly.



Christopher A. Coons, Dem.

### New Castle County Executive

Democrat Christopher Coons was elected New Castle County Executive. The former County Council President, earned a 16.8 percent win over Republican Christopher Castagno.



Paul G. Clark, Dem.

### New Castle County President

Democrat Paul Clark won the New Castle County Council President race against Republican Ernie Lopez. Clark received 59 percent of the votes.



Terry Schooley, Dem.

### Del. House of Representatives 23rd District

Democrat Terry Schooley won the state representative seat in the 23rd District. Schooley received 54 percent of the vote to defeat Republican Paul Pomeroy.



Stephanie A. Ulbrich, Rep.

### Del. House of Representatives 25th District

Republican Stephanie Ulbrich retained her seat as 25th District state representative. She defeated Democrat John Kowalko with 58 percent of the vote.

## Past presidential elections show historical insight

BY MIKE FOX

*Executive Editor*

The 2000 presidential election saw disputed votes in Florida and a third-party candidate taking votes from the major parties, as well as the eventual victor losing the popular vote count. But all of these things have occurred before, and the race for the White House — for better or worse — reflects the history of the American people.

### LANDSLIDES AND CLOSE CALLS

The greatest electoral landslide in U.S. history was Democratic-Republican James Monroe's win in 1820, when he captured all but four of the 235 total electoral votes (one elector refused to cast his vote for Monroe, and the other three died before casting their votes and were not replaced). Republican Rutherford B. Hayes' disputed victory in 1876 was the closest electoral victory, winning by just one vote in the 185-184 contest.

Four presidential victors in the 20th century have won more than 60 percent of the popular vote: Republican Warren G. Harding in 1920, Democrat Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1936, Democrat Lyndon B. Johnson in 1964 and Republican Richard Nixon in 1972. However, eight of the 26 winners in the last century, including former President Bill Clinton twice and President George W. Bush, failed to receive more than 50 percent of the popular vote.

Even though Democrat Al Gore won the popular vote in 2000, Bush clinched his victory by winning Florida by 517 votes, or .01 percent. The closest popular vote result of the last 100 years was in 1960 when Democrat John F. Kennedy won by

119,450 votes, or .2 percent.

### DISPUTES

When the Supreme Court ordered an end to the Florida recount a month after Election Day four years ago, Gore conceded the election to President Bush. However, Congress has been forced to step in to resolve at least three presidential elections and pick the chief executive.

The Constitution dictates that if no candidate wins a majority of the electoral vote or if there is an electoral tie, the U.S. House of Representatives votes for the president (with each state receiving one vote) and the Senate votes for the vice president.

This first happened in 1800, just the fourth election in the nation's history, when Democratic-Republicans Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr tied with 73 votes. The House was deadlocked until Federalist blocs finally abandoned hope for their candidates and picked Jefferson as the lesser of two evils.

No candidate won a majority of the electoral vote in 1824, so the House was again forced to pick the president. Despite winning by nearly 13 percent of the national popular vote, Andrew Jackson lost the House vote to John Quincy Adams. However, Jackson defeated Adams four years later in a landslide.

The 1876 election was the Florida of the 19th century. Disputed electoral votes from the South during Reconstruction forced Congress to intervene, and the Committee of Thirteen was formed to decide who the votes should go to. Committee members voted 7-6 along party lines to grant them to

Republican Rutherford B. Hayes, but this outraged Democrats in Congress. What resulted was the Compromise of 1877: Hayes would become president, but he agreed to just one term, and federal troops would be removed from the South to appease Democrats, effectively ending Reconstruction.

Adams' victory in 1820, Hayes' victory in 1876 and Bush's victory in 2000, as well as Republican Benjamin Harrison's victory in 1888, were the only times in U.S. history when the electoral vote winner lost the popular vote.

### IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED ...

Independent Ralph Nader's candidacies in 1996, 2000 and this year are not the first time someone has unsuccessfully campaigned for president multiple times. Two candidates of the two major parties failed to win the White House three times: Whig Henry Clay (1824, 1832, 1844) and Democrat William Jennings Bryan (1896, 1900, 1908).

After losing the popular vote to Harrison in 1888, Democrat Grover Cleveland rebounded with a landslide victory four years later, making him the only president to serve nonconsecutive terms.

The Nader of the early 20th century was without a doubt Socialist Eugene V. Debs, who ran in 1900, 1904, 1908, 1912 and 1920. His last bid for the White House was also his most successful, winning more than 919,000 votes, or 3.4 percent of the popular vote — while Debs was serving a sentence for sedition in federal prison.

### PARTY CRASHERS

Countless third parties have emerged in U.S.

history, ranging from the Prohibitionists and "Know-Nothings" to the Populists and Anti-Masons.

Despite Nader's ability to gain votes from traditionally Democratic constituents and independent H. Ross Perot winning 18.9 percent of the popular vote in 1992, few third party candidates are able to win any electoral votes. However, three third party candidates in the last century have not only impacted the two-party system but have made a statement by garnering a large piece of the electoral vote pie.

When former President Teddy Roosevelt failed to win the Republican nomination in 1912, he formed the Progressive, or "Bull Moose," Party. Not only did he outdo Republican William Howard Taft by more than 300,000 votes, but Roosevelt also won 88 electoral votes, or 17 percent, making him the most successful third party candidate of the 20th century.

The other two successful third party candidates ran on platforms of states' rights and hoped to curtail the growing influence of federalized civil liberties. "Dixiecrat" Strom Thurmond won four states and 39 electoral votes, or 7.3 percent, in 1948. American Party candidate George Wallace collected five states and 46 electoral votes, or 8.6 percent, in 1968.

The biggest hodgepodge of parties with their eyes set on the White House was in 1860, on the eve of the Civil War. Tensions over slavery split the Democratic Party and had two candidates: Stephen Douglas in the North and John Breckinridge in the South. Constitutional Union candidate John Bell was also a presidential hopeful. All four candidates won at least one state, but Republican Abraham Lincoln came out on top with 59 percent of the electoral vote.

## Police Reports

### INTRUDER CONFRONTED IN EMPTY APARTMENT

A man assaulted a maintenance worker in an unoccupied apartment on East Main Street Thursday morning, Newark Police said.

Cpl. Tracy Simpson said the worker went to the second floor apartment at approximately 10:15 a.m. in order to do some maintenance.

He heard noise above him and thought it was his co-worker, she said.

When he reached the top of the stairs, a man punched him on the right side of his face, Simpson said.

The worker grabbed his assailant and the two began to fight, she said. The worker felt the intruder cut him on the left side of his neck and his arms.

Simpson said the worker pushed the intruder down the steps, at which point the intruder fled the premises.

A razor blade was found on the ground, she said.

Police suspect the intruder was a homeless man, Simpson said.

### CAR WINDOW SHATTERED

The rear window of a vehicle parked on Iceshow Street was broken between 10 p.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday, Simpson said.

The 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor's right rear window was shattered, she said.

Nothing appeared to be stolen and damage to the window amounted to \$100, Simpson said.

There are no suspects at this time, she said.

### PAINT THROWN AT HOUSE

A can of paint was thrown at a home on Orchard Avenue Sunday morning, Simpson said.

The homeowner reported that someone dressed in all black threw paint at his house and then ran away, she said.

The man hosed off most of the paint from his vinyl siding, Simpson said, and damage was estimated at \$100.

There are no suspects at this time.

### FIRE EXTINGUISHER POWDER THROWN AT CAR

Three people threw white powder out of their car window and onto another vehicle Sunday morning, Simpson said.

Two males and one female in a white Oldsmobile Bravada drove alongside a vehicle with two passengers and threw white powder out of their windows onto the other car, she said.

Some of the powder got in the car and irritated the throats of the passengers, Simpson said.

The responding officer believed the substance was fire extinguisher powder, she said.

There are no suspects at this time, Simpson said.

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# 'Real World' star parties at annual Piktobberfest

BY AMANDA LAMAR  
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Food, music, beer and Brad Fiorenza from "The Real World San Diego" entertained approximately 1,000 students and university alumni during Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity's third annual Piktobberfest Saturday afternoon.

Tickets for the event, which cost \$15 each, sold out last month in two days and all proceeds will be donated to Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co., said senior Ryan Bonifacino, vice president of Pi Kappa Alpha.

Fiorenza, who was one of the most entertaining people at the fest, was as wild and crazy as he was on MTV.

Security guards were constantly around him as he introduced the bands, crowd surfed, started fights and was mobbed by excited fans.

"Let's give the paper something to write about," Fiorenza yelled before diving headfirst into the crowd. Bonifacino said he made a connection with Fiorenza's agent while on spring break in Acapulco, Mexico and promoted the event enough to get Fiorenza to come to Newark.

"I love it," Fiorenza said. "I get to punch the clock and start drinking."

Fiorenza said since "The Real World" season ended, he has been working on a pilot for a new show on SPIKE TV about street bike riding and has been doing a little public speaking.

Piktobberfest also featured two bands, Martini Brothers and Pop Tart Monkeys.

Tyson Clark, lead singer of Pop Tart Monkeys, said Bonifacino approached the band, which is



Courtesy of Nick LoPiccolo

based in Harrisburg, Penn., at a show and asked them to play at the event.

The band, which had a modern rock sound, played their own material and covers of Green Day, Yellow Card and The Darkness.

Clark said Pop Tart Monkeys has played on Van's Warped Tour and MTV's spring break in Panama City.

"This is the toughest business to be in because

it's so competitive," he said. "It's crazy."

Bonifacino said both bands played on an outdoor stage that held \$80,000 worth of lighting and sound equipment.

As the afternoon continued, beer and mud began to fly, but no major problems arose.

Bonifacino said Capitol Security kept the event under control, and bouncers from the Stone Balloon checked identification at the entrance.

Newark Police were hired to patrol the street around the event.

Piktobberfest was registered with the city, Bonifacino said, and received an official event permit from police.

The event was also registered with the Interfraternity Council, he said.

Piktobberfest was an official Rock the Vote event and Grotto's Pizza sold pizza to hungry students all afternoon.

Hytech Communications Wireless, makers of Nextel, also sponsored the event with cups and Frisbees, the latter of which were confiscated immediately after Fiorenza was hit in the eye.

Senior Nick LoPiccolo, member of Pi Kappa Alpha, planned Piktobberfest with Bonifacino and said they started planning for the event in May.

Together, the two thought of everything necessary for the event, from Porta-Potties to official press passes.

Bonifacino said they also rented a fence to keep everyone in the backyards of the four houses on South Chapel Street and constructed an amusement park style line behind one of the houses, so students waiting to get in would not go into the street.

One major glitch for some students was that beer ran out at 4:30 p.m. and it took almost an hour to get more.

Senior Todd Huber said he thought Fiorenza was hilarious and the Pop Tart Monkeys were awesome.

"I can't even pick one thing that's the best," he said. "It was all so great."



Members of the American Society for the Defense of Tradition, Family and Property, left, protest gay marriage on campus Monday, and Haven countered with its own display.



THE REVIEW/Benjamin Andersen

## Groups demonstrate views on gay marriage controversy

BY ANDREW G. SHERWOOD  
Administrative News Editor

Members of a Catholic group opposed to gay marriage were met by protesting members of Haven at the intersection of Delaware Avenue and South College Avenue Monday.

Dozens of Haven members protested the American Society for the Defense of Tradition, Family and Property's Student Action Group with signs and cheers of, "Throw away the hate," as they burned the group's pamphlets.

Easily noticed by their bagpipe music and large red banners displaying the group's title and coat of arms, approximately 12 demonstrators from TFP, clad in red robes, distributed literature that contained anti-homosexual messages.

John E. Ritchie, leader of TFP Student Action, said the group had been to the university before and was met with a positive reaction.

"We think most students

support our cause," he said. "The general reaction is sympathetic."

The group wants people to know the truth about marriage, Ritchie said. It said the truth is that traditional marriage is under attack.

One of the main issues TFP stressed in its literature was the Supreme Court decision to decriminalize sodomy in *Lawrence v. Texas*.

"Sept. the 11th was a disaster in America," Ritchie said, "and we believe the day the Supreme Court granted constitutional protection to sodomy was another disaster for America."

Alfred A. Lance Jr., Haven member, said TFP was undermining civil rights.

"Students of Haven decided that we weren't going to put up with people coming to our campus to promote the denial of human rights," Lance said.

"If you believe your faith tells marriage is between a man and a woman, that's fine, but you can't make your faith apply to every-

one."

Sophomore Paige Fitzgerald had been watching the event unfold on and off since 11 a.m.

"One of the people from [TFP] told me that the Supreme Court's decision was a moral catastrophe similar to 9/11," Fitzgerald said, "but they'd make a bigger impact if they could actually answer a question."

Ritchie said TFP wanted to uphold the teachings of the Catholic Church, and promote tradition, family values and private property.

"If we don't promote these things," he said, "who will?"

Lance said the politically motivated TFP protest ruined his day.

"It's no coincidence that on the day before the presidential election, a group like this would come to promote the ideas of those who would take away basic rights and deny legalization of same-sex marriages," he said.

## Special Olympics holds Soccer Skills Competition

BY SARA HASYN  
Staff Reporter

Crowds of smiling and excited athletes arrived at Fred P. Rullo Jr. Stadium Thursday morning to participate in the 26th annual Special Olympics Soccer Skills Competition.

Volunteers and coaches sat with the enthusiastic athletes in the bleachers as the opening ceremony officially marked the start of the games.

Athlete Jasmine Brown led the Special Olympics oath as she stood on the platform in front of the waving green and red Special Olympic flags.

"Let me win, but if I do not win, let me be brave in the attempt," she repeated to a cheering audience.

Marc Samonisky, university soccer coach, wished all the athletes the best of luck in their competition on the bright sunny day.

"I hope everyone participating will work hard, try their best and have fun participating in, in my opinion, the best sport — soccer," he said. "Let the games begin."

John Painter, director of public relations for Special Olympics of Delaware, said the athletes competed in four soccer skill drill competitions including shooting, control and pass, the 15-meter dribble and the run and kick.

An additional motor activities training program station was set up for severely disabled athletes to help them improve their hand eye coordination.

The athletes enjoyed the competition as they completed the drills in hopes of winning one of the three medals in each competition.

Cedar Lane Elementary School athlete Jordan Taylor said the best part of the day was receiving her bronze medal in the control and pass competition.

"My favorite thing was winning," she said beaming as she held up her medal.

Along with concentrating on winning and doing their best, many athletes also enjoyed supporting their teammates, as they stood on the sidelines jumping up and down cheering.

Mickey Hunt, a third-grade athlete from Meadowood Athletes United, said he enjoyed playing in the stadium and cheering on his friends.

"It was exciting to see other people play too," he said.

The Special Olympics program has more than one million competitors in more than 150 countries.

Painter said approximately 350 athletes competed from 18 schools in New Castle County.

The athletes had been training for the event for a few weeks to a month, he said. Schools with Special Olympic programs have time set aside during the school day for athletes to practice.

Community groups such as Newark Lightning and the Delaware Autism Program are available for students of schools that do not have a Special Olympics program due to low numbers, Painter



THE REVIEW/Mary Beth Wilde

Children participated in the 26th annual Special Olympics program Thursday.

said. These groups practice after school or on the weekends.

Benjamin lobst, a coach from Maple Lane Elementary School, was impressed by how smoothly the event went and how the competitions remained on schedule.

"Things were much more organized this year than previous years," he said. "Everything flowed very nicely."

Wilmington resident Katrina Peri came to the event to watch her son, a first-grade student at Maple Lane Elementary School, participate in the competition.

"This was my first time at this event," she said. "I was so impressed at how well my son did and after watching today I am interested in getting him involved with soccer games in the community."

Painter said the Student Athletic Trainers Club of the university was involved in running the event and each of the stations.

Sophomore Amie Joseph, a member of the club, said it was great to see the athletes having a good time.

"I had fun socializing with the kids and helping them cheer on their friends," she said.

Bryan Harris, a Salesianum High School junior and boys' soccer team member, said he liked helping the athletes get involved with the sport.

"The highlight of the day was seeing the kids so excited," he said. "They were so happy when they would score a goal."

## Foreign citizens reflect on how election impacts them

BY RENEE GORMAN  
Staff Reporter

Despite not being U.S. citizens, international students and professors on campus are concerned with the presidential election and are keeping themselves informed.

Bangladesh citizen and graduate student Mohammad Zaber said the limitation of job sponsorships is a reason why he is keeping a steady eye on the presidential election.

He said he hopes Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry will allow more foreign students to acquire visas to work in the United States.

Zaber said the Bush administration has decreased the amount of international students who receive H-1B Visas per year. The visa is good for three years, and a student may renew it once. While possessing the H-1B Visa, a student must apply for a Green Card in order to become a citizen.

If not, students must return to their home country and will not have the opportunity to go through this particular process of applying for a Green Card ever again.

Under the Bush administration, the number of available H-1B Visas has decreased to 65,000, he said. Six thousand of those visas are held specifically for students of a few designated countries such as Canada and Singapore.

Presently, U.S. policy allows the president to raise or lower the cap. During his time in office, former President Bill Clinton allowed approximately 200,000 students to acquire the work visas, Zaber said.

International students have a year after finishing school before they must apply for their visa. Oct. 1 begins a new cycle of students, and the sponsorship allotment fills up fast. In 2004, all the available H-1B Visas were claimed in one day.

Zaber will graduate this spring, and will have until Oct. 1, 2006 to obtain his visa. Finding a job is not a problem but acquiring the sponsorship is. Companies often do not offer sponsorships because of the hassle and amount of money involved.

Zaber said he has already had interviews with two large firms but was refused due to the process the companies

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— Bhupender Thakur,  
graduate student

would have to go through to hire an international student. The companies would have to supply a lawyer for the arrangement, and the process would cost approximately \$4,000.

Even if students find employers ready to become sponsors, if it is after Oct. 1, available spots on the list are obsolete, he said.

"If I get a job, they can't offer me a sponsorship," Zaber said, "because there

is no quota left."

Zaber estimated more than 100,000 international students graduate each year from universities across the country, which is more than the 65,000 limit.

Chandra Kambhamettu, Indian citizen and computer science professor, said he is keeping close tabs on the election through the Internet and television. He said he feels a part of this country because he has been here since 1989.

"I feel citizenship from the inside," he said.

The war in Iraq is an issue Kambhamettu said he has concerns about. He said the war was declared with haste, and Saddam Hussein was taken out of power, creating a plethora of new enemies.

Kambhamettu said it is only natural for citizens and non-citizens alike to follow the presidential election because the issues affect everyone.

Graduate student and Indian citizen Bhupender Thakur said he pays attention to the election enough to understand and to contribute to political discussions amongst other physics graduate students in the office they share.

"We talk about politics or girls," he said.

Thakur said he prefers the informative discussions he has with colleagues more than the heated debates that are seen on television.

"We have an opinion," he said, "but we don't want it to be influenced by watching too much TV."

Thakur said he prefers Kerry partly because one of his colleagues often speaks highly of the candidate in the graduate office.

Graduate student Takahiro Moriama said he has watched the debates and believes the election process in America is interesting. In Japan, the election is indirect, and for the most part takes place behind closed doors.

"In Japan there's no debate," he said. "It's an inside story, we don't know."

Moriama said he is also concerned with the War in Iraq. He said he does not like war in general and believes the United States went to war primarily due to connections President George W. Bush had with oil companies



# Orchestra holds 'spooky' concert

BY HEIDI OWSLEY

Staff Reporter

Trick-or-treating was not the only way Newark residents celebrated Halloween. More than 100 music lovers chose to spend their evening with the Newark Symphony Orchestra at its Halloween Frights concert Sunday.

The symphony contributed to the evening's spooky mood with a concert directed by Roman Pawlowski at the Amy E. DuPont Music Building.

"Komm Susser Tod," which translates to "Come, Soothing Death," was the first piece and a tribute to former symphony member Vernon Vernier.

Vernier was a member of the Newark Symphony Orchestra for 33 years playing the principal oboe and the English horn.

The second piece performed, "La Campanella," seemed to be the favorite among the audience. The performance featured violinist Thomas DiSarlo who showcased his talent of reaching extremely high pitch notes.

DiSarlo's eerie violin playing blends with a story of composer Nicolo Paganini's abilities, creating a more spine-chilling feel to match the spirit of Halloween.

According to Pawlowski, Paganini was said to have sold



THE REVIEW/Cyrus Mosqaderi

The Newark Symphony Orchestra held a Halloween-themed concert Sunday.

his soul to the devil for his peculiar playing techniques. He had a way of reaching creepy notes and creating a sound with his violin that seemed impossible to most.

Newark resident Robert Boyd attends the majority of the

orchestra concerts. His wife, Dorothy Boyd, makes a contribution to the group with her talents playing the flute.

"The second performance was excellent," he said. "It had such a nice flow to it."

The final piece played told

a morbid story of the love-sick journey of composer Hector Berlioz after his attempt to poison himself with opium.

According to Pawlowski, "Symphonie Fantastique" first portrays Berlioz's love as "beautiful, alluring and always just out of his reach." Little by little she transforms into an "expression of mockery then finally into a demented spirit of torture."

Crystal Norman, a member of the orchestra for four years, has been playing the flute for 37 years. Norman heard there was a vacancy in the group, auditioned for the position and then successfully earned her spot.

The camaraderie is what makes the group so special, Norman said.

"We have a lot of wonderful musicians here," she said. "We all just want to put on a good show and have a good time."

Due to her necessary presence in the performance, Norman said she missed taking her 5-year-old son trick-or-treating, but that it was worth it for her love of music and ability to participate in the performance.

Newark resident Fran Albanese takes pleasure in attending the concerts.

"My husband and I come here regularly," she said. "They're excellent and we enjoy them very much."



THE REVIEW/Jessica Sitkoff

Kappa Sigma fraternity created a haunted mansion attraction Sunday to raise money for charity.

## Kappa Sigma turns house into haunted mansion

BY JENNIFER BANKS

Staff Reporter

Cobwebs attached to neighboring trees and shrubs, blow-up pumpkins, Mike Myer's theme music and creepy creatures dared visitors to see what lurked inside the Kappa Sigma fraternity haunted mansion.

Although a typical attraction, Kappa Sigma's haunted mansion put on a show with dialogue and story-telling.

Junior Sean Mulligan said each university organization that volunteered was given a room to design.

"Each room has a different scene," he said, "and we had a running story that connected it all together."

Junior Anne Mowrey, patiently waiting in line, said the exterior was spooky.

"It's kind of creepy, but I'm waiting until we get inside," she said. "I think it's going to be really good."

Before entering the house, tour guide Samuel Hannum, dressed in a blood-stained white tuxedo, told the beginning tale of old Grigsby McCormick who haunts the house.

Wary visitors were led into a kitchen representing Hell where Freddy Krueger was butchering raw meat.

Freddy then sneared some on a sealed-off plastic wall he was chambered behind.

Following the kitchen scene was a jail with barred-in prisoners, where the visitors watched a life-like execution.

"Don't touch the prisoners," Hannum warned.

Strobe lights flickered and played with the attendees' vision, as they passed a field hockey scene where players scattered around a sawed-off foot.

A dark stairway led to McCormick's haunted laboratory where visitors watched a man's heart surgically removed.

The scientist threatened to conduct another surgery if the visitors did not leave.

Senior Eric Kubecka, Kappa Sigma member, said the haunted house was geared to the community and university.

"We had a lot of kids stop by," he said. "A few kids were crying and having a fit."

One young child, Richard Bolt, said the mansion was scary because people were popping out of places everywhere.

His favorite part, however, was the ending.

"It got me running," he said.

Upon exiting the house, all Bolt could see was a thick fog and rows of cornstalks, until a masked man wielding a chainsaw.

Bolt said he began to run when he heard the chainsaw.

Bolt's friend, Kayla Johnson, also said leaving the house was the scariest.

"I lost my shoe," he said.

With approximately 500 visitors, Kappa Sigma's hard work and extra hours paid off, as they were able to raise more than \$2,500 in proceeds for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Kubecka said some members, family and friends suffer from diabetes so the fraternity thought it was a good cause to support.

"We've taken juvenile diabetes personally," he said.

With the sponsorship of several student organizations, restaurants, clothing stores, a contracting company and the City of Newark, many hours of hard labor were logged in.

Senior William Krakower said the mansion took a month to complete.

"We decorated the outside, and built in walls," he said, "the brothers and all the groups that helped out had been decorating since Sunday afternoon."

Krakower said he feels the event, which was held Friday and Saturday nights, was a success.

"This was our first annual, and it will be here next year," he said.

## R-Series hosts nostalgic '80s band

BY SHARON CHO

Copy Editor

Students gathered in the Scrounge Thursday night to travel back in time and listen to groundbreaking songs from the 1980s.

The Reagan Years, a five-member '80s cover band, entertained approximately 90 people for two hours.

Although the crowd stayed calm for the beginning of the concert, by the time the band played "867-5309 Jenny" by Tommy Tutone, they started dancing to the beat.

Lead vocalist Michael Leigh encouraged students to request songs and come up to the stage and dance with the band.

"We do nothing," he said, "but '80s music, so let us know if you want to request any songs."

Audience members got out of their seats as Van Halen's "Jump" filled the Scrounge.

More students filled in the empty seats and the Scrounge was packed as the band played on.

Karen Ellison, vocalist and keyboard player said, "You can call me Madonna," as she began singing "Into the Groove."

An excited group of students danced between the chairs and two girls from that crowd went up to the stage and sang Cyndi Lauper's "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" along with the band.

Leigh said he saw students dancing in the aisle.

"I saw some students river dancing in their seats."

Near the end of the performance band members had a hard time playing requests because everyone was screaming out their



THE REVIEW/Jenna Maple

The band The Reagan Years performed at R-Series in the Scrounge Thursday.

favorite songs.

"One at a time!" Leigh said. Among the chosen requests were Rick Springfield's "Jesse's Girl," Madonna's "Like a Virgin" and The Beastie Boys' "Fight for Your Right."

Junior Hank Quattrone, Student Center Programs Advisory Board R-Series chairman, said the group never brought an '80s cover band before.

"We wanted more variety," he said.

Sophomore Dean Lopez said she thought the performance was good because not a lot of people play '80s music.

"My friends tell me I'm born in the

wrong decade," she said.

Sophomore Stephanie Sylvia said she enjoyed the performance since the music was so upbeat and she could dance to every song they played.

"It would be more fun if it was held at a place with no chairs," she said.

Leigh said he was surprised by the crowd's reception.

"I was a little bit nervous how well an '80s show would go over here," he said, "but I had a ball."

The R-Series '80s night was sponsored by SCPAB.

## Genetics can alleviate cat allergies

BY PATRICK SHIELDS

Staff Reporter

Thirty million Americans who are allergic to cats have to avoid contact with felines for fear of subjecting themselves to runny noses and itchy eyes, but this may soon change.

Simon Brodie, president and founder of Allerca Inc., has started working on a project to help these people more comfortably come into contact with cats.

The purpose of this project, and Allerca Inc., is to genetically breed a hypoallergenic cat that would be completely safe for those affected by cat allergies, he said.

The project is a new way to alleviate a problem that technology is just now being able to deal with, Brodie said.

By silencing the gene that produces Fel D 1, the allergy-causing protein in a cat's saliva, he said those with any type of cat

allergy will be able to safely and easily interact with the cats without suffering from allergic reactions.

The cats, which will cost \$3,500 each, are expected to be available in the beginning of 2007, Brodie said.

The first type of cat Allerca Inc. will breed is the British Shorthair, he said.

The company is now taking reservations online with a \$250 deposit, Brodie said. It started taking reservations online last week, and is receiving approximately one deposit per minute.

Brodie said Allerca Inc. is planning to breed 200,000 of the British Shorthairs by 2007.

Although there are now medicines that allow cat lovers with allergies to safely interact with the animals, Brodie said people should not be forced to take drugs.

"When you have a family

member or friend that can't come over because of your cat," he said, "you don't want them to have to take some type of drugs if they don't want to."

For commercial purposes, the cats will be spayed or neutered and will therefore not be able to breed with normal cats, Brodie said.

Dr. Michael Wydyla of the Delaware based Allergy Associates, P.A. is skeptical of the project and thinks Allerca Inc. may not be able to completely erase the allergens that affect cat lovers.

"In theory, cloning a cat that's allergy free would work," he said, "but there are a number of allergens that cats produce."

Simply removing Fel D 1, the allergy-causing protein, would not completely cure anyone of their cat allergies, Wydyla said.

"Cats can produce anywhere from five, 10, or 15 different

allergens, and there are all kinds of allergies people could have," he said.

Dr. Wydyla said he understands the desire to create a hypoallergenic cat, but is afraid the project may not solve all of the problems surrounding cat allergies.

"Everyone's looking for that one pill or something that will cure their allergies," he said. "If it was something that would definitely work, we as allergists would love it, but I'd be skeptical about it. Usually there are other allergies people have, and I would worry about that."

Sophomore Anthony Hendrickson is allergic to cats and said he thinks the project is a great idea.

"It's really weird to have to worry about going to a friend's house just because they have a cat," he said. "I didn't even know it was possible to avoid that."



THE REVIEW/Jessica Sitkoff

The FDA approved the use of Charité artificial spinal discs as an alternative to spinal fusion surgery.

## Artificial spinal discs help reduce back pain

BY CHRIS HOLDRIDGE

Staff Reporter

The Food and Drug Administration approved the first artificial spinal disc for use in the United States Oct. 26.

The Charité artificial spinal disc, manufactured by DePuy Spine Inc., has been used in Europe for the past 17 years to treat people with degenerative disc disease, spokeswoman Melissa Amaral said.

As an alternative to spinal fusion surgery, the Charité, which completely replaces the damaged disc, alleviates pressure and pain caused by a ruptured or damaged disc in the back, she said.

Tara Manal, director of clinical services at the university, said the human spine is made up of 24 bones. Two bones together make a spinal joint. Between each joint is a disc, which serves as a cushion. The Charité mimics these discs.

Unlike spinal fusion, the Charité helps restore movement and flexibility, she said. Currently, spinal fusion is the most common form of surgery and involves removing the damaged disc and fusing a piece of bone to the two spinal bones that create the joint.

"The downside to spinal fusion is that it prevents movement," Manal said.

Spinal fusion also puts pressure on adjacent joints, which can result in more surgery, she said.

Tyler Schwartz, a chiropractor at Glasgow Chiropractic, said among college-aged Americans, there is little, if any, need for the Charité disc. College students are very unlikely to suffer the kind of injury that would make disc replacement necessary.

Manal said while students might not need the surgery now, what they do in college can affect back health later in life.

"These are formative years," she said. "Getting in good habits when lifting and sitting while in college is a good way to prevent back pain later."

Twisting and rotating the back, especially at the same time, can be very dangerous, Manal said.

There are several things in daily life that can cause back pain, she said, and even lead to ruptured discs. Lifting heavy items repeatedly, or lifting them incorrectly, can seriously damage the back.

"If you have to prop something against your body to carry it, it's too heavy," Manal said.

Using a chair improperly can also cause back problems, she said. The chair back should be at a 120-degree angle to be most comfortable and healthy for the back.

\* Obesity is also another risk factor, not just for the back, but for joint pain in general, Manal said.

Schwartz said there are multiple types of stress that can affect the back.

"Physical, chemical, even emotional stress," he said.

Physical stress would involve sitting and studying for hours on end, straining the back, Schwartz said.

Chemical stress comes from things a person consumes. Alcohol and other toxic chemicals can lead to spinal degeneration, he said.

Manal said smoking can also lead to spinal degeneration. Smoking reduces blood flow, which can damage the joints and bones in the back.

Freshman Matt Corritori said he occasionally suffers from lower back pain.

"I had no idea that drinking [alcohol] can lead to spinal degeneration," he said.

Schwartz said there are simple ways young people can prevent health problems.

"Don't be a couch potato," he said.

Going to a chiropractor to have your alignment checked is another way to ensure back health, Schwartz said.

Manal said keeping a healthy diet is also important. Calcium is one of the most important minerals for back health.

Good physical health also helps, she said. Strengthening the abdominal and lower back muscles is very important.

"Strength in the trunk," she said.



# Bush-Cheney to serve four more years

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"It's been overwhelming," she said. "It's one of the largest turnouts we've had here at this voting site, and we've been a voting site for the past 12 to 13 years, if not longer."

Watson said she was especially pleased to see the turnout of elderly and disabled residents, attributing it to the importance of this race.

"It's amazing to see the determination that they are not allowing any of their handicaps or ills to keep them from the polls," she said.

In the morning hours of the election, the line of voters stretched outside the building and around the corner, Watson said. Some voters had to wait for more than an hour to cast their ballots.

Despite the wait, she said voters were civil and the polling site did not experience any major troubles.

"It was shoulder to shoulder here," Watson said, "but no one complained."

"It's not just here, it's throughout the country — people exercising their civic duty to come out and vote."

While Watson offered no predictions about the final outcome of the election, just three blocks away the closeness of the race was even made apparent by two vendors who were selling Bush-Cheney and Kerry-Edwards T-shirts.

Wanita Cook, whose T-shirt stand was on the right side of G Street, said she was selling more Bush-Cheney shirts than anything else, and predicted a win for the president.

But only feet away, on the left side of the street, Azamy Ahmad said he was selling more Kerry-Edwards T-shirts by a three-to-one ratio.

"This guy's going to win," he said.  
When the majority of votes had been counted in the end, Bush won the mandate for his second term in office.

## Dems. dejected

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located just blocks from Copley Square, the headquarters for the Kerry/Edwards campaign, shuffled voters through the voting booths all day while partisan supporters stood outside in a last attempt to sway votes. In Copley Square, demonstrators did the same.

John Adams, a Vietnam War veteran, carried a sign supporting Kerry as a member of Veterans for Kerry.

Kerry's position on Iraq and his war experience are just a few reasons he would have been a good choice for the country, he said.

"He doesn't want to repeat the same mistakes as in Vietnam," Adams said. "Kerry spent a year in Vietnam. Iraq is another Vietnam."

He said he considers himself a member of the Independent Party. The Kerry campaign was the first presidential campaign he ever worked on because he was so impassioned by Kerry and his beliefs.

Adams said Bush has done an injustice to the American people by lying and being dishonest.

"I can't think of one positive thing about the Bush years," he said.

As a native Bostonian, Adams said Kerry has served him well in the U.S. Senate for the past 20 years, sharing his ideals, not only regarding the situation in Iraq, but on many social issues as well.

Democrats presented an all-star celebration in Copley Square, with musical stars and politicians speaking on behalf of the presidential hopeful.

Musicians Carole King, Jon Bon Jovi, Sheryl Crow, the Black Eyed Peas and James Taylor performed.

Bon Jovi gave what was possibly the most impassioned performance of the night, playing an acoustic set accompanied by a violin. He included Bruce Springsteen's "No Surrender" in his set, a song Kerry had been using throughout his campaign.

"No Surrender" was not only the campaign's theme, but until Wednesday afternoon it was Kerry's motto for fighting to win the presidency.

## Gov. wins by slight margin

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James P. Ursomarso, said Minner deserved this vote of confidence from the people.

"Tonight we can say, 'Mission Accomplished,'" he said.

Newly Elected County Council President Paul G. Clark, a university alumni and former agricultural science major, said he hopes to work with Minner to preserve farmland.

"This will ensure good jobs and reasonable housing for graduates who want to stay in Delaware," he said.

Clark said Minner was vulnerable to negative advertising, but her persistence in keeping a positive message appealed to voters.

"The ads hurt her a little bit," he said, "but she was able to bounce back because she spoke to the average person."

County Executive Chris Coons summarized the theme of the night's celebration.

"This remains the place it's always been — a place based on real people," he said.

Tim Miller, travel aide for Lee, said Lee will return to his home in Rehoboth Beach and remain active behind the scenes of Delaware politics.

"I thought we closed the governor's gap in the last three weeks," he said. "We didn't quite get there."

## Students glued to late-night news

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Many students, including junior Sara Boyd, Democrat, stayed up late with hopes of seeing a winner chosen. Boyd sat nestled in her quiet residence hall room after midnight with her eyes locked on CNN and a map of the United States in her lap. When anchorman Wolf Blitzer projected Florida going to Bush, she stuck a red sticker over the swing state.

Boyd, a Pennsylvania resident who voted for Kerry said she was excited to be voting in her first election.

"It's really neat to have a direct impact on it, especially being from a swing state," she said.

Expecting the race to be

close, Boyd looked tired and discouraged as the results kept pouring in and her blue stickers became useless. She went to bed like most of the nation did, unsure of who the winner was.

Jason Mycoff, political science professor, said in a tight race such as this, Kerry made the right decision by conceding and acknowledging he lost, avoiding a legal "circus" in the next few months, resembling the 2000 election.

The lack of youth voter turnout stood out in the election results, Mycoff said.

"The idea that young voters would sway the election didn't materialize," he said. "The same amount voted in 2000 as they did in 2004."

The Review is taking a well-deserved break, but don't cry, we'll be back Friday, Nov. 12.



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# Editorial

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## TFP Protest

The Student Action Group representing The American Society for the Defense of Tradition, Family and Property protested on the corner of Delaware Avenue and South College Avenue Monday.

They distributed anti-homosexual literature, wore blazers with red sashes and were accompanied by bagpipe players.

The group was met by protestors from Haven, who held signs, chanted "Throw away the hate" and burned the TFP pamphlets in a nearby trash can.

While the TFP stayed on the sidewalk, and had a right to be there, we do not agree with the message they were conveying.

John E. Ritchie, leader of the TFP, compared the tragedy faced by the United States after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks with the protection of sodomy granted by the U.S. Constitution. This is a comparison too absurd to be taken seriously.

The pamphlet distributed by

TFP claims the Supreme Court decision of *Lawrence v. Texas*, which decriminalized sodomy, is the United States' "moral 9/11." Again, the extreme loss of life experienced on Sept. 11, 2001 should not be compared to the effects of legalizing sodomy.

Some narrow-minded people associate the Catholic Church with radical conservatism, and this Catholic group only contributes to this negative stereotype.

The bagpipes were annoying, and possibly distracting to classrooms. We think the music detracted from the group's purpose and message.

The Review commends Haven for taking such quick action against TFP. This is a step forward for the university, which has been apathetic toward protestors in the past.

We commend both groups for peacefully protesting, and restraining their conflicting views and emotional involvement from escalating into violence.



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## Letters to the Editor

### Supporters of abortion rights and opposers of the war in Iraq ultimately support law

We are indeed sorry that the author of "Abortion is a 'life and death issue' in election" believes that abortion will disappear in a torrent of righteous indignation or one-issue voting. No one is strictly "pro-abortion," as the author may have us believe, and applying a moralizing, good-versus-evil face on the issue is hardly an effective way to eliminate it; in fact, it serves only to dichotomize and simplify a very complex issue. Instead, let's put our physical, mental, and financial strength into seeking ways to reduce a woman's need to seek an abortion, perhaps by means of more family planning or government-subsidized child care for working mothers. The solution is not to remove the abortion option from women. The right of females to make the ultimate choice in matters concerning their bodies must remain hers alone with the help of her doctor, her partner, her God — not with the permission of male politicians who are far-removed from her situation.

In planning Rock for Choice, Students Acting for Gender Equality (SAGE) failed to specify the start of an abortion fund included not only the medical procedure itself but all of women's reproductive needs: prenatal counseling, transportation to and from the facilities and basic gynecological examinations, to name a few. This protection of women's health fully supports a 'culture of life.'

The author wants us to believe that the Iraq war and the debate on a women's right to choose are the same issue, and that it is impossible to be anti-war and remain pro-choice. To the contrary, holding an anti-war stance in regard to the war is consistent with a belief in a woman's right to choose. The anti-war movement is a movement that supports international law — laws that were undermined by the U.S. invasion of Iraq. The abortion rights movement is one that is based on the fourth amendment right to privacy from the U.S. Constitution. Those who oppose the war are in support of law and supporters of a right to choose also support law — the supreme law of the land: the Constitution. Indeed, these two beliefs are far from irreconcilable.

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## Will Bush remain an effective president?



Leah Conway  
Livin' Life as  
a Profession

On Sept. 11, 2001, the United States' worldview was changed forever when thousands were killed in the worst attack on U.S. soil in history.

Luckily we were under the leadership of President George W. Bush, a man resolute in his beliefs and courageous enough to confront the dangerous threats of anti-American sentiments forced into our own lives and homes by al-Qaida and supported by many others in the Middle East.

Pre-emptive strikes taken by President Bush since have assured no further attacks in the U.S. since that terrible day.

In addition to bolstering Homeland Security, the Bush administration has protected U.S. citizens by going after the sources of terrorism.

Since the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, 75 percent of al-Qaida leaders involved have been captured or killed.

In liberating Afghanistan, Bush has not only removed a government that harbored terrorists, but also destroyed a regime guilty of oppression and humiliating treatment of women. Thanks to those efforts free elections were held successfully in Afghanistan last month where women not only voted but also ran for office.

Corrupt officials with no fear of taking the lives of not only their own citizens, but also Westerners, were found in the Taliban, and also in the Middle East.

Since going into Iraq, U.S. forces have captured Saddam Hussein, liberating a people from one of the most tyrannical, sick-minded and corrupt dictators ever.

While the United States, much like Saddam Hussein's own regime and the rest of the world, was surprised to find Hussein bluffing in his threat of possessing weapons of mass destruction, they have found and destroyed approximately 240 thousand tons of illegal explosives, and seized another 160 thousand tons of explosives for future destruction.

The United States is not alone in Iraq, and is working with Japan, Italy and the United Kingdom, all of whom likewise refuse to be bullied and vulnerable to terrorist organizations that have no concern for anyone other than themselves.

Just as in Afghanistan, Bush plans for free elections in Iraq slated for 2005.

Outside the Middle East, the Bush administra-

tion is responsible for talks resolving issues between China, Japan, North Korea, South Korea and Russia addressing the threat of WMDs.

Bush understands the importance of international cooperation, however refuses to compromise U.S. safety and security in the name of international popularity. The Bush administration has no plans to reinstate a military draft to accomplish any of these goals.

Bush's domestic policies, like his foreign policies, show respect for all stages of human life.

On the issues of abortion and embryonic stem-cell research, Bush has defended the value of human life in all of its stages, and has voted consistently with his own beliefs.

If necessary, Bush also plans to appoint Supreme Court justices who will not vote with only their own social agendas in mind.

While his program of providing prescription drug benefits to seniors may not be flawless, he is the first and only president to provide this benefit at all.

Similarly, his No Child Left Behind program is still being perfected, and he is not allowing children to slip through the cracks of a bad education.

Bush has encountered some of the toughest dilemmas ever faced by a president over the past four years.

He has done an admirable job in putting the welfare of the American people at the forefront of his agendas and by spreading the freedom and liberty enjoyed in our country to others less fortunate.

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Mike Fox  
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progress.

Not since the Nixon administration has the United States had such a secretive, deceitful and inept chief executive and administration in the White House.

This president told the American people that Iraqis would welcome the coalition as liberators, said Iraq had connections to al-Qaida, said Saddam Hussein was an imminent threat with weapons of mass destruction, said the Taliban is no longer a threat, said Medicare reform would cost \$400 billion when it's really over \$500 billion and

said the tax cuts would create jobs. The war in Iraq, which the U.S. Senate said it should never have approved, was the result of pre-emptive military strikes being policy rather than last resort.

Bush, who does not read newspapers, holds virtually no press conferences and has his intelligence reports briefed to him by advisers, has made the world more dangerous: al-Qaida has continued its global carnage and seeped into Iraq, fewer nations respect the United States as a world leader, and Osama bin Laden is still on the loose. Americans are faced with an overextended military and a backdoor draft.

The PATRIOT Act has been abused by the White House to trample civil liberties, and Bush's self-proclaimed "enemy combatant" authority denies even the most basic constitutional liberties to U.S. citizens. Peaceful protestors at Bush speak-

ing engagements have been arrested by the Secret Service, hundreds of harmless demonstrators at the Republican National Convention were arrested and detained at New York City's Pier 57. Bush has also tried to use his power and influence to censor Michael Moore and Howard Stern's political banner.

A born-again Christian who says his favorite philosopher is Jesus, Bush has used faith as a wedge to divide the American people. His policies are all an affront to the Constitution's promise of state neutrality in spiritual matters, such as providing school vouchers that use public money for students to attend private schools, reaffirming by law "in God we trust" as the national motto and "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance, creating Interior Department subsidies to restore historic houses of worship still in use and beginning faith-based initiatives with the Department of Health and Human Services granting federal funds to religious charities.

Beyond mere religiosity, Bush has done what can only be called superstition regarding scientific study: rejecting data behind global warming to promote his own energy agenda, believing that an embryo has the same life properties as a person, subsidizing millions of federal dollars for faith-healing research and saying that "the jury is still out" on evolution.

Radical Republicans in Congress, with Bush's full support, attempted to amend the Constitution to outlaw same-sex marriage. The president is not the moral arbiter of the nation. Bush signed into law the Partial-Birth Abortion Act, which violates numerous Supreme Court rulings, exceeds Congress' constitutional authority and disregards the health of the mother as an exemption.

Stalwart Republicans should be outraged by Bush's anti-Republican policymaking: forcing the federal government's will on the states, like with Yucca Mountain in Nevada, school vouchers in Washington, D.C. or pondering a national sales tax; mounting massive deficits caused by uncontrolled federal spending; federalizing education standards and methods; enacting protectionist tariffs; loosening immigration and naturalization laws; and wanting to move tort litigation from state to federal courts.

When he campaigned for president four years ago, Bush promised to restore honor and dignity to the White House and be "a uniter, not a divider."

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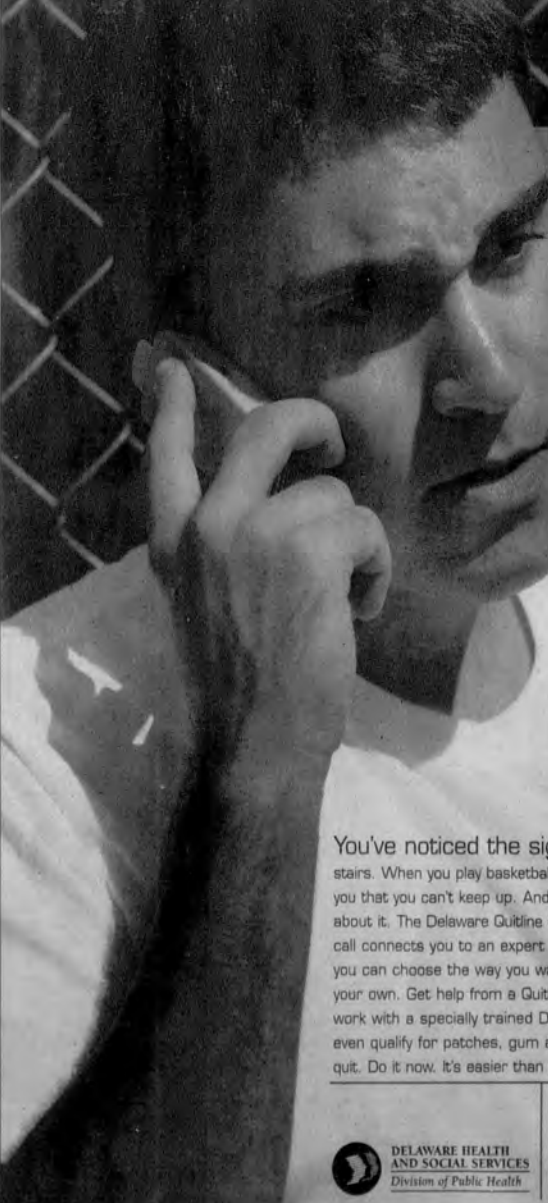


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## Dressing the part: A first lady's fashion

BY LINDSAY HICKS

Managing Mosaic Editor

In a letter to her daughter-in-law, Florence Harding expressed her feelings regarding the pressure of first ladyship:

"I hate clothes."

It might not have been clothes she hated, rather the expectation that a first lady wear a different outfit for every event, every meal and every moment in the public eye, says Craig Schermer, the official historian for the National First Ladies' Library in Canton, Ohio.

Mrs. Harding's letter is one artifact among invoices, cocktail dresses, books and other donated belongings featured at the 6-year-old museum.

People don't realize the kind of pressure presidents' wives face to change their appearance for each part of the day, Schermer says. Very formal, strict etiquette requires first ladies to wear a certain dress in the afternoon, evening, teatime and for any other event, and no dress will ever be worn twice.

Society is, however, quick to point out every flaw made by the first lady and analyze it as a symbol of her character.

Fashion plays an important role in the overall image, he says, and the line between good and bad is a fine one.

"We like a first lady that likes to be traditional, but we don't mind if she's a little bit innovative," Schermer says, "but not too innovative."

Women are critical about what first ladies wear, who they're seen with and how they conduct themselves.

"How many times did poor Hillary Clinton change her hairstyle?" he asks. "We're never satisfied with what we've got."

When President Warren G. Harding entered office, Schermer says Mrs. Harding insisted the media neither quote nor take any pictures of her. She knew the power of a photograph.

Mrs. Harding first used her keen understanding to manipulate her image during the president's campaign, he says. When a photographer contacted Mrs. Harding to request a picture of her seated on a bicycle for her husband's campaign biography, she refused. The 60-year-old hated the thought of the public seeing her riding a bicycle. To dodge the unflattering pose, Mrs. Harding said if the public wants a picture, she would have to dress up.

"She took control of images of herself, because she didn't like images of herself," Schermer says.

She then purchased and posed in three custom-made dresses.

So began Mrs. Harding's interest in fashion. Although most first ladies live lavish, stylish lives and enjoy dressing in elaborate gowns, Mrs. Harding and others found the pressure overwhelming.

Mrs. Harding mainly focused on hiding her and the president's weakening physical state, as both suffered from disease, Schermer says. Afraid the press might expose a less-than-perfect perspective, she took it upon herself to create a youthful image.

She began to take advice from a much younger friend and hired a professional, designer Harry Collins.

Their solution? The flapper dress.

Displayed on a mannequin inside the First Ladies' Library is the black dress Mrs. Harding wore during her husband's campaign.

A sash falls around the hips of the heavy, unlined, beaded flapper-style dress with angel wing sleeves. Exposed shoulders combined with beads reveal a more youthful, exciting look than a typical older woman might wear.

With this dress and others, Mrs. Harding received praise and sparked questions, while diverting attention from their age and illness.



Florence Harding



Mary Todd Lincoln



Caroline Harrison



'Every aspect of a first lady has some sort of political resonance. As you're reviewing fashion and style, you have to get a sense of their objectives and how they present themselves.'

— Lewis Gould, University of Texas professor

### A FITTING IMAGE

A first lady's fear of scrutiny from the public hasn't faded.

Women's clothing is important in all cultures because it's one of the few kinds of language allowed to women who are traditionally silent, says Margaret Stetz, women's studies professor who teaches a Cultural Representations: Dressing Women course.

As soon as politicians become involved in campaigns, their wives must consider their image and how to appear most appealing to the media.

Stetz says the whole idea of a first lady seems absurd, and the public has a weird and anomalous idea of what the first lady should look like.

The idea comes from the world of fashion,

advertising, film, music and all aspects of pop culture, as well as tradition within ethnic communities and differing races, she says.

"They come from everything you can think of, and they all seem to converge on the same notion of 'What is this woman wearing and what does her clothing mean?'" she explains.

Opinions about what a first lady should look like vary according to the prevailing ideology, and also how that individual has been portrayed in the media, Stetz says.

In a 1992 "60 Minutes" interview, President Bill Clinton strengthened his wife's working-woman image by saying electing him into office would be like getting two-for-one.

To counter disapproval from the public for her less traditional image, Mrs. Clinton hired designers.

Stetz calls these designers "handlers" or "dressers" and says every public figure uses expert advice. Mrs. Clinton's handlers' job became crucial to her winning public favor.

They feminized the first lady's image by dressing her in outfits associated with a more traditional woman while constantly altering her hair to soften her appearance, Stetz explains.

"One of the reasons for her seemingly endless change of style or look is that they kept trying to modify her style to find something that would work

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## Historian visits former leaders' gravesites

Presidential enthusiast travels the country in search of history

BY LAURA BOYCE

Features Editor

For Manus Hand, dead presidents aren't just for his wallet.

Growing up a bit obsessed with the idea of the presidency, 40-year-old Hand says he never grew out of it.

"I just thought it was neat and said 'Geez, someday I'll be as close to all the presidents as I can.' I never got over the idea."

A history buff, Hand has visited the final resting place of every president save four — Millard Fillmore, Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan.

It started when Hand and his wife, Angela, drove cross-country back to their home in Denver, Colo. As they passed through each state, Hand knew they were passing a number of presidential gravesites.

"We finally stopped at the last one before Denver," he says. "My wife insisted — she egged me into doing it."

From that point, Hand began using his vacation time to plan trips to the sites. He takes a picture at each grave, which he then posts on his dead presidents Web site.

Initially, Hand posted his pictures on the Internet to entertain his co-workers who knew he was into this somewhat strange hobby.

"Next thing you know, everyone in the world was finding my homepage," Hand says.

With the site's instant popularity, Hand's hobby intensified into the hobby of many Americans.

But some towns don't even know the history they're sitting on.

"We went to James Buchanan in Lancaster, Pa., first to his home and took a tour," Hand says. "They keep his home real nice and have a lot of people who work there."

Yet when they finished, he and Angela asked a



Courtesy of Manus Hand

Manus Hand's brother-in-law transposes Hand into famous historical photographs.

tour guide directions to Buchanan's gravesite. No one had any idea the grave was in Lancaster or heard of the cemetery.

Determined to find it, the Hands went down to the Chamber of Commerce building, but no one there knew of it, either.

"We had to go to some old map to find the cemetery that was long closed," he says. "It was down in a real impoverished section of town and when we went into the cemetery it was even hard to find the sign that said he was buried there."

Unlike the mansion he had just toured, the grave-site had not been kept up, and Hand had to pull weeds to take the picture for his Web site.

It had been so long since anyone in the town had visited the site that when he pushed the weeds aside, Hand discovered a wreath donated by a class in 1976.

Almost three years since he's been to a burial site, Hand says his Web site alone keeps him busy enough. He includes all the presidential obituaries and thanks to his brother-in-law, Dennis, pictures of him transposed into pictures of important historical events — who knew Manus Hand was at the signing of the Declaration of Independence?

A Republican, Hand says his affiliation doesn't

factor into the sites he decides to visit.

"I like all the presidents, none of them are bad guys."

However, Hand has his favorites, but not just one. So he's compiled Top 10 list, which includes the likes of George Washington, Calvin Coolidge, Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Grover Cleveland, James Polk and Ronald Reagan.

While he doesn't have any set plans to visit the remaining four graves, Hand says his Web site's popularity hasn't decreased.

He receives calls from students who need help with their homework on presidents, interview requests at election time and when Reagan passed away he was bombarded with various inquiries.

While Hand considers this a hobby, his wife thinks it might have become an obsession. But then again, he reminds Angela she's the one who egged him on.

View Manus Hand's photos at <http://starship.python.net/crew/manus/Presidents>.

## Striving for a bipartisan relationship

BY SHAWNA WAGNER

Copy Editor

As if Mr. or Ms. Right wasn't difficult enough to find, now some feel the hypothetical ideal partner has to be from the "right" political party as well.

In this heated political climate, singles might be more apt to ask, "Who'd you vote for?" than "What's your sign?"

It's bound to make an interesting first date conversation or catastrophe.

Freshman Kristin Murray says politics is never off topic.

Whether on a date or talking with friends, she tries to find out people's political affiliations right away.

"As soon as politics comes up I say, 'Hold up, what do you think about this?'" she says. "I am always digging for questions."

Murray, treasurer of College Republicans, used to date a Democrat. She says they had some interesting political debates on the War on Terror, Iraq and the economy, but they tried hard not to fight.

"You just had to bite your tongue," she says.

She doesn't rule out dating a Democrat again, but says she's not "jumping at the chance."

Murray is in the majority.

In a Gallup survey of 1,001 singles conducted for the online dating service Match.com this summer, 92 percent of singles say they would consider dating outside their political affiliation.

However, only 60 percent of singles feel comfortable enough to discuss politics on a first date. According to the survey, Republicans

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# Collaboration remains 'unfinished'

Jay-Z and R. Kelly  
"Unfinished Business"  
Jive/Roc-A-Fella/Def Jam  
Rating: ☆☆

stray  
tracks

Now that R. Kelly has sufficiently shed most of his child molestation connotations, Jay-Z isn't going to tarnish his post-Roc-A-Fella resignation image by recording a second album with him.

It's safe to say the original concept was never unhealthy. "Best of Both Worlds" combined the vocal talent of R. Kelly and the lyrical talent of Jigga himself. It always sounded like a good project in theory and did produce a couple good tracks, such as "Pussy" and

"Honey." However, a good concept is never a substitute for good music. Which brings us to "Unfinished Business."

Let me make my somewhat biased opinion clear early in the game: I don't advocate tricks and gimmicks in order to sell records. I prefer to let the music speak for itself. And if "Unfinished Business" could speak, it would sound drunk, blazed-up and confused by its own redundancy.

R. Kelly and Jay-Z perform their jobs with just that: the finesse of a artists working rather than performing.

"Unfinished Business" tries so hard to live up to its own hype and ends up combusting under its own baggage, which is considerable. Both artists involved have undergone major career developments: Jay-Z recently retired from his Roc-A-Fella camp and R. Kelly is still reeling from being accused and tried as a man with dubious extracurricular activities involving underage girls and a video camera.

It's all good in the name of capitalism, though, and if you're good for the economy, you'll most likely be allowed to continue. R. Kelly will never see a jail cell, and Jay-Z will continue to effortlessly rhyme over beats that were made

to rock the party. I'm sure I will hear these songs at many parties to come.

"Unfinished Business" is the first album on which Jay-Z appeared as a major artist since "The Black Album," and the two records can't even compare to each other. While the latter offered introspection, a little experimentation and a concept that was well constructed prior to recording (the concept: change and closure as naturally occurring phenomena), the former exists purely on the basis of reputation alone.

All the pieces were in place, but no one really feels like playing. And who can blame them? R. Kelly has suffered a serious blow to his public persona, but neither artist is in any danger of disappearing from the music radar for a long time. Jay-Z has successfully mastered the role of a hardcore MC who gained crossover appeal by staying true to his target adult audience, but still bringing the young people along for the ride. R. Kelly has been the most recognizable name in major R&B for the better part of 10 years now, and he certainly isn't going to be abandoning his "happy people" anytime soon, either. His audience made babies to his music, and now

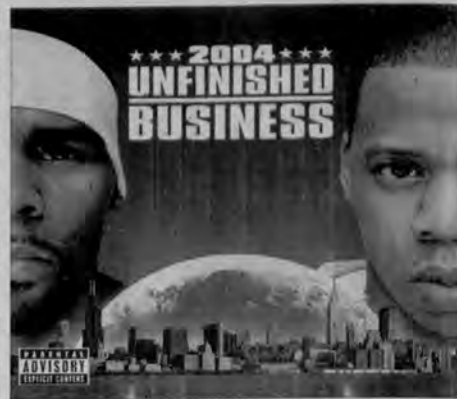
those babies/children are listening to him as well.

While no songs impress me, a couple tracks did stand out. "Feelin' You In Stereo" smooths it out a little bit, and "Don't Let Me Die" makes an attempt at some social commentary, but the synthesized beat more suitable for the club. It doesn't mesh well with the background gunfire and church bells, and the end result is pretty confusing. Equally confusing are the sounds R. Kelly is making at the end of this song... what was that all about?

My favorite song is "The Return (Remix)," but only for Slick Rick's verse that brings some life to this otherwise wack song.

The original album that Jay-Z and R. Kelly recorded together was released in 2002 and "Unfinished Business" is stuck in the past. The beats are outdated, the rhymes are dull and your money could be better spent on a blank CD.

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## New Releases to Check Out

"Gold Medal," The Donnas  
"Emotive," A Perfect Circle  
"Three O'Clock Blues," B.B. King  
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"Alive at Last," Train

John Frusciante  
"Inside of Emptiness"  
Record Collection  
Rating: ☆☆

John Frusciante, the dark, disturbed and mysterious Chili Pepper, has released yet another album. "Inside of Emptiness" is the fourth of a series of six albums by the 33-year-old musician. Frusciante, who stunted a six-month, six-CD release campaign in June, seems as ubiquitous as ever with the current driving force of his nationwide album release.

"Inside of Emptiness" is a surreal journey through Frusciante's mind. The production is tight, but neither commercial nor slick. The album progresses like the familiar waves pulsating through his backyard. The disc goes through a cycle of calmness, peace and tranquility before turning into a culmination of power before crashing down. Frusciante shifts, however, between spacious and sedate feelings to edgier emotions almost uncannily — managing to make it all work.

The highlights of the album are the vocals on "A Firm Kick" and

the guitar solo on "Look On." "A Firm Kick" embodies the feeling of a cool summer drive down a dark road at 2 a.m. The vocals have a slight reverb when the chorus kicks in, making the mood seem even more sentimental.

"Look On" is one of the best guitar solos Frusciante has articulated in a long time. The musical canvas Frusciante paints so vividly with his guitar on "Look On" is simply short of spectacular. The solo is panned hard left, like many other key voices on the album, making the solo stand out, a tribute to Frusciante's arranging and production skills.

Frusciante talks about his musical influences and explains some of the tracks on "Inside of Emptiness." On his Web site, he admits the track "Emptiness" was inspired by the obscurely known group Empire, and claims he was reading a biography of Aleister Crowley amidst conceiving the song. Frusciante mentions "666" is "a reference to the chorus' three bars of which are interjected into the otherwise 4/4 feel of the song."

All being said, Frusciante will



have 10 solo releases to his name come December, an accomplishment for any musician of any age. The high school dropout has come full circle and then some from a serious heroin addiction in the early '90s. Often under the radar and underestimated, Frusciante is actually a true musical maven of our time. Taking "Inside of Emptiness" and juxtaposing it along with all of Frusciante's previous releases, it is unquestionably his strongest.

The album holds its own as his most melodic and introspective. Can't wait to see what Frusciante has in store next month.

— Carter Perry

Willie Nelson  
"It Always Will Be"  
Lost Highway  
Rating: ☆☆☆ 1/2

The "Red Headed Stranger" is clearly no stranger to good music. Willie Nelson once again proves he is the epitome of cool on his new album "It Always Will Be."

Unlike fading legends such as Bob Dylan and The Rolling Stones, Nelson is on top of his game. On an album where Nelson could simply sing reflective songs, he opted to keep on trucking. Other than a rousing take on The Allman Brothers' "Midnight Rider," lyrically the songs are all modern with a classic Willie sound.

"It Always Will Be" contains heartfelt songs to touch listeners deep down much like past classics such as "Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain" and "My Heroes Have Always Been Cowboys."

A new song many working-class Willie fans will embrace is "Tired," a track written by Toby Keith. Nelson sings about being a hard-working man whose lifestyle is finally catching up to him in his

old age. A song that, based on the quality of the album, is no parts autobiographical.

Nelson's voice is as distinctive as ever on the album, an asset that has always set Nelson apart from other performers. Nelson's ability to seemingly sing off-key, while hitting the notes, carries many of the songs on the album.

In typical Nelson fashion, he gets by with a little help from his friends. Guest appearances include Paula Nelson, Norah Jones and Toby Keith, helping broaden the spectrum of styles on the album.

"Dreams Come True," the duet with Norah Jones, appeals to Jones' fans and Nelson fans alike, as it's heavy on the piano with awesome acoustic guitar overtones, and of course features two of the most unique voices in music.

Toby Keith, the no-nonsense country singer, appears on the cover of "Midnight Rider." On the track, which has a very Kid Rock-esque quality to it, Keith never once overpowers Nelson, but rather accompanies him so well it is hard to decipher his voice from



Willie. While Nelson has some upbeat tracks like "Big Booty," a humorous song about a man who says the wrong thing about his old lady's size, and the honky-tonk tune, "I Didn't Come Here (And I Ain't Leaving)," most of the album is somber and at times chilling.

"It Always Will Be" might not be as good as Nelson's masterpiece, "Red Headed Stranger," but in a time when pop country is becoming more prevalent, it is good to have a pioneer still trucking.

— Carson Walker

## Price of Fame

Prince Harry is royally annoyed with the paparazzi. The young prince reportedly walloped a cameraman after being hit in the nose by a camera while leaving a hot British nightclub.

The bachelor party to end all bachelor parties. According to reports, Nick Lachey is in hot water with Jessica Simpson. The former front man for 98 Degrees is rumored to have spent a recent night at a bachelor party with two female porn stars, who reportedly put on multiple sex shows throughout the night.

Ashlee Simpson and Milli Vanilli have more than pretty looks in common. The younger sister of Jessica had a glitch on "Saturday Night Live" during which it was revealed that she lip syncs. Ashlee's father, Joe, has since made a statement blaming the mishap on acid reflux.

Lindsay Lohan is super hot. Or at least she was when she checked in to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles with a 103 degree fever. The pop princess in waiting was reportedly originally thought to have menin-

gitis, but upon release was diagnosed with having had a febrile infection.

Bill O'Reilly has stopped the spin for once. The host of Fox News' show "The O'Reilly Factor" reportedly settled the lawsuit with former associate producer Andrea Mackris. The suit accused O'Reilly of forcing Mackris into phone sex. O'Reilly said on his show he is never speaking about the suit again.

Beyonce is officially an aunt. The bootylicious singer's little sister, Solange, gave birth to a little heifer. Beyonce's new nephew, Daniel Julez J. Smith, weighs in at 9 pounds and 4 ounces.

A California court turned German heartthrob and "Baywatch" star David Hasselhoff into a soccer mom. After pleading no contest to a drunk driving charge, Hasselhoff's license was reportedly restricted and he is only allowed behind a wheel to go to work, take his kids to school and attend A.A. meetings. It's unclear whether he was driving K.I.T. at the time.

— Carson Walker

## horoscopes

### Taurus

(April 21 - May 21)

All right, so you messed up pretty bad this time — it happens to everyone. Say you're sorry and move on, it's not worth dwelling over.

### Gemini

(May 22 - June 21)

Your anticipation for a Thanksgiving homecoming to see that long lost special someone is pretty overwhelming. But don't wish these next few weeks away, you might miss out on some serious fall fun.

### Cancer

(June 22 - July 22)

Your parents always know best right? Wrong. Follow your heart on this one, what makes sense for you isn't necessarily the decision everyone else wants you to make.

### Leo

(July 23 - Aug. 21)

So you've had it up to your neck with everything. Make a fresh start as the new month rolls in. November is the perfect month for change.

### Virgo

(Aug. 22 - Sept. 23)

Just because it's the time of year to break out your favorite sweat pants, there is no excuse to look like you just came from the gym at all hours of the day. Dress up once or twice this week and you'll be sure to make a few heads spin.

### Libra

(Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

Expand your mind and find out what the heck is going on in the world. Surprise, surprise, a broad mind may actually be your most impressive quality.

### Scorpio

(Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Stop putting off a problem that won't go away. Ignoring things only allows them to build up and get ridiculously worse.

### Sagittarius

(Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

Your generosity and willingness to help others is possibly your finest quality. However, this makes you susceptible to cheap friends always looking for a free ride, so be on the look out for scavengers.

### Capricorn

(Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

The cold weather is making your warm bed and those comfy blankets seem like a way better choice than the hard seats at your early class. Get your booty out of bed and get to class, fool!

### Aquarius

(Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

Yes, those really are Christmas decorations you just saw hanging on your crazy neighbor's front door. Despite the fact that they are insane, Christmas really is coming so start stashing a few bucks away.

### Pisces

(Feb. 20 - March 20)

Kindness and concern for others is your most attractive quality. Maybe the answer to winning you know who over can't be found at the gym after all.

### Aries

(March 21 - April 20)

You know exactly who you belong with. So stop it with these doubts and lame excuses, or they may slip through your fingers.

## feature forum

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Election commercials are over, tear. Although many might have felt bombarded by the coverage, I think one aspect was long overdue and this year they finally got the hint.

I believe in paying dues where deserved.

Regardless of the election outcome, I want to give some big ol' props to America for realizing over the past year that the college age group is important — because, clearly, it is.

Whether the candidates remember us in their endless blabbering of issues, the rest of the United States has remembered us in huge campaigns to register young voters and make our voices heard.

I hope others actually took this message to heart, because a lot of time and money was put into us from all angles. I'll admit it felt good to finally be noticed as an important part of the political system.

Targeting our age group through com-

## Lovin' the campaign attention

mercials, TV specials, magazine ads, clothing lines, professors and our own university giving us the day off, left no excuse for not hitting the polls.

More than any other year, attention has been placed on us, which should have drilled through our skulls that voting is important.

Growing up with a Democratic mother and Republican father, no specific side of politics was ever pumped into me very strongly, but from my parents, grandparents, et cetera, I learned it's not about simply choosing the same side as your parents but more about awareness to form your own opinions and then go do something about them, like vote.

Apathy is pathetic. Living on a college campus I know for a fact a lot of people have a lot of opinions about a lot of things, and what could be more important than who our state representatives, governors or president is?

Although some might call me naïve, I truly believe every vote counts, even if it counts toward pushing your state's electoral votes in the direction you want.

OK, so if you vote for the Democratic ticket and your state went Republican, the electoral votes still went to the other side, but at least you set aside the PlayStation control

for a half hour, laced up your hot new kicks and drove 10 minutes to your town's polls.

I am proud of every person in our age group who voted in this election, because as cliché as it sounds, we need to keep our country headed in the right direction. We are the future and the more progress we make now, the less of a mess we'll be responsible for getting out of later.

This is what all those urging us to vote were trying to say.

And this is why our free day of classes hopefully encouraged many to do. Even if you used the day to party the night before or max and relax in front of the boob tube watching a "Real World" marathon, going to the polls should have had no problem fitting in.

They accept hungover voters, just as long as you are registered.

Registration. That's another no-brainer with no excuse.

You can register anywhere these days and anyone who is not, shame on you.

In the same efforts, they made registering as easy as attending a punk rock concert.

I loved that this year, there was a portion of the election focused at us and such an emphasis placed on us. It proves what our grandparents and parents have been trying to

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say all along, having a voice in our government is important.

It is a privilege to live in a country where the public has a choice.

Voting keeps it that way.

Therefore, after all this babbling about

why we should vote (which you should have known already) I want to take this valuable space in The Review to applaud the media, public figures and our administration for the attention and to all you who already knew this and hit the polls Tuesday.



# Hollywood's perception of the White House

## "The Candidate," 1972

Robert Redford stars in Michael Ritchie's satirical political drama that addresses hypocrisy in politics and campaigning. Redford, also executive producer, plays California lawyer Bill McKay, the son of a prominent former governor (Melvyn Douglas). Pressured to run for the U.S. Senate seat against popular incumbent, Crocker Jarmon (Don Porter), he gives in only under the pretense that he won't have to give up his integrity and will most likely lose.

McKay slowly gets manipulated, however, as he wins over the favor of voters. By the time Election Day swings around, he becomes like other politicians who he used to upbraid and his backers decide they want him to win.

Film writer Jeremy Lerner won an Oscar for this semi-documentary about the effect the media has on the political process.

## "All The Presidents Men," 1976

Dustin Hoffman and Robert Redford star as Washington Post reporters Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward, two real men whose investigative reporting was significant in President Nixon's resignation over the Watergate scandal.

The movie was released in 1976, the election year after Nixon resigned, by director Alan J. Pakula. It follows the pursuit of Bernstein and Woodward as they infiltrate the White House.

A story breaks for reporters when it's leaked that a robbery occurred at the Democratic Party National Headquarters. The reporters are surprised there are lawyers immediately on the case and a list of suspicious Republican Party fund organizers is being questioned.

As the scandal unfolds, the reporters work their way through the Republican Party and find themselves caught in a web of deceit.

## "Dave," 1993

How much power does the government really have to manipulate our minds? If our president became deathly ill and died, would we know the difference if a look-alike took his place?

Ivan Reitman's film, "Dave," answers this question. Dave Kovic (Kevin Kline) went from being an ordinary citizen to President Bill Mitchell in one day. Although it seems it would have been a typical Hollywood touch to create an impending war coinciding directly with the introduction of Kovic into the role as President, writer Gary Ross decided to save the highly climactic heroics and focus on smaller issues instead.

The irony of the movie is that the "fake" Kovic is making genuine, well-meaning gestures



in his "presidency." Sigourney Weaver plays the first lady and as Kovic steps up to clean up the president's mess after his death, he also resolves marital issues. The two fall in love, duh, and live happily ever after.

## "The American President," 1995

Starring Michael Douglas as President Andrew Shepherd, "The American President" portrays a popular president who and lonely father trying to raise his daughter.

Enter Sydney Ellen Wade (Annette Bening), a D.C. lobbyist for environmental issues. The theme of the film dabbles around the irony that the most powerful man in the world cannot have what he wants most, which is a woman to love.

Directed by Rob Reiner, "The American President" became popular as the Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky scandal was unfolding, perhaps injecting integrity back into the title of "American President." The recipe of this film mixes a well-liked American president and a woman with whom he should not be involved. It was released on the coattail of Clinton's scandal... suspicious?

## "Wag The Dog," 1997

A film by Barry Levinson, "Wag the Dog" brings to the

forefront the idea that American citizens are simply pawns on the chessboard of the government. As the president, played by Michael Belson, feels the wrath of his sexual misconduct, he is advised by one of his most trusted aides, Conrad Brean (Robert DeNiro) to contact a hotshot Hollywood producer and fabricate a war. Stanley Motss (Dustin Hoffman) works together with the president and his advisors to create an elaborate "war" with the country of Albania. The whole world is enthralled and concerned as the war rages on.

The film is filled with dry, satiric humor as Motss, Brean and the president attempt to tie up all loose ends to keep the charade going and to restore popularity to the president as he absolves the ongoing war.

## "Primary Colors," 1998

Directed by Mike Nichols and written by Elaine May, "Primary Colors" was adapted from Joe Klein's 1996 best-seller novel that fictionalized Bill Clinton's quest for the presidency.

Southern governor Jack Stanton (John Travolta) convinces the impressionable and young Henry Burton (Adrian Lester) to manage his presidential campaign. Though Burton's eyes, viewers see the chaotic and scandalous world of politics.

Emma Thompson plays Stanton's wife and partner, Susan, who faces tough times in their marriage, especially after he's accused of committing adultery (reminiscent of the Jennifer Flowers accusations made against Clinton). Billy Bob Thornton, Kathy Bates and Maura Tierney also star in this dark, satirical comedy.

## "Dick," 1999

Although fluffy and aimed toward a teenage audience, Andrew Fleming's satire of the Watergate scandal creates an enjoyable and comedic version of Richard Nixon's (Dan Heydaya) downfall.

Arlene (Michelle Williams) and Betsy (Kirsten Dunst) wander away from their tour group while on a field trip to the White House when they find themselves distracted by Nixon's dog, Checkers. Things get complicated, however, after Nixon decides to make them his official dog walkers.

The top teens stumble into an office where top-secret documents are being shredded. Nixon promotes them to secret youth advisers after he learns of their discoveries, but that doesn't stop Arlene and Betsy putting the pieces together once the scandal hits the media.

## "The Manchurian Candidate," 2004

Originally released in 1962 as a Jonathan Frankheimer film, "The Manchurian Candidate" is about a decorated Korean War hero returning from the war whose fellow platoon members have no knowledge of why he is awarded medals for his service. To put a current spin on the film, Jonathan Demme released it in 2004, starring Denzel Washington as Major Ben Marco.

Minutes after knocked unconscious, Sergeant Raymond Shaw (Leiv Schreiber) saves the rest of the unit. When Marco comes back to the states, he starts having nightmares about what either did or did not occur in Iraq. As Shaw catapults into the political sphere, garnering a nomination for Vice President, Marco thinks he is brainwashed in Iraq and nominated just so he could take.

Conspiracy buffs will love the "what if" theme that runs throughout the film and adventure buffs will appreciate the constant, heart-pounding action that follows Marco on his investigations into the inner workings of the American government system.

—Amy Kates and Megan Sullivan

## Singles' quest for politically savvy partners

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are more likely to avoid the topic on a date, and Democrats are less likely to date someone with conflicting political views.

"What really matters to singles is that you are a passionate and engaged person," says Kristin Kelly, senior director of public relations at Match.com.

The survey also reveals that 91 percent of singles say they'd be more likely to fall in love with a registered voter.

"Apathy is really unattractive," she says.

Political awareness can be as important as political compatibility.

Junior Jeff Carter agrees dating doesn't need to stay within party lines.

"I would be looking for someone who is more politically aware than the average person," says Carter, public relations chair for College Democrats.

He finds it frustrating talking to people who are politically apathetic.

"I will talk about the Electoral College or something and they'll have no idea what that is," Carter says.

Politics might be first date material for him, as he says many conversations he has with people tend to concern politics.

Kelly says the fact that so many singles are willing to discuss politics on a first date might be a good thing.

"At least it would very quickly show you what issues are important to the other person," she says.

Kelly believes the topics generate some interesting conversation.

"It will certainly spark a lively first date discussion," she says. "I mean imagine how many first dates you've gone on where you're sitting there staring at each other, and you don't have anything to say."

For senior Liz Chechanover, a Democrat, political incompatibility is a dating deal-breaker.

"I just wouldn't feel comfortable being with somebody out of my party," she says. "I can be very argumentative."

"I feel strong in my opinions and I just don't think it would go past the first date."

While casual dating across political lines is one thing, a serious relationship can pose bigger issues.

Sophomore Stephanie Fitzpatrick, a Republican, says

she was once in a relationship with a Democrat.

"It's very difficult to separate your political affiliation from who you are, especially in a relationship," she says. "You have different views and outlooks on the way you live."

Fitzpatrick believes politically mismatched couples are destined to constantly argue.

"I think that in general you can't even talk about the issues without fighting," she says. "It causes problems."

However, some couples are able to make a conservative-liberal relationship work.

Paul and Catherine Pomeroy are Newark's small-town version of the Arnold Schwarzenegger and Maria Shriver political odd couple.

Paul is a Republican who ran for state representative in the 23rd district this election, and Catherine comes from a well-known local Democratic family.

When the couple does have differences, they are typically on non-political issues.

He's hyperactive, she's lazy; he's tidy, she's messy; he's tall, she's short; he's left-handed, she's right-handed, and on and on, Paul says.

And when it comes to politics, they don't let it affect their marriage.

"We have the same values so we don't conflict about the political stuff," Catherine says. "But I don't think we vote the same way."

They did, however, vote for the same 23rd district state representative this election, she points out.

While some couples agree to disagree on politics, some things cannot be compromised.

Junior Italo Carrieri-Russo, president of College Republicans, recently began dating a Democrat.

Carrieri-Russo, who was wearing a New York Yankees hat and jersey, says he doesn't care the girl he's dating is a liberal, because it's more important to him that she's not a Boston Red Sox fan.

"She's a Yankees fan, that's a plus for me," he says.

Carrieri-Russo says while on dates they don't always agree on politics, but that's okay.

"If you agree on at least 70 percent of the issues, you're all right," he says.



Frances Cleveland

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with this other negative image," Stetz says.

No matter how feminine the designers attempted to make Mrs. Clinton, her pantsuits screamed modern woman.

No first lady appeared publicly in pants until Mrs. Clinton, says Lewis Gould, historian and professor at the University of Texas, Austin.

A favored first lady should always dress and act 15 to 20 years behind the rest of society, Gould says. "So from a certain generation, the idea women would wear slacks to social events would be regarded as heresy."

Gould, the first professor to teach an undergraduate course on the image of the first lady, says fashion makes a political statement depending on what one tries to accomplish.

"Every aspect of a first lady has some sort of political resonance," he says. "As you're reviewing fashion and style, you have to get a sense of their objectives and how they present themselves."

## PLACING STYLE IN TIME

First lady fashion largely depends on age, he says, because much of how fashionable a person can be depends on the human equipment of the time, Gould says.

Present or prospective first ladies look to predecessors when constructing an image. She considers public response and decides what characteristics to adapt or alter, he says.

The pattern can be found in the entire presidential timeline, however the transition from Nancy Reagan to Barbara Bush provides an obvious example. Mrs. Bush purposely kept her matronly style after Mrs. Reagan sparked public criticism for her expensive taste, Gould says.

Stetz places Reagan in the social situation of the time to explain the uproar caused by each of her designer garments.

Reagan appeared in couture outfits in the 1980s when America experienced a sharp economic recession.

"Why was she wearing such expensive clothes at a moment when a lot of people couldn't afford consumer goods?" Stetz asks, illustrating the public's concern.

Gould suggests Reagan's intentions were good, however, as she wanted to show a side other than the Hollywood celebrity people saw.

"Nancy Reagan had a kind of Southern California Hollywood sensibility," he says, "so she wanted to convey an aura of sophistication without being sort of mod or New York."

Reagan acquired the nickname "Queen Nancy" due to her style, which was surrounded in controversy as Americans blamed her for

## Society maintains specific expectations of a first lady

using tax dollars to buy her wardrobe, and her public image and those who worked to create them.

Anything can trigger speculation or distrust of a first lady, which is why they devote endless hours to working on issues of fashion that seem somewhat trivial, but are essential in winning public trust, Gould says.

Queen Nancy finally redeemed herself by performing a personalized rendition of "Second Hand Rose" at an annual event, dressed in old, miss-matched clothes.

Stetz says her handlers shrewdly maneuvered the situation, by having her poke fun at herself. Obviously humor is one way to diffuse criticism.

"If public figures can be self-deprecating and make fun of themselves, then they're OK with us," she says. "You know, they're just regular people and we can like them again."

Schermer says the level of strictness evolves with society and not all first ladies found fashion a burden. Eleanor Roosevelt took the first lady criteria and turned it upside-down after President Franklin Roosevelt cheated on her.

Mrs. Roosevelt began using her power as first lady and also the birth of radio and television to carry out her own agenda — an agenda that had nothing to do with being a housewife.

Her cooking was often inedible, she gave speeches and publicly re-questioned ideas about who she was and how she drifted apart from her husband, Schermer says. Her fashion imitated her personality, as she paid tribute to the role when necessary, but formed her own ideas about the importance of style in the White House.

"She was not fashionable. She wore oxfords, black suits and practical clothes. She wore the ugliest hats you ever saw. That was her style, she never dressed the part."

Women were envious, and from that envy spurred severe criticism targeted, of course, at her clothes.

Dolly Madison, on the other hand, loved, fine clothes and let loose with her style when President James Madison entered office.

Her Quaker background forced her to wear dull, black clothes, so when she married the president, she began wearing vibrant satins, red silks, empire waist lines and carried a handbag.

Schermer also views Mary Todd Lincoln as the epitome of a fashionable first lady. Like Mrs. Reagan, Mrs. Lincoln was known as a spendthrift.

He says when "big wigs" visited Lincoln in Illinois to make sure he and his wife were not going to be too Western for the presidency, they made the decision immediately — she could do the job.

Martha Washington was no different. The National History Museum at the Smithsonian Institute's "First Ladies: Political Role and Public Image" exhibit, which opened in 1994, features 23 inaugural gowns and other artifacts from each presidency.

Martha Washington's three dresses from the early 1780s displays a glamorous and even adventurous fashion sense.

One dress is made of salmon-colored silk, painted with floral patterns and 58 hand-embroidered insects including butterflies, ants, beetles, snails, bees, grasshoppers, wasps, ladybugs and spiders.

The exhibit shows the first lady as role model who should inspire good citizenship, says Lisa Kathleen Graddy, the exhibit's curator.

The show deals with the first lady's cre-

ation of her public image and those who worked to create them.

Laura Bush recently donated her inaugural gown by Texan designer Michael Fardoth. The red Chantilly lace dress with crystal embroidery is not as bold as Mrs. Washington's.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

So what do Americans expect a first lady to wear that conveys this image of trust?

Gould says that's where the ambiguity lies.

"Americans ask first ladies to be a whole range of things all at once," he says. "They want them to be wise, so they want them to look attractive to their husband, but not be sort of sexy, but they also want them to be devoted mothers."

Stetz says acceptable dress depends on the economy and our relationship with the rest of the world, because women's clothing never exists in a vacuum.

This distinction is important in understanding the difference in society's adoration of Jackie Kennedy.

Mrs. Kennedy was praised in the '60s for her fashion because we were living in a time of growing prosperity, Stetz says. Somebody like an expensive fashion icon expressed consumerist desires.

Pop culture also attributed to her growing fame.

In the 1960s, interest in French designers dominated American culture, so Mrs. Kennedy's look was very much a European notion of high style and high fashion.

"Given our current political tensions with France, for instance, if either Laura Bush or Teresa Heinz Kerry were seen to be associated with Paris fashion, you can imagine the kind of political capital that would be made of that," she says.

Schermer discusses the style of Laura Bush as conservative, with no real flair — similar to that of her mother-in-law. He prefers the styles of women like Mamie Eisenhower whose clothes might have been perfect in the '50s when she was first lady, but her polka dots, bangs and charm bracelets might not have been the best choice for the younger Mrs. Bush.

Stetz says Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Kerry dress in pale, feminine pantsuits, which is "the hybrid of the working woman."

The newest first lady will be dressed by her stylists in something pale, pastel or white, she says, and often softened in some way with a scarf, pins or some other kind of feminine touch.

"You're not going to see tweedy blazers," Stetz says, "you're not going to see a kind of cut that might suggest something that isn't soft and pretty."

Schermer says there's always room for a trendy first lady, but a well-dressed woman who shows a little personality through her clothes is good enough. Just as there will always be room for style, however, there will also be an evitable spot for public criticism.

Even first lady historians might not hold back criticism.

Schermer pins Bess Truman and Lou Hoover as the two worst dressers.

"I liked Bess Truman, but her hats and her dresses, I mean they were horrible," he says. "I'm sort of glad we don't have anything of hers here."



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# Volleyball finishes at home

## Hens fighting for spot in CAA playoffs

BY CHRISTINE PASKA

Staff Reporter

The Delaware volleyball team is looking to pick up victories in its last two Colonial Athletic Association home matches this weekend to help them earn a spot in the playoffs.

The Hens will take on James Madison Friday at 7 p.m. and Virginia Commonwealth Saturday at 7 p.m. at Barbara Viera Court.

"It is the biggest weekend of the season because we need the wins to clinch a spot in the playoffs," said head coach Bonnie Kenny. "With the wins we would have a much easier time getting into the playoffs."

These final home matches also cap off an impressive season for the four seniors, Valerie Murphy, Taylor Govaars, Sarah Engle and Nicole Stuka. Kenny said they have had a really good season, losing only one game at home, so it would be great to

win these and end the season on a positive note.

Coming off a three game winning streak, the Hens are 6-3 in CAA play and 18-6 overall.

Earlier in the season, the Hens squared off against James Madison and were unable to come away with the victory.

Despite winning the first game of the match, Delaware was unable to stop the Dukes offense and dropped the last three games.

In the Dukes victory, they were led by junior outside-hitter Emilee Hussak and freshman libero Jena Piersen. Hussak posted 16 kills and Piersen recorded 21 digs.

"We have to be more physical," Kenny said. "I think we backed down to them which we hadn't done all year until that game. We need to rise to the occasion and not let their physicality intimidate us." Piersen and Hussak are the team

leaders and the Hens can expect another strong performance from them this weekend. Piersen leads the team with 324 digs for the season and Hussak has notched 329 kills for the Dukes.

James Madison is 5-5 in CAA play and 15-8 overall.

### VOLLEYBALL

In the Hens match against Virginia Commonwealth in early October, the Rams won the first game but the Hens rallied back to finish the match in four games.

The Hens hit .250 in the match and recorded 13 blocks. In the victory, Engle added nine kills and 11 digs for the Hens while Govaars chipped in with a team-high 23 digs.

"We also have to worry about VCU," Kenny said. "Earlier this season was the first time the seniors had ever beaten them. They are a good team and

they have some international players who know how to keep the ball in play. It is team we need to worry about."

The Rams are 1-9 in CAA play and 5-18 overall.

They are led by freshman outside-hitter Rachel Chapin who has recorded 267 kills and 259 digs so far this season.

The Hens are led by Murphy and Govaars. Murphy has picked up 350 kills for the season and Govaars leads with 510 digs.

"In the last couple of matches the front and back has been in sync, but we need to pick up the offense to be successful," Kenny said. "We need to have consistency and a good balanced attack to win."

All of the seniors will be honored at senior night prior to Saturday's match as they prepare to play in their final home match of their college career.



THE REVIEW/Bob Thurlow

Freshman running back Omar Cuff is one of several underclassmen that have been pressed into duty because of injuries to Delaware starters.

# '90 miles a week' for Meany

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the number one slot for the Hens, who had been in search of a consistent first man from day one. Meany's dedication and hard work won out. Stride by sinewy stride, Meany erased the uncertainty that had loomed over Fischer's program and emphatically answered the question: Where do we go from here?

"We have good runners here and a lot of them," says Fischer, beaming. "This may be the best group I've ever had. P.J.'s ability level may not be that much higher than the others', but he's worked hard and is really focused."

Running aficionados statewide have known Meany since he hit the scene as a freshman at Wilmington's Salesianum School in 1999, when he was the seventh man on the Sals' state championship team. Though he went on to become a two-time all-state selection and took second overall as a senior at the 2002 state meet, blazng a 16:28 5K, an ankle injury his sophomore year limited his development somewhat, leaving his early promise unfulfilled and prompting those who knew him to wonder just how much diesel was left in Meany's tank. What might he do in ideal conditions?

The guessing game is over. The potential, at least to some degree, has been realized and now manifests itself in medals. And now he's really rubbing it in.

"I'm really surprised at what I've done so far this year," says Meany. "I just want to keep improving my times and give it my best. I'm putting in the kind of work to go sub-26. I just need a good race on a fast course."

But why? Why the remarkable improvement and sudden emergence as Delaware's distance dynamo? Is there something in the water at Russell Dining Hall? Some new motivation or enthusiasm? Tae-bo? Zen?

If you ask Meany, it was all just a matter of time.

"I just trained really hard my freshman year and I'm building on that this year. It's just consistency and training hard week after week."

Fischer agrees.

"As you develop as a runner, you can handle more work, whether it's running more miles or running at a greater speed," he says. "He's getting used to the amount of work it takes to run at the collegiate level. He's been running 90 miles or so a week for about a year and a half now. It's such an abuse on the body, but his body is getting stronger and he can deal with it now."

Hens' captain Kevin DuPrey sees Meany's ascension from the ranks of the also-rans as a product of old-fashioned, blood-'n'-guts effort.

"P.J.'s been phenomenal this year. Since I've known him, he's been one of the hardest workers on the team. His work ethic is incredible."

Most recently, at the second Delaware Invitational, Meany placed second to Maryland-Eastern Shore's Barnabas Togom in 26:17, as Delaware routed the field by bunching six runners in the top 10. Though Meany's time represented a 16-second personal best at White Clay Creek, he's not satisfied. He never is. It seems almost as if he equates contentment with quitting and that's not an option for such a driven young man. According to

this resilient and revitalized runner, another gear is possible, if not probable, in the near future.

"There's no way to know how fast anyone's going to be, but if I keep putting in the work, good things will happen," says the ambitious Meany.

As great as he is and as great as he could become, Fischer values his character above all else — even his legs.

"A characteristic of our pro-

gram is that we not only have good athletes, but good people," says Fischer. "He's just another one of the great kids in our program. He's a soft-spoken guy and never has an attitude, but he asserts himself when he has to. He does that out on the course. He needs to be near the front all the time and if he doesn't win a race, it's not for lack of trying."

A sophomore sensation in the truest sense.

## Hen Peckings

• The women's soccer team dropped their final two games of the season last weekend and failed to qualify for the CAA tournament.

James Madison defeated the Hens 2-0 on Oct. 28 and George Mason was victorious by the same score on Oct. 30.

Saturday's loss, coupled with a victory by Old Dominion, knocked Delaware out of the postseason.

The Hens finished the season with a 4-4-1 record in the CAA and were 9-6-3 overall.

• The men's and women's cross country teams both placed fourth in the CAA Championships held last weekend in Virginia.

Sophomores Tyler Mayforth and P.J. Meany finished in 22nd and 23rd to lead the men's team.

Freshman Colleen O'Brien placed third in the women's race to pace Delaware. Her finish was the first top-10 finish by a Delaware woman since 2001 and was the highest finish at the championships in team history.

-Compiled by Tim Parsons

# Hens fighting the injury bug

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Five starters, including a co-captain, have missed serious time this season, with three out of the remainder of the year, but their absences have been overcome the games until this weekend's contest.

A depleted defensive line, missing starters Lou Samba and Brian Jennings, was unable to hold the triple option offense that Navy employs and the result was 366 rushing yards against the Hens defense, which on average only allows 120 rushing yards per game.

"Being down two defensive linemen ... they just physically wear you down," Keeler said. "If you take those two guys out of the mix, you're putting a lot of young guys in there."

The inexperienced players on Delaware's defensive line played well and received their "battlefield promotions," according to Keeler, but the absence of the size and speed on the line put too much pressure on senior Chris Mooney and junior Tom Parks and they were unable to disrupt the run by themselves.

The other side of the line for the Hens is also hurting, missing projected starter Jared Wray all season and senior center Chris Edwards who is out with mono, leaving a large hole in the middle of the offensive line that Delaware has been unable to completely fill. The result of the absence of two of the top linemen

in the conference has been a limited running game.

"If you take two of your best offensive linemen and put them on the shelf, you just can't pound the ball on them," Keeler said.

Although those four players are missed, the most devastating loss for the Hens is the absence of co-captain Sean Bleiler, who tore his ACL against Maine and will be out the remainder of the season.

A power back, Bleiler was the key in Delaware's short-yardage game and also a powerful blocking back who could be a lead blocker or pick up a blitzing linebacker. In last year's contest against the Mids, Bleiler capitalized on a fake punt for the Hens, taking a direct snap and pushing the ball 24 yards downfield, the turning point of the game.

This year, his absence was obvious, especially later in the game as Keeler opted to punt on a fourth-and-two, a situation where Bleiler may have tried to jam the ball up the middle in the past.

"I thought we were a little mismatched up front, and it showed," Keeler said. "If you have two out on the offensive line and two out on the defensive line ... eventually they are going to wear you down."

"You wish you had everyone healthy, but the good thing about this team is that we have the tendency to just roll somebody in there and play them but I think as the game wore on they just kind of wore us down a little bit."

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## Commentary

DAN MONTESANO



## I missed my calling

**D**amn, I should have been a professional athlete.

Now, obviously, I should have become a professional athlete for the money, fame, houses, cars, girls, yachts, clothing line, recording career, cameo movie appearances, etc....

But apparently I missed the memo when I was younger that if I was a professional athlete, I could somehow commit any crime I that I pleased and not be punished for it. Or in the unlikely case that I was to be punished for my laundry list of felonies, I could somehow serve my punishment after the season and not have to miss any playing time.

I could've been like Ravens running back Jamal Lewis, who pled guilty to a drug conspiracy charge, serve my jail time after the season so I wouldn't have to miss much playing time, because, well, the Ravens are looking to go deep in the playoffs and they would need me.

Of course I would have to face a suspension from the NFL, but since Jamal only got a two game (*Are you kidding me?*) suspension, I figure I'll be back in plenty of time for the playoffs.

Or I could have been like the Atlanta Braves' Rafael Furcal, who got to serve his time after the season on a second DWI charge. This is a guy who was already on probation for a DWI, gets a second, and is allowed to play in the playoffs by a court order, because well, let's face it, the Braves needed him.

So apparently, all I have to do is perform on the field, and I can rack up as many DWI's as I want and still be allowed to play because my team needs me.

So if I was a pro athlete and I was pulled over for drunk driving, forget passing a sobriety test, all I would need to remember is my stats for the season. Maybe I would write my season stats, and career stats for added lenience, keep them in my pocket just in case I was too drunk to actually speak to the police officer.

If I was a pro athlete, I could have been like St. Louis Rams' defensive end Leonard Little, who decided to drive drunk back in 1998 and ended up killing a woman. Leonard served 90 days in jail and received 1,000 hours of community service for killing Susan Gutweiler when Little ran a red light and slammed into Gutweiler's car.

He got 90 freakin' days! That's it. Can you believe that? Ninety days for manslaughter?

So essentially, I could get hammered at a bar, get behind the wheel of my \$60,000 SUV and it's every driver for themselves.

And on top of that, after Little described spending 90 days in jail as "difficult to handle," Little was arrested again this year on another drunk-driving charge.

First, note to Leonard Little: If you think spending 90 days in jail is difficult to handle, try asking Susan Gutweiler's teenage son how difficult things are to handle without a mother.

Secondly, Little has the stupidity and arrogance to get behind the wheel for a second time after he's been drinking. Little shouldn't be drinking in the first place, let alone within a football field of a set of car keys.

I was a pro athlete, I could be any member of the Portland Trailblazers, who collectively smoke more pot than Cheech and Chong, participate in dog fighting, give each other broken noses, and never seem to get in trouble. In fact, Zach Randolph, who was once arrested on weapons charges, just signed a new contract extension. So, owning illegal firearms apparently gets you a long-term \$83 million contract.

If I was a pro athlete, basically I could traffic drugs, drive drunk as many times as I want, possibly kill a person, train my dogs to fight, get high on an hourly basis, and know I wouldn't do more than a year in jail.

Damn, pro athletes have it all.

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# The biggest game of the year?

## Delaware to fight for A-10 title

BY ROB MCFADDEN  
 Managing Sports Editor

On Monday, Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler said his team's ambition is to win the Atlantic 10 title.

Saturday's game between No. 6-ranked Delaware (6-2, 4-0 A-10) and No. 7-ranked James Madison (7-1, 4-0 A-10) is between the only two remaining teams that have not lost a conference game, making it essentially an A-10 title game.

"Everything we've played for is right in front of us," Keeler said. The Hens will need their best effort of the season to top the Dukes, who have yet to lose to a Division I-AA team this year. Their only loss was to Division I-AA West Virginia, which is now ranked 12th in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll.

James Madison has the best defense in the A-10. They lead the conference in rushing defense (77.13 yards/game), total defense (268.25 yards/game) and scoring defense (16.25 points/game) and are ranked in the top 10 nationally in each category.

Fortunately for Delaware, the Dukes' pass defense is not on par with their rushing defense. They allow an average of 191.13 passing yards per game.

The Hens average more than 215 yards passing per game and put up 255 on Navy last week.

Another plus for Delaware is that James Madison, which relies heavily on its rushing game, may have its top two backs out for the game. Sophomore Maurice Fenner is out for the season and sophomore Alvin Banks is questionable this week.

Delaware has also been hit by injuries and will be without five of its starters for the second straight week.

Kickoff is set for 1:30 p.m.



THE REVIEW/Rob McFadden  
 The Hens will rely on players like junior defensive tackle Tom Parks (left) and junior quarterback Sonny Riccio to lead them on Saturday.



## Receivers get back on track

BY BOB THURLOW  
 Copy Desk Chief

When going against a bowl-eligible Division I-AA school, any Div. I-AA school needs to play almost perfectly to come away with a victory. Unfortunately the Delaware football team played less than perfect Saturday against Navy and the result was a 34-20 loss to the Midshipmen.

One bright spot for the Hens was the re-emergence of another serious receiving threat, this time in the form of junior David Boler, who tied the school record for most receptions in a game with 16. The record he tied belongs to fellow junior Justin Long who set the record in a 43-38 Delaware victory over Maine earlier this season.

The importance of the double-threat for the Hens is a big one, as the duo is now close to 100 percent for the first time since early last season.

A nagging hamstring injury earlier this season and an injured hand last year limited the USC transfer's productivity, but Boler had a breakout game against William & Mary, setting a career-high in receiving yards with 155, and this past week he tied the school record for receptions.

The other tag-team member, New Jersey native Justin Long, overcame a hernia in 2002 to post impressive career numbers and struggled through vision problems last season due to a serious sinus infection.

"Those kids [Long and Boler] are outstanding receivers," said Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler. "They're both finally healthy."

Aside from the healthy receivers, the Hens' injury situation is not improving.

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## The Sports Network I-AA College Football Poll

Team	Points	Prev. Rank
1) Southern Illinois (8-1)	2,669 (79)	1
2) Georgia Southern (8-1)	2,619 (28)	2
3) Furman (6-2)	2,327	6
4) Sam Houston State (7-1)	2,231	8
5) Western Kentucky (6-2)	2,186	7
6) Delaware (6-2)	2,185	3
7) James Madison (7-1)	2,064 (1)	9
8) New Hampshire (6-2)	1,778	10
9) Lehigh (7-1)	1,634	11
10) Montana (6-2)	1,633	4

## Field hockey preps for a playoff run

BY GREG PRICE  
 Staff Reporter

After closing out the season with a 1-0 win over Towson University, the field hockey team starts their playoff run this Saturday against defending conference champion Old Dominion.

The Hens finished the season in third place in the Colonial Athletic Association standings with a 13-6 overall record and a 5-2 conference record.

The two conference losses came at the hands of first place William and Mary, who hosts this year's CAA playoff tournament, and second place ODU.

The Monarchs defeated the Hens 3-2 by out shooting them 10-6. ODU sophomore forward Katie Claxton had two goals on as many shots, while Delaware sophomore Stephanie Swain recorded a goal and an assist.

In five of the losses the Hens kept the games within a one-goal margin and were out shot in each of their losses this year, something the team has been working on before Saturday's playoff match up.

"We're trying to push up, getting more attack oriented than defense," sophomore forward and midfielder Amanda Warrington said. "We don't play the whole 70 minutes, I think we play safe."

In the game against ODU, the Hens did score first, but the lead seemed to slip away as ODU scored the next two goals, and eventually won the game.

Delaware, however, has shown they can play an attack-oriented style of offense.

In their shutout win against Monmouth on Sept. 1, the Hens scored seven goals on 36 shots, holding the Hawks to only two shots on goal.

ODU, however, will prove to be a tough out in this postseason. They have won the CAA title 12 of the last 13 seasons, including a streak of eight straight titles.

This year, the Monarchs are 6-1 in conference play this season and have held their opponents to a combined 33 goals on the season.

The Monarchs sophomore forward Dana Sensenig leads the team in goals with 12 and has more than double the points than her closest teammate with 35.

"They've always been No. 1 or 2," said tri-captain Jessi Balmer. "They're a skilled team all the way around, and always have the potential to come back."

Delaware does not seem intimidated by ODU's prestigious history. Instead they seem excited and confident about their level of play.

"They are well known, but we have just as many great players," said Warrington. "We just need the confidence to win."

Warrington, along with seniors Lauren Carr, Erica LaBar and Leah Geib all have to play well against ODU.

They represent 82 of the Hens 126 points for the season, as well as 32 of their goals.

In their last game against ODU only Carr was able to break free and score. It is because of this harsh loss that the Hens are not looking past the Monarchs.

"We know we can get to the championship," Balmer said. "We're just focusing on what ODU does that we have to beat in the game."

Face-off time is Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at William and Mary.

### FIELD HOCKEY



THE REVIEW/File Photo  
 Sophomore Katie Evans and the Delaware field hockey team takes on defending Colonial Athletic Association champion Old Dominion Saturday.



## UD sophomore opening eyes

BY KENNY RIEDEL  
 Staff Reporter

Second-year Delaware harrier P.J. Meany has singlehandedly redefined the phrase "sophomore sensation" in the Hens' 2004 cross-country campaign.

In fact, his eye-popping performances have done more than that. Meany has put the hackneyed term, employed every 10 seconds by Dick Vitale in March Madness broadcasts, up in lights.

The 19-year-old business major has legitimized "sophomore sensation," returned it to respectability because his talent and grit are truly worthy of such a flattering label.

When it is used to describe the vastly improved Meany, a workaholic who notched two victories in Delaware's first two meets and has finished no lower than eighth in any invitational thus far (at the prestigious Great American Cross-Country Festival), it is bold, double-underlined and capitalized.

When Meany opened the year with a convincing win at the Towson Invitational on Sept. 11, clocking 26:26 and setting a personal best for 8K in the process, head coach Jim Fischer realized that the post-Pat Riley era would

yield its share of trophies and triumphs.

As his charge breezed to the finish over 100 yards clear of the closest challenger, Fischer began to suspect that the gritty Hockessin native just might be the heir to Riley, the man who defined Delaware's program for three years and was one of the CAA's headliners until his graduation last spring.

"Everybody looked up to Pat last year and P.J. had a really strong desire to be as good as him," says Fischer. "I don't know if he's there yet but he could be. Only time will tell if he's at Pat's level this year, but he's only a sophomore. He's still got time to attain and surpass that level."

"It was nice to watch him last year," says Meany of his mentor. "I watched everything he did and now I'm trying to follow his lead."

A week later, Meany more than validated his Towson triumph with an equally impressive win at the Delaware Invitational, outdistancing a talented quartet from the University of Pennsylvania by over 30 seconds and leading the Hens to a second-place team showing. This cemented him into

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