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Police charge two with attempted robbery

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Two male teenagers attempted to rob a university student in the walkway adjacent to Allison Hall Sunday, university police said.

Lawrence Thornton, director of Public Safety, said the two teenagers were both arrested and charged with attempted robbery and conspiracy later that night.

The student was riding his bike, Thornton said, when he was approached by the two young men, who demanded he empty his pockets.

The student told them all he had was his cell phone, Thornton said, and tried to

escape on his bike. He then tripped, and one of the teenagers blocked his path.

Thornton said the student offered them his bike, and was then let go by the two unarmed men.

The student returned to his residence hall, he said, and called 911 within five minutes after the incident occurred.

A description of the young men was then broadcasted by university police, he said.

Thornton said Newark Police later observed the two teenagers in the 7-Eleven on Delaware Avenue. They were arrested and brought to the police station.

"The victim was able to identify them

right away," he said.

Both young men were taken to a juvenile detention facility Monday morning, Thornton said, and will eventually be tried in family court.

Thornton said he was impressed, but not surprised with the cooperation between the two police forces.

"It points to the strong working relationship we have," he said. "We always let each other know what's going on."

Cpl. Tracy Simpson of the Newark Police said the attempted robbery on campus follows a reported armed robbery that occurred Saturday.

Simpson said two unknown men

approached a Newark resident and Syracuse University student walking on Wyoming Avenue.

The two men displayed knives, Simpson said, and demanded their money and cell phones.

One of the men was punched in the mouth, she said, while the other escaped without injury.

Simpson said the two men were witnessed escaping in a Ford Explorer with a Delaware license plate.

She said there have been no developments in the case, though it is still under investigation.

Thornton said he hopes the quick

arrests will curb the string of robberies that have occurred in the city and on campus.

He said he encourages students and residents to report crimes immediately because the chance of apprehending suspects decreases as time passes.

"It's important to get their identification out," he said, "like what they're wearing and the vehicle they're driving."

Simpson said future robberies could potentially be curbed by these arrests, but only if those planning to commit robberies pay attention to the news and take the threat of arrest seriously.

"It's something that would affect criminals on an individual basis," she said.

Iraq war, six months later

BY MIKE FOX
News Features Editor

Nov. 1 marks half a year since President George W. Bush announced an end to major combat operations in Iraq, but post-war hostilities overseas have weakened efforts to stabilize the nation.

Iraq has been marred with frequent hostilities, including terrorist bombings, guerrilla attacks, assassinations and sabotage in the past six months.

To date, 409 coalition troops have been killed. This includes 357 Americans, 219 of which were killed since May 1.

Of the total American fatalities, 231 have been categorized as hostile and 126 as non-hostile, which include vehicle accidents, accidental firearm discharges and drowning.

In addition, 1,757 Americans have been wounded in action and 339 reported non-hostile injuries.

Among the confirmed dead are three Delawareans: Sgt. Brian D. McGinnis, 23, of St. George, was killed March 30 in a helicopter crash in southern Iraq; Spc. Ryan P. Long, 21, of Seaford, was killed April 3 in a suicide bombing; and Spc. Jarrett B. Thompson, 27, of Dover, died Sept. 7 of injuries inflicted in a vehicle accident.

Neither the Department of Defense nor U.S. Central Command track Iraqi or foreign civilian casualties.

Capt. David Romley, a spokesman for the Pentagon, said most of the hostilities are centered in the "Sunni Triangle," a region between Baghdad, Tikrit and Falluja.

Romley, who recently returned from Iraq after serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom since its onset in March, said the 132,000 American and 23,000 other coalition troops there are facing more coordinated and sophisticated attacks than before.

"We have to change, too," he said, "and stay on the edge of how they're changing."

Maj. Linda Haseloff, a press officer for U.S. Central Command, stated in an e-mail message that everything is being done to ensure the safety of American troops overseas, who are trained and equipped for these operations.

"Our ground commanders continue to evaluate the security situation and modify tactics, techniques and procedures to minimize the threat," she said.

The coalition has trained 85,000 Iraqi defense forces in the past five months, Haseloff said, including police, border guards, a civil defense corps and a battalion in the new Iraqi army.

Kenneth Allard, an expert on Iraq at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the United States

is militarily over-committed, and there are no more available American troops to send to the region.

The greatest obstacle to stability in Iraq is the rebellious Iraqis, he said.

Hostile factions include Saddam Hussein loyalists and foreign fighters, as well as anti-American "holy warriors" who have entered Iraq from neighboring Islamic nations.

"They're thinking, 'Hey, they're here, let's get them,'" he said.

Since no more troops can be sent to the region, Allard said, the coalition needs to improve intelligence and close Iraq's borders by establishing a stronger presence in Iraq.

"Right now, we don't seal off the borders," he said. "We need to make it harder to come across."

Allard said troops are ill equipped for action and in skill, because there is a lack of skilled translators and cell phones.

Romley, however, said he was well equipped and trained for combat in the field.

"We had all the tools and knowledge needed to operate in that environment," he said.

Frederic Pearson, director of the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Wayne State University in Detroit, said rebuilding Iraq's infrastructure is crucial to stabilize the nation.

The Iraqi infrastructure was destroyed during the bombing campaign earlier this year, he said, but it has also been hurt by past Iraqi governmental misuse of funds and years of sanctions against Hussein's Iraq.

Also, many Iraqis strongly resent what they see as colonization, Pearson said. Although military street patrols are needed to bolster security, some Iraqis regard this as an occupation.

"The whole process was politically misguided since the beginning," he said.

In the long run, Pearson said an elected, pluralist legislature needs to be established to ease the transition, as opposed to an appointed one that may be viewed as "an American puppet."

He said Operation Iraqi Freedom, coupled with the Afghanistan campaign, has resulted in too much American visibility in the region.

Allard said it will take three to five years before Iraq becomes better stabilized.

American troops will be stationed in the region until the American public "can't stomach it," he said.

Romley said he did not want to discuss the hostilities he encountered in Iraq.

"We are in a war," he said. "I think sometimes as a nation we forget that."



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Mosaic devotes its issue to all things Halloween. See section B.

Mayor files for re-election early

BY NATALIE BISHOP
Staff Reporter

Although the election for mayor of Newark is not until April 13, Mayor Harold F. Godwin said he filed for re-election Oct. 17 to settle rumors that he would not run.

"I have filed for re-election to clear up those rumors," he said. "I am in fact going to run in the spring."

Pat Fogg, acting city secretary, said this is extremely early because most candidates do not file until after the first of the year.

The filing deadline is not until March 15, she said. Godwin said he decided approximately one year ago that he would run again for mayor.

The rumors, he said, simply caused him to file for re-election earlier than usual.

Godwin said he expects competition in the mayoral race, but as of now he is the only candidate.

Fogg said there are rumors that Vance Funk, a Newark attorney, will run, but nothing is on the record yet.

Funk said he plans to announce in mid-January whether or not he will run.

"There is a large group that wants me to run, and I am interested in running," he said. "I have been talking to my friends to see what would be good for me."

There are a few health issues, he said, that are preventing him from making his final decision.

A few months ago, a blood vessel burst in his brain while he was walking in a parking lot near his office, Funk said.

He said a university student in the same parking lot saw him and ran to call for help.

"A university student found me and saved my life," Funk said. "If it had not been for that student I would not be here today."

He said he is concerned that if the campaign does not run smoothly, it may not be good for his health.

Godwin said his campaign and a meeting is scheduled for Nov. 3 to discuss his strategies.

He has spoken with his treasury, he said, and they still have money left over from past campaigns to use toward the upcoming race.

Godwin said he already has a list of res he would like to focus on if re-elected.

He would like to see the reservoir completed on Paper Mill Road, he said.

Godwin said he wants to redevelop the paper mill on the same road to make the mill useful to the community.

He said he also would like to create more parking spaces downtown.

"There is not enough parking for businesses to grow and prosper," Godwin said.

Arrests made at DUI checkpoint

BY BRANDON FARMER
Staff Reporter

In light of football associated with Monday Night Football, Delaware State Police held two DUI checkpoints Oct. 27 throughout the state as part of their Checkpoint Strikeforce program.

Andrea Summers, spokeswoman for the Delaware Office of Highway Safety, said the Newport Police administered one checkpoint, held in New Castle County. The Sussex County DUI task force oversaw the other in Seaford.

The Seaford checkpoint stopped 310 vehicles, she said. However, it resulted in no DUI arrests.

Newport Police Chief Michael Capriglione said the Newport Police stopped 365 cars and made two drunk driving arrests from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Augustine cutoff in Wilmington. Thirteen drivers were asked to take breathalyzer tests.

Also, Capriglione said 10 minor traffic violations were handed out as well.

"It is not possible to get through these checkpoints while driving with a blood alcohol content over the legal limit because of the amount of experience these officers have," he said.

All of the officers involved in the checkpoint had anywhere from 10 to 30 years of experience on the police force, he said. They looked for signs such as watery eyes, empty containers, alcohol on the person's breath

and various other indicators.

Summers said the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration introduced this program two years ago because of the national increase in deaths caused by drunk driving.

Traditionally, checkpoints have not been held as often or as consistently, she said, and they have almost always been on weekends.

However, Capriglione said police decided to hold these checkpoints during the week because drinking and driving is not limited to Friday and Saturday nights, especially considering the fall Monday Night Football schedule.

Steve Torpey, a manager at Stanley's Tavern in Wilmington, said this week's game drew a crowd of approximately 300 people. "Monday night is always a big night during football season," he said.

Summers said the checkpoints are now being held at least once per week throughout the state at random hours during the night and on weekends.

"The program is emphasizing high visibility enforcement, awareness and consistency," she said.

Officers choose places that are easily seen by drivers and have records for high incidence of DUI arrests and deaths, Summers said.

Police want people to know that they are out there doing these checkpoints, she said, hoping to ultimately decrease the number of people who drink and drive.

Torpey said the checkpoints have succeeded in raising public awareness.

"There was definitely a lot of conversation going around about the checkpoint Monday night," he said. "People are very conscious of it."

Summers said although this program has contributed to a 6 percent decrease in alcohol-related driving fatalities in 2002 from 2001, many people are still taking risks.

DUI arrests have totaled 226 since the Checkpoint Strikeforce Program was re-started in July, she said.

There has been significant decrease in total alcohol-related deaths, Summers said, giving good reason to continue the program next year.

Capriglione said police will be holding checkpoints throughout Wilmington tonight because of the Halloween loop, and will not stay confined to one place.

"We are coming down [to Newark] soon," he said. "Maybe not this weekend, but very, very soon."

Newark has one of the highest rates of DUI arrests and alcohol-related accidents in the state, Capriglione said, largely due to the high volume of college students and out-of-state drivers unfamiliar with the area.

U.S. may ease Cuba ban

BY KATHLEEN BURKE
Staff Reporter

The U.S. Senate voted 59-36 Oct. 23 to eliminate funding for the government's ban restricting travel by Americans to Cuba.

The measure, similar to one passed by the U.S. House of Representatives earlier this year, defies President George W. Bush's wish to tighten travel regulations for Americans visiting Cuba.

Eliminating the ban, which has been in place since Cuban President Fidel Castro came into power, would ease the restrictions for Americans who wish to travel to Cuba.

Margaret Aitken, press secretary for Sen. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., D-Del., said Biden voted for the bill in an effort to improve relations between Cuba and the United States.

"He thinks our policy at a certain time in history was productive," Aitken said. "but it is time for a change."

Biden wants to engage Cuba in a democratic way, and does not believe the United States should continue to isolate the country, she said.

"Sen. Biden believes it is important to have good relations with Cuba since they are close to the United States," Aitken said. "He feels this would be a more productive alternative."

Julio Carrion, a political science professor at the university, said the ban originally stipulated that Americans could only travel to Cuba if they received a special permit, and many American tourists were denied these permits unless they had valid reasons for travel.

He said he believes the 42-year-old ban was having little effect on Cuba. The country still has thousands of visitors every year, including Americans.

"The State Department estimates that about 200,000 Americans visit the island every year," Carrion said. "It was more of a hassle to American tourists than to Cuban officials."

Republican senators who voted against Bush on this issue, he said, were instrumental in passing the bill through the Senate.

"I believe that these senators came to realize that the ban did not have any real effect in forcing political change in Cuba," Carrion said.

However, he said he believes the Senate's current vote will most likely not be able to take effect, since Bush has threatened to veto the bill, and there will probably not be enough votes in Congress to override a presidential veto.

Even if the bill is passed, Carrion said, the issue of travel to Cuba is nowhere near over, since it would merely end the financing of the enforcement of the ban.

"It is not the same as ending the ban, but the practical consequences will be the same," he said. "American travelers could go to Cuba in defiance of the ban, because there will be no money for an office in charge of enforcing the ban."

Carrion said he believes it will take more than the removal of this ban to improve relations with Cuba.

"The Cuban government reacted positively," he said, "but I don't think relations

will improve dramatically until the embargo is ended."

Rita Edozie, a university political science professor, said the removal of the ban would be a small gesture.

It could lead to better relations with Cuba, she said, but many Republicans seem to be against this until Castro is removed from power.

Edozie also said many Americans seem ready for a change in the current policy.

"I think the Senate's action reflects the way of the millennium," she said. "People in America want change that includes a change in our foreign policy towards Cuba."

"I also think that Castro may want to begin to accept compromised change too, so that Cuba can move to another stage of development."

Although many Americans have had trouble traveling to Cuba over the years, there are circumstances when travel to the country can be made without much difficulty.

Ralph Begleiter, distinguished journalist in residence, recently visited the country with a few students to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis at an international conference.

Begleiter said he did not have a difficult time traveling to the country, but he believes this was an exception since the trip was for educational purposes.

"There are a number of educational organizations working on various projects in Cuba," Begleiter said. "There has always been exceptions, because it serves the U.S. interest."

In the News

WILDFIRES KILL 20, DESTROY 350 HOMES

LOS ANGELES — Firefighters battled desperately Wednesday to stop wildfires from destroying two beloved Southern California getaways, Lake Arrowhead and Julian, the historic mountain towns east of San Diego. One firefighter was killed, bringing the overall death toll to 20 after five days of the largest fires in modern California history.

The battle to save Julian took its human toll when four firefighters were overrun by flames in their firetrucks in the nearby hamlet of Wynola. One died and the other three were burned, one critically, authorities said.

The deceased man was identified as Steve Rucker, 38, a firefighter and paramedic from the Marin County town of Novato. An 11-year veteran, he left behind a wife and two children.

The most severely injured firefighter was identified as Novato Fire Capt. Doug MacDonald. He is expected to recover.

While there was progress in taming some of the 10 fires that have engulfed a broad arc of the region from Ventura County into Mexico, the blazes in the San Bernardino and Cleveland national forests bedeviled an exhausted army of firefighters.

By evening, crews had managed to keep the infernos from overtaking Julian, an old gold mining town some 40 miles from San Diego, and much of Lake Arrowhead, the century-old resort on a man-made lake in the San Bernardino Mountains.

Still, approximately 350 houses were destroyed on the east side of Arrowhead, and strong winds created dangerous conditions Wednesday night, forcing the evacuation of many firefighters.

Erratic wind gusts, some as high as 70 mph, sent flames in unexpected directions, not only frustrating efforts to douse them but sometimes engulfing and endangering fire crews.

RED CROSS DAD AND U.N. TO REDUCE PRESENCE IN IRAQ

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The United Nations and the Red Cross will scale back their presence in Iraq, officials said Wednesday, responding to the threat of new terrorist attacks after a suicide car bombing on Red Cross headquarters.

Two U.S. soldiers were killed, meanwhile, when their Abrams tank struck an explosive device north of the capital on Tuesday night, the U.S. military said. Seven Ukrainian troops were wounded in a separate incident, the first reported ambush of troops serving in a Polish-led multinational division.

U.N. officials said Secretary General Kofi Annan has decided to withdraw all 15 remaining international staff members from Baghdad.

Annan discussed his decision with Secretary of State Colin Powell, who argued against the withdrawal. U.S. officials expressed concern that the U.N. departure could increase pressure on private aid agencies to reconsider their own roles in Iraq.

Marie Okabe, spokeswoman for the United Nations, confirmed the organization would pull out its remaining international presence in Baghdad and withdraw all but 10 representatives in the northern city of Irbil.

"We have asked our Baghdad staff to come out temporarily for consultations with people from headquarters on the future of our operations, including, in particular, security arrangements," she said, maintaining the U.N. chief had not ordered a permanent "evacuation or relocation" of U.N. staff from Baghdad, but adding that the United Nations would not make any decision about their return at this time.

AFGHAN VILLAGERS REPORT ABUSE BY U.S. TROOPS' GUIDES

DAI CHOPAN, Afghanistan — Villagers with broken limbs, deep cuts and severe bruises say Afghan militia fighters working as guides for U.S. troops went on a looting, beating and torture spree in the country during a military sweep last week.

The militiamen frequently guide the Americans on missions to search for Taliban and al-Qaida guerrillas. They wear U.S. military camouflage fatigues and carry assault rifles.

None of approximately 50 villagers who described abuses in interviews, or who were questioned at an elders meeting, said U.S. forces witnessed the assaults or thefts during the search for Taliban guerrillas.

A U.S. military spokesman said he had no reports of unprofessional conduct by militias operating under U.S. control.

But villagers here tell another story. Militiamen broke a woman's shoulder with a rifle butt and tortured her two adult sons until they blacked out, one son said in an interview Saturday. The other son had not regained consciousness.

Others described assaults and systematic looting by militia fighters during a weeklong operation in Dai Chopan. The militiamen, loyal to warlords in Kandahar, approximately 70 miles southwest of here, complain that their commanders rarely pay them. They apparently were intent on hostile territory, they allegedly stole cash, jewelry, watches, radios, three motorcycles — even the mud-brick school's windows and doors — before leaving with U.S. and Afghan troops Saturday.

HUSBAND FIGHTS LAW TO KEEP WIFE ON LIFE SUPPORT

MIAMI — Opposed by Florida's governor, legislators and even the president, the husband of a severely brain-damaged woman went to court Wednesday to challenge the constitutionality of a state law passed specifically to keep his wife alive.

Michael Schiavo contends his wife, Terri, who has been in a vegetative state for the past 13 years, would not have wanted her life prolonged by being hooked to a feeding tube. A state court agreed with him and allowed the removal of the life-sustaining device, but Florida lawmakers rushed through a special law last week empowering Gov. Jeb Bush to order the tube reinstated.

Schiavo's lawyer and the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit Wednesday against the Oct. 21 law in state court, claiming the measure — which Florida legal experts say has no known precedent — violates Terri Schiavo's right of privacy and is an unconstitutional intrusion on the authority of judges.

Howard Simon, executive director of ACLU of Florida, said this law sets an unsafe standard.

"This dangerous abuse of power by the governor and Florida lawmakers should concern everyone who may face difficult and agonizing decisions involving the medical condition of a family member," he said in a statement.

— compiled by Artika Rangan from L.A. Times and Washington Post wire reports

Wal-Mart arrests include Del.

BY MARTINE SADARANGANI
Staff Reporter

Raids of Wal-Mart stores nationwide resulted in the arrests of 245 contracted workers who were subsequently charged with illegal immigration Oct. 23.

The contracted workers were arrested from 61 different stores in 21 states, including Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, according to Lance Payne, spokesman for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Raids on store locations in New Castle and Seaford resulted in the combined arrests of 10 people, all of whom will now face removal proceedings before an immigration judge in Philadelphia within the next two to three months, Payne said.

The individual Delaware

store locations would not comment on the arrests.

Payne said raids on Maryland Wal-Mart stores resulted in the arrests of two individuals.

However, Pennsylvania and New Jersey raids saw a higher number of people taken into custody. Five people were arrested in Pennsylvania and thirteen in New Jersey.

Those arrested were not Wal-Mart employees but were hired by an outside contractor to do work for Wal-Mart, Payne said. He would not release the name of the contractor.

"All I can say about that is that those arrested where at Wal-Mart locations as part of the floor cleaning crew," he said.

Sharon Weber, spokeswoman for Wal-Mart headquarters, also said she could not provide the name of the contractor.

She said Wal-Mart uses

more than 100 third party contractors in more than 700 stores around the country.

No charges are currently being filed against Wal-Mart, which is initiating its own investigation into the matter, Weber said.

"Wal-Mart is trying to understand the scope and details of the ICE investigation," she said.

Part of that understanding, Weber said, will be the review of all of Wal-Mart's contractors to make sure every worker is in the United States legally.

"We were disturbed by the allegations," she said. "We require contractors to ensure that they only use legal workers."

Payne said illegally entering the United States or overstaying a U.S. visa both fall under federal administrative law violations. Therefore, individual

states are not involved in these types of arrests.

He said ICE, formerly the U.S. Immigration Service, conducted the raids under the umbrella organization of the Department of Homeland Security, which was formed last year.

Greg Gagne, spokesman for the Executive Office for Immigration Review, said cases concerning illegal aliens typically last for only a few months. However, each individual case is unique.

Gagne said the length of time a case stays open generally depends on the number of appeals it goes through.

"Some cases go very quickly, depending on what the person is exactly charged with and the place they are being tried," he said. "However, a case can stay open for, literally, years."

State election fees challenged

BY AMANDA PONKO
Staff Reporter

Steve Biener, former Delaware Congressional candidate, put Delaware's candidate filing fees under examination Tuesday morning in an attempt to appeal a decision made by the U.S. District Court.

Biener, who lost in the primaries last year against Rep. Michael N. Castle, R-Del., said he filed a federal lawsuit in July 2002, which challenged the state's requirement that all but the poorest candidates must pay a large filing fee in order to be put on a ballot.

Even though he lost this case, his appeal came before the Third District Court of Appeals Tuesday morning, where Biener argued the state-required election fee is unconstitutional.

During the writing of the Constitution, the founding fathers decided only property owners would be able to run for office, he said. Many of the men, including Benjamin Franklin, spoke out against this regulation.

"Essentially, [at this time] you have to pay the money, or have friends to pay to get on a ballot," Biener said. "I don't think the founding fathers would have agreed with that."

Many states do not have filing fees, he

said. In Delaware, a prospective candidate with an income as low as \$14,000 per year must pay \$9,000 to be on a senatorial ballot and \$3,000 to be on a representative ballot.

"Those are the highest filing fees in the United States," Biener said.

Only citizens with an income under \$13,000 per year qualify for exemption from the fee, he said, negatively impacting lower class individuals.

"I'm not sure anyone in that bracket has even attempted to qualify as a candidate," he said. "Basically, poor people don't try. It's a mechanism to exclude people."

Deputy Attorney General Drue Chichi said the state argued the filing payment is not a violation of the Constitution.

"There's nothing wrong with setting a fee," she said. "It is simply a qualification to be on the ballot, just like age or residency."

Biener was requested to give an extensive explanation of how the election law is unconstitutional during the appeals case, Chichi said. This intense scrutiny caused her to feel positive about the hearing.

"We believe we argued the case well," she said. "We trust the court will make the right decision."

Terry Strine, chairman of the Delaware State Committee of Delaware, said the party provides a waiver for qualified candidates, but has discretion over who receives it.

"I don't know if Steve Biener is legitimately needy," he said, "or if he simply chooses not to pay."

Biener said he feels optimistic about Tuesday's court session and is hopeful that a federal appeals court ruling will change current election laws.

"I feel confident," he said. "[The case] was much more intense than I expected. It was good to have our day in court."

The judges found the appeal so intriguing that they gave each side of the argument twice the normal amount of time permitted, Biener said. They took particular notice to a Pennsylvania federal appeals court ruling from September.

"There was a \$100 filing fee in Pennsylvania," he said. "The court determined it was too much when there was no other way to get on a ballot."

This is the first time anyone has challenged the Delaware filing fee laws, Biener said. The Delaware could make public officials take a closer look at electoral ballot policies.

THREE-DAY FORECAST



FRIDAY

Mostly sunny, highs in the 70s



SATURDAY

Mostly sunny, highs in the 70s



SUNDAY

Partly sunny, highs in the 60s

— courtesy of the National Weather Service

Police Reports

BURGLARY ON MATTHEW FLOCCO DRIVE

An unknown person broke into a residence on Matthew Flocco Drive and removed property between approximately 7:30 a.m. and 4:05 p.m. Tuesday, Newark Police said.

Cpl. William H. Hargrove said the unknown person pried open the rear sliding glass door and entered the residence.

Upon returning home, the residents found part of the house was ransacked, he said, and a DVD player and radio were missing.

The property removed was valued at approximately \$325, Hargrove said, and damages to the glass door were estimated at \$200.

There are no suspects at this

time, he said.

BOMB THREAT AT BOSTON MARKET

An unknown person called Boston Market restaurant on South College Avenue claiming he planted a bomb outside the building at approximately 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Hargrove said.

The man called the restaurant complaining that he had been a long-time frequent patron had been treated badly, he said.

Police were notified of the threat and inspected outside the building for a bomb, Hargrove said, but did not find anything.

There are no suspects at this time, he said.

VAN VANDALIZED

An unknown person spray-painted a van in a parking lot on John F. Campbell Drive between approximately 7 and 9 p.m. Monday, Hargrove said.

The owner of the van was inside The Pond, a skating rink, and noticed her vehicle had been vandalized when she went to leave, he said.

The graffiti bore the statement "CKY Bitch," Hargrove said, and damages were estimated at \$100.

There are no suspects at this time, he said.

— Megan Sullivan

Students seek texts overseas

BY MIKE ROSENBERG
Staff Reporter

Increasingly high textbook prices have prompted some U.S. students to search abroad for lower prices, according to an Oct. 21 article in *The New York Times*.

Despite this, many college students in the United States continue to purchase textbooks domestically at annually rising prices.

Laura Nakoneczny, spokeswoman for the National Association of College Stores, said since 1998 textbook prices have risen 35.1 percent in the United States, while other core products of the economy have risen only 5.4 percent.

"Basically textbook prices are outpacing other goods in the country," she said.

The NACS is engaged in an ongoing dialogue with higher education publishers in an effort to curb the cheaper international sales of such texts, Nakoneczny.

The organization believes students should be able to purchase required texts at the same rates as their foreign peers, she said. It is unfair that textbooks can be purchased overseas for half off the U.S. price or cheaper.

"If a book costs \$10 in an Indian market and \$23 in the U.S.," she said, "why is there a pricing discrepancy?"

Nakoneczny said in December 2002, NACS sent a letter to eight higher education publishers. The letter summarized the legal basis for the organization's concerns about the practice of selling textbooks to foreign wholesalers and distributors at prices significantly lower than those available to domestic wholesalers and distributors.

However, she said, the responses received from the publishers thus far have not been what it hoped for.

"Our board felt that the board

[of the Association of American Publishers] may have minimized our concerns," Nakoneczny said.

Cosmo Olivieri, University Bookstore liaison, said he is well aware of the steep pricing of textbooks.

Publishers sell textbooks at a net price, he said. The majority of bookstores in the United States are members of NACS and work between a 25 to 30 percent mark-up margin.

This is the industry standard for bookstore sales, regardless of whether it is Barnes & Noble or a privately owned business, Olivieri said. There is a lot of overhead that bookstores must account for, such as payroll, utilities and paying rent to the university.

He said when determining prices, publishers compare the markets of individual countries overseas and the United States. After evaluating the markets, they tend to agree that students in the United States are willing to pay more for the same textbooks.

Unfortunately, Olivieri said, textbook prices never decline.

"Textbooks are the one commodity in the U.S. that continue to rise [in cost]," he said.

Olivieri said he has noticed a negative reaction to the rising prices of textbooks among university students.

He said he has seen a trend in students thinking twice before buying required texts.

Stan Frost, owner of the Delaware Book Exchange, said he makes an effort to stock out for the best interests of students.

"A poor kid comes in and spends \$100 on a book," he said, "and really the percentage of that \$100 that we see may be only 20 percent."

Frost said he is also aware of



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Rising textbook prices have prompted some U.S. students to purchase books from less expensive overseas suppliers.

the trend of students who have strayed away from buying all their required texts.

Students often wait until midterms approach to purchase their required texts, he said. By that time, they may find their books are no longer available, because publishers only give bookstores a certain amount of time to return their stock.

Junior Jon Murray is one of the many students who have become frustrated with the high prices of textbooks.

"Every semester I spend hundreds of dollars on my books, making sure I have all the required texts I need," he said. "Then if I decide I may not need a certain book and I go to return it just after the cut off period, stores will hardly give me any of my money back."

"It's ridiculous," Frost said. "Although books are sold more cheaply overseas, students might be at risk of becoming

stuck with unwanted books if they decide to purchase them from other countries.

Because professors may assign specific material for specific classes on this campus, he said it may be harder to find that material overseas.

Junior Mike Vassar said buying his books overseas might not be worth the hassle.

"I was somewhat aware that textbooks were cheaper overseas because that's how it works for a lot of products," he said. "It pisses me off, but I think it would be too much of a process to order my books from another country."

Frost said there are a lot of complications in the overseas purchasing process.

"[Delaware Book Exchange] tries to offer what students need at the best possible prices," he said. "The grass is always greener on the other side, until you realize it's Astroturf."

Sexuality is genetic, study suggests

BY JAMIE EDMONDS
Copy Editor

According to a recent study conducted at the University of California, Los Angeles, a person's sexual identity can be found in their genes.

The study, published in the October issue of the *Journal of Molecular Brain Research*, found that 54 genes were produced by male and female embryonic mice well before sex organs and hormones.

Dr. Eric Vilain, assistant professor of human genetics and urology at the UCLA School of Medicine, said the findings could explain how sexual identity is ingrained in the brain, thereby refuting the belief that sexual identity and orientation are a choice.

"Since these genes are expressed before the secretion of hormones," he said, "it suggests that [sexual identity] is hard-wired into the brain."

These genes are substantial enough to possibly influence gender identity in humans, Vilain said.

"We are eventually going to look for these genes in transsexuals and homosexuals."

The 54 genes were produced in different amounts in male and female mice brains, he said.

Male and female brains differed in many ways, Vilain said. The two hemispheres in the female mouse brain were more symmetrical, which could help explain why in humans, women have enhanced verbal expressiveness and better communication skills.

This study is only the first in a series of many studies that

must be conducted before a conclusion is drawn, he said, but Vilain is hopeful for the future.

"It's in its very early stages," he said. "I just want to tone down the hype. Much more research is needed."

Dr. Joann Boughman, executive vice president of the American Society of Human Genetics, said she is not surprised with the findings of the study.

Boughman said men and women already have genes differentiating them from each other, so it would make sense that a person's preference for one or the other sex could be found in the genes as well.

"There is already a genetic basis for sexual differentiation in gender," she said. "The idea that genes are involved in sexual identity is something that we are just beginning to appreciate."

Mark Shields, spokesman for the Human Rights Campaign, a gay rights advocacy organization, said he is hopeful the study will shed new light to the theory that a person's sexual orientation is genetically based.

"There's going to be further research," he said, "but this is a good step in the right direction."

Although he supports any study of this nature, he said he believes the results of these studies should not make a difference in the treatment of human beings.

"The question of nature versus nurture shouldn't matter," he said. "Every American should be protected under the law, regardless of the person's sexual identity or orientation."



THE REVIEW/Jessica Sitkoff

Gamma Sigma Sigma's benefit concert raised money for HIV and AIDS affected children.

Sorority throws benefit

BY ERIN BILES
Administrative News Editor

A folksy singer-songwriter, hard rock group, eclectic disc jockey and smooth rap artist performed for an audience of 60 people Tuesday evening in Bacchus Theater.

The Fall 2003 Benefit Concert, sponsored by Gamma Sigma Sigma sorority, raised more than \$600 for Camp Dreamcatcher, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping children infected or affected by HIV or AIDS.

The show featured singer-songwriter Amanda Kaletsky, the band Huzzavox, DJ Roger Burris and solo rap artist Zorcerer, all of whom voiced their support for Camp Dreamcatcher throughout their performances.

Senior Kate Haney, benefit chairwoman for the sorority, said the money came not only from ticket sales, but also from a 50/50 raffle and private donations.

"I am very impressed with the people who made donations," she said. "We made around what we made last year, and we still have upcoming fundraisers."

Senior Kristine Flowers, public relations chairwoman for the sorority, said although the primary goal of the concert was to raise money for a charity, they also wanted to provide students with a variety of musical talents.

"We wanted to have something for everyone," she said.

Kaletsky, a senior, opened the performance, immediately encouraging audience members to come closer to the stage to create a more intimate setting.

"I feel isolated," she said. "That's the worst thing for an artist."

Switching from the acoustic guitar to a baby grand piano, Kaletsky performed a combination of original songs and covers from Lisa Loeb, The Pretenders and The Rolling Stones.

Kaletsky is also the president of the Golden Blues a capella group and a vocalist for the university steel drum band.

Camp Dreamcatcher representative Michele Dormer

followed Kaletsky's performance and spoke about the camp.

"We are the only therapeutic camp in the United States for children infected or affected by HIV and AIDS," she said. "You are making a difference tonight. The money raised will touch a child's life."

Dormer also emphasized that more than 150 children attended the weeklong camp in Pennsylvania last summer, costing more than \$100,000. The money raised by Gamma Sigma Sigma sorority will sponsor children from Delaware.

Dormer also took time to answer questions from the audience.

Performing next was the Philadelphia-based band Huzzavox, who, despite technical difficulties early in their set, rocked Bacchus Theater with complicated electric guitar riffs, pounding bass lines and heart-throbbing drums.

Flowers said the band has a large fan base in Philadelphia.

"We thought they should venture on out to Delaware," she said.

DJ Roger Burris provided a musical interlude in between performers, with tunes ranging from Bon Jovi to Christina Aguilera, Missy Elliot and Lil Kim.

Solo rap artist Zorcerer closed the show. His combination of slow, chill beats and rapid rhymes evoked wild applause from the dancing audience members.

Following his performance, he thanked everyone who influenced his career, the audience and the sorority for supporting him. He even announced an after-party in the Ivy Hall Apartments to the entire audience.

Sophomore Lauren Duddy said Zorcerer was her favorite act, but she thoroughly enjoyed the entire show.

"The whole show was really great," she said. "It was definitely something different. It was a really awesome idea for the charity and all of the acts were great."

University farm prepares for hayride

BY JESSICA THOMPSON
Student Affairs Editor

The University farm on South campus has been turned into a series of horror movie sets as part of the Animal Science Club and Alpha Zeta agriculture fraternity's third annual Haunted Hayride.

Tonight and tomorrow night, members of the campus community can ride on hay wagons leaving from behind Townsend Hall and make their way through the 20-minute haunted route.

Junior Jen Cascarino, president of the Animal Science Club, said there will be 10 stations set up along the route, each with the theme of a scary movie from "Carrie" to "The Ring" to "Freddie vs. Jason."

For her station, which is based on "Carrie," she said she is planning to have a prom scene.

She went to Goodwill and bought gross old prom dresses for the occasion, she said. "I don't want to give too much away, though," Cascarino said.

She said they will be playing soundtracks of all of the movie themes on the hay wagons as they follow the route of the ride to add to the fright factor.

Cascarino said they plan to have hot chocolate and cookies for people getting on and off of the ride.

For the first half hour of each night, she said, families can bring smaller children to ride along.

"We'll be dressed up, but no one will be jumping out. We'll probably be handing out candy," she said. "We won't be trying to scare anybody then."

Junior Brooke Bacas, historian for the group, said the event is a good way to get into the Halloween spirit.

"When family-time is over, it will get crazy," she said. "Then we'll be running out and scaring them."

Cascarino said there will be two hay wagons to take people through the farm, and she is hoping many students attend.

"Last year it rained the first two nights we had it," she said. "We still had a good turnout, though."

Cascarino said the group members are hoping to be more successful this year because they are better organized, and they hope to raise approximately \$2,000.

The money raised will be split between the two organizations, and the Animal Science Club will use its profits to help send members to its national convention held in San Antonio, Texas in February.

Bacas said the group is hoping to do well, as this is its big fundraising event of the Fall Semester and the usual spring fundraiser will occur after nationals.

She said the club would like to send as many members as possible to Texas for the conference.

Bacas said it does get a little chilly while the members are waiting for the wagons to come by, but they enjoy it.

"It's a good precursor for everybody to the night's activities," she said.

Junior Kathleen Pennington, vice president of the club, said anyone who comes in a costume on Halloween night will get \$1 off of the \$5 fee.

Cascarino said overall it is an enjoyable event and the members have fun scaring people on the ride.

"You should come out to it before you go out on Halloween," she said. "Come out and get scared."



THE REVIEW/Doug Shields

The university farm on South campus will host the third annual Haunted Hayride tonight and Saturday night. Tickets are \$5, \$4 for those in costume.

Speaker urges students to find their true calling

BY BENJAMIN ANDERSEN

Staff Reporter

An author, motivational speaker and television personality taught 70 people how to find their passion and to real world success Wednesday night in Purnell Hall.

Darrell "Coach D" Andrews said passion is necessary for anyone to enjoy his or her career.

"If you're going to spend three quarters of your life in the workplace, you need to find something that you love to do," he said.

Andrews presented the audience with a Conference Board job satisfaction study, which showed that 60 percent of people are unhappy with their job.

Using himself as an example, Andrews told the audience how he gave up a six-figure salary with a Fortune 500 company after realizing his passion was motivating people.

He said he coined the phrase, "Thank God it's Monday," because he views every day at work as a new opportunity to challenge himself.

Andrews proved his passion throughout the presentation, energetically slapping high fives with audience members and amusing them with his dry wit.

At one point, as he took off his suit jacket, a cry of "take it off" echoed through the room.

"Don't look at me like that," he said. "I'm a married man."

Andrews used many stories inspired by celebrities to motivate the audience. He told the audience about a young Earvin "Magic" Johnson, who aspired not only to be a professional basketball player, but also a businessman.

Andrews explained how Johnson cleaned office buildings on weekends when he was young. Johnson would sit in the boss' office and imagine giving orders.

He also emphasized that passionate individuals often go to extreme lengths to live their dreams.

"You don't care what people think," Andrews said. "You don't care what people say."

The Wright brothers were another famous example Andrews used.

He said the idea of the airplane was so foreign to people at the time, the Wrights were almost put into a mental institution.

Their passion, however, enabled them to fight criticism and become historically famous, he said.

Andrews later challenged the audience to search for their passion by hypothetically eliminating the monetary obstacles and imagine what they would do if



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Motivational speaker "Coach D" Andrews cites Magic Johnson and the Wright Brothers as examples of individuals whose dedication and perseverance brought them success.

they had all the money in the world.

The responses ranged from the practical, starting a business, to the improbable, giving the money away.

Andrews has published a book titled "How To Find Your Passion and Make a Living at It." He is also a regular guest on television channel CN8's show "Your Morning."

Joyce Henderson, assistant director of the Career Services Center, said the presentation was important because there are many freshmen and sophomores who remain undecided and are unsure of what they want to do with their education.

"She said, 'This will help toward individuals who want to be energized and ignited,'" she said. "This will help them find out what they want to do with their life."

Senior Kindra Yancey said she came because she wants to have a career she loves.

"Discovering my passion has been something I've been trying to do for the past three to four years," she said.

The aspiring entrepreneur said she enjoyed Andrews' speech.

"He's very motivational," Yancey said. "He has his own pizzazz."

'Mock' steroids under fire

BY GRETA KNAPP

Staff Reporter

Senators Joseph R. Biden, Jr., D-Del. and Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah introduced legislation Oct. 24 to ban "steroid precursors," over-the-counter "mock steroids" that metastabed into the actual drug when ingested.

Adam Elggren, spokesman for Hatch, said the bill also calls for a \$15 million grant to educate young adults on steroid abuse.

"Sometimes you can't control through even the heaviest regulations," he said. "People will still get their hands on [the steroids]. That's why we want to educate as well as regulate."

The senators proposed the bill in response to evidence indicating that precursor steroids may cause serious health effects, Elggren said, such as permanently stunted growth and sex organ changes.

"There is a lack of information about how dangerous these [precursor steroids] are," he said. "People think taking them will boost strength and it is no big deal, but there are some pretty serious dangers involved."

Marcia Lee, a member of Biden's drug policy staff, said the senator's main concern regards precursor steroids' easy accessibility.

"When kids go into a store and purchase these, they don't know what they are getting into," she said. "Sen. Biden feels they shouldn't be able to go into a store and buy stuff this dangerous."

Lee said surveys done by Blue Cross Blue Shield, a health insurance company, show more than one million young adults have already used some form of performance-enhancing substance, and 4 percent of high school seniors use illegal steroids.

Steroid precursors are just as detrimental to health as illegal steroids, she said, because the two drugs are essentially the same substance.

Regular steroids are banned under the Anabolic Steroid Control Act of 1990, Lee said.

Because steroid precursors are approved by the Food and Drug Administration, she said, they do not fall under this restriction and can be legally purchased. Precursor steroids are manufactured to replace illegal steroids and are marketed directly as legal steroids.

Elggren said in order to prevent similar loopholes in steroid legislation from reoccurring, the aim of the Anabolic Steroid Control Act of 2003 is to ban precursor steroids and broaden the definition of a steroid. This would make it easier to add similar drugs to the list of controlled substances.

Michael Higgins, assistant athletic trainer and professor of health and exercise sciences, said "Andro," a popular precursor steroid designed to increase lean body mass, might not be as effective as it appears.

"There's some research that says it works and some that says it doesn't," he said, "but you have to be careful when you take it."

Kay Hawes, associate director of media relations at the National Collegiate Athletic Association said the NCAA currently bans university athletes from using precursor steroids.

University athletes are subject to yearly and random steroid testing, she said. Students found using either steroids or precursor steroids lose a year of eligibility in their sport.

"All steroids and related compounds are banned by the NCAA as performance-enhancing," Hawes said. "They have the exact same penalty."

Lee said although the bill has just been proposed, a significant number of athletic and non-athletic organizations, such as the National Football League, Boys and Girls Club and Major League Baseball have already announced their support.

Former professor to speak at UD

BY KATIE GRASSO AND ERIN BILES

Administrative News Editors

Tuskegee airman, Black Power movement activist, fugitive negotiator, Philadelphia Daily News columnist and former university professor Chuck Stone will be addressing conservative verses liberal political ideology next week at the university.

Stone said his lecture, scheduled to be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday in 127 Memorial Hall, will focus on the Patriot Act, President George W. Bush's actions in Iraq and other issues affecting politics.

Stone began a career influencing politics as a special assistant to former congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. in the 1960s.

English professor and Stone biographer Dennis Jackson said Stone had an enormous influence on Powell's political ideas as well as on the Black Power movement.

"To Stone, the Black Power movement meant to be self-reliant," he said, "and don't wait for handouts."

His influence on this movement was strengthened by the publication of three books on politics: "Tell It Like It Is" (1968), "Black Political Power in America" (1969) and "King Strut" (1970).

Stone was editor of three powerful black newspapers: the New York Age, the Washington Afro-American and the Chicago Daily Defender over a period of five years before becoming the director of minority affairs at the Educational Testing System.

His work led to the creation of minority studies as a subject in institutions across the country, Jackson said, and had an effect on the mentality of

blacks in the country.

In 1972, Stone worked for the Philadelphia Daily News as a columnist and senior editor, Jackson said. His militant and powerful columns had tremendous political influence in Philadelphia.

Stone said he attacked the issues facing Philadelphia at the time, including police brutality, to try to help people.

"I wrote about the injustice of the criminal justice system," he said.

Stone is recognized for analyzing and criticizing the work of former Philadelphia mayors Frank Rizzo and Ed Rendell, as well as the city's first black mayor, Wilson Goode.

For Stone, Jackson said, race did not matter when he criticized political leaders.

"He was an equal opportunity ass-kicker," Jackson said.

Shaun Mullen, Stone's editor at the Philadelphia Daily News, said Stone

wrote and covered what he wanted for his column.

"Even the best columnist needs an editor," Mullen said, "and I filled those shoes."

Mullen worked on and off with Stone until his retirement from the newspaper in 1991.

"Chuck is an extremely energetic person," he said. "It was an honor and privilege to work with him."

He was a tireless advocate for what he believed we should all embrace: the freedom to be who we are regardless of race and gender."

Stone worked as a professor of English at the university from 1983 to

1991, was awarded an Excellence in Teaching Award in 1989 and was given the Medal of Distinction in 2000.

Stone said he was offered a position to teach at the university and took the job while continuing to write about

Philadelphia politics.

"I wanted to teach, so I commuted to Delaware [from Philadelphia] twice a week," he said.

Jackson said Stone was always willing to put in extra time for his students despite writing five columns per week for the Philadelphia Daily News.

"Our [students] never asked him to participate in something and he didn't do it," Jackson said. "He made our students feel like they could do anything."

"We still miss his energy and charisma," he said.

Stone also served as a negotiator for black fugitives who showed up on his doorstep pleading police brutality if they surrendered.

Jackson said police avoided a verbal attack in his column, and fugitives were guaranteed a safe surrender.

Jackson said he can recall several times when Stone would not show up for class and then be seen on the evening news negotiating a bank robbery.

"We would ask ourselves, 'does that count as an excused absence?'" he said.

Stone is now the Walter Spearman Professor of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of North Carolina.

During the lecture, Stone will be signing his first children's book, "Squizzly the Black Squirrel."

Mullen said the book, illustrated by Newark artist Jeannie Jackson, is geared toward children ages 5 to 9, but can be for people of all ages.

"It's a wonderful, simple and beautifully told story," he said, "and Jeannie Jackson's paintings are beautiful."



Courtesy of Dennis Jackson

Journalist and former university professor Chuck Stone will visit the university to discuss politics Monday.

Gays can overcome athletic stigma

BY JONATHAN CASILLI

Staff Reporter

Despite the stigma attached to homosexuality in sports, gays and lesbians should be able to find acceptance in athletics, according to a lecture held Wednesday night in Gore Hall.

Approximately 40 students and faculty attended the event sponsored by the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender department.

Speaker Roz Cuarto used the Gay Games as a model for how sports can be used as a vehicle to change the way gays and lesbians feel about themselves.

Created in 1982 by Tom Waddell, she said the Gay Games allow people from all over the world to compete in games similar to the Olympics.

Cuarto said there is expected to be more than 20,000 athletes in the 2006 Gay Games in Montreal.

Cuarto said she has participated in this once-every-four-year event since its inception in 1982 and partially ran the event in 1994. "I played softball in the first Gay Games in which 1,600 people took part," she said.

Cuarto said Gay Games' goals are to inspire participation, inclusion and the pursuit of one's best effort while not being limited by sexuality.

"Anyone can be part of Gay Games," she said.

Cuarto's discussion centered on her experience with sports and sexuality.

"Sports helped me to come out of my shell of sexuality," she said. "It helped me get friends and not feel different."

Cuarto said she feels gays and lesbians in sports still have difficulty being who they are because of a fear of rejection.

"People lose sight of how difficult it still really is for some gays and lesbians," she said.

Cuarto said she thinks students need to know how gays and lesbians are treated in society.

"I think it's important for youth today to understand the way things were and understand what happens outside their own environment," she said.

Cuarto also said Gay Games can help improve a person's self image by making them feel like they are part of a group.

"The camaraderie of playing sports and group solidarity alone makes a person feel more accepted," she said. "I know I felt as if I was a softball player when I was playing, not a lesbian."

Cuarto said her other goal was to reach people who were not aware of the issue of sexuality in sports.

"I would hope that non-gay and lesbian students who might not have thought about the issue will be open to it," she said. "I think that in a time where it's much more acceptable to be gay, people lose sight of how it's not so easy to be out and who you are."

Kristen Shrewsbury, a graduate assistant in the affirmative action/multicultural progress department, said she thinks this discussion helped educate students and alleviate their fears.

"I enjoyed her point about the fear of athletes because of their sexuality," she said.

Senior Dana Lohr attended this discussion because of a class requirement, but said she found information presented by Cuarto to be interesting.

"I think that it's great that they can go to the Gay Games and be who they are," she said, "and not worry about what other people think of them."



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Roz Cuarto, athlete and partial coordinator of the Gay Games, encourages gays and lesbians to overcome the biases prevalent in the sports community.

Students organize AIDS benefit concert

BY JAMIE EDMONDS

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Students involved in a leadership class this semester will host a Deltones concert Nov. 11 to benefit local residents suffering from AIDS.

Each semester, students in Leadership in Organizations (CNST 404) must complete a community service project. This year, the class has chosen to address the problem of AIDS and HIV.

The class will do a two-hour concert from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Trabant University Center and sponsor a personal products drive for Delaware AIDS patients.

The students will also provide information on the disease and how to prevent it.

Junior Nick Riordan, a member of the class, said the class chose to highlight AIDS because there are many people in Delaware infected with the fatal disease.

"Delaware has a very high AIDS population, compared to the size of the state," he said. "We felt we could all come together and raise awareness within the community."

The students' first challenge was to choose a way to present their information to the university and its students, Riordan said. "We weren't sure how we

were going to get our message across," he said. "We

decided a concert would be a way to bring people out, as well as provide them with entertainment."

The class has enlisted the help of the Deltones, a co-ed a capella group on campus.

Senior Chris Peters, a member of the group,

said the Deltones are excited to help support this worthy cause.

"As a group, we try to do as much as we can in the community," he said. "We enjoy using what we have to

help others."

During their performance, Peters said, the group plans to sing an array of songs covering bands ranging from Third Eye Blind to the Foo Fighters.

Riordan said the class came up with a creative and productive way for students to gain admittance into the event.

"To get into the concert you must bring a personal product for the drive," he said. "Anything will do, from toothpaste and toothbrushes to toilet paper."

The products will be distributed to the community through AIDS Delaware, Riordan said. Wanda Jenkins, case man-

agement technician for AIDS Delaware, said she is thankful the students chose the organization for their project.

"We get our food from our clients from the food bank," she said, "but we just don't have the resources to provide personal products as well."

Jenkins said anything students donate will be a big help to someone less fortunate.

"This is a good thing they are doing for the month of November," she said. "Christmas is perfect — our clients will have the products they need."

"They will be able to start out the year clean," she said.

"Delaware has a very high AIDS population, compared to the size of the state."

— Junior Nick Riordan

Music students prep for career search

BY SCOTT JONES

Staff Reporter

Along with good interview and writing skills, having a sense of what one wants are keys to getting the right job, said the president of the Delaware Music Educators Association in a speech Wednesday night.

Tom Alderson explained to 30 music education majors at the Amy E. du Pont Music Building that when looking for jobs, students should pursue their passion and know what they are and are not willing to do.

"Many times in life we make decisions that we are sorry about later on," he said. "So I suggest you find a situation that betters you."

Alderson, who is also the supervisor for Arts and Enrichment for the Brandywine school district, said the first impression students make on prospective employers comes from their cover letters and resumes.

"You have to be able to write well, because that's the first way I get to know you," he said. "The public sees your written work, so it's important."

Alderson, whose job as president involves hiring music educators, encouraged the audience to participate

in mock interviews that simulated real-life situations with more than one interviewer.

"Not very often will you find yourself in a one-on-one interview," he said.

Senior Julius Brown, group historian for the university's Music Educators National Conference, volunteered to perform a mock interview with five other audience members.

Senior Lisa Knorr, president of MENC, said the mock interviews taught her how important it is for interviewees to know how to interact with different personalities.

"Be prepared to appeal to all types of personalities you might encounter at an interview," she said, "because their personalities might affect your own."

Alderson said it is important to be conservative and conscious of one's appearance at interviews.

"You can't go into an interview looking like you've got on the clothes you woke up with," he said.

Alderson also warned that when an interview seems like it is over, sometimes it is not.

"Be as professional outside of that interview situation as you are inside of

that interview situation," he said. "Look interviewers in the eye and be confident."

"But don't be too cool. Cockiness just doesn't make it."

Senior Beth Tullo said she thinks this experience will help her in the future.

"When it comes to applying for jobs," she said, "this will help me get ahead of the field."

Senior Danielle Ingram, secretary for MENC, said she gained a greater sense of what to expect at an interview for a real job.

"Now I can prepare myself ahead



THE REVIEW/Pat Toohey

Tom Alderson, president of the Delaware Music Educators Association, coaches music students on their approach to job interviews.

of time," she said.

The MENC, an organization that helps music education majors, sponsored Alderson's speech.

British better at finding cancer

BY KELLY MCHUGH

Staff Reporter

British doctors are more precise than American doctors at detecting breast cancer by mammograms, according to a study published in the Oct. 22 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Rebecca Smith-Bindman, a radiologist at the University of California — San Francisco who conducted the study, said the trend has come as a surprise since American doctors tend to follow up with patients with a second visit more often than British doctors.

However, Smith-Bindman said, British doctors are trained to be more effective the first time, whereas American doctors are trained more on the technical side of mammograms.

When a doctor is unsure about the results of a mammogram, she said, the doctor usually performs a biopsy.

American doctors conduct biopsies more often than their British counterparts, Smith-Bindman said. In addition, American biopsies tend to be much more invasive and require surgery, while British doctors use a simplified procedure.

These differences, she said, highlight the increased fear of malpractice lawsuits in American doctors.

"Malpractice is absolutely a factor," she said. "Malpractice suits are only in their infancy in Britain, so doctors feel less constrained."

Smith-Bindman said missed detection of breast cancer is a leading cause of malpractice lawsuits in the United States. She said she does not see call backs as a double check; rather she views them as an unnecessarily stressful event for patients, which could be prevented with better training.

Todd Sullivan, spokesman for the American Cancer Society, said although they may not be perfect, mammograms are still the best way to detect breast cancer.

Once a woman turns 40, he said, she should have a mammogram every year, especially if there is a history of cancer in her family.

Sullivan said annual mammograms are absolutely essential for early detection.

"If [cancer is] found within a year, the survival rates are absolutely good," he said.

Laurie Weaver, program director of Young Survivors in Action, said YSA, which is part of the Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition, provides sensitivity training to doctors and programs to educate doctors about effective mammograms and early detection.

She said one of the goals of her program is to make doctors more aware of the importance of breast cancer detection. Many doctors are not conscious of the possibility of breast cancer in young women.

Weaver said she has encountered breast cancer in women as young as 15. When a teen-ager goes to a doctor with pains or a lump in her breast, the doctor will often dismiss the problem, believing the woman is too young to have breast cancer.

YSA and the DBBC stress the need for both doctors and patients to realize the effectiveness of early detection, she said.

"We don't use the word prevention," Weaver said. "You can only have early detection."

Smith-Bindman said she agrees that mammogram education is essential, but the goal should be more effective mammograms.

"The bottom line is calling back more women doesn't find more cancer," Smith-Bindman said.

Motiva faces fine for May malfunction

BY JILL SCHWARTZ

Staff Reporter

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control announced Oct. 23 that Motiva Enterprises LLC will face a \$120,000 penalty in response to a malfunction on May 4, 2003 at the Motiva oil refining facility in Delaware City.

Melinda Carl, DNREC spokeswoman, said in addition to leaking more than 22,000 gallons of sulfuric acid, contaminating the on-site wastewater treatment plant and the area surrounding Motiva's fresh sulfuric acid tank, nearly 15,000 gallons of isobutene gas were released as air emissions during the May 2003 tank malfunction.

The air emission finding came after Motiva conducted their own air-monitoring test on July 1, 2003.

Despite the leak and unapproved emissions, Carl said there was no observable environmental damage.

Nonetheless, the department is hoping to

enforce the \$120,000 penalty for several reasons, including the company's inadequate mechanical maintenance and failure to provide risk management.

Motiva must pay the penalty or request a public hearing within 30 days of the Oct. 23 announcement. Spiros Mantzavinos of Motiva's Refinery External Affairs said the company has not yet decided how to handle the DNREC fine.

"As of this moment, there is no determination about the fine or whether we plan to appeal," he said.

Mantzavinos said the company plans to reduce air emissions 2006. Nitrogen oxide and sulfur dioxide emissions will be cut with the use of new technologies.

Alan Muller, executive director of Green Delaware, said he disagrees with DNREC's claim that no environmental damage occurred.

He also said that while the fine carries weight,

coming from DNREC, it poses a minimal financial threat to the company.

"[The fine] is no big deal," he said.

He said long-term risks for Delaware include contaminated water supplies and deluged air, which can cause high rates of bronchitis, heart disease, cancer and childhood asthma cases.

Michelle Reardon, spokeswoman for the DuPont Company, which has proposed to build a brand-new replacement facility on the site, said there are strict environmental standards there.

"We will operate as a DuPont facility, independent of Motiva," she said, "and we will need to meet DuPont safety regulations, which are more stringent than current federal or state regulation requirements."

Lecture explores subconscious prejudice

BY ANNIE BALDIRIDGE

Staff Reporter

Psychology professor and published writer Sam Gaertner encouraged students to examine the many facets of prejudice still facing society Wednesday in Gore Hall.

His speech, "Prejudice Without Intention" explained how group dynamics in society and social norms sometimes cause prejudice.

"Inter-group conflict and racism has existed for so long," he said, "it's easy to realize why people have these biases."

Gaertner described cases in which people demonstrated prejudiced behavior without realizing it.

"It is like high blood pressure," he said. "You don't know you have it."

He highlighted two experiments that analyzed people's behavior when they were put in situations where the social norms were ambiguous.

In one experiment, Gaertner's research group consisted of black and white men and women who made phone calls to see how people would react to their racially specific voices.

The study found that white people from both liberal and conservative backgrounds had the same tendency to prematurely

hang up on black callers more often than white callers.

In his second experiment, Gaertner's aim was to see how people, both individually and in groups, reacted to black and white victims in emergency situations.

"It is like high blood pressure. You don't know you have it."

— Sam Gaertner, university psychology professor, on subconscious prejudiced behavior

He found that people were just as likely to help black victims as white victims when faced with an emergency alone.

However, when in a group,



THE REVIEW/Jessica Sitkoff

University professor Sam Gaertner argues that many people inadvertently behave in prejudiced ways when they are in situations with ambiguous social norms.

School violence rates down

BY ADAM DONNELLY

Staff Reporter

A study released last week by the Bureau of Justice Statistics and the National Center for Education Statistics found that public school crime has decreased between 1995 and 2001.

Michael Rand, chief of victimization statistics at the BJS, said in 1995 there were 50 violent crimes for every 1,000 students, and in 2001 that crime rate was cut in half, rendering 25 violent crimes for every 1,000 students.

Between 1992 and 1998, the total rate for nonfatal victimization of students had declined as well, he said.

Rand said the BJS and NCES have performed this study every year since 1998.

Kathryn Chandler, the school crime liaison for the BJS, said a report produced from the study reveals 19 indicators of school crime and offers safety methods to counteract the crimes.

Despite these findings, Rand said the study could not pinpoint specific reasons why crime in schools is on the decline.

What the BJS did discover was a relationship between school crime and national crime, he said.

"It was a striking find," Rand said, "to discover that the decrease in national crime parallels school crime."

Individual and family studies professor Donald Unger, an expert in adolescence psychology, said there are many factors that can cause a child to act violently in schools.

A child could be feeling stress as a result of family issues, from peers or from learning difficulties while at school, he said.

Unger said the decrease in school crimes could be attributed to an increased awareness surrounding school violence.

Events such as the Columbine High School shootings in Littleton, Colo. in 1999 have caused schools to become more aware of crimes and violence, he said.

Chandler said the NCES released a second report based on their studies that surveyed violence in public schools focusing on school safety from the perspective of the schools' principals.

Principals were surveyed about the amount of crime and violence that occurs at their schools, she said, as well as disciplinary actions that are taken to prevent crime.

Chandler said the report focuses on violence in public schools during the 1999-2000 school year.

Unger said since the Columbine High School shootings, some schools may take these displays of violence more seriously.

Schools have increased their awareness of school crime, he said, and are now prepared to respond quickly and effectively.

If a child acts violently and jeopardizes the safety of other students even once, Unger said, this could result in suspension or expulsion.

Alpha Phi sponsors Beach volleyball tourney

BY JESSICA THOMPSON

Student Affairs Editor

The Harrington Beach will be taken over by members of Alpha Phi sorority Nov. 9 as they host their 11th Annual Beach Volleyball Tournament.

Junior Julia Eslinger, director of philanthropy, said organizations within Greek Life and other student groups are in the process of putting teams of five or more people together to play in the tournament.

She said Kappa Sigma fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and Alpha Epsilon Phi sorority have all signed up and other groups have expressed interest.

While the majority of the groups who have participated in past years have been Greek, Eslinger said, everyone is encouraged to participate.

"We would love it if other groups got involved," she said. "It tends to be a mostly Greek event, but other groups

are definitely welcome."

Junior Christa Pantelides, vice president of marketing, said a new addition to this year's tournament is sponsorship from Pita Pit, which will donate 200 pitas on the day of the event.

On the Thursday before, Pita Pit will also be donating 10 percent of its proceeds from that day to the Alpha Phi foundation for Cardiac Care, the sorority's national philanthropy, she said.

Junior Ariel Witzemberger, president of Alpha Phi, said all of the proceeds the group raises will go to this cause.

"Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women," she said.

"Our annual volleyball tournament is a great way to raise money for such a worthy cause," Witzemberger said. "It gives the entire Greek community a chance to get together and have some fun."

Pantelides said in addition to the

proceeds from Pita Pit, there will be a \$25 entry fee required from each team that participates. Also, the sorority is having a raffle, in which students from all over campus can enter and potentially win a variety of prizes from various Newark businesses.

"We try to get the local community involved and community businesses make donations or give away prizes," she said. "Usually the prizes are from hair salons, for gym memberships, nails and tanning and food."

Eslinger said members of the sorority have started selling tickets and will be in the dining halls, the student centers and around campus.

Pantelides said the sorority beat its goal last year for the amount of money it was able to raise and are hoping to do the same this year.

"Our national [organization] set a goal of \$2,300 for this year," she said. "We are hoping to beat even that."

Eslinger said also new to the tournament this year is live music performed by the band Kenin which has performed at various colleges in the area as well as in Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

"We're excited about Pita Pit and the new band," Eslinger said. "Usually we have a DJ."

"Hopefully we can start to make these two things a tradition for future years," she said.

Pantelides said the event will last into the afternoon and the members of the sorority will be officiating the games in a non-biased fashion.

"Overall it's a super fun day," she said.

Eslinger said the sorority is hoping for nice weather and, with all that is planned, is hoping to attract various members of the campus to the Beach.

"It's a fun day with everybody outside," she said.

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Restaurants may provide nutrition info

BY ALI CHEESEMAN
Staff Reporter

The Food and Drug Administration and the National Institute of Health met Oct. 23 to discuss ways to remedy the nation's obesity problem.

Although nothing has been decided yet, the FDA may compel restaurants to print nutritional information for each menu item.

By law, all store-bought food items are required to have nutrition labels printed on the package, but the FDA has not yet required restaurants to follow suit.

An FDA spokesman said as early as next year, the FDA could release strong recommendations for restaurants to include the nutritional facts on the menus.

For large chain restaurants, compiling and providing nutritional facts would be fairly easy because of their standardized menu, he said. It would be signifi-

cantly harder for small, local restaurants.

"Right now, we are flushing out what we want to do," he said.

Obesity is a growing problem for the nation, the spokesman said. There is no way to address the issue without working with the restaurant industry.

Carrie Leishman, president and CEO of the Delaware Restaurant Association, said in general it would be very difficult for the restaurant industry to label its menus with nutrition information.

"It's not like a box of cookies you produce every day," she said.

Elizabeth Dryer, general manager of Homegrown on East Main Street, said although it would be difficult to find out the nutrition information to supply to consumers, she feels the idea has the potential to benefit society.

Dryer said Homegrown does

not aim for a low-fat menu, but provides fresh ingredients for homemade foods and dressings.

However, even if the FDA makes recommendations, she said, the decision to provide nutrition information to customers will ultimately remain up to restaurant owners.

Hotel, restaurant and institutional management professor

Robert Nelson said the National Restaurant Association opposes such recommendations because it reveals too much information to customers and chefs' specials at upscale establishments change daily.

The FDA spokesman said so far the FDA has postponed making decisions, but they will continue meeting with other organizations in

order to find the best way to combat obesity in the United States.

Nelson said people are looking for a target or scapegoat in combating America's obesity problem.

"Everybody talks about lean cuisine," he said. "What people say and what they do are two completely different things. When they go out, it's a treat."

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Editorial

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Iraq

Six months ago, President George W. Bush declared an end to major hostilities in Iraq — a declaration that was apparently meaningless.

More U.S. soldiers have died in the time since hostilities have "ended" than during the actual war in Iraq.

Obviously, hostilities haven't quite ended yet.

Hopefully the situation in Iraq will open the eyes of the Bush administration to the failures of its policies toward the nation.

The United States is attempting to rebuild the infrastructure of Iraq when the blame for the disarray of the nation rests on the shoulders of the U.S. government.

The United States levied economic sanctions on the country during Saddam Hussein's reign, then bombed it to smithereens during the war.

It's no wonder the U.S. military has not been able to stabilize Iraq. The Bush administration needs to realize that it can't rebuild Iraq as speedily as it destroyed it.

Work also needs to be done to cultivate a better relationship with the Iraqi people. Bush needs to comprehend that some Iraqis hate American influence just as much they hated Saddam Hussein.

If the government isn't careful, the war in Iraq could become the worst course of foreign policy since Vietnam.

Review This:

The Bush administration's policies in Iraq are not working.

Election Fees

Don't bother running for the U.S. Congress in Delaware unless you have at least a platinum credit card.

Delaware has the highest candidacy filing fees to run for Congress in the country.

The fee for the Senate is \$9,000, and the fee for the House is \$3,000.

A candidate must pay this fee just to appear on the ballot.

The fact that these fees still exist is utterly ridiculous.

One problem is the fees are entirely arbitrary.

The money goes to the State, and there is no reason

for why they are so high.

The biggest problem is election fees are contradictory to American democracy.

Review This:

Election fees should be outlawed in the interest of democracy.

Anyone in this country should be allowed to run for office without economic constraints. These fees exclude a portion of the population from running for federal office.

They are an anachronism that should be tossed away. All people should have equal access to appearing on a ballot, and money should not be a factor.

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Letters to the Editor

Firearms cannot be blamed for the actions of criminals

I was disappointed to read the front-page article on Tuesday's paper entitled "Gun policy forum held," in which, only the anti-gun viewpoint was expressed.

No mention was made of the ability of a firearm to protect innocent life, or of the use of firearms for recreation or hunting.

I am concerned about the attitude of the speakers, claiming that reducing the number of guns will make America safer.

If the claim is true, why are Chicago and Washington, D.C. two of the most crime-infested areas of our nation, when those two cities have the strictest gun control, including a total ban on the purchase and unregistered possession of handguns?

Criminals are, by definition, law-breakers. If they will not obey the law and refrain from assaulting, raping, killing and otherwise destroying innocent lives, how can they be expected to follow a new law restricting the ownership of firearms?

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Marching band practice will not be bothersome

This is in response to Erin O'Dea's letter to the editor, "Marching Band will impede on club sports practice" in the Oct. 28 issue.

First of all, the marching band will not be "impeding" on club sports practices near as much as O'Dea would like to think.

The marching band rehearses from 4 to 6 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and in the mornings or afternoons on Saturdays when there are home games.

Also, the field in question will not be exclusively for marching band use. It is free territory, provided that the marching band is not currently on the field.

Besides, many marching band members play club sports, in fact, we probably have at least one member in every club sport; how do the teams practice when some of their members are at band rehearsal?

Next, the claim that "...no one will ever want to live on South Main..." is not entirely true.

Around the current practice field for the marching band, there are on the University

Gardens apartment complex, Conover Apartments complex, and the Rodney and Dickinson residence halls. There are residents in some of these complexes that are annoyed by the marching band's early morning Saturday rehearsals, but for the most part are not bothered by the weekday rehearsals.

This is partly because our rehearsals are during prime dinner hours.

This lack of annoyance is also due to the fact that many people realize they move to these places that the marching band rehearses in their backyard and decide not to live there.

Most of the residents in University Gardens are either music majors or marching band members.

This same effect will probably happen with the South Green residence halls, many people moving into them will be marching band members, so at least someone will want to live on South Green.

Just be thankful that the university is not putting a parking garage in your backyard like they are doing to the University Gardens and Conover residents.

The noise of a parking garage is far worse than that of a marching band that rehearses two hours per day, but that's an entirely different issue.

So here is my suggestion for O'Dea and anyone else worried about their practice space. During the hours of 4 to 6 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, find something else to do. Go to dinner, take a walk, or better yet, realize that the university has one of the best — if not the best — marching band programs on the east coast, so go to Academy Field, sit back and enjoy the show.

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The Bible gives arguments against homosexuality

I would like to respond to the article "Church prepares for gay bishop" that appeared in the Oct. 24 issue.

In it, Rev. Jay Angerer of the Episcopal campus ministry was quoted as saying "We can't use scripture to explain that homosexuality is wrong. The Bible never addresses loving homosexual relationships."

This is a blatantly fallacious statement. In at least three places the Bible clearly states that homosexuality is sinful. In fact,

it is described as both "detestable" (Leviticus 18:22/ 20:13) and "unnatural" (Romans 1:21 - 27).

I have often heard interpretations of these verses from the gay community that attempt to explain their meaning away.

However, when the scriptures are examined in the original languages (Hebrew and Greek respectively) and within the context of the rest of the passages around them, there can be no mistake: the teachings of the Bible clearly identify homosexuality as sinful and therefore, by definition, in contrast with the desires of God.

I would also like to take issue with the underlying sentiment of the article. Throughout the short piece, it seemed as though the author was stressing that those who oppose the homosexual bishop are intolerant, ignorant jerks.

This is not the case. We are simply people who hold to the teachings of the Bible and have a proper definition of what the word tolerant means.

In our morally relativistic society, most find the idea of sticking strictly to any one set of teachings or beliefs laughable and offensive. Those who do so are called intolerant and close-minded.

As a Christian I am closed-minded. All that means is that like most people I have certain beliefs that I will not compromise on. However, I am not intolerant.

By definition the term tolerance means to recognize difference and to treat others with respect despite them.

It does not mean that you have to accept those differences or think they are correct. Yet, that is exactly what our society tells us tolerance is.

What that means in the practical is this: homosexuality is a sinful activity. That does not mean that the person is not a Christian, but it does mean that they have an area of overt sin in their life.

That person should not be shunned or thrown out of the Church. It also does not mean that they should be told it is acceptable behavior or elevated to a position of power despite it.

The same standard should apply to anyone with such overt sin in their lives, especially those who deny that it is sinful.

If Christians ignore the teachings of the Bible in order to be more "accepting" then they have done themselves and, more importantly, God, a great disservice.

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Celebrate the spooky history of Halloween



Kelli Myers
—
Like It My Way

It's the most wonderful time of the year!

I'm not talking about Christmas, although that joyful holiday does rank a close second on my list of all-time favorite celebrations. But it's still behind the most enjoyable night of the year — the time when black cats come out, wolves howl at the full moon, witches soar on their brooms and the dead rise.

Most people participate in Halloween willingly, but many have little knowledge about the roots of the holiday stem from. This spooks me.

I used to be one of these people, a few years ago when I felt obligated to learn more about All Hallow's Eve. I now feel more educated on the holiday, and therefore much more into the festivities that come with it.

With this piece of history permanently etched in my brain, I have realized Americans have messed with a good tradition.

Back in the 5th century B.C., it all started with the Celts in Ireland. The Irish invented Halloween? Crazy, I know. But true.

They celebrated their new year on Nov. 1, which marked the end of the warm summer months and the start of the cold and eerie winter.

The evening prior, known as Samhain, meant the boundary dividing the worlds of the living and the dead was broken. This was the only chance ghosts from the dead had for an afterlife.

So in addition to causing trouble and destroying crops, these ghosts searched the Earth for living bodies they found suitable to possess until the following year. Yikes!

Villagers obviously didn't want to be the chosen ones, so they put out their fires, therefore making their

bodies cold and unattractive to the ghosts.

When people left their houses after dark, they put on masks and paraded around in ghoulish costumes so the ghosts would mistake them for fellow spirits.

Back in the day, the Celts also destroyed properties in an attempt to frighten the ghosts away, and often left offerings of food outside their homes to keep them from entering their houses.

Sounds familiar, right?

Trick-or-treating originated in England from the All Souls' Day Parade. Poor people would roam from house to house, begging for food from families, who in turn provided them with "soul cake" pastries as long as they would pray for their dead relatives.

If these beggars weren't satisfied with the pastries, they would play tricks on the families. Eventually, children joined this tradition and instead were rewarded with money and other goodies in their neighbors' attempts to escape trickery.

As Christianity spread, Europeans came across these Celtic traditions and were astonished with what they saw. Christians associated Celts with the Devil and believed all were evil worshippers.

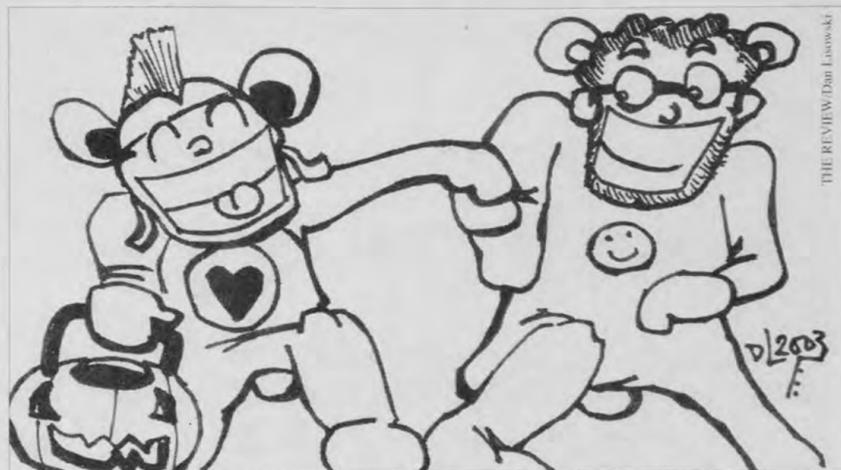
In an attempt to suppress these Celtic beliefs, Christians adopted the feast of All Saints, or All Hallow's Day, as a substitute for the sinful Samhain celebration. Nov. 1 would become a day of observance in honor of every saint in the Catholic Church.

However, despite a persistent effort to diminish the frighten aspects of Halloween, the Celtic traditions were all too familiar and appealing to disappear into the night.

So if this scary holiday, with all its cultural aspects, could withstand a force as big as Christianity, why has it somewhat succumbed to modern traditions?

Well, I love them to death, but this is because of children. Halloween has become a holiday for the kids, and somewhat lost its ghastly appeal.

The problem: Kids aren't familiar with these



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ancient traditions and end up celebrating something they know nothing about.

The solution: More adults need to participate in Halloween-related festivities.

If parents were alongside their young ones trick-or-treating throughout their neighborhoods, they could teach them the history and importance of this spooky holiday. As a result, kids would not just be getting fat from eating candy, but learning some cultural history as well.

Since Europeans brought these customs over to America, the level of horror has diminished along with the religious overtones they carried. The frightening aspects of Halloween are almost non-existent because the primary participants are too weak to handle them.

So people need to take advantage of the few scary details that remain. Go on a spooky hayride, make your way through a cornfield maze in the dark

or almost pee your pants in a haunted house.

As Halloween is the second largest commercial holiday, with consumer spending at approximately \$6.9 billion, everyone should partake in the festivities it offers. Not just the kids.

I'm officially an adult now, and haven't missed a Halloween yet. I just don't understand why people wouldn't want to put their lives on hold and become someone else for the night.

So adults, return to the days when you didn't have a care in the world! Dress up in a costume and go crazy with your friends. After all, it's allowed. Halloween is the one chance we have to step out of our shells.

Kelli Myers is a features editor for The Review. Send comments to kelli@udel.edu. One Halloween she sprayed her hair with orange and black woodpaint. She had to use turpentine to get it out.

Wild party lands Tyco tycoon in hot water



A.J. Russo
—
Corporate Punk

After every opinion article I write for The Review, my dad is always quick to poke fun at my liberal viewpoints.

Whether I am berating our current president or criticizing the mess in Iraq, he's always there to call me a communist.

If I had a nickel for every time my father has called me a "pinko," I'd have about five nickels.

This is all in jest, of course, so I've decided to take on another topic to keep my father and me at political opposites.

That's right Dad — this one's for you.

Just when you thought the ghosts of Enron were caught in the beam of a proton-pack and sucked into a trap by Egon, Winston, Ray and Venkman, the former Chief Executive Officer for Tyco International Ltd. is on trial for some serious conspicuous consumption on the company dime.

Dennis Kozlowski is on trial for allegedly milking the company for more than \$600 million. The hard-earned money of parents who have purchased Tyco toys has apparently lined Kozlowski's abyss-like pockets.

The most recent development in the trial is the presentation of a video of a birthday party the CEO threw for his wife.

The footage makes me and should make any other regular, red-blooded American sick. Kozlowski and his cohorts indulge themselves in at least half of the seven dead bills, only to have Tyco foot half of the bill.

While Tyco workers were making toys, their bosses were busy getting drunk. It seems the Robber Barons have returned. Teddy Roosevelt would not be



pleased.

Before you pass your final judgment, let me elaborate on some of the finer points of this jamboree Kozlowski put on for his wife.

After all was said and done, the whole shindig cost \$2.1 million. As previously mentioned, Tyco paid for half of this.

I get happy when I win \$2 on a scratch-off lottery ticket and this "captain of industry" blows 2 million on a wife that will probably leave him in a year and friends that would most likely betray him if the profit margin was in their favor.

This may raise some eyebrows, but wouldn't money like that be of better use at, let's say, helping people deprived of their homes by a natural disaster such as, I don't know, let's say a wildfire?

Of course not, it's better spent on a highbrow kegger.

Oh no, Kozlowski comments that he is sorry for moving the party from Nantucket (presumably in Massachusetts) to Sardinia — Italy.

I kinda he is a CEO, but it takes a serious set of grapes to change the venue of a party from Nantucket to Sardinia on a whim. I guess Kozlowski can afford the airfare — never mind, he probably just put it on the company card.

Instead of noisemakers and balloons, the party came equipped with chariots, toga-clad women and half-naked men.

The usual punch bowl from junior prom was all sold out, so Kozlowski opted for an ice sculpture of

Michelangelo's David with vodka flowing from its penis. That has to burn.

Karaoke wouldn't suffice either. Karaoke played Jimmy Buffet — the man, not a CD. That's right, Jimmy Buffet took time off from his own busy schedule of a successful restaurant chain and icon status to be Kozlowski's bitch.

Kozlowski's defense claims that the week of celebration also included "important meetings" and he wasn't aware of the extravagance of the party.

What kind of a CEO isn't aware of every major decision undertaken by his or her company?

People like Kozlowski continue to burden the nation and its workers. If he is guilty of these crimes, then I would compare him to a common thief or drug dealer. But, at least drug dealers do not make any false pretense about their occupation. Instead, ruthless businesspeople hide behind fake smiles and donations — while they get rich on the backs of their workers.

Hopefully, this case will show there needs to be more regulation of business in this country because things seem to be spiraling out of control.

Crooked corporate leaders continue to be allowed to steal from the people that keep them rich in the first place.

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U.S. needs to watch who it allows in Iraq

Nathan Field
—
Guest Columnist

Most people who follow the current situation in Iraq would agree that relieving American soldiers with foreigners is a good idea. Spreading the burden of rebuilding the country to other nations will relieve the overextended U.S. army. However, the Bush administration appears to be too eager to accept foreign forces from certain regions without looking at the long-term implications. Turkey must be kept out of Iraq at all costs.

At first glance, it would seem that having the Turks help occupy and stabilize Iraq would be desirable. Having a Muslim country help with the rebuilding would internationalize the mission and theoretically inject it with greater legitimacy in the eyes of the Islamic world.

Turkey does have a sizable army and is one of the few that is in a position to offer such aid. But, for whatever good it might bring, the possible negative results outweigh any positives and the potential for disaster is too great to justify their utilization.

Some claim that Turkey's entry into the Iraqi arena will force Syria and Iran to also seek to increase their influence.

This is a legitimate argument, but those governments are under enormous pressure from the European Union, the United States and — in Syria's case — in Israel.

So it is not likely that any kind of serious effort will be exerted from Tehran or Syria only because of Turkey's military presence in Iraq.

Religion will be a serious liability and not an asset as some in the Bush administration seem to think.

Last month, a suicide bomber unsuccessfully attacked the Turkish embassy in Baghdad.

While no one but the potential harbinger of intense attacks on Turkish troops.

There is no doubt that they will be targeted the moment they step over the border by the same people that have been killing U.S. troops.

It is unlikely that their soldiers will have the same discipline and restraint that Americans have displayed. The goal of the opposition will be to provoke them into reacting to attacks in a way that is destructive to U.S. aims. For example, Turkish troops are more likely to respond to attacks in a more reckless and capricious way.

It is easy to see them defending themselves with much less regard for Iraqi civilians, which could easily turn them into a major source of anger for Iraqis and add another problem to the American's long list of things to fix.

The strongest reason for keeping Turkey out of Iraq is history.

Arab Iraqis want nothing to do with being occupied by their former overlords and Kurdish Iraqis are even more truculent in their opposition.

These people hate each other with a passion, and so it is hard to see the wisdom in putting them in closer proximity to each other.

Iraqi Kurds are firmly on the side of the Americans, and so it just does not make sense to put that in jeopardy. Inviting the Turks to help stabilize Iraq would possibly cause more indignation than if the Israelis were assisting in the occupation.

As ironic as it sounds, Muslim troops should be kept out of Iraq.

Far from a much mutual hostility and antagonism between Arab countries and between the Arabs and non-Arab Muslim countries as there is between the Western world and the Islamic world. That leaves few options for the Bush administration as long as France, Germany and Russia continue to unite in opposition to U.S. aims in Iraq.

Their best course of action is to prudently expedite the process of Iraqi state building, so that the United States can get their troops out.

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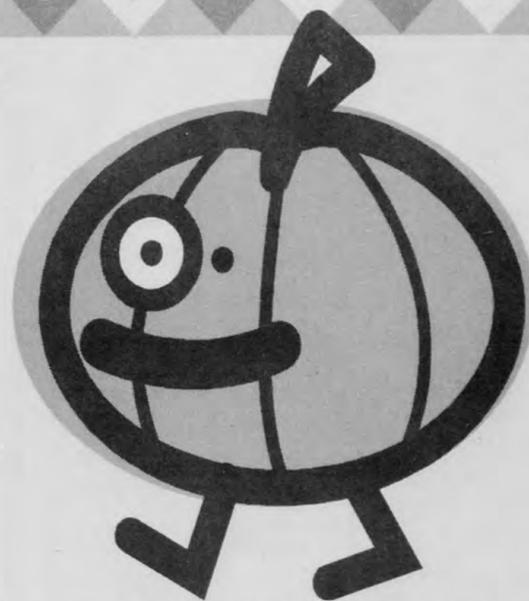
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Halloween haunts The Review

Eastern State Penitentiary 'Terror Behind the Walls'

BY ALI CHEESEMAN

Staff Reporter

A genuine 174-year-old abandoned prison with real ghost and horror stories to haunt the subconscious opens its doors every October to let visitors experience the "Terror Behind the Walls."

Actors wait to jump out at unsuspecting guests from every angle imaginable — can Halloween scares get any better?

At Eastern State Penitentiary's "Terror Behind the Walls" in Philadelphia, Pa., thrill-seekers are exposed to comical, scary and real horror.

The comical: Martha Stewart's own cell. Coming to the top of a stairway, visitors must be sure to say "Hi" to Martha as she enjoys the luxury of her small cell to herself as she promotes K-Mart from behind bars.

The scary: Going from blinding light to pitch black to bright orange without knowing where the next insane inmate might lurk.

The real: The thought of walking through an actual prison that housed prisoners from 1829 to 1971, including Willie Sutton and Al Capone. The Penitentiary has its own tales of ghost sightings and horror stories alone, without the addition of the actors and displays.

Although more of the reality of the prison could have been involved to make the attraction much better, the half-hour walk-through offers visitors one of the best Halloween attractions in the area and is definitely a must-see for scare seekers.

The decrepit building, which up until a 2001 renovation required everyone to wear a hard hat to walk through, is the per-

fect background for the four areas people shuffle through: "Maximum Security," "13 Rooms," "The Experiment: In 3-D" and "Tunnel Escape."

Even though hundreds of people flock to see the old prison, the wait is not incredibly long. When visitors purchase their \$20 admittance tickets, they are scheduled a half-hour time period, and within that time, after signing a waiver, they will be in and on the way to "yard out."

In "yard out," guests have the choice of waiting in what could be a long line (depending on the time of arrival) or paying an extra \$5 for the speed lane.

The speed lane is just that — allowing only a five-minute wait before entering the prison. But those who choose to wait in "yard out" are entertained by watching TVs replaying MTV's episode of "Fear" that was filmed at Eastern State, or listening to some of the guards' and insane prisoners' real ghost stories of the former penitentiary.

One of the scariest parts of the show is one room that is bright orange. Dummies dressed in matching orange jump suits with

black hoods and Jason masks hang from the walls.

After walking out of the darkness of the previous room, everyone's eyes have just enough time to adjust to figure out that one of the crowd "dummies" will be jumping out at the those, but can you figure out the right one in time?

"The Experiment" is not the scariest, but it is one of the better displays. The doctor and his experimental patients chase people into a maze of 3-D paint (glasses are provided).

The designs play tricks with the mind and accomplish the effect of creating a distraction, so visitors must be sure to watch their backs, lest one of the patients decides to follow someone home.

Overall, Eastern State presents a great show, full of splendid displays, great costumes and the perfect backdrop. With scares around every corner in the middle of an 11-acre prison, everyone but the faint of heart should visit.



Courtesy of Eastern State Penitentiary

Jason's Woods

BY ALI CHEESEMAN

Staff Reporter

Although Jason's Woods, located near Lancaster, Pa., is highly publicized and frequented, it is neither worth the driving time nor the money.

There are only two good things about the whole experience: everything is organized and there is only one line for all five attractions.

However, that one line could last almost two hours.

For the price of \$22, everyone rides the Horrifying Hayride and walks through the Barn of Terror, 3-D Carnival of Fear, the Mystery Maze and the Macabre Museum.

The hayride, while a nice respite from standing in line, is only a teaser. It is too short, not allowing time to even be afraid of the actors who come out from hiding.

The Barn of Terror and Carnival of Fear, while scarier than the hayride, still have people shrugging past the actors, ignoring them for the most part.

For both of the attractions, there are areas where visitors have to duck, turn sideways and crawl in order to get through. These acrobatics make the attractions more interesting but are not accessible — or made — for everyone.

The two free attractions seem as though they were thought of last minute to make people think they are getting more for their money.

The Mystery Maze shuffles people through a wooden labyrinth in the dark. The problem is that everyone huddles together and follows each other, which makes the dark passage way un-frightening.

The Macabre Museum displays pictures in an attempt to be scary. The only thing interesting in the museum is a display of an antique funeral hearse containing a coffin with the bones of a human inside and intact.

Both the maze and the museum do not have actors lurking about to scare everyone, which is an essential part of haunted attractions.

The actors' costumes are nothing spectacular. Their lack of enthusiasm, which could have made the difference in scaring the patrons, is clearly evident.

The displays are dull and require more creativity.

Even though Jason's Woods is well organized, there seems to be no effort applied to the point of the whole attraction: scaring people out of their wits.



Courtesy of Frightland

The Bates Motel

BY JUSTIN REINA

Managing Sports Editor

Walking around campus, an eerie silence reverberates through the empty hallways and hollow whispers lurk in the trees late at night. The pleasant green leaves are slowly fading to a blood-red hue, and for some strange reason, the amount of black cats randomly gracing the sidewalks has doubled.

As October comes to an end, there is only one thing on the minds of the ex-convicts, drag queens and homeless degenerates hiding in the sewers of Newark — Halloween is back, marking the opening of numerous haunted houses and hayrides destined to scare people stiff.

Amidst the plethora of haunted attractions, taking a 40-minute journey along Pennsylvania's backroads will eventually lead to Arasapha Farm, home of The Bates Motel.

The Bates Motel has three attractions on the farm: a haunted hayride, a cornfield maze and the actual motel. For \$20, visitors are able to buy a combo platter that features the hayride and the motel.

The digitally enhanced hayride is well worth the trip. This 20-minute voyage features a large number of actors dressed in various costumes ranging from zombies to ex-convicts to chainsaw-wielding maniacs.

As the wagon delves deeper into the darkness, there are people dressed in black waiting around every corner to jump out. At one point, the wagon gets attacked by a zombie-like creature falling from the trees above, as two men with chainsaws invade from the sides.

The best part about this ride is the element of surprise. Visitors definitely have to be ready for things to come from every direction, usually when it's least expected. However, as fun as the hayride is, it doesn't compare in fright value to the motel.

Once inside the motel, an assortment of characters are scattered throughout. The narrow, maze-like hallways are filled with missing windows and secret doors. As soon as people enter the motel, they are greeted by a bloodied cook sitting silently with a knife through his head.

This is just one of many grotesque scenes waiting inside this sadistic warehouse of fear.

Unlike the hayride, there is no "safe zone" — it's just the audience and the zombies coming together in perfect harmony. Whether they are grabbing legs or jumping out of the walls, these crazed lunatics will definitely make the hair on your neck stand up.

If you get the lucky enour to make it past the two men swinging baseball bats and sporting blood-soaked mullets who guard the exit to this house of death, then the scariest part of the night is just a few seconds away in the form of a port-o-potty.

Besides the lack of sufficient bathroom facilities, The Bates Motel is worth the money. The attraction is geared toward a younger crowd, but even the elders can get a good spook here and there. The best part is that this is not an all night event. If you get there early enough, you still have time to drive home and relax in front of a roaring fire with a pint of your favorite lager and a book of ghost stories.



Courtesy of Jason's Woods

Frightland

BY JEFF MULLINS

Assistant Entertainment Editor

The scene at Frightland is like that of a carnival, with dozens of amusement rides and plenty of overpriced win-your-girlfriend-an-enormous-stuffed-animal type games. The ominous feel the place hopes to achieve is more like that of a haunted playground.

For a working farm, the addition of all the games and rides, a haunted hayride and a couple of barns turned scare houses makes Frightland a fun, if not terrifying little outing.

The main attractions at the farm, which is located in Middletown, are the Barn of Horror, Dark Millennium Haunted Hayride and Idalia Manor.

Waiting in the winding line outside the Barn of Horror, there is an edgy feel to the crowd as they watch in anticipation as chainsaws sound and men, women and children alike run screaming from the exit of the barn.

Upon entering, the barn is a dark series of narrow hallways with dangling objects and webs hanging from the ceiling and a strange and eclectic arrangement of spooky items lining the walls. The eerie decorations include mutilated dolls painted red, mirrors, archaic runes and masked figures. With all the random accessories, the scene is more

bizarre than frightening.

As people make their way through in small groups, a variety of figures, from hastily convicts to crazed cowboys, take the chance to leap out at every masked window or doorway and scare the uneasy visitors. However, for those on the tail end of the group, any hidden gimmick is made evident by the screams from the people a few steps in front and thus loses much of the surprise and shock value.

After the first few scares, the rest of the winding path that leads through the barn loses much of its intrigue and intensity.

The highlight of the Barn of Horror is the rotating bridge, which provides a dizzying and disorienting feeling that adds to the spookiness of the place. The bridge is basically surrounded by a large rotating cylinder that is splashed with blacklight-sensitive paint. While walking through, it appears as if the bridge is rotating rather than the cylinder, throwing off the equilibrium and leaving people to stagger through the remaining hallways.

The Idalia Manor has basically the same general layout as the barn — blanketed hallways with various ghouls jumping out screaming and scaring visitors.

Although not as frightening as it's made out to be, Frightland is an entertaining outing with games and rides, and maybe a few scares along the way.



Ripley's back, believe it or not

"Alien"
20th Century Fox
Rating: ★★★★★

Sneak Peek HOLLYWOOD

"Alien," which in recent ads and movie trailers has been billing itself as "the scariest movie ever made," is being re-issued in a massive re-release this weekend. But is being scared by a movie more than 20 years old worth the high price of movie tickets?

The movie's storyline follows the crew of the spaceship "Nostromo" after they are alerted of a nearby distress beacon and unwittingly discover what one character describes as being the "perfect organism."

Upon landing on the planet where the distress beacon led them, the crew discovers an alien ship with only a frozen humanoid-alien pilot and a large amount of leathery eggs as cargo. Before leaving the planet, Kane (John Hurt), one of the crewmembers, is attacked by an alien creature that latches onto his face.

When the creature dies nearly a week later, Kane

The Gist of It

- ★★★★★ Alien
- ★★★★★ Devil
- ★★★★ Ghost
- ★★★ Witch
- ★ Fairy

appears fine — until an incredibly realistic and terrifying alien bursts out of his chest.

One of the film's best aspects is that everything prior to the alien exploding out of Kane's chest is an extensive set-up for the rest of the movie, adding depth and suspense to what is essentially a sci-fi horror flick. From director Ridley Scott's camerawork to the eerie score and cinematography, this is clearly a movie intent on creating the proper mood and atmosphere in which the story is to play out.

The titular alien is, of course, the coolest aspect of the entire movie and probably the best reason for going out to see the movie on the big screen. Though its sequel might have been a better fit for today's mass audiences — not only is it a high-quality action sci-fi movie, there is more than one alien and a good deal more action. This is not to detract from the original — the way in which the creature is handled here is brilliant. It is an amorphous beast; viewers never know exactly what form or abilities it might possess — allowing the filmmakers tremendous freedom for the numerous sequels.

When the alien is shown, its appearance is so grotesquely frightening. It is a mess of spikes and teeth combined with a jacking of facial expressions or human qualities to detract from the horror of it. In "Jeepers Creepers 2," a recently released horror movie, which, similar to "Alien" is about an unknown and incredibly powerful "Alien" picking off its trapped victims one by one, the creature is indeed frightening, but its human element takes away from some of the fear it creates.

After the alien escapes from Kane's chest, the movie delves into familiar horror-film territory, as the crew tries to kill off the creature, only to find themselves being slaughtered by it instead. When it was



released, this formula was not as familiar. It's interesting to note that while a slightly derivative film itself, "Alien" went on to help inspire countless survival-horror movies, though few, if any, were done as well as this. One of the biggest things that sets it apart from its successors is the lack of any "Character X should have done this and character Y should have done that! Idiots!" moments for the audience. The crew is doing everything they can think of to put an end to a monster that has deadly acid for blood.

The elegance — not typically a word used to describe a horror movie — of this film is still evident 24 years after its original release. Thankfully, the film was not doctored in the way "Star Wars" and "E.T." were — the creature is still a man in a rubber suit and the crew uses real weapons, not walkie-talkies, to fight it. To see some of its most visually engaging scenes play out on the big screen, as well as seeing a cleaned

up version of the masterful original print and a couple of deleted scenes — including an explanation of what happens to Tom Skerrit's character, Dallas — more than justify the film's re-release (which was done to promote the release of a new boxed set of "Alien" DVDs).

"Alien" was and still is one of the best and most engaging horror films ever made, neatly combining elements of suspense and gore with engaging characters and an interesting back-story. Everything about this film was done right, and audiences will likely be clamoring for a re-release of its sequel in no time at all.

James Borden is an entertainment editor for The Review. His past reviews include "Jeepers Creepers 2" (★★★) and "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" (★★).

"Pieces of April"
MGM

Rating: ★★ 1/2

If Katie Holmes is trying to break out from her good girl "Dawson's Creek" image, "Pieces of April" doesn't quite help her accomplish that goal.

Holmes stars as April Burns, a tattooed and former wild child who is attempting to prepare Thanksgiving dinner in her spaceless New York City apartment for her family.

The film follows April's family as they drive from their suburban home in Pennsylvania to April's apartment she shares with her boyfriend. Although April tries her best to make the dinner a success, everything goes wrong, beginning when her oven breaks and she is stuck with an uncooked turkey and the task of finding an oven amid many unfriendly and strange neighbors. April's family is hesitant to visit her because they have unpleasant memories of her rowdy past and aren't sure if they can trust her to do a good job without any drama.

"Pieces of April" is a sometimes funny, sometimes heart-wrenching movie that is more than just a story



about a girl trying to fix a dinner for her family. It's also about a terminally ill mother who must come to grips with her unstable relationship to her daughter, but the movie falls short on the poignant theme. The audience never fully understands why April's mother has such a distaste for her, except for her quick comments about April's "piercings, tattoos and the drugs." April's mother dreads going to see her daughter and even goes as far to say that she has no good memories of her, but no real evidence is shown to make the audience empathize with her.

Even though Holmes gives a moving performance in "Pieces of April," the dyed hair and fake tattoos are merely a facade to another good-girl role.

— Callye Morrissey

"Beyond Borders"
Paramount

Rating: ★★

Academy Award winner Angelina Jolie continues to star in films in which she fails to showcase the talent that won her an Oscar. "Beyond Borders," Jolie's latest film, adds to the long list of such movies in which Jolie turns out a mediocre performance at best, as she fails to connect with her audience.

"Beyond Borders" takes place from 1984 to 1995 and tells the story of sheltered American Sarah Jordan (Jolie) living in London with her new husband. After the AIDS benefit she attends is crashed by an infuriated humanitarian doctor named Nick Callahan (Clive Owen), it deeply changes her feelings on those who suffer in underprivileged countries. This inspires Jordan to travel to Ethiopia where she hopes to meet Callahan and help those in need so she will feel vindicated.

The only remaining strong part of the film, which takes place during the Africa sequence, is the awareness the film creates of how most of these relief programs, while they are given supplies to help, do not receive nearly enough funding.



There is nearly no chemistry between Jolie and Owen's characters. Owen plays Callahan, a brash doctor who is mad at the world for the situations that he experienced at his camps. He downplays his love for Jordan too much as he almost convinces the audience that his love for her is fake.

Jordan and Callahan never really show the audience that they have feelings for each other. Except for one night stand and the two declaring their love for each other, there is no lead up to either of them feeling any love for one another. "Beyond Borders" is at best a decent film bringing to life the poverty and destitution of underdeveloped countries, but in the end, it fails to strike a chord with its audience.

— Kevin McVey

"A Beary Special Halloween"
By: Todd Miyashiro

SAY WHAT?

The Review asks students:

What was your first Halloween costume?

— compiled by Kim Brown and Ryan Mignone

Christine Raymond
Sophomore
"Probably a pumpkin."

Matt Coffin
Freshman
"A ninja turtle with the green face paint."

Mike Forcade
Senior
"I think I was a skeleton."

"I was a box of low-fat jello."
— senior Ryan Mitchell

Mohammad Hashemi
Junior
"A teenage mutant ninja turtle — that was the only costume to get."

Ryan Mitchell
Senior
"I was a box of low-fat jello."

Ranjit Viswakumar
Junior
"I was a black-cloaked, skull-stuffed ghoul."

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THE HITLIST

FRIDAY
Trabant University Center
Theater: "28 Days Later," 7:30 p.m., "League of Extraordinary Gentlemen," 10 p.m., \$3
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Stone Balloon: DJ Dance Party, 8 p.m., \$5, Free with university ID
Klondike Kate's: Halloween Party, 10 p.m., no cover
East End Café: Stygian Veil,

SATURDAY
Trabant University Center
Theater: "League of Extraordinary Gentlemen," 7:30 p.m., "28 Days Later," 10 p.m., \$3
Stone Balloon: DJ Dance Party, 8 p.m., \$5, Free with university ID
East End Café: Apex Watson, 10:00 p.m., \$3, \$5 minors

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

Creative costumes for Halloween

BY MEGAN SULLIVAN
City News Editor

Face it. Halloween is not just for kids. Most college students jump at the opportunity to dress up in scary, sexy, wacky, gory and flat out weird costumes.

The problem is, many students wait until the last minute to do their costume shopping and others just don't have enough cash.

For people still struggling to find the costume that is just right, don't fret.

Roaring '20s

Flappers and other '20s-inspired costumes are the latest rage, inspired by the box office hit "Chicago," which debuted in December 2002.

Fringy black-and-red Roaring '20s dresses, feather boas and elegant cigarette holders are the only elements needed to throw together a glam Renee Zellweger or Catherine Zeta-Jones look.

Renée White, manager of Spencer Gifts in Wilmington, says people look to movies for inspiration when creating in-style Halloween get-ups.

"Fashion dictates itself from popular stars," she says.

Horrorific

The two famous forces of evil — Freddy Krueger and Jason Voorhees — took costume stores by storm, quickly selling out of stock. Expect a lot of people adorned in Freddy's trademark red striped shirt, gloves tipped with silver knife fingers and a creepy wrinkled face mask, or mad man machete-wielding Jason fanatics wearing hockey masks.

Eric Ambler, assistant manager of Spencer Gifts in the Christiana Mall, says these two characters are not the only horror movie villains that people are dressing as this year. The Texas Chainsaw Massacre's Leatherface and Halloween's Michael Myers are not far behind as plastic chainsaws and knives are quickly lifted off of shelves.

"Anything and everything has been selling good this year," he says.

Fairy Fun

Innocent yet sexy at the same time, fairy costume sets include flowing pastel dresses, wings and ribbons for as little as \$30.

"You're going to see a lot of fairies," White insists.

For people who don't want to throw down the cash, she suggests purchasing glittery and colorful wings that come in various designs and sizes and then piecing them together with an outfit from home.

"Accessories are key," White says.

Pimp Pimp Hooray?

No matter where people shop, the pimp suit will always be there. Mac Daddy, Pimp Daddy, Big Daddy, Passion, whatever, name the mac velvet and leopard spotted suits, zebra striped hats, canes and dollar sign necklaces and rings will never die out.

With the high percentage of pimps and hoers parties, White says, these costumes can be recycled yearly.

"As far as college students go, you can always use pimp costumes," she says.

Angels: Naughty or Nice

Angels are extremely popular each year, but they are not always

innocent, as many people are straying away from ankle length white dresses and halos in 2003.

Mallory Zoch, a customer at Spencer Gifts, says she is going on the Halloween Zooch in Wilmington this year dressed as a naughty angel.

Since cheap is the way to go, she debates whether or not to buy the little kid wings for a cheaper price.

Pieced together with a corset from Victoria's Secret and a tight pair of pants, they reach her goal of a fallen angel.

"I'm not just going to buy it out of a bag," she says.

His and Hers

For people planning on traveling in pairs, couple costumes are the perfect solution.

For something a little more shocking, try the Plug and Socket get-up. This costume set is clearing store shelves faster than the speed of electricity.

The black-and-gray socket costume worn by females is complimented by the white foam plug piece the male straps around his waist, complete with a 10-foot power chord.

For a more generic look, Ambler says, many couples have sought out scrubs and stethoscopes to transform themselves into a doctor and nurse duet.

Flower Power

Hippies and other '70s-inspired looks are pretty typical on Halloween and easy to pull off at a low cost.

"Hippies are a classic every year for the Loop," Ambler says.

This look can be accessorized with peace necklaces and earrings, dark glasses, decorative headbands and longhaired wigs.

White says the classic afro wig is a great way to capture a groovy look.

"A tie dyed shirt and an Afro, and they're set," she says.

Build-A-Costume

Since bagged costume sets (ranging from \$21.99 to \$60.00) aren't always within a college student's budget, Ambler says, many people will use their creative juices this season to throw together a unique ensemble.

Bunny and cat ears and devil horns are very popular and extremely cheap and easy to wear.

"It's just something very simple and you can use regular clothing," he says. "Instead of spending one large chunk [of money] on a costume, build a costume out of accessories."

Mardi Gras and masquerade masks are abundant, White says, and especially eye-catching with sequins, glitter and feathers. For guys, a zombie, skull or trademark scream mask dripping with fake blood can be thrown on to instantly create a unique look.

"If you don't have a lot of money," she says, "get a cool mask."

Mike Husni, an employee of Happy Harry's on Main Street, says masks, metallic hairspray and wigs are a quick and easy buy.

"You just pop something on your head and all of a sudden you're someone different," he says.

With the "Cat and the Hat" movie debuting soon, White says the tall red-and-white striped hats are popular and can be paired up with any cat suit.

From furry Daniel Boone hats with wagging tails to frothing beer mugs to missing person milk cartons, all accessories are a fun way to cre-



THE REVIEW/File Photo

The Plug and Socket is one of this year's most popular Halloween costumes for couples.

ate a unique style beyond the traditional pointy black witch hat.

How Bizarre

Somewhere in the midst of standard cheerleader outfits, sexy school-girls, vampires and jailbirds, there are a few costumes here and there that fit into a category of their own.

For instance, the Mammogram Man.

This odd bagged costume is complete with a 3-D headpiece that advertises free mammograms and beckons women to "Place Breasts Here." The white lab coat transforms ordinary people into Dr. Grabwell. But patients should not forget to use the login button, asking for name, phone number and, of course, bust size.

For an easier look, white jumpsuits are available and tagged with Orgasm Donor, Sex Instructor and Proctologist.

Inflatable unisex costumes are also an interesting way to stay afloat this year and include various looks such as the muscle man, witches, ballerinas and German girls.

For those who really want to go out on a limb, the Happy Halloweenie can transform people into giant, walking penis.

Guts and gore: Hollywood got it from Gein

BY JAMES BORDEN
Entertainment Editor

Most kids grow up hearing stories of a haunted house in their neighborhood, some old and foreboding dwelling full of grotesque and unspeakable terrors. For the majority, these tales never turn out to be true, but for children living in Plainfield, Wis., in the 1950s, the stories and legends uttered about the home of Edward Gein could only have begun to scratch the surface of what lay inside.

Gein is the real-life murderer who inspired films such as "Psycho," "Silence of the Lambs" and "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre," and the man whose crimes have forever altered the American mindset about the strange neighbor next door. Though only convicted for the murder of two people and for robbing the graves of several others, he is believed responsible for the deaths of at least four missing persons.

Dr. Harold G. Schechter, an English professor at Queens College in New York, has written numerous true-crime novels, including "Deviant," which tells the story of Edward Gein.

"I think of [Gein] as sort of being the Walt Whitman of horror — he inspired all of these movies and through 'Psycho' he really put this American face on horror. I mean, before that all the monsters in horror movies were foreigners or aliens; he was a very American monster."

Gein was born in 1906, and grew up on a 195-acre farm with no neighbors within a quarter of a mile. His mother was an overbearing and cruel woman, who forced her intense religious beliefs onto Ed and his older brother Henry.

The two grew up being told about the wickedness of women, their mother hoping to quash any budding sexual desires the boys may have harbored. The two made almost no friends when attending school and after graduating, continued to live at home, working odd jobs as handymen around town. Ed also babysat for local children, and it was reported that he was well liked by them and their families.

By 1946, it was only Ed who remained on the farm. His mother died in late December of the year before, his brother in 1944 and his father in 1940. The death of his mother had a profound effect on Ed, as she was the epitome of all that was good and right with the world to him. Schechter explains in his book: "He had lost his only friend and one true love. And he was absolutely alone in the world."

Already a recluse, Gein became more and more withdrawn into his own world. He boarded off the majority of his house, likely because it reminded him too much of his mother, and resided mainly in the kitchen area and a bedroom adjacent to it. He spent much of his time reading, mostly about the occult, which taught him about the human anatomy, the process of shrinking heads and a number of other gruesome tasks. He began to talk about these interests to the local children he babysat for, going so far as to show one of them his own collection of shrunken heads, which he claimed were from the South Seas.

As it turned out, the shrunken heads were of Gein's own creation and made up only a part of his massive and grisly collection, which included an armchair, a trashcan and lampshades made of human skin, a bowl fashioned out of a human skull and a belt made out of nipples. Police discovered these items and more when they searched his home in the fall of 1957 after discovering the gutted corpse of one of the deputies' mothers, whose disappearance Gein was a suspect in, hanging in his kitchen.

"He's sort of the flesh-and-blood incarnation of a fairy-tale



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The atrocities committed of serial killer Edward Gein inspired films such as "Psycho."

ogre," Schechter says when asked why Gein has remained so infamous.

Though at first he did not admit to any of the murders, which he was suspected for, Gein eventually owned up to killing the deputy's mother, Bernice Woden, and local bartender Mary Hogan. Police were unable to pin the disappearances of two young girls and two middle-aged men on him. The body parts and assorted cadavers found throughout his house were attributed to corpses Gein had stolen from a local graveyard. Doctors diagnosed him as a schizophrenic and a sexual psychopath, which they partly attributed to his unhealthy relationship with his mother.

Eventually sentenced to a mental institution for the rest of his life, Gein became one of the most documented cases of his time, his psychoses ranging from necrophilia to transvestism — he claimed to dress up in the skin of the dead women and pretend to be a woman himself — to fetishism. Gein died of cancer while institutionalized in 1984. His story inspired Robert Bloch to write "Psycho," which was the basis for the Alfred Hitchcock film.

In the 1970s, Gein again rose to notoriety with the creation of two films based on his legacy, "Deranged" and "Texas Chainsaw Massacre."

Schechter says while most of the movies inspired by Gein barely resemble the real-life events, the 1974 film "Deranged" comes the closest. He says the original "Texas Chainsaw Massacre" (Schechter has yet to see the remake) was created by director Tobey Hooper based on memories of the Gein story from his childhood.

"The story [in 'Texas Chainsaw Massacre'] was sort of how it would be processed by a kid, and turned into this incredible, nightmaric vision."

He says one of the most interesting things about Gein is that he was a monstrous ghoul who had taken on a quintessentially American form.

"You've got this goofy Midwestern farmer, you know, he wore a deer hunter's cap, and there he was, secretly performing these insane archaic rituals, wearing the flesh of his victims, doing all of this unimaginable stuff and it took people more than 10 years to realize what was going on."

Holiday specials on Main Street

BY LINDSAY HICKS
Staff Reporter

It takes nothing more than the spiced scent of a steaming cup of apple cider to reminisce on Halloweens of the past.

Remember when Halloween consisted of bobbing for apples in a tub of slobery water, trick-or-treating around the neighborhood until your shoulder ached from a bag full of candy and haunted hayrides that led to ginger snaps and hot apple cider?

Even if one thinks they are too old to pull out that dusty VHS of Charlie Brown's Halloween Special, people of all ages can't pretend they have grown out of the excitement of celebrating Halloween.

So it might take a few frosty mugs of the thick Beck's Oktoberfest beer to get costumed bodies moving to the re-mix of "Monster Mash."

Regardless, Halloween is still cool.

Strap on that last minute Wal-Mart costume and smear on that oily face make-up, because it's time to visit some of Main Street's most popular spots for seasonal specialties and festive Halloween celebrations that are sure to please.

HOMEGROWN

Take a visit to Homegrown to get in the mood for autumn's spooky holiday with an assortment of seasonal specialties offered.

The creamy pumpkin soup is included year-round on the menu; what better time to indulge in a pumpkin-based soup than Halloween?

Other seasonal specialties offered include a pumpkin pie with pieces of charred sweet potato and a frothy spiced Chai, served warm.

Chai tea, which is always available at this casual bistro, is a sweet, milky blend of cinnamon and nutmeg.

The Homegrown staff will serve lunch and dinner in costumes of their choice tonight, so take advantage of the opportunity to celebrate the flavors of autumn served by a less than ordinarily dressed staff.

KLONDIKE KATE'S

For a Halloween costume party that replaces innocent childlike games with a dance party led by Dynamic DJs, stop by Kate's after 9:00 p.m. tonight.

Instead of a goodie bag packed with Milky Ways and Raisinets, the bar will

reward the best costume with a 27-inch television, along with other giveaways.

Beck's Oktoberfest, a dark, bitter German beer, is the seasonal ale offered at this crowded scene.

Reminiscent about the cider that was enjoyed after elementary school hayrides by sipping Kate's Hot Apple Cider spiked with Captain Morgan's Spiced Rum.

A new twist on a traditionally cold-weather drink, this steamy beverage, served in a warm mug and decorated with cinnamon sticks, is also capable of providing warmth to scantily-clad nurses and devils alike, before the heat of dancing provides a sweeter solution to the cold night.

IRON HILL BREWERY & RESTAURANT

Iron Hill will also host a costume contest this evening, and the most creative contestant will be bestowed with a \$100 gift certificate to the restaurant.

Although patrons will have to wait until Nov. 8 for the brewery's Pumpkin Ale, a highly spiced, homemade beer with a malty accent, Iron Hill is a great spot to relax and dine before the late-night, not-so-innocent festivities take off.

BREWED AWAKENINGS

All week long, Brewed Awakenings shows its appreciation for Halloween fun with more traditional drinks like the Spooky Spiced Steamer, hot apple cider and Smooth as a Ghost.

The Spooky Spiced Steamer is a rich combination of vanilla, butter rum and cinnamon DaVinci syrups blended with steamed milk. Try this drink with a generous portion of homemade apple or pumpkin pie for a great lunch or snack.

Smooth as a Ghost, another special featured in spirit of the ghoulish holiday, mixes chocolate sauce with toasted marshmallow syrup and caramel sauce or syrup. One shot of espresso in this sweet creation will help wake tired students. This drink is also topped with whipped cream and chocolate sprinkles upon request.

If lack of time, limited funds and the inevitable overspending on costumes and decorations leave you incapable of experiencing all of these Main Street Halloween extravaganzas, at least try to get out and take advantage of some things this holiday has to offer.

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No tricks or treats in this house

Oct. 31 never brought anything special to my front door.

No tricks. No treats. I never planned to have a Halloween extravaganza with the latest costume wear or participate in a scary movie marathon.

I never went to a costume party. I never came to school the next day with bags of candy to trade with friends and to fill my lunch box for weeks to come.

My mom never spent weeks before the celebrated day measuring me up and creating a costume masterpiece.

No haunted houses. No painted pumpkins. No hayrides. For me, there was no Halloween.

I know, it seems pretty pathetic — I will accept candy as reparations for my years of sugar and costume deprivation.

My parents never gave me the option of indulging in such a holiday.

I was raised to believe Halloween was a satanic holiday that was rooted in demonic traditions.

Because of its historical roots and because I was raised Christian, this holiday was not something my family celebrated in.

When I was younger, Halloween night was celebrated one of two ways.

Either we would go to our church and celebrate Hallelujah Night, church-goers shuffling Hallelujah night where church-makers went to enjoy a night of costume contests and fun and games in an attempt to compensate for the door-to-door trick-or-treating going on outside.

Kids would come to Hallelujah night fashionably clad as their favorite Biblical character; Mary, Joseph, a king, an angel, Noah, etc. I would always go as an angel, adorned with a halo, wings and pearl-colored cloth accented with golden trim and glitter.

It was a big ordeal at our church, especially the costume contest.

Every mother caught the sewing bug this time of year, in hopes to win the contest and the recognition that came with the award.

One year, a little girl came dressed as Eve — a nude colored body suit and a few fig leaves covering her unmentionables. This was rather risqué for church — her mother had gone too far!

The other ritual in my life for Halloween was similar to how people act when Jehovah's Witnesses come around — lights out, win-

dows closed and no sudden moves.

These actions were to deter trick-or-treaters from coming to my home and to avoid the morning cleanup of raw egg and toilet paper for lack of holiday spirit.

I usually spent the evening doing homework or reading a book.

When I was older, perhaps 12, I remember wanting to experience some aspect of Halloween because I was tired of being the outsider.

I asked my mom if I could sit out on the step with one of my neighbors and help her pass out candy.

She obliged, yet I felt like I had betrayed her and the religious upbringing she had built for me. I've never participated in Halloween since then.

I always remember the excitement and joy that overcame people when the Halloween season came around — but it never affected me.

Even now, if you go into residence halls during this time of year, they are decked out with decorations from skeletons to spider webs, and students donned in premiere Halloween costumes ranging from naughty nurses to pimps.

I opted on being a resident assistant for that evening — no need for me to go out.



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Sure, I've always missed the toothaches and trips to the dentist that followed this holiday, but I realize Halloween will never be a big thing for me.

After all, how can you miss something you've never experienced?

When I was younger, I felt like I was the only person in the world who didn't celebrate the holiday. To me, it seemed normal not to celebrate the holiday, yet to others, it appeared rather bizarre.

The funniest thing is when people are like, "You don't celebrate Halloween? Why?" The answer: I don't really know.

Only because it seems the origin of the holiday doesn't correlate with the way Americans celebrate it today. The holiday itself seems rather harmless.

And will I let my kids celebrate the holiday?

Probably not. No reason messing up a good family tradition.

Orson Welles and the greatest trick ever pulled



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Orson Welles delivers his "War of the Worlds" broadcast.

BY JAMES BORDEN
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Sixty-five years ago this Halloween, aliens landed in Groves Mill, N.J., armed with deadly ray guns and plans to take over the world. The panic began immediately, as both hitchhikers and drivers jammed the roads in an attempt to put some distance between themselves and the invading forces, people locked themselves in their cellars and others armed themselves in preparation for battle.

However, there was one thing the terrified masses weren't aware of — namely that they were playing an unwitting part in a radio play designed by theatrical genius Orson Welles, which was replete with newscasters, radio DJs and eyewitnesses to the invasion.

In spite of an announcement at the start of the program that it was all just part of a show and in addition to the disclaimer being broadcast every 40 minutes subsequent, most people were unaware that what they were hearing was completely scripted.

According to the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce in New Jersey, which maintains an annual celebration on the anniversary of the broadcast, approximately 12 million people in the U.S. heard the broadcast, with an estimated one million of them believing a serious Martian invasion was underway.

The 8 percent of those listening who believed it to be true must have missed the show's introduction, which clearly stated:

"The Columbia Broadcasting System and its affiliated stations present Orson Welles and the Mercury Theatre on the Air in a radio play by Howard Koch suggested by the H.G. Wells novel

"The War of the Worlds."

Welles' idea had been to re-write the novel as a radio play and tell it through fake news broadcasts that interrupted a supposedly real news program to give it an extra element of drama. The first report states that three explosions had been spotted on Mars that night, and something believed to be the alien lander had crash landed in New Jersey. The rest of the show consists of a gripping account of the alien invasion, which includes the massacre of more than seven thousand people in New Jersey, the landing of alien ships throughout the United States and the release of a deadly poison gas on the island of Manhattan.

Welles stepped in at the broadcast's close to briefly address the audience before signing off for the night.

"This is Orson Welles, ladies and gentlemen, out of character to assure you that 'The War of the Worlds' has no further significance than as the holiday offering it was intended to be. The Mercury Theatre's own radio version of dressing up in a sheet and jumping out of a bush and saying 'Boo!' Starting now, we couldn't soap all your windows and steal all your garden gates by tomorrow night ... so we did the best next thing. We annihilated the world before your very ears. You will be relieved, I hope, to learn that we didn't mean it, and that both institutions are still open for business. So goodbye everybody, and remember the terrible lesson you learned tonight. That grinning, glowing, globular invader of your living room is an inhabitant of the pumpkin patch, and if your doorbell rings and nobody's there, that was no Martian — it's Halloween."



THE REVIEW/James Borden

Halloween pet photos

BY JAMES BORDEN
Entertainment Editor

A scarecrow, a witch and a little black dog are sitting on a bale of hay — thankfully, this isn't the setup to a lousy Halloween joke. Instead, it's one of the many interesting scenes people who attended the first Halloween Pet Pictures at the PetsMart in Wilmington last week were witness to.

Outside of the store, a number of pets and their owners are milling around, though a majority came just to pick up pet food and supplies. Those who've come for the pictures have put costumes on their animals, such as devil horns and a red cape adorning a Yorkshire Terrier.

Debra Grandizio of the Delaware Humane Association organized the event with her husband Tony. She says the idea for the Halloween-themed pet pictures spawned from their successful Santa pet pictures, which they have been doing for the past six years.

For anyone wanting to have their pet's photo taken, all they need to do is sign up, decide who they want in the picture with their animal — themselves, the witch, the scarecrow, or some combination of the three — and wait for the photographer to work her magic. Much like baby photographers, she carries a toy with her to help distract unruly subjects and keep them focused on the camera.

Mary Forteno, who brought her nephew's three-month-old Rat Terrier to the event, says she has never attended the Santa pet pictures before, but thinks the event is a good idea, as the proceeds go to a good cause.

"It's just a lot of fun," she says. Tony Grandizio, who today is dressed as a Scarecrow, has worked with her in the past at the Santa pictures, which he says are always a good time, especially when people dress up their pets for the event.

When asked how many people usually attend, he simply replies,

"A lot. I mean, there's a line going down past [several of the aisles.] It's always a huge turnout, and I hope as word gets out, more and more people will come to the Halloween one as well."

Vintage Halloween decor stays timeless

BY AMANDA PONKO
Staff Reporter

Ditch that plastic jack-o-lantern treat pail from 1983 and the cheesy superhero costume that puts Spider-Man to shame. Halloween decorating has spun away from tacky reproductions and gruesome gore to a more sophisticated presentation.

The trend is vintage décor — and we're not just talking about costumes.

Hand painted papier-mâché maracas and early 18th century mask reproductions are gradually becoming far more popular than glow-in-the-dark vampire fangs and fake gelatin blood.

The Halloween props to retro-Halloween props has skyrocketed since September, says Kim Turner, director of Internet operations for the party and gift Web site quinceyshop.com.

Next to Christmas, the holiday of ghosts and ghouls attracts the most consumer attention.

"These decorations evoke an emotional response," she says. "They give people a feeling of times past — it's a sense of nostalgia."

Most vintage party props are replications of decorations that existed between the '20s and '40s, Turner says. At Quincy, the original year is stamped on the back of each piece to provide customers with a historical perspective of the purchased item.

Nostalgic holiday décor and toys appeal to many consumers because they remind them of childhood, Turner says. Halloween of the early 1900s bestowed a feeling of community between neighbors and friends that no longer exists in present day society.

Ronda Grim, founder of oldfashion-halloween.com, an extensive vintage Halloween vendor, says Halloween of

the past entailed elegant, candlelit dinner parties, bobbing for apples and the enchantment of fortune telling.

Partygoers indulged in sharing horrific ghost stories and playing charades around a bonfire while roasting marshmallows.

Unlike the sheen of plastic today, she says, hosts typically crafted homemade party favors, such as paper creations or overflowing treat bags.

Grim's Web site, part of Dragonfly Design Studio in Salem, Ore., markets everything from an antique ghost costume pattern, which sells for \$130, to vintage-style postcards for three bucks a pop.

Halloween has been an infatuation since childhood for Grim, a surname she married into ironically, she says. The ominous feel of mystery and unexplained things that surround the holiday have intrigued her for many years.

"I immediately latched onto Halloween and I've been collecting [vintage items] my whole life," she says. "At this point I probably have enough collector's items to fill up several filing cabinets."

The merchandise of today lacks the wistfulness of vintage decorations, Grim says. Patrons desire a more authentic, charming Halloween from years of the past rather than the commercialized alternative.

"Nowadays, everything's shiny and glossy, or it's gory and graphic," she says. "Recently, companies are trying to capitalize on TV and movies — that's just not what Halloween is about."

Melinda Konopko, co-founder of plumparty.com, a holiday superstore of gifts and adornments, says old fashioned holiday décor has exploded for her company as well, making it the best-selling



Courtesy of Melinda Konopko

Vintage Halloween accessories are a unique way of celebrating the holiday.

Halloween grouping, beating out costumes and dining decorations.

"We've hit a real momentum this year," she says. "I'm convinced we'll see this trend well in to the Christmas season as well."

The "hep cat orchestra," released originally in 1941, which features four cardboard instrument-playing felines, is a best seller at Plum Party for only \$8.50, Konopko says. Cut out witch and cat figures of 1927 with long, crepe paper appendages are sold for \$8 and colorful, vintage-like candies called "Monster Munchies" are also popular.

All three businesses say they owe their successes to companies like Beistle, the oldest and largest manufacturer of party goods. Without these corporations, none of the vintage products would be available to Halloween lovers.

"Beistle has been operating for over a century," Grim says. "They're one of the last old fashioned decoration companies left in the U.S. Now, the great-granddaughter [of the original Beistle] is the president, and I hope they continue to run that company for years to come."

For an all-out vintage party this Halloween, consider leaving the cheap rubber bats and vulgar Freddy Krugar mask in the attic, and take some tips from "Miss Mary," founder of VictorianHalloween.com.

1. To create an old fashioned ambience in any room, decorate with real branches and vines for a touch of nature and carve as many jack-o-lanterns as possible out of not only pumpkins, but gourds and apples as well. Complete the look with a votive candle inside.

2. For a fun party game, do the limbo to a nostalgic song like "The Monster Mash" or construct a ghostly scavenger hunt for guests.

3. Instead of serving boring Hawaiian Punch, make an effervescent green beverage by mixing Mountain Dew with something blue like KoolAid. Add a little "spirit" with some vodka and complete the look by freezing two latex gloves filled with water.

Once frozen, peel away the rubber and place in the punch bowl along with a couple glow sticks to create an eerie, luminous effect.

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2:00pm	National Lampoon	Zilo	National Lampoon	Zilo	National Lampoon	Zilo	National Lampoon
3:00pm				Vintage STN: The Chris Quinn Show	24 FPS	Talking With Us	Semester With Us
4:00pm	Vintage STN: Talking w/US	Identity	Black Sheep		It's Showtime	Addicted To Love	Kids These Days
4:30pm	Vintage STN: WITH			Vintage STN: Party Warehouse	New!! 49 News	Biweekly Show	Why Does My Dog Seizures?
5:00pm	Vintage STN: Del Nuthouse				New!! UD News	UD News	UD News
5:30pm	Vintage STN: Kids These Days						
6:00pm	Happy Halloween!	College Television Network	College Television Network	STN Gameday presents: UD Football vs. Maine 11/1/2003	College Television Network	College Television Network	College Television Network
6:30pm	Halloween!						
7:00pm	Beetle Juice						
7:30pm	Happy Halloween!						
8:00pm		The Truth About Charlie	A Mighty Wind			Charlie's Angels 2	The Italian Job
8:30pm	Bram Stoker's Dracula						
9:00pm							
9:30pm	Happy Halloween!						
10:00pm	Scream				What In The Hall	Center Stage	New!! Good Question
10:30pm		Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle	Identity	The Truth About Charlie	New!! Biweekly Show	Center Stage	What In the Hall
11:00pm	Happy Halloween!				Vintage WITH	Vintage Center Stage	Biweekly Show
11:30pm	Jeepers Creepers				Vintage Biweekly		49 News
12:00am		November Election			49 News		Good Question
12:30am	Halloween B-Movies all night long!	Movie: Dave	The Italian Job	Charlie's Angels 2	Biweekly Show	The Matrix Reloaded	Dave
1:00am					Identity		
2:00am		A Mighty Wind					
2:30am			CTN	CTN	CTN	CTN	CTN
3:00am			Black Sheep	STN Gameday	Dave	A Mighty Wind	Black Sheep
3:30am							

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 All new movies for November!

V-ball falls again

BY BILL WILLIAMS
Staff Reporter

The Delaware volleyball team dropped its fourth-straight match Tuesday night with a 3-1 loss at non-conference foe Villanova.

Villanova beat the Hens soundly in the first game 30-18, but Delaware came back to win the second by a count of 25-30. The Wildcats won the third game 30-20, before finishing out the match with a closely-contested final game, 38-36. Villanova extended its winning streak to four with the victory.

Delaware head coach Bonnie Kenny attributed the loss in part to the Hens' unfamiliarity to a new style of offense.

"We've been trying a 6-2 offense and it has taken some adjusting," she said. "The effort has been wonderful, though. We haven't been out any matches. We are frustrated, but the intensity and passion are there."

The Wildcats (9-13) had five players with double-digit kills, with Katie Lanting leading the way at 21. Kerri Sullivan added 19 kills and Celine Nguyen contributed 11 kills and 17 digs.

Freshman outside hitter Claire McCormack said Villanova executed well Tuesday night.

"They played pretty and served tough," she said. "They

took care of what they had to do."

Kenny added that Villanova's middle attack was effective.

"They played big and physical."



THE REVIEW/File Photo
Sophomore Niecy Taylor (12) and teammates have lost their last four matches this season.

The Hens (9-13) were led by junior Sarah Engle, who posted her first career triple-double with 12 kills, 19 assists and 19 digs.

Kenny said it was the first triple-double in Delaware history that she can recall.

"Getting a triple-double is pretty magnificent," she said. "It doesn't happen very often."

Senior Liz Ommundsen chipped in with a double-double, posting 11 kills and 14 digs. Junior Valerie Murphy tallied 13 kills and eight blocks and junior Taylor Govaars added 22 digs. Delaware had a total of 58 kills, 71 digs and 20 blocks.

Villanova outside hitters Erin Birunas and Dana Kabashima each had 10 kills. Sam Hartwell recorded 28 digs. Villanova finished with 75 total kills, 95 digs and 12 blocks.

Villanova and Delaware last met in Sept. 2002, when the Hens defeated the Wildcats 3-2 at Viera Court.

The Hens had suffered losses to conference opponents George Mason, Towson and Hofstra before Tuesday night.

Delaware returns home Friday night against Colonial Athletic Association rival UNC—Wilmington to begin the final stretch of matches of the regular season. The Hens are currently fifth in the CAA standing.

"We're still in the hunt," Kenny said. "We have a big weekend coming up and must win two of those matches if we're to have a chance at making the postseason."

McCormack added these last few games will be exciting.

"These games mean so much. We just have to come out and win."

Weekend Preview

BY TYLER MAYFORTH
Staff Reporter

Four Delaware teams will be in action this Halloween weekend as most fall sports enter the final stretch of their seasons.

The men's soccer team (3-9-5, 0-5-2 Colonial Athletic Association) hosts Delaware tonight at 7 p.m. and CAA foe Drexel Sunday afternoon.

The Hens will try to exorcise their losing demons as they attempt to end a nine-game winless streak.

Delaware will look to junior goalkeeper Kyle Haynes, who stopped a total of 11 shots in two games last weekend, and freshman and team points leader Matt Haney to help stop the bleeding.

Last season, the nationally-ranked Pride downed Delaware 4-3 and the Dragons defeated the Hens 2-0.

Another Delaware team trying to dispel its losing spirit will be the volleyball team. The Hens' losing streak is now at three games, but they hope to end it when they host conference foe UNC—Wilmington tonight at 7.

Delaware (9-12, 3-5 CAA) will look for sophomore Niecy Taylor and senior Liz Ommundsen to continue their excellent play. Taylor registered a game high 19 kills and Ommundsen tallied 18 kills against Hofstra last weekend. Another Hens coming on strong is junior Sarah Engle, who had 15 kills and 35 assists against the Pride.

Delaware split the season series with the Seahawks last year, 1-1, with each team winning on their home courts.

The women's soccer team, which recently secured a playoff berth in the CAA tournament, will hope to gather a first round bye tomorrow when they travel to North Carolina to battle CAA rival UNC—Wilmington.

Sophomore goalkeeper Lindsay Shover, fresh off two shutouts, will try to continue the trend against



THE REVIEW/File Photo
Junior forward David Egosi sends a header at the goal in a game earlier this season.

the high-powered Seahawks' offense.

Last season, Delaware (9-4-3, 4-1-2 CAA) defeated UNC-Wilmington 3-0.

In one of the most anticipated matches of the weekend, the 18th-ranked Delaware field hockey team (12-6, 4-2 CAA) hosts rival Towson tonight at 7 in a Halloween showdown.

Last weekend, the Hens tallied two victories against CAA rivals, clinching a playoff spot in the conference tournament for the eighth straight year. All-American junior Erica LaBar scored two goals and raised her career total to 21.

Freshman goalkeeper Megan Allen will try to post her fifth shutout of the year when Delaware travels to Rullo Stadium. Last year, Delaware lost to the Tigers 2-1.

Four Delaware teams play tonight, each trying to trick or treat its way to victory.

Hens start strong

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John Tosatto has moved up from the blue line.

O'Connor said Tosatto was the obvious choice because he previously played forward for the Hens in the past seasons.

The new defensive players that remain need to "come up to speed" as far as the ACHA level, he said.

Leading the defense is junior Mike Coughlin, and O'Connor admits it is tough achieving chemistry with such a young team, but expects to rebound from last weekend.

Assistant coach Bryan Reilly acknowledges that the team must increase their level of play to compensate for the loss of Razzi.

"I feel that there are a lot of young guys," he said, "but they have a lot of heart and determination and as the season goes on, the bond will get stronger. They will do fine."

The young team is hard-hitting, hard working and gritty, Reilly said. They go into the corners and use their body, which is what the team needs.

Not only does Delaware have a young team, but they have a young coaching staff as well.

Reilly, assistant coach Jimi Simmons, and goaltending coach Greg Sachetta are all beginning their first season as coaches for Delaware, yet none are new to hockey, as all have played at the collegiate or professional level.

O'Connor also begins his first season as head coach, but it is his eighth with the Delaware hockey program.

The team is hoping to make a run for the 2004 ACHA National Tournament Championships to be held at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa.

Coughlin said he feels the team could reach greatness.

"There aren't a lot of expectations for this team," he said. "We have an opportunity to prove people wrong and become a top contender in this league."

The Hens will take on Washington and Jefferson tonight at 7 and tomorrow in a double-header at the Fred Rust Ice Arena.

Congress addresses BCS

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bowls across the entirety of Division I-A than has ever existed."

There are two ways a non-BCS team can guarantee itself a bowl berth, he said. Earning a ranking of No. 1 or No. 2 in the BCS standing automatically places a team in the national championship game. Earning a ranking from No. 3 to No. 6 places a team into one of the two available slots in the other three bowls.

But Scott S. Cowen, President of Tulane University and representative of the non-BCS schools, said the BCS ranking system makes it virtually impossible for a non-BCS team to be selected for a bowl slot, regardless of record.

Cowen said an example is the Oct. 20 BCS rankings. On that date, five I-A teams were undefeated (Oklahoma, Miami, Virginia Tech, Northern Illinois and Texas Christian).

Of those five teams, the BCS teams were ranked Nos. 1, 2 and 3 (Oklahoma, Miami and Virginia Tech), while non-BCS teams Northern Illinois and Texas Christian were ranked 10 and 14, respectively.

Cowen also said that a neutral expert would find that the BCS formula discriminates against non-BCS schools.

NCAA President Myles Brand told the committee there are four possibilities for addressing the issue of post-season access in I-A football:

The first option is for the I-A membership to vote to establish an NCAA tournament similar to those that exist in NCAA I-AA, II and III football.

The brackets for I-AA, Delaware's division, currently place the 16 highest ranked teams in post-season play.

Another possibility would be to add one or three games after the bowl games to identify a champion.

A third option is the broadening of rankings for the BCS bowls or increasing the number of BCS bowl games.

A fourth possibility is to keep the current system, or a similar version of it in place.

Brand said that while many people in both the media and public might favor the first option, a Div. I-A playoff would diminish the unique and exciting bowl tradition.

Pearlman said a I-A playoff would be detrimental to the primary concern of all schools: academics.

"What happens on the football field is not as important as what takes place in our lecture halls and laboratories," he said. "We do not exist to field a football team."

Implementing a playoff would cause I-A football to carry into December and interfere with final exams for both players and fans, Pearlman said, and there is a limit to the number of games student ath-



THE REVIEW/Courtesy of Senator Biden
Delaware Senator Joseph R. Biden Jr. talked to Congress about the BCS rankings and how they can be viewed as unfair, which has raised some concern around the league.

letes can play.

Brand said a group of BCS and Coalition representatives met on Sept. 8 to discuss the issue and accomplished more than anyone expected. Another meeting has been scheduled for Nov. 16.

"Frankly, I am optimistic that genuine progress is being made," he said.

Biden said if the two sides cannot come to a mutual agreement, future government intervention may be necessary.

"It's sort of like college basketball telling Gonzaga at the beginning of the season that they most likely won't make it into 'March Madness,'" he said, "no matter how well they do that season."

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Overall		(74-42)	(72-44)	(75-41)	(68-48)	(70-46)	(73-43)	(75-41)	(65-37)	(0-0)
Last Week		(11-3)	(9-5)	(8-6)	(7-7)	(11-3)	(9-5)	(11-3)	(10-4)	(0-0)
Ind @ Mia		Dolphins	Colts	Dolphins	Dolphins	Colts	Colts	Dolphins	Dolphins	Dolphins
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Was @ Dal		Redskins	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Redskins	Cowboys	Cowboys	Redskins	Cowboys
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- Senator Biden talks about the BCS.

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REVIEW SPORTS

This Day in Sports
1953 - After touring Japan with the Giants, Commissioner Ford Frick compares the level of Japanese play to that of Class A of the American minors.

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Commentary

JUSTIN REINA



Halloween ramblings

In honor of this tantalizing Celtic holiday, I feel it is only appropriate to reminisce about some of sports' scariest and stupidest moments in a segment I like to call: the top 10 things not to do as a professional athlete.

This bone-chilling column is not meant for the weak-hearted, and if you feel uncomfortable reading this please feel free to turn away at any time.

Before I get to the list, I would like to apologize to all the athletes in those "not so common" sports who did not make this list.

For example, you will not read about Hector Zanafor winning his third consecutive cock-fighting championship by feeding his legendary contender steroid-enhanced corn.

Nor will you find any mention of 83-year-old Riley Willis who lost last year's shuffleshard competition after he got his prosthetic arm caught in the toilet during a five minute break before the final round.

Lastly, I promise to avoid any references to Dennis Rodman and his Care Bear-colored hair styles, and I will not talk about the drunken antics of Hall of Fame Chicago Cubs announcer Harry Caray.

So without further ado, I present to you the top ten list:

10. After losing his appetite for another heavyweight title, Iron Mike Tyson proved to the entire country that ears do in fact taste like chicken as he removed a chunk from former heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield in a title fight last year. In Tyson's defense, Holyfield later admitted to having bathed in barbecue sauce prior to the fight.

9. I think we all remember the two shirtless mullet-eers at a Chicago White Sox game who jumped from their seats, ran onto the field and proceeded to violently attack Kansas City Royal's first base coach Tom Gamboa. Fortunately, Gamboa was not seriously hurt, and after serving a short sentence the two men were allowed to return to work shoveling pig feces in exchange for food stamps.

8. This next moment wasn't so much scary as it was completely uncoordinated. Texas Rangers star Jose Canseco, attempting to catch a fly ball in right field, recorded an assist when the baseball landed directly on top of his hollow dome and bounced over the wall, resulting in a homerun for Cleveland's Carlos Martinez. After the game, Canseco reluctantly admitted he thought he was Mia Hamm.

7. Don "The Bull" Zimmerman gets tossed to the ground like a poorly assembled Raggedy Anne doll by Dominican native Pedro Martinez. When asked about the event, Martinez said his graceful tumble to the ground would not have been possible had he not taken yoga classes taught by his skinner caravel-like, the ragin' Cajun, Mr. James Look-a. Martinez commented that he felt his form on the toss was a little off and he would work with catcher Jason Varitek in practice to master his skills.

6. Amateur boxer and ex-lunatic Tonya Harding makes history by crippling her teammate Nancy Kerrigan prior to an Olympic ice skating event. I think the only thing more embarrassing than this lude act would be Warren Sapp's rendition of the bunny hop, which he unveiled after scoring a touchdown earlier this season.

Unfortunately, due to space restrictions and my uncanny ability to keep readers at the edge of their seats begging for more, numbers one through five will be printed in the next Friday issue (Nov. 14)—so stay tuned to find out what spooky and mystifying stunts these so-called professional athletes have had the unfortunate privilege of enduring over the years.

Happy Halloween.

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Hens hungry for Black Bear soup

BY DAN MONTESANO

Sports Editor

Label it the Trap Game.

After Delaware shocked Navy 21-17 last Saturday in Annapolis to run its record to 8-0 and a new No. 2 ranking in Div. I-AA, the Hens begin a difficult road to the Atlantic 10 championship with upcoming games against Northeastern, No. 4 Massachusetts and No. 7 Villanova to close out the regular season.

But sandwiched between the Hens thrilling win at Navy and the start of a tumultuous schedule Nov. 8 at Northeastern is a quiet but dangerous Maine team.

"We treat the season as a 12-round fight," Head coach K.C. Keeler said. "Right now, we're in our ninth round."

The Black Bears are coming off a 20-13 come-from-behind win against James Madison last weekend.

Led by a dominating defense, Maine (5-3, 4-2 A-10) ranks first in the A-10, giving up just 276 total yards per game.

The game will likely be won on the ground, as the Hens dominating rushing attack (225 yards per game) will battle a Maine defense that gives up a miniscule 92 yards on the ground per game.

Last week, senior running backs Antawn Jenkins and Germaine Bennett combined for 142 yards and two touchdowns on the ground.

Maine also looked to play the role of spoiler against Delaware, a role that the Hens are familiar with after they knocked off the then No. 5 ranked Black Bears 37-13 in Orono, Maine last season.

Delaware came into last season's contest losing six consecutive games on the road, while Maine had won 11



The Delaware football team rejoices after upsetting Div. I-A Navy last week. The Hens will play Maine this Saturday.

straight at home.

The Hens capitalized on two Maine turnovers and relied on the defense to hold a potent Black Bear offense to just 83 total yards and A-10 leading rusher Marcus Williams to just 22 rushing yards.

Keeler knows last year's loss will be on the minds of the Maine players and coaches.

"The loss last year is definitely lingering in their minds," he said. "There's going to be a lot of payback."

The tough Hens defense will try to shut down Williams as he leads the A-10 in rushing again this season, averaging 115 yards per game.

The depleted Delaware defense held Navy, who leads the nation in rushing with 304.4 yards per game, to just 180 yards on the ground last week.

The Hens also welcomed back sophomore defensive back Roger Brown last week as well as freshman defensive back Rashaad Woodard who also returned to action last week after spend-

ing time on the sidelines with injuries.

Although senior free safety Mike Adams is still sidelined with a broken fibula and senior defensive back Leon Clarke is out after undergoing surgery for a hernia, Keeler feels Delaware has a stronger team because they have had to deal with so many injuries.

"The injuries have made us deeper," he said, "and now that we're finally getting some players back, we may be as healthy as we've been all season."

Last week, Adams' replacement, junior Dave Camburn, broke up a pass as time ran out to seal the win for the Hens.

The Hens will also have to contend with Maine's freshman quarterback Ron Whitcomb, who was named A-10 Rookie of the Week for the second time this season after throwing for 189 yards and two touchdowns last week against the Dukes.

Delaware's offense will look to get back on track this week after having an eight game streak of posting over 400 yards of total offense snapped last Saturday against Navy.

The Hens enter Saturday's contest averaging 425 yards of total offense per game, good enough for third in the A-10 and rank first in scoring offense with an average of 37.1 points per game.

Senior quarterback Andy Hall ranks first in the A-10 in passing efficiency and fourth in total offense. Senior running back Germaine Bennett ranks second in the A-10 in rushing with 94 yards per game, trailing only Maine's Marcus Williams. Bennett is also 10th in the conference in all-purpose yards.

Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. on Saturday at Delaware Stadium.



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Delaware will miss graduating seniors Dan Howard and Jeff Earley, but new, young talent has filled the void nicely so far this season.

Hockey reloads with young guns

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New season, new coach and new players, but the same results for Delaware's ice hockey team as it has stormed out of the gates to a 6-2-1 start.

The departure of former head coach Josh Brandwene, who recently accepted the head coaching job at Michigan—Dearborn, left a hole in the coaching staff, but Brandwene's assistant, John O'Connor, made the step up and replaced his former mentor.

The team welcomes 18 new players, including 10 freshmen, after graduating 15 last year.

Despite the relative inexperience of the team, O'Connor remains optimistic about the team's outlook.

"This is not a rebuilding year," he said. "It's a reloading one."

O'Connor admitted his team is young, but said he is confident the season will be a success.

"Our biggest challenge is to mold these new players into a family," he said, "and get them playing together."

Despite losing back-to-back games at Towson last weekend, the Hens are ranked third in the American Collegiate Hockey Association standings and are looking to move up in the standings.

Last year, Delaware reached the semifinals of ACHA National Tournament and ended the season as the No. 4 team in the country.

The Hens have tough competition this year and they need to play tough on both ends of the ice.

Unfortunately for the young team, the offense sustained a huge blow on Oct. 25 with loss of junior captain Nick Razzi due to injury.

To fill the void left by Razzi, senior assistant captain

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Camburn strengthens "D"

BY TIM PARSONS

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Saturday is the first day of November. It will be less than a month until turkeys take over the kitchen and less than two months until the holiday season is in full swing. The leaves are changing, the weather is getting cooler and winter is on the horizon.

And the college football season is hitting the home stretch. The Delaware football team will take the field on Saturday against Maine to try and remain perfect. For one Hen player, it's more than just another football game.

"I'm just glad to be back on the field," junior Dave Camburn says.

The five-foot eleven-inch, 185 pound defensive back came in as a promising player for the Hens. He was one of two true freshmen to see game action in 2001 as a backup safety and a special teams star, leading the unit with 13 tackles.

He had played in the first eight games, but on Nov. 3, 2001, in a game against James Madison, Camburn tore his Anterior Cruciate Ligament, a devastating knee injury that usually sidelines a player for six months to a year.

The following spring, Camburn was back on the field running and regaining strength in his weakened knee.

"Everyone was encouraging me and telling me to keep going," he says. My parents and people from home were always asking about it and encouraging me to just keep working and going at it."

Even with the rehab, Camburn still wasn't fully healed by the start of the 2002 season.

"Last year was a rough year for me, I just wasn't ready for it. I had

pain in my [knee], and it was weak."

Even with his knee not 100 percent, Camburn still had a solid season, tallying 35 tackles, including 2.5 sacks, in 10 games.

"My [knee] would just give out on me at times, and I would just get very sharp pains."

The Hens have had a rash of injuries on both sides of the ball this season, but are still undefeated with an 8-0 record, and are ranked second in the ESPN/USA Today NCAA I-AA poll, thanks in large part to players like Camburn, who are stepping in and playing well.

"It's hard, especially with the great players we have," he says. "Everybody that has come in has stepped it up that extra notch and done an awesome job on both offense and defense."

Camburn has filled in the Delaware secondary for injured senior co-captain Mike Adams, the defensive leader on the team, and provided a huge lift for the team with

his strong play over the last two games.

"It's tough to step in for him, because [Adams] is a team leader," Camburn says. "I have some tough shoes to fill."

Even with this assessment, Camburn has made an immediate impact with eight tackles and two interceptions in the last two games.

But his biggest performance may come last week, when he knocked down a pass in the end zone on the final play of the Navy game to preserve a 21-17 victory for the Hens, although the modest Camburn looks at it a different way.

"There were a lot of people who contributed. I don't look at my play as 'the big play, I just did what had to be done."

"My knee still isn't 100 percent this season, but the good thing is that I don't have any pain," he says.

"It should be back to 100 percent by next season."



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Junior Dave Camburn (17) celebrates after a play in the game against Navy. Camburn has helped the Hens' secondary since Mike Adams was sidelined due to injury.

Biden, Senate talk football

BY ROB MCFADDEN

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The current system used to determine the national champion of college football is unfair and raises significant antitrust concerns, Sen. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., D-Del., said Wednesday at a U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee hearing.

He said the Bowl Championship Series prevents the 52 non-BCS members of Division I-A football from having a fair shot at the national title.

"It looks un-American," he said. "It looks like a rigged deal."

Biden's comments were made at

a hearing intended to establish whether or not college football championships are determined in a fair and balanced manner.

The BCS system has come under scrutiny recently after non-member I-A schools alleged they were being shut out from the top four bowl games (Rose, Orange, Fiesta and Sugar) in college football.

At present, six of the eight slots in the four BCS bowl games are guaranteed to the winners of the Big Ten, Pac 10, SEC, Big 12, ACC and Big East conferences.

Five other I-A conferences are not guaranteed a slot. Since the implementation of the BCS system in 1998, no non-BCS team has participated in a BCS bowl game.

Harvey S. Pearlman, Chancellor of the University of Nebraska—Lincoln, told the committee any I-A team could fill the two remaining slots.

"It is simply false to say the BCS excludes any team from any bowl game," he said. "[Today] there is a greater level of access to the BCS

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