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UD to buy Chrysler property for \$24 million

*If approved, purchase will be largest
single addition ever to Newark campus*

BY STEPHANIE KRAUS
and JOSH SHANNON

The Review

The university has agreed to purchase the Chrysler Assembly Plant for \$24.25 million. If approved by a New York bankruptcy court, this purchase would be the largest addition to the Newark campus in university history.

President Patrick Harker announced that the 272-acre property on South College Avenue will be used primarily for a research and technology park.

"The size of this parcel of land and its proximity to our main campus make this truly a once in a lifetime opportunity for the University of Delaware," Harker said in a statement.

He has said acquisition of the property will be a major milestone in the university's history.

"It is the future of the university," Harker said in June. "And I

don't mean for the next 10 years or the next 20 years. It's the next 100 years of the development of the University of Delaware."

The university's preliminary plans show the property split into three main areas of use: corporate partnerships for research and development activities, a medical partnership with Thomas Jefferson University and improved public transportation by expanding on the Amtrak station adjacent to the property.

"This piece of property is so big we can't even contemplate some of the things that might go there in the future," university spokesman David Brond said.

Brond said the bankruptcy court will make their decision by approximately Nov. 12.

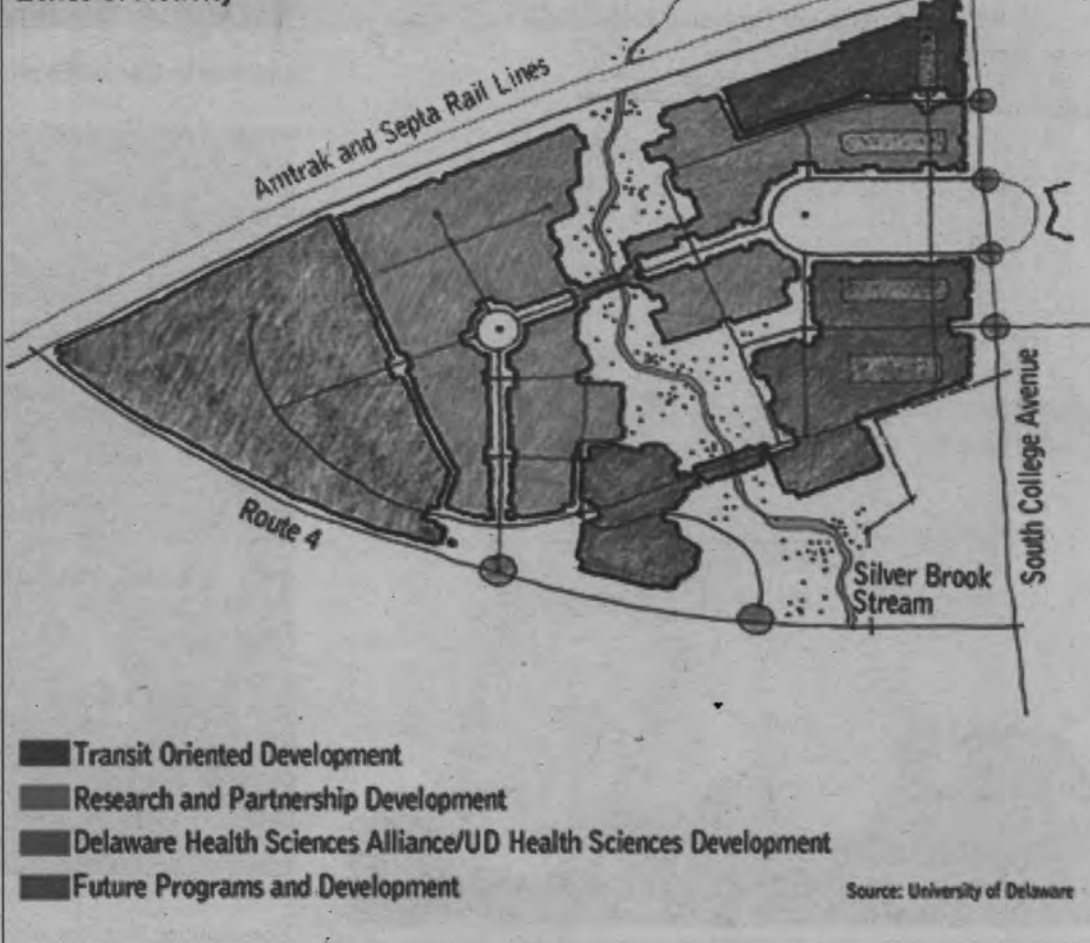
Gov. Jack Markell said the state looks forward to working with the university to maximize the potential economic development of the site.

"Part of rebuilding Delaware's economy is revitalizing sites like the Chrysler Plant, so we are very pleased that the university has been able to secure the property," Markell said in a statement.

Mayor Vance A. Funk III said the university has said they will use Newark Electric on the property, not Delmarva Power.

"That site is currently exempt

Chrysler Site Development Concept Zones of Activity



"It's the next 100 years of the development of the University of Delaware."

-University President Patrick Harker

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The Chrysler plant has been
vacant since December.

Four students robbed at gunpoint Saturday morning

BY KATIE SPEACE

City News Editor

Four students were robbed at gunpoint in three separate incidents Saturday morning, according to Newark police.

The first occurred at 1:25 a.m. near Willa Road and Lehigh Road, off West Park Place, Cpl. Gerald Bryda said.

A student, a 19-year-old male, was walking when a silver, four-door sedan pulled over to the side of the road.

A man got out of the vehicle, pointed a gun at the victim and stole his cell phone and wallet. The suspect was described as a black male, 30 to 35 years old, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, baggy blue jeans and dark colored sneakers.

Twenty minutes later, a 20-year-old male student walking on Wyoming Road near Yale Drive was approached by a man with a handgun who demanded the victim's wallet and

cell phone.

The suspect then fled in a waiting vehicle. The victim described him as a black male, 25 to 30 years old and 5 feet 7 inches to 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighing 170 to 180 pounds, and wearing a tan pullover hoodie and blue jeans.

The third incident occurred at 2:27 a.m. near Margaret

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Letter from the Editors

Dear Readers,

As some of you may know we're working all the time to provide you with the latest news around campus and the Newark community.

Even though our print edition is available to you each Tuesday, we work around the clock to update our Web site with new content and to send out breaking news updates to you as soon as we can.

Over the weekend, we posted two important breaking news alerts on our Web site — the university's purchase of the Chrysler site for \$24 million, as well as the occurrence of three armed robberies that took place around campus early Saturday morning.

We encourage you to sign up for breaking news alerts on our Web site, www.udreview.com, so that you too, can be aware of the latest, most pressing news around campus. If you sign up, any breaking news will be e-mailed to you as soon as it's posted on our Web site. For example, we made sure to send out e-mail alerts before Saturday night so that students going out would be aware of the crimes that took place the night before.

Here at The Review, we feel like it's our responsibility to keep our readers informed about anything that happens on campus — whether it's taking place at the crack of dawn or the dead of night.

It's all part of the job. Providing you with campus news is what we're here for.

Faithfully yours,
Josh Shannon, Editor in Chief
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Happy Halloween!



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Children gather on Main Street for Newark's 62nd annual Halloween Parade.



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Homecoming banners adorn the ceiling of Trabant University Center.



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Residents of Rodney A held an event Saturday to raise money for breast cancer awareness.

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Pencader Dining Hall to close for Winter Session

BY ARIF ZAMAN

Staff Reporter

Laird Campus residents planning on staying for Winter Session may need to start gathering nuts and berries for the long winter ahead.

Ryan Boyer, marketing manager for Dining Services, stated in an e-mail message that Pencader Dining Hall will be closed for Winter Session, as it will be undergoing the second phase of a multi-year project to replace the kitchen equipment.

The first phase of the project occurred two years ago with the installation of new coolers and freezers to expand storage capacity. The project is considered vital in the efforts to handle an increase in students on Laird Campus.

"This year, Dining is replacing the floor and all kitchen equipment over the course of Winter Session," Boyer said. "The new equipment is much needed as the current equipment is old and needs replacement."

Sophomore Kate Banford, who lives in Christiana East Tower, said the trek down to Rodney or Kent Dining Hall would be arduous in the cold weather.

"It's definitely going to be a huge inconvenience to Laird campus students, especially during the coldest season of the year," Banford said.

According to Boyer, less than 25 percent of the university population is on a meal plan during Winter Session.

"Based on those numbers, two dining halls are sufficient to accommodate their dining needs," he said. "Between the two dining halls, the population expected on campus will be handled adequately."

Conducting the project in small phases would not be feasible or beneficial, Boyer said. Although some students may think summer break is a more appropriate time to make such changes, he said summer sessions are much busier for the uni-



Pencader Dining Hall will undergo renovations this winter.

versity's dining services than the winter session.

"Dining will be posting a message on the Dining Services Web site homepage," Boyer said. "Along with that, Residence Life has been notified so that students preparing to be on campus for winter session will be aware."

According to Rebecca Krylow, Independence South complex coordinator, staff members in Dining Services sent an e-mail message to university employees approximately two

weeks ago.

She said Residence Life has been talking about ways to make the trips to the dining hall less strenuous on students. Although this is not a required activity for the staff, it has been suggested.

"As a professional staff we have discussed that it would be a good idea for RAs to organize group trips or walks over to the other dining hall that will be open during winter," Krylow said.

Sophomore Kerry Miles is another Laird Campus resident who intends on staying on campus during winter session. Although she said Laird residents are being disregarded, there may be a positive side to the situation.

"I don't understand why this has to be done now," Miles said. "On the other hand, it may be a good way to work off all of those calories from the dining hall food."

Many students who intend to stay on Laird campus may resort to preparing meals themselves instead of walking to the available dining halls, she said.

The construction will not completely deter students from going to the dining halls. According to Krylow, all students living in the residence halls during

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winter session must purchase a meal plan, including RAs.

Boyer said there are no plans to compensate students on Laird campus for the inconvenience.

Sophomore Matthew Fischel has moved on from initial dejection and has made alternative plans for dining.

"If Pencader is actually closed, I may resort to hunting deer in the woods behind the Towers," Fischel said.

Friends, family remember Blees with scholarship

BY MARINA KOREN

Assistant News Editor

Friends, family members and teammates of Jennifer Blees are selling bracelets and bumper stickers in memory of the freshman who was killed in a car accident earlier this month. The tie-dye bracelets, which bear the inscription "Live. Laugh. Love. J.L.B.," and the bumper stickers, bearing a photo of Blees, are part of a fundraiser for a scholarship foundation created in her name at Perkiomen Valley High School, in Collegeville, Pa. where she graduated in 2008.

This weekend, a moment of silence was observed in honor of Jennifer at the university's women's club soccer game against St. Joseph's University, which she attended her freshman year, her older sister Nicole Blees said.

Jennifer's best friend, Mandee Zerby, a sophomore at Shippensburg University in Pa., created a Facebook group to raise awareness for the fundraiser, which currently has over 400 members. Zerby said she and Nicole decided to plan several fundraising events in order to raise money for the scholarship.

"I can't even count the number of orders I've gotten," Zerby said. "A lot of people are really getting involved. People are constantly calling me asking me how they can get involved and where they can mail money."

Zerby, who met Jennifer during their sophomore year of high school, said she was like a sister to her and had frequently tagged along on family vacations with the Zerby's.

"We were seriously connected at the hip after we became friends. She was part of my everyday life," she said. "I have friends, but Jenny was my best friend, and I'll never have what Jenny and I had."

Zerby said bouquets of flowers, teddy bears and notes have been placed at the site of the accident in Skippack, Pa. Laminated photographs of Jennifer have been taped to the

electrical pole her car struck and mums are being planted in the area, she said.

In April, Jennifer's birthday month, Zerby said she and Nicole are planning a walk, bake sale and car wash to continue raising money for the scholarship.

Perkiomen Valley High School's soccer team has retired Jennifer's number, Nicole said. Flowers were planted in the shape of a cross on the school's soccer field and a photograph of Jennifer was placed in the center, she said, which will remain there for the rest of the school year.

Nicole, a senior at Widener University, created a Web site to help promote her sister's scholarship, which will go to an athlete who shares Jennifer's personality traits at the end of his or her senior year. She said she and her mother are currently working on a short description about who will be eligible for the scholarship.

"The scholarship is going to go to someone who is outgoing, loving and friendly," Nicole said. "The whole thing is keeping my family busy, so I think that it helps us too. As long as we're doing something to keep her name and face on everyone's mind, it helps a lot."

Nicole said her family has received numerous flowers, cards, e-mails messages and phone calls this month. The university's women's club soccer team presented the Blees family with Jennifer's warm-up outfit, including a zip-up jacket, pants and backpack with her number stitched on.

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Courtesy of Jayne Herman

Jennifer Blees

State announces two deaths possibly linked to swine flu

BY JOSH SHANNON

Editor in Chief

State officials announced last week that the death of two Delaware residents is suspected to have been caused by complications from the swine flu.

The first, a 35-year-old woman, was hospitalized Oct. 12 in Delaware and later transferred to a hospital in Maryland where she died Thursday morning. She had several underlying health issues, officials said.

Nationwide, there have been 2,416 influenza-like related deaths from Aug. 30 to Oct. 17, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Officials said the woman was from Kent County, but did not release any other details about her. Kent County is approximately 35 miles south of Newark.

"We are sad to have learned of this, the first H1N1-related death of a Delaware resident. This news is a reminder that while in many cases the

flu can be mild, in some cases the flu can be serious, even life threatening. Our heartfelt sympathy is with the family and friends of this individual," Karyl Rattay, director of the Delaware Division of Public Health, said in a statement.

Officials are also reviewing the Oct. 19 death of a 15-year-old boy from New Castle County to confirm whether the cause of death is related to swine flu. The boy was originally diagnosed with strep infection, but upon post-mortem testing was found positive for H1N1.

The state's announcement comes as President Barack Obama declared the swine flu a national emergency. Obama's order, signed Saturday, gives the secretary of health and human services, Kathleen Sebelius, the authority to suspend certain federal health regulations in order to allow hospitals to more efficiently deal with an influx of flu patients.

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This Week in History

Oct. 31, 1987 - Members of the Delaware Skating team, joined by Gov. Mike Castle and university president Russel Jones, ceremoniously broke ground on the Fred Rust Ice Arena.



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police reports

Man on North Chapel found with heroin, narcotics

Newark police received a call Oct. 20 at approximately 3:15 p.m. about a suspicious person on North Chapel Street, Cpl. Gerald Bryda of the Newark police said.

The caller said a man was walking slowly around houses in the first block of the street near Main Street. The description was broadcast over the police radio, and an officer responded and located a man on the street matching the description.

Bryda said the man attempted to avoid the officer and trespassed onto another property on the street. The man attempted to flee from the officer but then stopped. He was arrested and taken into custody without further incident. The officer found 12 bags of heroin and three Percocet pills.

The suspect, 28, from Middletown, was taken to the Howard Young Correctional Facility in Wilmington after being charged with criminal trespassing in the third degree and the possession of heroin and possession of Percocet.

Tire Slashings on Haines Street

Between the hours of 10 p.m. Saturday and noon Sunday, the tires on the left side of five vehicles were punctured, Bryda said.

The vehicles were parked legally in the 100 block of Haines Street next to the University Commons apartment complex. Four of the vehicle owners were university students, and the fifth was a guest of a university student.

Bryda said the charge for the incident is criminal mischief, although the suspect is unknown and there is currently no information regarding the perpetrator.

The total estimated damage of the punctured tires is \$800, he said.

-Katie Speace

best of the blogs

A sampling from The Review's blogs this week



UD Citizens of the World:
Haley Marks writes about the Global Edition of *The New York Times* Web site.



Green Love:
Maddie Thomas writes about the Environmental Defense Fund's vote for the "scariest climate action opponent."



College Culture:
Ashley Biro writes about how swine flu impacts college students.

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photo of the week



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Students gather in Warner Hall for a life-size game of Clue.

in brief

Pedestrian traffic on North College Ave. rerouted

Starting Monday, pedestrian traffic in the Laird Campus area east of North College Avenue has temporarily been rerouted due to the replacement of steam and condensate lines nearby, university officials said.

The project, which began in late August, also involves the installation of new isolation valves in man-holes in the area. Work will be performed in two stages in order to mini-

mize restriction of foot traffic, and completion of the project is slated for mid-December.

Vehicular traffic will not be affected.

Ifill set to speak Thursday

Journalist and author Gwen Ifill will speak in the Thompson Theatre of the Roselle Center for the Arts Thursday at 4 p.m.

In her first visit to the university, Ifill will present a lecture and hold

a Q&A session. Ifill is the author of the book, "The Breakthrough: Politics and Race in the Age of Obama," and is currently the senior news correspondent for "The News Hour with Jim Lehrer" at PBS. During last year's presidential election campaign, she moderated the vice presidential debate between Joe Biden and Sarah Palin.

Ifill was originally scheduled to speak April 30, but that appearance was canceled due to the swine flu outbreak on campus.

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ESPN's Howard Megdal to speak
6 p.m. Trabant Multipurpose Room C

Wednesday, Oct. 28

Interviewing Strategies: Acing the Interview
Career Services 2:45-3:45 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 29

Gwen Ifill speech
4 p.m., Thompson Theatre, Roselle Center for the Arts

Friday, October 30

Symposium on Nobel Presentations
2 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 31

Cultural Advisory Programming Board's annual homecoming comedy show
8 p.m., Mitchell Hall

Sunday, Nov. 1

Campus Quiz Tourney
Trabant Multipurpose Rooms

Monday, Nov. 2

Student Workshop: "Note Taking"
Smith 209, 3:30- 4:30 p.m.

Former Obama adviser Plouffe speaks at UD

BY TADEUSZ KASIAK

Administration Editor

President Barack Obama's former campaign manager David Plouffe returned to the university on Wednesday to speak about the Obama administration's policies and to offer insight into the 2008 presidential campaign.

Plouffe, who left the university in 1988 a few credits short of graduating, said the biggest change the Obama administration has brought to Washington has been a refocus on long-term policy making. Instead of concentrating on what the current polls show, the administration has been spearheading controversial policy issues such as healthcare and energy efficiency, he said.

"They are not focused on re-election," Plouffe said. "What matters most is that healthcare gets passed."

Plouffe spoke at Mitchell Hall as part of the semester-long lecture series, "Assessing Obama's First Year." The event was moderated by communications professor Ralph Begleiter, senior Antonia Borelli and senior Ashley Biro, a managing editor at The Review.

Plouffe said Obama's focus on long-term policy making has resulted in a need to transform the politics and culture surrounding Washington D.C.

"People do not think long-term there, with the whole culture and media treating every day as if it is the most important day in the history of the republic," Plouffe said. "We saw this during the campaign. Every day was Election Day and of course it wasn't."

He said this kind of short term politics has caused Washington to ignore tough problems, and that the situation cannot remain stagnant.

"We're on the precipice of doing something we've talked about for a century and finally having a healthcare system that's going to control costs and expand coverage and stop some of the insurance company practices that deny coverage," Plouffe said.

While a healthcare reform is associated with limiting present costs and expenses, the maintaining of a leading market share in energy is closely tied to future economic expansion. Plouffe said without a present day invest-

ment in energy and its technological development, future jobs and technologies will be lost to foreign competition from countries like China or India.

"This is a big stakes moment for the country," he said. "If we do not do the things we need to do now in those two areas and do the financial regulation reform to make sure what happened in the economic crisis does not happen again anytime soon, we are going to ruin this for decades."

Sophomore Anne Goodman, an attendee of the lecture, said healthcare and energy are at the forefront of the most pressing aspects faced by students. She said both issues directly impact the economy.

"Because we are graduating so soon in this economy it is kind of worrying how we [students] will deal with these problems and obtain jobs," Goodman said. "Any help would be greatly appreciated."

Apart from commenting on the present administrative issues, Plouffe identified three major challenges the Obama campaign had

faced.

The first dealt with getting organized. He said most people who run for president plan to do so for years, building a large staff and volunteer base, as well as raising the necessary funds.

"We thought we had 60 days to get this enterprise started or we would never get off the ground," Plouffe said.

The second issue concerned running against Hillary Clinton, the Democratic Party front runner for most of the primary season, who had a solid support system in all the states. This support system allowed her to win the New Hampshire Democratic primary election, which was an almost devastating blow to the Obama staff, he said.

"I can assure you the plan for how to become the Democratic nominee for president of the United States did not include losing the New Hampshire primary," Plouffe said. "If you talked to anyone in politics at the time they all thought it was over."

He said the campaign managed to get its

momentum rolling again by winning in South Carolina and receiving Sen. Ted Kennedy's endorsement. This, combined with the larger funds and better organized volunteer network, allowed them to overcome Clinton, by slowly winning more states and delegates.

However, he said, the single biggest threat to the candidacy was the controversy surrounding the Rev. Jeremiah Wright's sermons and statements to the media. The head of the church Obama attended, Wright was seen in videotaped sermons making inflammatory statements about race and the cause of the Sept. 11 attacks.

"The fact that we did not watch every sermon he had done was unforgivable, and we paid the price for it," Plouffe said.

He said Obama's later speech on race not only defused the situation but also differentiated him from other politicians. After the comments by Wright received national media attention, Obama gave a major speech in Philadelphia about race relations.

Plouffe said the move turned a hopeless situation into a great campaign moment, by juxtaposing Obama's new political ideology with those of other politicians.

"Not many political figures would have given that speech," he said. "They would have just tried to play four corners and outrun the thing and hope it goes away instead of elevating it and making it a dominant theme of the campaign for a long period of time."

The event solidified the tone of the campaign, Plouffe said. Obama's straightforward demeanor was perceived by people as treating the election seriously and approaching voters as adults.

He said this tone transcended into other elements of the campaign and determined what kind of media tactics would be employed. While other presidential candidates promoted negative ads, Obama's advertisements focused on explaining key policies.

"We were gambling that the value of the more wholesome approach would pay off, and I think it did," he said.



David Plouffe speaks at Mitchell Hall Wednesday with student moderators Antonia Borelli and Ashley Biro.

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Castle announces run for Biden's old senate seat

BY REITY O'BRIEN

Staff Reporter

The battle between experience and youth that the nation witnessed in the 2008 presidential election may repeat itself in Delaware in 2010.

On Oct. 6, longtime Republican Representative Mike Castle announced his campaign for the special election to fill Vice President Joe Biden's seat.

If Castle, a moderate Republican, wins, he will be the first Republican to hold the senate seat in 37 years.

"I have cast votes based on what is in the best interest of Delaware and the nation," Castle stated in an e-mail message.

Castle said since first coming to Congress in 1993, he has been among the "most centrist" legislators and those most willing to work with either party in order to find middle ground and pass compromise legislation.

"I think this approach appeals to the majority of Delawareans, regardless of party," he said.

Though the election will not be until November 2010, political science Professor Joseph Pika said the timing of Castle's announcement was standard.

"I think most candidates running for the senate announce earlier than Castle did," Pika said. "He was waiting until Beau Biden returned from his service in Iraq to announce his campaign."

Beau returned from service on Sept. 25.

Pika said it is widely suspected that Beau, Delaware's Attorney General and son of Joe Biden, will be Castle's Democratic opponent.

"If it is Beau Biden, it will be a high stakes race that

places high emphasis on experience versus youth and vitality," he said.

Pika said he thinks it will be a ho-hum race if Biden is not the Democratic candidate, with Castle leading from start to finish. However, he said the chances are good that Biden will be the opponent, and citizens should expect a longer campaign season than they are typically used to.

"Unfortunately, I predict that groups from outside the state will spend a lot of money in effort to persuade the outcome," Pika said.

Because of Biden's ties to the White House and his father's history with this particular senate seat, Pika said President Obama is likely to get involved if Biden is a candidate.

"It varies from president to president how deeply they get involved in these campaigns," he said. "Everything we've seen from Obama suggests that he will be very involved."

Pika said if someone other than Biden is the opponent he does not think the White House will make the same level of effort.

Castle said he is hopeful in the success of his campaign.

"As we face critical issues such as the economy and job-loss, healthcare and American security, it has never been more important for Delaware to have an experienced and proven leader in the United States Senate," he said.

In a press release following Castle's announcement, Delaware Democratic Party Chairman John Daniello said the Democrats have no intentions of giving up the Senate seat.

"Our Democratic Senators have been incredibly effective at delivering jobs for Delawareans and representing our values

on the national stage, even under a Republican president," Daniello said.

He said Castle has been growing increasingly out of touch with Delaware voters.

"He tried, but was relatively unsuccessful, at furthering his agenda under a Republican administration," Daniello said. "So I question how much more [successful] he will be under a Democratic administration."

He said he believes Castle was pressured into running by the Republican National Committee, but looks forward to a substantive debate between Castle and his running mate in the future.

An editorial in Sunday's News Journal hinted that Biden will announce his campaign at the Jefferson Jackson Dinner, an annual fundraiser for the Delaware Democratic Party, on Nov. 10.



Courtesy of Mike Castle

Rep. Mike Castle will run for Senate in 2010.

Monsters, ghouls take over Main Street



City's 62nd annual Halloween parade draws young and old

BY LAUREN SAVOIE

Staff Reporter

Children in costumes eagerly lined the sidewalks of Main Street this Sunday, taking their places in front of the local shops adorned with cobwebs, pumpkins and big bowls of colorful candy set out in preparation for Newark's 62nd annual Halloween Parade.

Kids laughed, shrieked and shouted as the floats drifted past. Fire trucks driven by ghouls blew their sirens for the crowd. Seven dwarfs led by Snow White played "Whistle While You Work" on clarinets. Abraham Lincoln, looking curiously like Sen. Tom Carper, shook the hands of excited onlookers.

Joe Spadafino, recreation superintendent for Newark's Department of Parks and Recreation, said the event was a way for the community to come together and celebrate a common holiday.

"For 62 years, the Halloween parade has been about getting kids and families out into the community," Spadafino said. "It's about coming together."

Spadafino said more than 70 local groups registered to participate in the parade, including many high school bands and the university's marching band.

"What's neat about this parade is every year the groups do different floats. Most of them change their theme each year," he said. "Some of the groups really put in a lot of time and do some very unique and great things."

This year's big hit was dressed in a red leather jacket, white gloves, and a black fedora. Thirteen-year-old Yusuf Kamara thrust, moon-walked and shimmied his way through the crowd of trick-or-treaters.

"I dressed as Michael Jackson because he tries to heal the world," Kamara said. "He's such a big influence on everybody in the whole entire world."

Kamara wasn't the only one at the parade with the idea to imitate the "King of Pop."

Danceworks' float featured a half-dozen girls dressed as zombies dancing to "Thriller." A high school marching band's performance culminated in a surgical-mask-clad Jackson impersonator dancing along to the beat of the drums.

Sophomore Sarah Cotter said she unexpectedly stumbled on the parade when she was jogging Sunday afternoon.

"I think it's adorable," Cotter said of the parade. "It's kind of cool to see so many townspeople so close to campus. You don't usually see that."

Cotter said the parade was reminiscent of Halloween in her hometown when she was a kid.

"Halloween was definitely a time to dress up and be goofy when we were little, it was all about getting candy and seeing your neighbors," she said. "When you're in college it's more about the parties."

Junior Katie Meloro said she attended the parade to support her friends that are in the university marching band, but believes the event was geared primarily toward little kids. "It's cute to see the little kid costumes, but the dog costumes are our favorites," Meloro said. "We saw a dog dressed as a hot dog."

Newark residents Cindy Yearick and Mark Redding were among the many spectators who brought their dogs along to the parade. Their two bulldogs, Maggie and Violet, were dressed in princess costumes that Yearick made herself.

"They're drawing a lot of attention," Yearick said of her dogs. "We've been trying to get up to the other end of Main Street but the response has been overwhelming. Everyone wants a picture or to pet the dogs."

"We're used to it," Redding added. Redding said he believes the parade was a way for businesses in town to reach out to families.

"I think it's a way for the businesses in Newark to get entire families out for the evening," he said. "The businesses really bring the whole thing together."

After the parade ended, children and parents in costumes formed long lines outside the local businesses, most of which have candy waiting.

Senior Carolyn Kilgore, who works at Clothes in the Past Lane, said the parade brings in a lot of business for the stores.

"It just brings a lot more people out," Kilgore said. "When they're waiting for the parade the start people linger or come inside, and afterwards the kids come in and we have candy for them and the parents like to browse while the kids are trick-or-treating."

Freshman Megan Hamilton, a hostess at Iron Hill Brewery, said the Halloween parade was not only good for the stores, but the restaurants also.

"People like to sit on the patio and order drinks before the parade, or they'll go inside and eat lunch and then come outside to watch the parade," Hamilton said. "People seem to view the parade as an evening out, so they'll hang out and stay for dinner with their families."

Hamilton, a Newark native, said she thought the parade was ultimately about showing the community what the town has to offer.

"It's about getting people out and into town," she said. "It's about showing people that Newark is more than just a college town."



Hundreds lined Main Street for Sunday's Halloween parade.

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Historically, Newark police have been to other football games," Henry said. He said maintaining order at the tailgate would most likely take priority over safety. "It would only be appropriate if a student causing problems, you'll have no problem with Newark police," Henry said.



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Some students aren't happy that Homecoming falls on the same day as Halloween this year.

Homecoming on Halloween: a scary thought to some

BY LAUREN SAVOIE

Staff Reporter

Homecoming is an October tradition, but this year's homecoming celebration has a new twist — it's the same day as Halloween.

The rare occurrence has had a mixed reaction amongst the student body and left some students, like freshman Kelsey Darch, angry with the university's decision to combine the two celebrations.

"It kind of stinks because usually we have two separate weekends to celebrate the two separate things but now we have to cram it all in," Darch said. "It's almost like we have to choose which one we're going to celebrate and compromise celebrating both to their full potential."

Darch said she was baffled by the university's decision to hold Homecoming on the 31st, and felt it was a purposeful blow to students as a way to cut back on drinking.

"If it was intentional, I think it was probably because they're trying to consolidate the havoc that could be wreaked on both of the holidays," she said. "Basically to cut back on the excessive drinking."

Stephen Mangat, communications coordinator for Alumni Relations, said the choice of the date had nothing to do with student partying.

Since Homecoming is traditionally held in October and only two home football games were scheduled this month — one of which was set for Parents and Family Weekend — the game on the 31st was the only date left for Homecoming, Mangat said.

"Having Homecoming on Halloween, or vice versa, is a rare thing for sure and I really hope that Blue Hens embrace the opportunity to celebrate both at the same time," he said.

Mangat said he was surprised to hear that students were angered by the choice to hold the two on the same day.

"I'm not one to read minds so I can't really say why students would be angered that Halloween and Homecoming fall on the same day," he said. "I don't see one as detracting from the other or the participation in one prohibiting the participation in the other."

While only a few of the events planned for Homecoming weekend are Halloween

themed, Mangat said he hoped students would take the opportunity to dress up in a way that combined the two days creatively.

"A werewolf football player, a zombie cheerleader or a mummy Blue Hen come to mind," he said. "But I'm sure that students and alumni attending the game will come up with far better ideas."

Freshman Marissa Curti said she also felt the decision to combine the two was intentional on the part of the university, but agreed with Mangat that the weekend could prove to be an exciting event.

"I think it's going to be a fun combination between the game and everyone dressing up," Curti said. "I've never actually obviously been to a homecoming so I'm kind of excited to see what the combination is going to bring. I don't really know what to expect."

Sophomore Kyle Chaires agreed the weekend would be more interesting than previous years, but said he still thought the events should be on two separate days.

"I think it will be a lot more fun," Chaires said. "But it's all of the fun stuff at one time instead of spread out."

Chaires said he and his friends were brainstorming ways to combine the two events.

"We've been bouncing ideas of going to tailgates in costume," he said. "Either way, we're definitely just going to go to the game and probably go out that night dressed up."

Sophomore Tim Baran said he was upset about Homecoming falling on the same day as Halloween, but not because of the missed drinking opportunities.

"I wish I could attribute those holidays to two different days, not because I want to go out and party a lot, just because they're the two biggest things to happen in the fall," Baran said. "We don't get that many chances to be festive."

He said he was unsure why the university chose to hold Homecoming on Halloween weekend, but said it could pose worse consequences than if the two days were separate.

"I guess it was kind of luck of the draw that Homecoming happened to be this weekend, or maybe they did it to control parties and make sure it doesn't get too crazy," he said. "But I think some people may take that as the opportunity to go doubly hard."

Police plan increased presence for Homecoming festivities

BY CHRIS MEIDANIS

Staff Reporter

An increased number of police officers could dampen the hopes of party-happy students at this year's homecoming game. In addition to university and Newark Police, tailgaters will have to be cautious of New Castle County police and Delaware State police presence, officials said.

The increased amount of officers is attributed to the large crowd expected for homecoming, which usually draws Delaware residents, students and alumni. Newark police will bring in 15 extra officers on-site for the tailgate but also throughout the city of Newark, said Lt. Brian Henry of the Newark police.

"We have a contingent of officers who work the football game in addition to a contingent of officers who are responsible for disorderly problems and maintenance," Henry said. "We're looking at problems on that day because of the large numbers."

Maj. Joel Ivory of the University Police said a police mobile command post will be on-site at the tailgate courtesy of the Newark Police Department, which will primarily be coordinating traffic efforts. Ivory said university police, who are in charge of everything that happens on the athletics property, will handle maintain the order at the tailgate.

"The university police take the lead, but we're assisting because of the increased number of people expected on this day as opposed to other football games," Henry said.

Historically, Newark police have been

busier on Homecoming, when arrests on that day are more than two times higher than in a typical week at the university.

Henry said there were 58 arrests made for alcohol violations and 10 for disorderly conduct during last year's Homecoming event.

He compared these numbers to a typical week in October to show the increased violations. During the week of Oct. 4-11 of this year, only 17 arrests were made for alcohol violations and two for disorderly conduct.

"Clearly, people come here with the intent to drink and party, and it's a natural consequence of a large number of people coming into this area with those intentions," Henry said.

Planning for homecoming typically begins a month before the event, when the university and Newark police departments discuss and anticipate what needs to be done, he said. On Oct. 7, the two departments also met with the county and state police.

For the tailgate, the same restrictions apply as with any home football game. The parking lot will open at 8 a.m. and patrons will be asked to leave or enter the game once kick-off begins. Kegs, drinking games and funnels are prohibited, Ivory said.

Henry and Ivory said students are encouraged to be aware of the police and the law.

"Consuming alcohol under the legal age is against the law and we will make arrests," Ivory said. "If people are acting to impinge on other person's rights, we're going to step in."

He said maintaining order at the tailgate would most likely take priority over arrests

made. The patron's safety is the main goal and concern of the university police.

"We just want to make sure everyone enjoys the game," Ivory said. "There are patrons that are just there to tailgate and others could get annoyed with their excessive alcohol use."

Tailgaters, feeling pressure from the increased police presence, might end up harming themselves, said sophomore tailgater Dan Andrusko.

"People might end up drinking too much alcohol too quickly so they don't get in trouble for having it," Andrusko said. "I think this could backfire and have a reverse effect."

Out-of-control students raise concerns for police because of the tactics that could be used to maintain order. Selected Newark police officers are equipped with tasers, although both the university and Newark police departments said they have no citations of an incident ever occurring.

"University police are not equipped with stun guns so we've never had to deal with that," Ivory said.

Sophomore Chris Stickel said he feels a student should only be subdued with a taser if a police officer is being physically attacked.

"It would only be appropriate if a student



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Newark police will step up patrols for Saturday's tailgate.

tried to strike an officer," Stickel said.

Andrusko said he doesn't see why tasers are necessary at all.

"I don't think students really attack police officers here, anyway," he said.

Despite student objections, the idea of increased police presence during homecoming is a reality. Ivory and Henry said students are encouraged to exercise good judgement and common sense during the weekend.

"If you don't have any open containers in public, you're of legal age and you're not causing problems, you'll have no problem with Newark police," Henry said.



Pink ribbons adorn Main Street telephone poles in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Main Street businesses rally for breast cancer awareness

BY JESSICA CARDEN

Staff Reporter

Newark is going pink in honor of October's Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Pink ribbons have been tied around telephone poles on Main Street and businesses are promoting, fundraising and supporting breast cancer awareness.

Kay Snelling, owner of Gecko Fashions, has been recognizing Breast Cancer Awareness Month in her clothing store for four years. The store has "Save the Ta-Tas" t-shirts for sale, and she said she is giving 10 percent of the profits to the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Foundation.

Snelling said she has also decided to feature calendars titled "Images of Brave Companions" in the store. The calendars feature pictures of women who have survived breast cancer, and cost \$20. They are meant to raise awareness, find research and help provide financial assistance for women with inflammatory breast cancer. She said 100 percent of the proceeds from calendar sales will go toward the research.

After losing her sister-in-law to breast cancer 10 years ago, Snelling said supporting the cause is something she feels she must do. She said having awareness and catching it early are the keys to curing the disease.

"Had she been more aware of the signs, maybe she could have caught it earlier," Snelling said.

Lauren Petrick, general manager of Sweet-N-Sassy Cupcakes, said the business is participating in Breast Cancer Awareness Month by featuring its Pink Ribbon cupcake. Petrick said the cupcake is a vanilla cupcake with vanilla icing and the famous pink ribbon on top.

"We've been making these cupcakes for three years now," Petrick said. "One dollar of every cupcake goes toward a fund being sent to the Making Strides foundation."

Petrick said Sweet-N-Sassy also gave away gift cards at the Making Strides Against

Breast Cancer Walk in Wilmington Oct. 17 and handed out pink ribbon cupcakes at the Pink Out on Oct. 15 on the North Green.

Junior Andrea Fusaro, president of UD Colleges Against Cancer, said the organization planned the Pink Out, an event where students and community members wear pink and are organized into the shape of the breast cancer ribbon.

Lois Capone, Pink Ladies coordinator of Newark, said she has been busy this month encouraging businesses taking part in the movement.

"You know the old saying, 'Each one, teach one,'" Capone said. "Well, when you're doing some kind of fundraising like this, you get one business to do something and someone else always wants to join in, too."

In addition to Sweet-N-Sassy Cupcakes and Gecko Fashions, she said some restaurants are taking part in the cause as well. Primo Hoagies held a sub-eating contest on Oct. 23 called Cease to Beat the Beast to raise money for breast cancer. Capone also said Iron Hill Brewery had a special in which 20 percent of customers' bills went to the American Cancer Society.

Lauren Manchester, manager of Klondike Kate's, said the business was hoping to do something fresh and new this year. The restaurant held a brunch on Oct. 18 featuring pink champagne, mimosas and a buffet for \$30 a person.

"We wanted to participate in Breast Cancer Awareness Month in order to stay as involved in the community as possible," Manchester said.

Snelling said she feels the understanding of breast cancer is continuing to spread locally and at an extremely fast pace.

"I have been on Main Street for four years and my first year here there were only two businesses that did anything, including myself," she said. "Last year, there were over 30 businesses participating."

Rodney A channels the 'Power of Pink'

BY NICK REED

Staff Reporter

Behind the brick walls and through the black metal doors of Rodney Dining Hall, light-pink arrows and loud welcoming music of the Temptations and the Supremes blasted from a small stereo, leading the way to a room donned with pink streamers.

The "Power of Pink" event, held on Oct. 24, and sponsored by the third floor of Rodney A, was held in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Freshman Jennifer Lowe, one of the event's organizers, said the residents wanted to do something together to bond as a floor.

The residents of Rodney A decided to hold a photo shoot. Lowe said anyone could come in to get their picture taken alone or in a group, receive wallet size photos costing from \$10 to \$30, and walk away having donated a percentage to the Christiana Hospital's Special Needs Fund, which aids cancer patients who need financial assistance to pay for medically necessary services.

"We could see a movie or go out to eat, but we decided we would rather focus on helping other people," Lowe said. "The photo shoot was the original idea; the bake sale is just another way to give for people who don't want to get their picture taken."

Freshman Kayla Mantegazza said the exact percentage of the amount raised has yet to be calculated.

"We're too unsure of what the total outcome will be," Mantegazza said. "But we want to give as much as possible."

Lowe said the profits will go toward covering the difference of what insurance won't cover in the patient's procedures.

Christiana Hospital also provided four different pamphlets for the event on the importance of early examination of breast cancer and awareness.

"General awareness and taking precautionary measures should start early," Mantegazza said.

The organizers of the event reached out to the university for help in getting the fundraiser started. They used the Student Initiative Fund, a program used to reimburse Registered Student Organizations for the funds spent on their programs, Mantegazza said.

Freshman Karl Fomundam said he came to support the cause. He said he heard about the event by word of mouth around west campus, as well as on Facebook.

"Early breast cancer awareness is important," Fomundam said. "Students should be aware of other serious diseases, as well."

Freshman Karen McEvoy, a Rodney resident, said a couple of female residents on her floor had been affected personally by breast cancer.

"It's something that can affect anyone, at all ages."



Freshmen Janine Pessah, Becca Spigle and Erica Jenkins have their pictures taken at Saturday's Power of Pink fundraiser.

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University launches environmental institute

BY STEPHANIE KRAUS

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The final day of sustainability events concluded this Friday on The Green with the launch of the Delaware Environmental Institute, a new partner of the university assisting in sustainability research.

An estimated 150 people attended Mitchell Hall from 9:30 a.m. until 12 p.m. for the DENIN debut, which featured remarks by Delaware Gov. Jack Markell, university President Patrick Harker, Provost Tom Apple and DENIN Director Donald Sparks.

The event's two keynote speakers on environmental issues were Francois Morel, a professor at Princeton University, and William Schlesinger, president of the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies.

In Spark's opening remarks for the ceremony, he told the audience that Delaware faces very significant environmental challenges because of decades of industrial production and increasing residential and commercial development.

"The environmental issues facing the state are too complex to solve using traditional means," Sparks said. "They demand that we come up with innovative applications of science, engineering and public policy and that we collaborate with outstanding researchers who are conducting cutting-edge and highly relevant environmental research."

The university has been talking about forming an environmental institute for approximately two years, he said. The institute will help the university receive large grants from federal agencies for solar and recycling projects.

One of DENIN's goals is to forge partnerships among government agencies, nonprofit industries, policymakers and the public to address environmental challenges. Sparks said DENIN will coordinate and sponsor some of the university-based interdisciplinary initiatives, such as academic programs and research projects.

Harker announced on The Green that DENIN will move into the new university Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering building to be built on the corner of Lovett Avenue and Academy Street by 2013. The building will have DENIN administrative offices, laboratories, offices for environmental science and engineering faculty, as well as for their students.

Harker said the 2,000-square-foot building will also house an energy institute.

"This space is meant to blur the lines between disciplines and tear down the walls — literally and metaphorically — between instruction and research, so that the research being conducted in one lab provides the content for the curriculum being taught literally next door," Harker said.

Harker said he has promised to support DENIN by supplementing university faculty.

"We've made a commitment to hire faculty to strengthen UD's environmental enterprise," he said.

Markell took the stage and spoke about how students today are very environmentally conscious.

"They get it — not just in their head, as an intellectual issue — but they get it in their gut," Markell said. "They recognized that their future is very much tied up in what kind of Earth we all leave them."

Collin O'Mara, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control secretary, also spoke about the university's younger generation.

"The kids get it," O'Mara said. "We have to take the view that the environment is not something that we inherit from our parents but something that we borrow from our children."

He then invited each child from the elementary class, individually, to come on stage and receive an award for their sustainability efforts.

After the guest lectures, the launch continued inside a large tent, on The Green, where Delaware students from

grades K-12 showcased posters and projects about the environment. Sparks said the university invited other schools to participate in order to engage the whole community, not just the university.

"We wanted to show there's great interest from everybody," he said. "We really wanted to engage the whole community, not just the faculty. We wanted to bring in the state as a whole."

Senior Evan Wilbert said he thinks DENIN is a good economic decision for the university.

"It will bring a decent amount of money to the university, especially as far as research programs go," he said. "So, hopefully, it'll keep us on the leading edge of green technologies."

Graduate student, Erin McVey, said she thinks DENIN will promote sustainability education on campus.

"Education is a big thing right now," she said. "I feel like people need to learn about sustainability and why it's important so I think the launching of the institute is great."

Sparks said trying to encourage an environmental mindset in people is sometimes difficult.

"I think there's always an issue with changing people's habits in this country and probably throughout the world, but you really have to work together as a whole."

Wilbert said The Green was a good place to hold the event because it encouraged people walking by to think about sustainability.

"I definitely think it was a good program," he said. "I think it brought environmental issues to the forefront of students' minds as they passed by."

McVey said she would like to see the university continue sustainability education.

"When you have students that care and are involved and want something to happen or change, I think that's probably the best thing a university can do," McVey said.

Sustainability Day highlights UD's efforts to go green

BY JORDAN ALLEN

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Students, faculty and local community members came together on the university campus for three days of sustainability events on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Friday marked the launch of the Delaware Environmental Institute.

John Madsen, co-chair of the university's Sustainability Task Force, which organized Wednesday's Campus Sustainability Day, said the best way to make the campus a more sustainable environment is to involve the entire community.

"During the Campus Sustainability Day and Student Environmental Sustainability Day we really got a lot of representation from the community," Madsen said. "We could see how making the university a more sustainable place, a more sustainable environment, really comes from activities of the community as a whole."

Planning for Campus Sustainability Day began last spring and continued at the start of fall semester. One of the main events was a luncheon with a speech from Provost Tom Apple. Madsen said they used recyclable plates and utensils and bought mostly organic food for the ceremony.

"It was one of the first times dining services has created a completely sustainable meal that was a unique feature," he said.

During the luncheon, the Sustainability Task Force recognized approximately 10 groups it felt were successfully practicing sustainability, by doing things like recycling, using organic materials and helping preserve the environment on campus. Some of the groups acknowledged were the Independence Residence Hall Complex, Gilbert Residence Hall Complex, UD Carbon Footprint and Climate Action Plan, UD Dining Services and Students for the Environment. They also recognized the Sustainable Apparel Initiative, UD Rain Garden, Change Without Buying, Residence Life Environmental Sustainability Committee and First Year Experience energy savings.

There was also an orientation for the Green Liaison Program, meant to train representatives from different university departments, colleges, organizations or RSOs how to be more aware of ways to help the environment. The liaison members go back to their group and advise and educate them about



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Three days of sustainability events were held last week.

how to be more sustainable by doing anything from recycling to purchasing green products.

Wednesday afternoon was the first Green Liaison meeting, Madsen said, and there were approximately 50 people who attended. There are approximately 97 people total, students, faculty members, staff and administrators, signed up to become a Green Liaison.

Madsen said they also organized a series of sustainability workshops held on the second floor of the Trabant Student Center. The workshops were created by either members of the task force or people they know who are doing work toward promoting or practicing sustainability at the university. Each workshop involved approximately an hour long presentation and some involved hands-on activities so those attending could practice what they learned.

The "Re-think, Re-use, Re-fashion" workshop talked about recycling clothing. An argument for "Living Landscapes" focused on native plants and how they play a major role in the restoration of landscapes. "Knowledge is Power — or in this case Knowledge of Power" involved discussions of energy and power and how they relate to the university. There were also workshops on "Simple Ways to be

Sustainable" and "Rain Barrel Construction." The last workshop of the day was "Sustainable Landscapes — A How-To Tour," which took participants through the campus and Visitor's Center while informing them about how to create a sustainable landscape.

Leslie York-Hubbard, an environment health and safety specialist, gave the "Rain Barrel" presentation, where she taught participants how to make a rain barrel along with the benefits of using one.

She said the university uses several structures to catch and store storm water, including constructing wetland areas in front of the Agriculture Building and making a rain garden next to Penny Hall.

"To most people they think it's maybe just a pretty garden along a parking lot area but these are actually areas that are engineered to house storm water for a certain period of time," York-Hubbard said.

There are approximately 30 similar structures and 33 underground structures on campus.

She says the sustainability days are a good way to provide information to people and also a good way to do outreach to those interested in helping the environment.

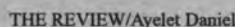
Laura Miller is the president of the Graduate Student Senate, which organized the Student Environmental Sustainability Day. Under and around the tent on The Green were posters featuring sustainability-related research from graduate students. There was also food and giveaways of BPA-free water bottles and reusable grocery bags.

Some of the graduate students' posters featured research on using energy from solar hydrogen, efficient hydrogen production, shad restoration in White Clay Creek and coordination for equal carbon dioxide mitigation cost sharing, among others. Poster winners were announced by a faculty judging panel.

Miller said it was interesting to see the judges interact with the students and look at research across several different disciplines, adding it may open up collaborative efforts between faculty and those graduate students in the future.

For the university, she said, the most important things students can do is be conscious of their sustainability choices and take advantage of any opportunity to reuse.

"I think sustainability to me is trying to make the most of the resources you already have," Miller said. "And trying to really be creative with those resources."



SGA proposes safety changes for Cleveland Avenue

Staff Reporter

Second fuel cell bus added to UD fleet

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commercial breakthrough." "I think that UD and I really complement each other, where one falls short the other

Speaker casts away negative body images

BY CHRISTINA BATOG

Staff Reporter

Love Your Body Day, a national event the university participates in every year, was held in the Perkins Student Center on Oct. 20. The event included a healthy yogurt bar, a belly dancing class and a presentation by Larry Kirkwood, artist and founder of The Body Image Project—a display of sculptures made of plaster casts of actual bodies of all shapes and sizes.

Eyes gazed over the accurate representations of different sized and colored sculptures.

However, as soon as Kirkwood began his discussion, all eyes focused on him. The mood of the room was entirely still.

He explained the different people he encountered when he made the sculptures and how they individually felt about their bodies. Kirkwood pointed out that the plaster bodies mounted on the walls were made from people of all sexes and races because

the problem of body image is not a sex or race problem but rather a human-wide problem.

The event sponsors, Wellspring and the Office of Equity and Inclusion, and the co-sponsors, Students Acting for Gender Equality, Nutrition and Dietetics Club, National Eating Disorder Awareness Committee, the Fashion and Apparel Studies department, the Human Development and Family Studies department, Office of the Dean of Students, the Women's Studies department, Faculty and Staff Assistance Program, Employee Wellness Center, Healthy HENS and Sexual Offense Support, all contributed many months of planning for an informative event for students.

Erin Walder, graduate assistant for women's affairs in the Office of Equality and Inclusion, said planning for the event started at the beginning of Fall Semester.

"Love Your Body Day is a national day

of celebration, so we try to encompass multiple activities about having a healthy body image, which includes physical, mental, and emotional health," Walder said.

She said the committee also wanted to make sure the message of the evening was expressed through the events.

"Our main message for Love Your Body Day is that we are more than just what is on the outside, and we need to be aware of how we treat ourselves and others based on physical attributes," Walder said.

Rachael Wummer, volunteer coordinator for Wellspring's Promoters of Wellness program, said that it is always traditional for Wellspring and activities dealing with healthy incentives to be in conjunction.

"Wellspring's goals are about health education and promotion," Wummer said. "Love Your Body Day encompasses the same healthy outlook on life and appreciating your body for what it is."

Wellspring and the Office of Equality

and Inclusion wanted to make sure that students had another way to view their body image than what is always portrayed in the media, she said.

"We wanted to show what the media could do to you and your body image if you didn't realize that everything was air-brushed and people aren't usually how they appear," Wummer said.

Walder and Wummer both agreed that it was a very successful event.

Walder said that their attendance goal was 100 students and that they had exceeded that number.

Senior Nicole Stoklosa, was on the committee for the day's events. She was also impressed by the turnout and Larry Kirkwood's exhibit.

"I loved his presentation that he gave and wish everyone could have heard the things he had to say about body image and our society's views on it," Stoklosa said.

Fashion majors study in New York City

BY CHELSEA CALTUNA

Staff Reporter

For more than 20 years, fashion and apparel studies majors have had the opportunity to live in Manhattan for two semesters taking jewelry design classes and attending attend runway events without transferring from the university.

The FIT Visiting Students Program, sponsored by the Department of Fashion and Apparel Studies, allows university students to study at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City for a year without transferring schools.

Rosetta LaFleur, a professor in the Fashion department and the FIT Visiting Students liaison, said the program is approximately 25 years old and has hosted more than 100 students since its inception.

"New York City is the center of the fashion industry in the United States," LaFleur said. "The faculty at FIT are industry professionals."

To apply for the program, students must submit a request for endorsement by the university, and then fill out the FIT application, along with an essay and letter of recommendation, LaFleur said. The entire process takes a year and FIT makes the final admission decision.

LaFleur said students who participate in the program pay only FIT tuition for the year. Out-of-state tuition to FIT is \$12,604 a year, according to the program's Web site, and students who legally reside in New York pay in-state tuition.

Senior Terese Condella, who plans to graduate from FIT this winter, said the program gives students a wider range of opportunities.

"I had a hard time deciding between the traditional college experience or art school, so the visiting students program has given me the best of both worlds," Condella said. "I think that UD and FIT really complement each other, and where one falls short the other

fills in."

Condella said FIT provides the tools for a successful career in the fashion industry.

"I don't think enough students take advantage of the program," she said. "I knew that I wanted to end up in New York City after college, so this was the perfect transition."

Senior Jessica Hargest said she took six classes per semester at FIT, including retail store management, advertising, jewelry design, accounting and textiles.

"FIT is synonymous with the fashion industry and it is a leading fashion school for a reason," Hargest said. "The professors are required to have 13 years of industry experience and have so much knowledge of the industry that I learned from their firsthand accounts."

She said FIT presented other advantages, such as assistance from the school's career center and lectures by guest speakers Diane Von Furstenberg and Tommy Hilfiger.

"FIT makes a big point for everyone to be involved in the industry outside of school," Hargest said. "I was able to see Fashion Week from behind the scenes and from the audience, and I was able to be excused from class when I wanted to help an editor I was assisting on a photo shoot."

Living in the city provided its own education as well, Condella said.

"In New York City, I'm completely submerged in the fashion world," she said. "Everything from department stores to museums, art exhibits, music and culture is so accessible to me."

Hargest said her experiences inside and outside of the classroom at FIT are irreplaceable.

"I became much more independent and toughened up my street skills. I went on a new adventure almost every day," she said. "The experience I had in New York City changed my life."

Prof. calculates a successful marriage

BY SAMANTHA BRIX

Staff Reporter

The man who helped create a mathematical equation predicting divorce with 94 percent accuracy offered university students and faculty his scientifically-based solutions to troubled marriages in Gore Hall on Thursday.

James Murray, professor emeritus at the University of Oxford and University of Washington, paired with psychologist John Gottman to conduct a study, the results of which are widely used in marriage therapy in the US.

Murray and Gottman studied 700 newly-wed couples in Seattle, Wash. in 1992 and created a model that categorizes marriages as stable and likely to last, or unstable and likely to end in divorce.

At the end of the 12-year study, Murray and Gottman found 94 percent of couples that were initially labeled unstable and likely to fail got divorced within four years.

In the first and primary experiment, couples were videotaped having a 15-minute conversation about a topic on which they disagreed, Murray said.

He is currently touring universities around the country, presenting his findings in a lecture titled, "The Marriage Equation: a practical theory for predicting divorce and a scientifically-based marital therapy."

Experimenters watched the videos and scored each couple's statements and facial expressions with positive or negative values, Murray said. A look of affection, for example, would add four points to the score, while a defensive statement would take away two points.

He said the scores were then plotted on a two-dimensional graph. The spouse categorization was then factored into a mathematical equation reflecting marriage stability.

This equation is based on one spouse's emotional inertia, their influence on the other spouse and

a constant. The constant represented issues the couple disagreed upon such as in-laws or money. Murray said mathematical values are assigned to these factors in a surprisingly simple way.

"It's really an intuitive thing," Murray said. "It's not difficult."

When Gottman first introduced the idea for the study, Murray said he was skeptical about linking marriage stability and mathematics.

The two went to a lunch during which Gottman elaborated on his idea to capture human emotion in mathematical figures.

"He wondered about this and I just thought it was ridiculous," Murray said.

However, Murray's mind was changed.

"By the end of the lunch I was hooked," he said.

Murray was invited to present his lecture as part of the university's Carl J. Rees Distinguished Lecturer Series.

During a short question and answer session following the lecture, some attendees expressed skepticism concerning the equation. Some asked whether children, couples' age differences and previous marital status were factored into the equation. One attendee asked if the equation would hold validity in the Middle East where religion would likely come into play.

Murray said those factors are not part of the equation and admitted that the equation is not universal. He said the study, when based on early marriages and courtships, is applicable to marriage stability particularly in the United States. Murray said when mathematically coded, the couples' 15-minute conversations are strong indicators not only of whether a marriage will last, but also of particular issues to deconstruct in therapy by pointing to which parts of the equation needs to be repaired.

"The couples' interaction data recommends specific thera-

py. It's a rationale for marriage interaction," he said. "Even if the couple doesn't get divorced, it can predict if they will be happily or unhappily married."

Concepts from the study, which are briefly mentioned in Malcom Gladwell's best-selling book, Blink, were first used in clinical marital therapy in 1998, Murray said.

He said the study's model, which is still prevalent in marital therapy in this country, is also being examined in homosexual relationships.

"It's a different equation actually," Murray said. "We haven't actually applied the model, but we're trying to see what the model might be."

Senior Riane Hoffman, a psychology major, is participating in undergraduate research on Gottman and Murray's marriage equation. Expanding on the original parameters of Murray's model, in which couples converse about a topic they disagree on, couples are then also asked to have a 15-minute conversation on why they love each other.

Hoffman said she is a coder in the research, assigning the positive and negative values to couples' statements and facial expressions.

"This research that we're using probably will be used in therapy," Hoffman said.

She said she jokes that when she gets engaged she wants to first have her own marriage predicted, noting the high accuracy rate.

Mathematics Associate Professor Gilberto Schleinger, who invited Murray to speak, said the lecture was meant to be relevant and comprehensible to students and faculty outside the mathematics department.

"We ask speakers that at least their first talk is understandable for students and faculty of other departments so they get a good idea of how great mathematics is in different areas," Schleinger said. "Mathematics is everywhere."



Courtesy of Nicole Blee

A memorial has been set up next to the high school soccer field where Blee used to play.

Blee: Memorial bracelets to be sold at UD

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Support for the family has been overwhelming, she said, and the turnout at her sister's memorial services was incredible.

"There were 500 people who signed the book at the funeral," Nicole said. "A lot of other people were saying they didn't even get to sign the book."

Nicole said she is going to miss seeing her sister's smile and hearing her laugh the most.

Jennifer's roommate, sophomore Lauren Tang, a transfer student from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, said she and Jennifer helped each other get comfortable on campus.

"Jenny really defined Delaware for me," Tang said. "For the first two or three weeks of

school, we completely relied on each other to get to places. We always ate dinner together and we did homework while we watched TV every single night. It was a good roommate experience."

Tang said many people, including Jennifer's teammates from the club soccer team, have asked her about making donations to the scholarship. She will be selling bracelets and bumper stickers to students at the university soon, she said, most likely in the Trabant University Center.

"Now looking back, it's weird to see how you can take things for granted. You don't realize how big or little things are," Tang said.

"Jenny changed my attitude on life in general. I've realized how one big thing can turn your whole world upside down."

Chrysler: Bankruptcy court to rule on sale next month

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from having to buy utilities, so having the university go on that site and having an agreement where they would use our utilities is going to be far better off for us," he said.

Chrysler shut down the Newark assembly plant on Dec. 3, 2008. Since last spring, the university has been in discussions with Chrysler to purchase the property. Over the summer, Capstone Advisory Group, LLC, a financial advisory group, became responsible for selling the bankrupt Chrysler site. In a letter given to The Review from Funk, Capstone listed the company's valued site assets at approximately \$43 million.

The university was able to acquire the property for a little more than half of its estimated value by agreeing to pay for the environmental cleanup needed on the site. The university felt \$24.25 million was a fair price for the property, Brond said.

Funk said the announcement is tremendous news for the city of Newark. "I think there are some people on council that rather the university not buy the property because the city will lose some property taxes and we'll lose some transfer taxes, but in the long run, we'll be much better off," Funk said.

Brond said the technology and research campus, as well as the medical school, will provide jobs for the city.

"The plans for the economic development will bring partnerships and businesses in there," he said. "It'll bring people that are paying taxes to the state into the city."

Chrysler's history as a tank assembly plant in the 1950s, and then as a car manufacturing plant, has left a large amount of contamination on the site. According to a report by the Environmental Protection Agency, Newark had to close down one of its water wells in the 1990s after it was contaminated by Chrysler's leaking underground storage tank.

Brond said the university is purchasing the property as is and is paying for the environmental cleanup.

"We are assuming some risk because we're going to be involved in the cleanup of that property," Brond said. "But you can't equate

the dollar amount that we paid because we don't have full information about what we think the estimates are going to be to clean that up."

Both Brond and Funk said representatives of the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control have been evaluating the site.

"They'll dictate what's going to happen there," Funk said. "I'm not worried about that."

Newark resident Gail Chickersky said she trusts the university will take the necessary measures to clean up the site.

"I think it's a once in a lifetime opportunity and I think the university will do the proper remediation," she said.

Funk said in the last couple of weeks, Chrysler hired moving trucks to relocate equipment and machinery from the site to be used at other Chrysler plants.

Brond said the university will be evaluating buildings on the site to determine which, if any, will be salvaged. There is no expected start date for construction, Brond said.

"It could take a couple of years just for demolition on some buildings," he said.

Brond said if the university provides parking adjacent to the Amtrak station, as expected, it will also provide shuttle buses to main campus for the commuters.

The university is using liquid assets and working capital to purchase the property, Brond said.

Senior Marissa Gilinsky said the purchase will help the university expand and grow.

"We're land-locked, so the fact that we got this is great," she said. "I think it's a good thing."

Newark resident Anne Munyan said although the purchase may be met with resistance now, it could gain popularity years from now.

"Over the long run, down the years, way into the future, maybe we'll look back and think well, we got a bargain," Munyan said.

Erica Cohen and Samantha Brix contributed to this article.



The university has agreed to buy this 272-acre property on South College Avenue.

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Crime: Police to re-evaluate crime suppression plan

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Street and Annabelle Street. A male and female student, both 19, were approached by a man who demanded the female give him her purse.

The female victim, who lives on Annabelle Street and spoke to The Review on a condition of anonymity, said she was standing with her back to the street talking to her male friend who was sitting on a ledge.

"I saw him walking towards us, but thought he was going to the frat party on the corner," she said. "But all of a sudden he was in my face telling me to give him his purse. I didn't even have a purse on me, just a wallet."

The female victim said the suspect pulled a gun out and jabbed it into her friend's ribs after the two males broke into a fight. However, her friend didn't believe it was a real gun.

"He said it felt like a pellet gun," she said.

The suspect left without obtaining any property and ran to a red or maroon four-door Honda, occupied by two other people. The victims described the suspect as a white male, 19 to 20 years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall with an average build and wearing a white oversized hooded sweatshirt with baggy blue jeans.

Bryda said a possible connection among the robberies is currently under investigation.

"There were three different incidents and three people in that last car," he said. "Due to the time frame and the similarity of the crimes, they may possibly be linked together."

He said apart from last weekend, crime has typically been down so far this semester.

"We have not had an armed robbery of this type since the first week of August until now," he said. "We directly credit that to the Fall Crime Suppression Plan that we put into effect in August."

The Fall Crime Suppression Plan is an organized increase in police presence surrounding the downtown and off-campus residential areas of Newark. Bryda said there will be some slight adjustments made to the plan in response to the robberies over the weekend, since all three occurred far apart from each other.

"The city was broken down into small sectors, and there were already officers in some of those areas," he said. "But they will shift their priorities a little bit now that crimes happened in these other locations."

Senior Susie Doyle, who also lives on Annabelle Street, said she wishes students were informed of such incidents.

"I was here this weekend, but I didn't even hear about the robbery," Doyle said. "The victims were students. The school has that list of e-mail addresses. They should notify us about it."

She said she is trying to stay positive in regard to the police effort.

"They're always roaming up and down Cleveland and it doesn't really seem like they're doing much but looking to stop drunken fights," she said. "You can't have police everywhere, though. I think no matter where you live, stuff like this can happen and it doesn't make me fearful at night."

The female victim of the third robbery said she feels lucky compared to the others because she wasn't alone, but the incident was a reality check.

"It's scary to think about," she said. "I've always been told you shouldn't walk alone at night, and I never really have, but now I'm determined to always walk with someone else."

Bryda said students should walk in groups and also in well-lit, populated areas, and should avoid displaying valuable items or jewelry. He also said it is important to consider using the university bus system, which continues to run late at night on the weekends, and Public Safety's student police aide escort service.

Bryda said anyone who has seen any of the described vehicles or has any information on the crimes is encouraged to contact Detective Fred Nelson of the Newark police at 302-366-7110 ext. 136.

He said students are also encouraged to use the newly implemented anonymous text message tip system in regards to the robberies or any incident in the future. Students can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD.

"We're hoping that young people will supply information if they have it by using this format," he said. "They're so familiar with the technology, and it's convenient for them."



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Career Services offers students the opportunity to go to workshops and participate in mock interviews.

Career Services adds more job fairs because of unstable economy

BY WILEY TAYLOR

Staff Reporter

In a time when the job market is seeing hiring freezes, the Career Services Center is available to prepare and help students find jobs immediately after graduation.

The CSC is having eight more career fairs this semester than any other. Stephen Sciscione, associate director at the CSC, said career fairs are hosted in order for students to find jobs, work on their networking skills and create connections with potential employers.

He also said career fairs are a great outlet for students who have not begun their career search. The optimal time to start job searching is in students' junior year, Sciscione said.

"The sooner the better for students to start job searching and if the student hasn't started yet, they should start now," Sciscione said.

The CSC is a member of the National Association of Colleges and Employers. They reported that in 2009-2010 companies plan to hire 6.9 percent fewer employees, much lower than the 27 percent decline in hiring they reported last spring.

Sciscione said the statistic shows that the economy is improving, but students should still start job searching. He also said students need to learn how to social network to gain personal contacts that may increase their chances of being hired.

"How successful a student becomes in their job search is directly related to the strategies they utilize to seek

employment and the job market," Sciscione said.

Sciscione recommends that seniors who want a job after graduation use the Blue Hen Jobs Web site, talk to their family and friends for potential job offers and come to the CSC's job fairs and workshops to improve their résumés and interview skills. For seniors who want to go on to graduate school, he advises them to start preparing in their junior year and start applying in December.

"Typically, some of the technical majors such as engineers and health science majors tend to see more immediate opportunities, however, our UD graduates do very well in the job market," Sciscione said.

For seniors, there are some that are a little stressed about the condition of the economy, but others already have plans on what they want to do after graduation.

Senior Winston Arnold and senior Stephen DiSabatino both plan on taking time off from their academics by finding a job and then going back school to pursue their graduate careers.

Although Arnold has not gotten any internships or jobs relating to his major, he still has a plan after graduation.

"I plan on trying to get a job first that has a program offered for employees who want to continue their studies and work there for two to five years before I would go back to pursue my masters," Arnold said.

DiSabatino, on the other hand, plans on taking a year and a half off to search for a short-term job that would relate to his medical career. After his time off, he

wants to go to a graduate school outside of Delaware.

DiSabatino and senior MeAmbree Eaton said they do not expect it to be too hard for them to find a job after graduation.

"Because of my major, I have a variety of careers associated with it that I can do after I graduate and while I go to law school," Eaton said.

Eaton has already done internships at Justice of the Peace Court 16 and the Probation and Parole office in Dover. Like Arnold, she has gone to at least one of the CSC job fairs, but there students who have not used the CSC at all.

Senior Allie Push has never gone to any of the workshops or job fairs hosted by the CSC. Push said she does not use the CSC because of her plans after graduation.

"After graduation, I plan on trying to do an artist residency and/or work in the summer and move in with my boyfriend wherever he goes to graduate school in the fall," Push said. "During this time off, I want to better my art work before going to graduate school."

Although DiSabatino has yet to use CSC resources either, he said he plans on using CSC's workshops to improve his resume and is planning on attending a couple of job fairs in the future.

"I believe the Career Services' workshops will help me better improve my chances of gaining new contacts, prepare me for applying to graduate school and help me on my career path to become a doctor," he said.

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Chrysler property a major benefit

University purchase will expand and promote campus

The university just announced its purchase of the vacant 272-acre property that was once home to the Chrysler plant on Route 896, pending confirmation from a New York bankruptcy court.

The \$24 million purchase represents a significant expansion for the university. An addition of such sizable property can only offer an array of new possibilities and options for the Newark campus.

Not only will more room be available for new facilities or dormitories, it could also create a stronger connection between Laird and Central Campuses and South Campus which is currently slightly disjointed. This unification would not only drastically increase campus size but may also have a strong influence on promoting South Campus facilities

like the sports complex, laboratories and agricultural centers.

As of yet, purposes of the land are undefined. Possible outcomes include corporate partnerships for a technology park, additional parking and transportation, a health sciences department and research and development.

Regardless of the final decision, the purchase is a defining moment in university history. The new property has potential to have an immense impact on the university's reputation and could offer an array of new opportunities for students and faculty alike.

No matter what the land is used for, this monumental expansion will be remembered by alumni and members of the university community for generations to come.

Fall crime spike is a troubling sign

Suppression plan falters with three armed robberies

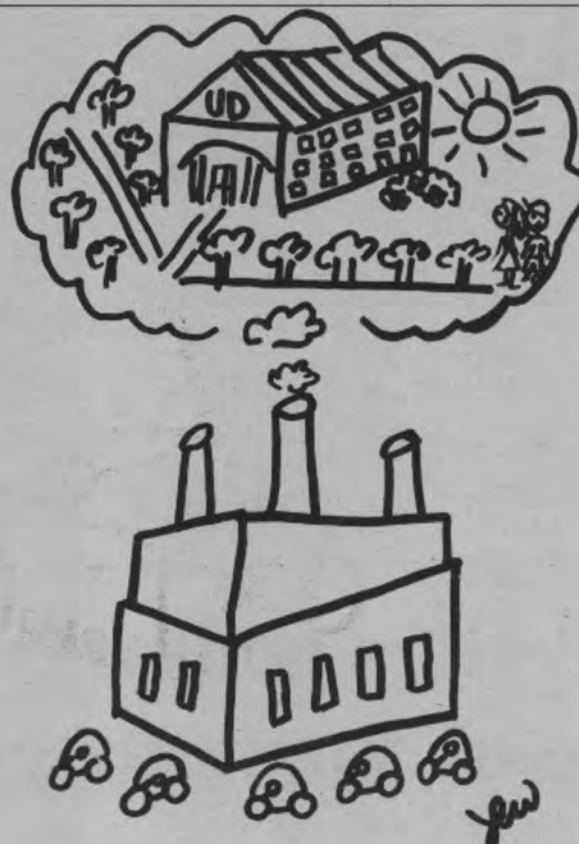
After a serious beefing up of the Newark police force this fall, a series of armed robberies shook campus early Saturday morning. Three separate incidents of students being robbed at gunpoint occurred near Willa Road and Lehigh Road, the corner of Wyoming Road and Yale Drive and on Annabelle Street.

These occurrences of aggravated burglary are the first serious incidents of crime this semester. While in comparison to previous years this semester has seen less crime, the Newark Police Department must once again re-evaluate the Fall Crime Suppression Plan and its components after such dangerous attacks on students have taken place; specifically, the police need to reconsider where officers are patrolling.

The location of increased police forces has long been an area of concern. Where officers are stationed and how those locations are chosen should more actively consider the true needs of the community.

All three of the robbery locations from this past weekend were mostly residential parts of campus that are rarely patrolled and poorly lit. These are the exact types of places where security should be increased. Instead of stationing a patrol vehicle outside of heavily populated bars on Friday nights, police presence should be more clearly seen in the areas of campus where violent crimes most frequently occur—quiet streets where students live and walk home at night.

Editorialisms



THE REVIEW/Lydia Woolever

Corrections:

A Sept. 20 article about Patrick Mureithi's documentary on the Rwandan genocide incorrectly stated the duration of Mureithi's filming. He made the documentary over a two-year time period. The article also misstated Mureithi's reasons for not originally being aware of the genocide in Rwanda. His quote should have read, "I was concerned with three things: the national exam, my girlfriend at the time and MC Hammer."

Last week's "This week in history" incorrectly stated the date of a fire at the Newark Opera House. The fire occurred Oct. 22, 1983. A typographical error in The Review's archives caused this error.

yoUDon'tSay:

Staff members speak out about what really grinds their gears.



Haley Marks, Editorial Editor:

"There was a monumental invention, created long ago called the muffler. Not owning one does not make you or your car sexy or cool. It only pisses everyone off."



Ted Simmons, Managing Mosaic Editor:

"The town of Newark should realize that every time it holds a parade, traffic interruptions inconvenience thousands of people."



Lydia Woolever, Editorial Editor:

"I realize that the university has to deal with scheduling conflicts, but it is a downer that Homecoming and Halloween are on the same day this year."

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English, the triumphant black sheep of Arts and Sciences

Mikala Jamison

Guest
Columnist

Categorically teased, the English major perseveres.

I'm really getting tired of this: "So where do you go to school?," a doe-eyed friend-of-a-friend might ask me.

"I go to the University of Delaware," I'll answer, theoretically placing my ear to the ground, listening for the tell-tale rumble of the subsequent question.

"Oh, cool. What's your major?"

"English," I'll respond, bracing myself.

My companion's response is typically yanked from a mixed bag of insulting body language and sneering inquiry. Sometimes it's an uncomfortable shrug or a ludicrously overcompensating nod. More often than not, it's some variation of, "What the hell are you going to do with that degree?"

I'll then meander, exhausted already, through some explanation of how I'm effectively using my major: I am pursuing a minor in journalism, I'm working on my second internship; I plan on using both my major and minor to get into some sort of journalistic field, ad infinitum.

It's all for naught. I might as well just confirm what they expect will become of me. I should tell them that I plan on graduating a semester late, moving back in with my parents,

and raking in hours at Barnes and Noble for six years while "working on my novel," which is "like, a rad postmodern interpretation of how a zombie apocalypse will ultimately benefit Western society, man."

English majors have it rough, as far as I'm concerned. Popular culture routinely pegs us as despondent, hapless hipsters or lost souls stuck in a fantasy world where, for us, our creative fan fiction or bombastic memoirs make us this generation's Steinbeck. We are, apparently, unaware



of how stupid our decisions are. We don't understand how little money there is in writing, how nobody reads anymore and how impractical it is to be a writer in today's world.

The Tony Award-winning musical, Avenue Q, features a song titled "What Do You Do with a B.A. in English?" featuring the lyrics: "Four years of college and plenty of knowledge have

earned me this useless degree."

Collegehumor.com pokes fun at English majors quite often. In one article that describes what students of different majors carry in their book bags, English majors allegedly have "a few novels and a notebook, or as [they] call it, a 'Creative Writing Pad.' Chances are [they] won't get a good paying job either."

On an image of a doctored college catalog, one of the "degree programs" listed is English. If you study it, you'll be prepared to "show potential employers you have a firm grasp of just how much Hemingway blows." That's it. That's all we're good for.

I understand that with the mockery of English majors in this world, some people don't understand why I chose my current field of study, since it won't make me any money. All the money is in stocks, after all. Or pharmaceuticals. Or e-commerce. Or underwater basket weaving. Or anything but English.

I chose English because I believe it's the closest major available at my college to what I truly want to do. Journalism is not a major at the University of Delaware. It wasn't even a minor until 2007; it was only a concentration. I guess that meant if you focused really hard, you might get a job in a newspaper office.

I have always harbored a fondness for writing and reading. English pushes me to write frequently about what I read, no less, and journalism allows me to put my writing skills into more practical applications like newspaper, magazine or broadcast writing. I don't see what's so unrealistic about that. I can understand that I might be misguided if I were to declare that I'm an English

major simply to pass the time while I finish the manuscript that will sell nine million copies immediately upon my graduation. I don't believe that. I do believe that I will have to work hard to get a job in an area that I have always been passionate about. Isn't that what everyone wants?

At least I'm not alone. Many employers list good communication and writing skills as the most desirable trait in potential employees. According to the facts and figures website of the university, English is the sixth most popular major here. Maybe that's because some people think it's easy. Maybe it's the result of mob mentality.

The UD Career Services Center recently sent an e-mail promoting their workshop, "What Every English Major Needs to Know" to all English majors. I couldn't make it. I had an English exam.

I'm not really worried, though. I have confidence in myself as an English major. I know how hard I've worked to gain experience and determine my goals. I'm finally at peace with the assumption that I'm a cigarette-smoking, smug, pretentious idealist with my nose buried in "The Bell Jar." I'm okay with people thinking that I'll end up either cleaning the bathrooms in a library or living in a box once I graduate.

I'm sure either of those experiences would make great material, anyway.

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As politics spread to religion, Vatican welcomes Anglicans

Alexandra Duszak

Ale's Answers



Modernization in Anglican Church causes controversy, but migration may not fix all.

The word "catholic" is both an adjective and a religion. To be catholic is to be universal and accepting. To be Catholic is to ascribe to a specific set of doctrine and theology and to practice the tenants of those teachings in one's daily life. To this day, I can hear my mother telling me, "love your neighbor as yourself," "hate the sin; love the sinner." Nothing could be more universal or accepting than these teachings.

Last Tuesday, in keeping with the catholic attitude of the Catholic Church, the Vatican announced plans to bring into its fold groups of Anglicans disillusioned with their church's increasingly liberal doctrines. Among these reforms are the ordination of openly gay priests and bishops and the ordination of female priests.

Special communities, called personal ordinariates, would enable Anglicans to come into full communion with the Catholic

Church while retaining key elements of their worship tradition.

In order to be in full communion with the Catholic Church, one must receive three key sacraments: baptism, confirmation and Eucharist. Catholics believe that in receiving Eucharist, we are receiving the body and blood of Christ. It happens through a process called transubstantiation — a process that after 10 years of Catholic education, I still struggle to wrap my mind around, so bear with me as I try to explain.

During the part of Mass called consecration, the priest says a prayer and the bread and wine becomes Jesus' body and blood. To receive Holy Communion is to receive Jesus Christ. This is an incredibly sacred experience, and it is one unique to the Catholic Church. Unlike the members of other denominations, Catholics can receive Eucharist every day.

Other Christian denominations receive communion but they believe it is a representation of Jesus, or a means of growing closer to him.

Transubstantiation is the most prominent theological difference between the Catholic Church and the Anglican Church. The Anglican Church acknowledges remarriage after divorce; the Catholic Church does not — You may recall a certain king named Henry VIII, who created the Anglican Church after

the pope refused to grant him a divorce.

In recent years, the Anglican Church has been wrought with tension between its liberal and conservative sides following the adoption of certain theological reforms. The Catholic Church does not acknowledge some of these reforms in its own doctrine (namely, the ordination of women or openly gay people as



priests), and this commonality has served as a jumping point for Pope Benedict XVI's recent announcement.

In hopes of preventing another schism, the pope has instead sought to heal divisions between existing branches of Christianity, and for this he is to be commended — after all,

such an action is truly catholic.

But Anglicans and Catholics alike expressed surprise at the pope's decision, and even those who commend the gesture don't find it personally applicable.

"I don't want to be a Roman Catholic," Bishop Martyn Minns, a leader in the Anglican Church of North America, said in the New York Times. "There was a Reformation, you remember."

Since personal ordinariates require the conversion of whole parishes or dioceses, where will Anglicans who don't want to follow their priests' or bishops' decisions turn?


It's not completely useless for the pope to extend such an offer, but at the same time, it seems few will take him up on it. Furthermore, is it truly his responsibility to prevent a schism among Anglicans?

I for one would never consider converting to a religion that for all its similarities has substantial theological differences. Do I agree with the Catholic Church's teachings on birth control, homosexuality and divorce? No — and I certainly wouldn't become Episcopalian over it either. I believe the same holds true for many of the Anglican faithful.

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New trail gives students insight on insects

BY JEN RINI

Staff Reporter

Across the parking lot of Townsend Hall, past the lush greenhouses, a hidden sanctuary awaits those who make the trek to South Campus. Green foliage overwhelms visitors and flowers of all species paint an almost surreal picture of the land of the Lepidoptera, where one might be lucky enough to spot an insect burrowed in the leaves.

The Lepidoptera trail opened on Friday and is home to a multitude of species.

John Frett, director of University of Delaware Botanic Gardens says that this trail is more than just a garden.

"The idea behind this is to set up a stable ecosystem," Frett says.

Frett says that once there is an increase in the number of butterflies there will be lots of birds, and as such, a cycle is created that is self-sustaining and not just focused on butterflies.

"Lepidoptera is an order of organisms and it includes butterflies, moths and skippers," Frett says. "We are trying to attract all those; that is why we don't call it a butterfly garden."

Doug Tallamy, chairperson of the department of entomology and wildlife ecology says that Melinda Zoehrer, who works for the university botanical gardens, jump-started the talk of creating a butterfly garden. When it opened, it was host to thousands of different species.

"Let's go beyond butterflies because there are something like 3,500 species of Lepidoptera, but only 187 are butterflies, all the rest are moths," Tallamy says.

He says the goal is not to just create a living garden but to make a garden that is both beautiful and functional.

The creation of such a beautiful landscape was a collaborative effort. Volunteers from the University of Delaware Botanic Gardens provided the labor and energy in the birth of the trail. The Conard-Pyle company provided substantial funding for the project and Northcreek Nurseries donated plants.

Tallamy says there is a specific method in choosing plants that will thrive on the trail.

"We choose the plants based on what is a host plant for particular butterflies and moths that are common around here that people want to see," he says.

Particular species of interest include the

Luna moth with its host plant sweetgum, the Hummingbird Sphinx moth and the Tigerswallow Tail with their black cherry host plant. It is important to note that each plant is chosen for a reason; Tallamy says without specific plants, certain insects will not be present, since most insects are specialists who cannot exist independently of their host plants.

Students and residents of the greater Newark area can explore the Lepidoptera trail for free, for pleasure or for the research purposes. The summer months and early fall are the best times to see the garden.

Tallamy says that although school groups have started planning trips to the trail, it really is best to see the trail in the summer because that is when the insects are most plentiful. Tallamy expects a majority of buzz to be generated by word-of-mouth.

"We want it to be self-promoting and user friendly so you don't need a tour," he says.

The Lepidoptera trail is a multi-faceted garden that is going to do more for the university than just be a pretty sanctuary, Tallamy says. One of the primary goals is to conduct research in how to present these gardens attractively enough to encourage people to imitate them in their own backyards.

Frett also has similar ideas on the relevance of the trail in the American home.

"The garden is an illustration of what people can do on their home landscapes," he says. "[People] can have something that is ecologically sound and pretty to look at."

Furthermore, Tallamy says the trail is part of the university's greater effort for students and Newark residents to become responsible stewards of the planet. It is important to teach the younger generations to be environmentally sound, hence the creation of a showcase so that the public can get some ideas to take home with them.

In an e-mail message, Robin Morgan, dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, says the college embraced the idea of this garden. Many individuals invested their time and talent to develop the space on South Campus, she says.

"The garden represents a managed landscape designed to increase biodiversity," Morgan says. "It is also a very beautiful garden, one that inspires creativity."

Course catalog offers surprise selections

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The university offers a broad selection of courses in a wide range of departments, but a thorough look at the course catalog will reveal plenty of classes that are off the beaten path. These unconventional courses present a perspective unlike any other in their respective departments, encouraging students to think in unfamiliar ways about the fascinating ideas discussed within the subject matter.

Richard Hanley of the philosophy department teaches a course on the philosophy of time travel. Originally developing the curriculum for this course at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia, he incorporated the course material into a new course at the university.

Hanley's course, like the other somewhat non-traditional courses first come into the curriculum as experimental courses and are designated as such in the catalog as course numbers ending in "67." The course is piloted for up to two semesters after being approved by its sponsoring department.

At the experimental stage, the credits can only count towards a student's major rather than an overall degree.

In order to become a registered non-experimental course, the curriculum must be approved by the Faculty Senate.

Hanley says that a philosophy major isn't required to take the course and, because of that, the class can be very diverse in its academic background. It is especially popular with philosophy and engineering students, he says, but the range of the majors of students enrolled in the course is quite expansive.

He says the course explores the world of metaphysics, or understanding why the universe is structured the way it is. Using a metaphysical viewpoint, there are two important questions that need to be asked.

"What would the world we occupy have to be like to be a world that permits time travel?" Hanley says.

He says since we are interested in traveling in time ourselves, the second question deals with what would need to be present in human nature to allow ourselves to travel in time. To explore these questions, he makes students think about what the world would be like if there were additional dimensions.

Students read a selection of short stories from influential authors such as Robert Heinlein. In addition, they read Ray Bradbury's "A Sound of Thunder," which Hanley says is a very poorly written time travel novel. He says it is intellectually enlightening to read it to understand the philosophical fallacies it presents.

"Why are there so many bad time travel stories? Because they all fall for the same mistake — they think you can change the past, but you cannot change the past," he says.

In a similar vein to Hanley's philosophy-centered course, Robin O. Andreasen explores the realm of animal minds in a course cross-listed under both cognitive science and philosophy.

Like Hanley, Andreasen says it was entirely her idea to teach this course. And like Hanley, she was required to go through the Faculty Senate to have this course approved.

She says that she had received the inspiration for teaching the course after her Great Dane died. She had come to realize that she was very passionate about animals and wanted to combine this with her professional interest in human evolution.

Andreasen explores the connections between the cognition of humans and animals. The class looks at culture, tool use and other aspects of humanity and how they are rooted in the status of humans as animals.

"We are looking at cognitive capacities humans have and looking at to what extent they might be present in non-humans," Andreasen says.

Andreasen says she has been teaching this course for three semesters, and each class has comprised of a very different set of majors and backgrounds. Because of this, she has emphasized different aspects of animal minds each time she has taught the course. She says overall, the class has been improving every semester it has been offered.

She says the course usually focuses on the thinking of primates, birds and dolphins. There is also a focus on how animal behaviors are expressed in humans.

Andreasen says there is so much material offered in the course that she wants to split it into two courses.

"I would like to do a course which focuses on animal behavior and cognition independently of what it tells us about human cognition," she says.

Abby Donovan teaches a course on Claymation at the university, which offers an exploration into film unlike any other class in the art department.

She says the class is geared towards treating the artist as an individual. With this mindset and the resources available, the class is capped at eighteen students per section.

Donovan says the class encourages students to think of themselves as artists, even if they traditionally do not. Claymation is a means of putting oneself in someone else's head.

She says the class embraces a do-it-yourself ethic, where work is mostly done independently. Nevertheless, she encourages students to share their ideas with her, no matter how strange they may seem. She says she is open to hearing the ideas of students since she does not want them to feel restricted in their artwork.

Donovan says students come out of the course realizing that they are much more capable of producing art than they had imagined.

"I think it's great when people have a sense of wonder about this thing they've made," she says. "What students produce totally transcends their expectations of their performance."

Donovan says the school does not have a film studio, but that some of the best work is done within the artist's own home until he is recognized for their talent. Her class makes sure to emphasize the art over the techniques used to produce it.

"Claymation is a literalization of the fact that you can make your own world," she says.

Students can make their world a little more creative come registration time thanks to these and other unconventional courses offered at the university.

To sew or to owe? A guide to Halloween costumes

BY MIKALA JAMISON

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Halloween makes it possible to slip into another persona for the evening — whether by dressing up as a vampire, cheerleader or celebrity. But in experiencing the madness of this night, some may experience hard hits to their wallet.

Living on a college budget may cause some university students to be hesitant to fork over their hard-earned cash for the more expensive costumes, so some come up with unique homemade ideas that save money.

"Most costumes are like fifty bucks," junior Haley Brightman says. "I'm trying to save as much money as possible."

Brightman says that she spent less than \$10 for two different costumes she used last year. She created a playing card costume for herself without spending much money, and also a housewife outfit using pieces of clothing she already owned. This year she is going to try to dress up as Uncle Sam for Halloween.

"I'll probably do what I did last year and use items I already have or stuff other people have," she says. "I'll probably have to buy some items for the costume, like the big Uncle Sam top hat, but I'm really only willing to spend like 20 bucks."

Junior Ilyssa Friedman doesn't want to spend too much money on a costume either, and has taken the borrow-or-create route for her Halloween costumes in the past. She is willing to spend approximately \$30 this year on her costume. While that won't give her access to premium costumes, she still has choices.

Last year, Friedman borrowed a Superwoman costume from a soccer teammate, and this year, she plans to be either a cheerleader or a Girl Scout with materials she already has.

"If I go as a girl scout, I'll just use my vest I have from when I was five," Friedman says. "As for the cheerleader, I've been asking around if I can borrow a uniform from someone."

With a struggling economy, students are looking for



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The average price of a costume at Halloween Adventure is \$19.99.

cheaper solutions to buying an expensive costume. Some may rummage through their own closets before making the trek to a pricey Halloween store for their costume needs.

Sophomore Brittney Votek dressed up as a rock star for Halloween last year, and bought only temporary tattoos rather than the whole costume. She made the costume herself by putting items from her own closet together. Saving a decent amount of money last year making her own Halloween outfit has given her the freedom to spend more this upcoming holiday. Votek plans to take advantage of her financial flexibility.

"I'll probably be a cheerleader with one of my friends,"

Votek says. "I'd be willing to pay like fifty bucks for that costume in a store."

As Brightman says, a simple Web search of most costume stores shows that prepackaged women's costumes run about \$40-\$50 each. They usually only consist of three or four pieces, including a bodice, skirt, and knee-high socks. To take a costume to the next level, a person would have to use other accessories anyway increasing the price of an already expensive outfit. Shoes, makeup and jewelry aren't included in the prepackaged costume bags, so a search through the closet for the basics may be necessary.

However, some Halloween stores sell cheaper costumes. Michael Connor, an employee of Halloween Adventure on Concord Pike, says the average price of their costumes is \$19.99, and the store has sales periodically during the Halloween season.

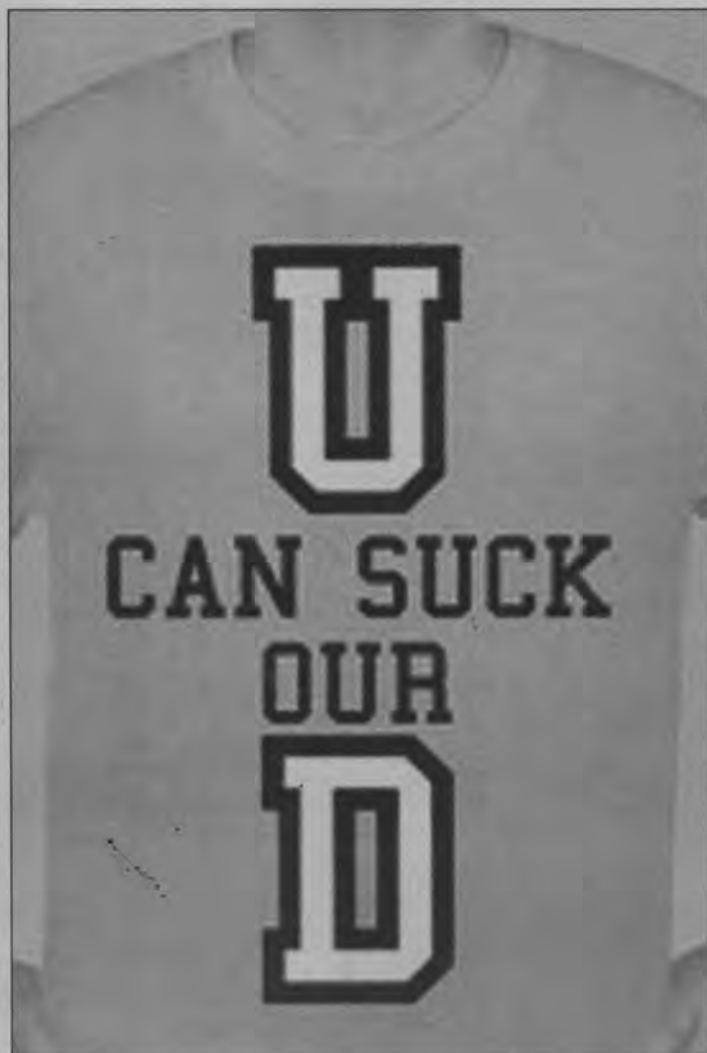
"In our store, Michael Myers is the most popular Halloween costume for guys, and Alice in Wonderland is the most popular for girls," Connor says.

Halloween Adventure lists the price of a "scary" Michael Myers — the character from "Halloween" — costume at \$35.99 and a "sexy" Alice in Wonderland outfit at \$44.99,

which are both higher than the store's average price. The most popular costumes are the most expensive.

Many students choose to create their own costumes to save money, but given the number of Halloween stores along Kirkwood Highway and Route 202, it seems people are still crowding stores that sell their costumes for well over \$30.

"I think that if people don't feel like being creative and have the money to spend on it, it's no big deal to spend that much money," Brightman says. "But a lot of times, the more creative costumes are the ones that are cheapest."



Homecoming shirts cause snafu School spirit loses its color

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Homecoming usually means tailgating, kegs-n-eggs parties, football and of course, having the perfect T-shirt to wear to the game. Senior Sarah Korn is celebrating homecoming for the last time as an undergraduate student and is determined to find that perfect T-shirt.

Korn and her roommates decided to design homecoming shirts and get them professionally printed. The shirts are going to read "U can suck our D" on the front, and show two helmets — the university's and James Madison's — with the words "don't choke" written across the back.

To keep the cost per shirt to a minimum, the girls decided to create a Facebook group in an attempt to get more people to buy shirts.

"We were hoping like ten or 20 people would join so each shirt would be like \$18," Korn says. "Instead we had 400 people ask for shirts. I was shocked."

Korn collected money from each person who wanted a shirt before she placed the order to the printing company to ensure that she would not have to front money for 400 people she did not know.

Korn says when she presented the T-shirt design to the company, they

to use the school colors and to put "UD" and "JMU" in the two helmets on the back. In order to use the school names, she says she would have had to get permission from both schools, which is a complicated process. Korn decided it would be easiest just to remove the letters from the helmets all together.

David Brond, vice president of the Office of Communications and Marketing at the university, says the process enabling students to get permission to use the university's logo is a fairly simple one.

"When students want to use the schools name or something for their own use, we can give them permission without going through the whole process and paying the fee," Brond says.

Although Korn thought the shirts would be able to be printed once she made the initial modifications, the company approached her once more, telling her that without the school's permission, she would be unable to use the university's school colors of blue and gold.

"I didn't want to change the colors of the shirt," she says. "But I really didn't have any choice. I had promised shirts to 400 people and I had to get them printed."

The shirts are being printed this week and will be light blue with black writing. The comment on the shirt

remains the same.

"I hate letting one person down," Korn says. "To let 400 people down is bad."

Korn says some people were upset with the change in color of the shirt, but only two people requested their money back.

"Two kids were really upset and called me before the order had been placed, so I refunded their money," she says. "Another kid called just a few days ago asking for his money back, but the order was already in so I couldn't do anything."

Most other students who ordered the shirts are happy with the final design.

Senior Jessica Goodman says she ordered a shirt from Korn because she needed a shirt for homecoming and wanted to help out her friend. Goodman was not upset with the color change of the shirts.

"I ordered it more for the design," she says. "The color doesn't really matter that much to me."

Senior Aaron Schwartz says he ordered the shirt to show his school spirit, but opted for a refund when he found out about the color change.

"I wanted the shirt because it was blue and yellow and it turned out to be a combination of colors that weren't Delaware," Schwartz says.

Over 400 people requested this T-shirt design.

Courtesy of Sarah Korn

comerse approved.

Particular species of interest include the one that inspires creativity.

Sixth installment only a trap for non-fans

"Saw VI"

A Bigger Boat

Rating: ☆☆ 1/2 (out of ☆☆☆☆)

Harsh critics of "Saw" shouldn't bother seeing the latest film in the series — it's filled with more of the same suspense, torturous tests and gore present in the first five movies. However, that's definitely a good thing for fans of the series, who surely won't be disappointed with the sixth installment.

The movie begins with one of the most gruesome scenes shown up to this point in the saga. It is followed by returning to the final scene of the fifth movie, in which Special Agent Peter Strahm is duped into a crushing death by Detective Mark Hoffman, the heir to the Jigsaw killer rehabilitation-style traps and subsequent murders. Detective Hoffman has led the authorities to believe that Strahm was Jigsaw's accomplice, but as the FBI picks up on inconsistencies in the evidence, Hoffman must work to ensure his true identity remains a secret. He must also pretend to work with police at the same time to help track down the new Jigsaw killer.

Meanwhile, viewers are treated to an entirely new set of games that health insurance executive William Easton must complete in order to survive and see his family again. Easton is forced to try his hand at four nail-biting tests, many of which require him to make decisions that will impact the lives of others. The motivation behind Easton's involvement adds



Courtesy of Rotten Tomatoes

further clarity to Kramer's mission as the Jigsaw killer. While Easton spends much of the film deciding which people in his life will live and which will die, he is faced with a final decision where the power is completely out of his hands.

Saw fans have been waiting anxiously this past year to discover what Kramer left for his ex-wife Jill Tuck in the mysterious box shown in "Saw V," and the contents of the box are finally revealed in "Saw VI." The contents play a huge role in the final outcome of the film.

While many loose ends are tied up in "Saw VI," almost an equal number of questions are raised.

This leaves the door open for the already confirmed "Saw VII" in October 2010.

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Circus attraction an appetizer to "Twilight"

"Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant"

Universal Pictures

Rating: ☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

"Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant" is a failed attempt at translating a fictitious pre-teen novel into a blockbuster.

Arriving during the peak of the vampire craze, this film lacks the same zest of its predecessors. With dedicated fans of the "Twilight" saga craving their vampire fix, this movie should have them flocking to the theater and unfortunately wasting their money.

The story focuses around two teenage best friends, Darren (Chris Massoglia) and Steve (Josh Hutcherson). Their world is as perfect as a 1950s sitcom. Darren's parents even resemble Ward and June Cleaver. The boys' lives drastically change — and technically end — when they attend a performance of a traveling freak show.

John C. Reilly plays the creepy Crepsley, one of the freaks in the show and an actual vampire. Crepsley is a dingy and disheveled version of "Twilight's" hunky Edward Cullen. In a desperate attempt to save his friend, Darren allows Crepsley to turn him into a half vampire, making him a vampire's assistant. Steve follows Darren into the vampire world, yet, while Darren works for the good guys, Steve joins the Vampinese.

The film fails to capture any chemistry between the two friends, leaving audiences uninterested and unsympathetic towards their split as friends. In fact, any



Courtesy of Universal Pictures

scene between the two young men lacks excitement, and the acting is far from memorable.

John C. Reilly is the saving grace of the film. His natural wit and comedic timing shine, but his talent is wasted on a weak script. However, Willem Dafoe's cameo should not be overlooked. Massoglia, our fanged hero, can learn a thing or two from his seasoned co-stars. The film also has some cute and quirky parts that discredit common vampire stereotypes, such as when Crepsley comically clarifies that vampires do not, in fact, turn into bats. The special effects steal the show, and visually this movie is fantastic. The freak that can regenerate her limbs and the bearded lady are both visually stunning.

This movie has some interesting parts that keep your attention, but as far as vampire flicks go, it's a miss.

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A Train not worth catching

Save Me, San Francisco

Train

Sony

Rating: ☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

Train's new album, *Save Me, San Francisco*, marks the official return of the band after a three-year hiatus. While showing glimpses of promise, the album is overall average at best and has a very different sound compared to past releases. The lyrics are poorly written with obvious rhyming and a lack of creativity. The album does have a pop sound to it, but it doesn't stand out from the rest of the crowd.

The first song off the album, "Save Me, San Francisco," begins with strutting guitar, hard piano and cutting vocals from lead singer Pat Monahan. The first lines of the album sound almost Rolling Stones-esque. "And then I met some ladies from Marin / We took the highway up to one / Up the coast to catch some sun." As the song continues, it drastically changes from raw sounds to fluffy, old-school rock. As a whole, the song has a light, middle-aged soft rock feel and sounds like something you would hear while shopping at The Gap.

Unfortunately, it doesn't take long for the music to turn down a poppy road comparable to a sugar headache. Several songs on the album are sickeningly sweet and make you forget why you like Train in the first place. The only pre-album single released has been "Hey, Soul Sister," which is a far cry from any of the band's previous hit singles like "Drops of Jupiter" and "Calling All Angels." Its lyrics are hard to relate to and do not fit together well within the song.

Train's last album *For Me, It's You*, released in 2006, was unsuccessful in comparison with the band's previous two albums



Courtesy of Amazon.com

Drops of Jupiter and *My Private Nation*. *Save Me, San Francisco* doesn't seem to have a hit single driving the album, which has been the root of the band's success in the past.

There are some enjoyable songs on the album, including "This Ain't Goodbye." The song showcases Monahan's voice, which is the band's strong suit, to its full potential. "Breakfast in Bed" is an exception as well. A melodic instrumental and lyrically pleasing song, it is refreshingly different from the rest of the album.

However, "This Ain't Goodbye" and "Breakfast in Bed" don't have the catchy hooks of "Meet Virginia" and the band's other past hits to make *Save Me, San Francisco* an overall success.

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Night Castle

Trans-Siberian Orchestra Lava

Rating: ☆☆☆ 1/2 (out of ☆☆☆☆)

After much anticipation, Trans-Siberian Orchestra's *Night Castle* has finally been released, and it was most definitely worth the five-year wait. The album consists of a wide variety of songs, including classical rock pieces, sentimental vocals, slow songs and one Christmas song.

The 26-song rock opera tells the tale of a soldier who goes off to war. Four additional songs are miscellaneous tracks,

including "Nutcracker" — a rock-jazz version of the march theme from "The Nutcracker."

The best thing about Trans-Siberian Orchestra is its extraordinary ability to turn classical music into hardcore rock-out sessions. You can't help but bang your head to "The Mountain," a rock version of the orchestral piece "In the Hall of the Mountain King." The piece also has an eerie vibe, which is fitting considering Halloween is fast-approaching.

The Trans-Siberian Orchestra has produced an



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amazing rock opera yet again. The sheer size of the album and its orchestration may seem overwhelming, but *Night Castle* has plenty of fun for all visitors.

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Evolution of a Man

Brian McKnight

Koch Records

Rating: ☆☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

Brian McKnight returns with *Evolution of a Man*, his first studio album since 2006.

The introduction welcomes the listener to "The Brian McKnight Show" and sums up what the album will be. McKnight belts out ballads that are generally over four minutes per song. The rhythm is solid and the songs are catchy — especially on "When Ur Lovin Me" and "Never Say Goodbye."



Courtesy of Amazon.com

He offers some solid lyrics and the usual songs about relationships, which are what a fan is looking for when purchasing a McKnight album; however, the length gets to be a problem. Because each slow song is so long, it's difficult to finish the album on one sitting. Each song becomes a substantial time investment, and throwing some shorter songs in the mix would help the album flow better.

The album stays true to McKnight's style, and songs like "You're Like a Dream Come True" deserve a listen if the mood calls for a mellow night.

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delawareUNdressed Promises don't ring pure



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A promise ring is not an unfamiliar piece of jewelry these days, yet many people do not understand the actual meaning of these rings. Most people assume they are just a baby-step toward a wedding band, but in this day and age, promise rings are popular among young adults for other reasons — namely as symbols of chastity and religious faith.

There are several reasons why a promise ring is exchanged instead of a true engagement ring. The couple may not feel they are the right age to get engaged, or they may have financial or other difficulties to overcome before they choose to become fully engaged and set a wedding date. In this economy, I can see young, fresh-out-of-college couples taking this route. For college students, cost is always a concern. If you feel as though you will marry your significant other in the future, and that he or she is your one and only, then by all means, line up at Zales now. But if the two of you have a strong inclination that you will be saying "I do" in the near future, doesn't a promise ring some-

what ruin the surprise of an actual engagement?

A purity ring does not imply any matrimonial commitment. Parents often give purity promise rings to their children to symbolize the child's promise to abstain from sexual relationships until marriage. Purity rings are worn on the left hand and are replaced with a wedding band. Abstinence promise rings serve a similar purpose as they imply a commitment to abstain from vices like drinking and smoking.

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According to Peter Bearman, a professor of sociology at Columbia University, these pieces of jewelry are given to members of stricter religions and are very common among Christian-affiliated sexual abstinence groups. Yet Bearman found that only 12 percent of the more than 2.5 million adolescents who had made a virginity pledge by 2001 remained abstinent until marriage.

Religious promise rings can represent a commitment to a specific faith or a more specialized part of that faith. For example, followers of a particular religion or saint

might wear a promise ring and make a commitment and practice the preaching of that saint. Like most promise rings, a religious promise ring typically involves an earnest commitment.

I feel as though one does not need an inanimate object to prove to anyone they are faithful to their significant other, higher being, or belief group. If you are going to cheat on your boyfriend or girlfriend, not attend a prayer service, or have sex for the first time, there is no way a piece of metal on your hand is going to stop you.

Furthermore, if you need a daily reminder of your relationship's exclusivity, then you and your significant other may not be meant to be. On the other hand, I do think these rings are a wholesome idea. Ultimately, I believe that it takes willpower and understanding from each party involved. It is always a good idea to clearly discuss your reasons when giving a promise ring to someone so there are not any misunderstandings. If you feel as though this ring could symbolize a commitment to a special relationship, and the strength of that promise will uphold the strength of your relationship, then sure, I can recommend a few great jewelers in the area.



fashionforward

Beg, borrow and browse

Fact: everything about fashion shows is exclusive. Of course, I'm talking *real* fashion shows, with international press, supermodels, hand-tailored clothing and celeb attendance. From the guest list to the clothes themselves, you've got to have the *in* if you want access.



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Columnist

Access: an essential component to getting what you want in the fashion world. It's the thing people constantly seek because, honestly, it provides the most perks. For those distant from the heart of the fashion world or celebrity status, borrowing Taylor Swift's divine VMA acceptance dress for a friend's wedding probably isn't going to happen — until now.

Thanks to developments in the area of online fashion rental services, you can get anything online these days.

Say you're off to an old friend's wedding — or better yet, an ex-boyfriend's. For this occasion, it's completely necessary for you to appear as the confident and completely successful individual that you...may not actually be. In any case, you've just got to have a designer piece. It's possible, but who's paying for this \$2000 bag, necklace or ensemble? Well, your credit card.

Say you're trying to land a classy date this week but your sad-looking wardrobe just won't do. RentMeaHandbag.com just may be your saving grace for the time being. For a small price, you can have designer shoes, clothes or a suit for a week.

Think back to the Sex and the City movie — does BagBorroworSteal.com sound familiar? How about FromBagstoRiches.com or BorrowedBling.com? They're all resources for acquiring a taste of expensive goods for a given time frame and a fraction of the item's retail price.

The downside — you're basically paying money for a designer handbag (on top of a monthly membership fee) and then giving it back. It just seems a bit wasteful.

Say you're looking for the perfect clutch to complete your look for a very special event. If this is the case, then sure — give it a go. You wouldn't use it again anyway. If you're going to do this though, make your pick a good one. As for renting month after month, it's simply not worth it and you may as well invest in your own designer goods. It may also lead to addiction — imagine being pried away from "owning" a Chanel!

A new site, renttherunway.com, adopts this same idea. What's so special about the new site is that it lends out clothing that's been shown on the runway. That's right — *actual* runway pieces, better access. Of course I assumed that the prices would be high, but I also thought how great it was that people could borrow fine garments just like celebrities.

However, it asks viewers for an e-mail address to be placed on a waiting list. Thinking back to the exclusivity of runway shows, I find it hard to believe that just *anyone* would be trusted with garments that have had the hearts and souls of designers and design houses poured into them. Maybe the site is an exclusive one after all.

Knowing that that runway pieces are often stepped on by models, covered with foundation, taken in and let out, what more could possibly happen?

mediadarling Jon & Kate plus too much media

Never having watched "Jon & Kate Plus 8," I'm somewhat detached from the story line and the reality of the couple's situation these days. However, I did some research and I think I might have some of the key plot-points of the couple's life down.

First, Kate is diagnosed with polycystic ovary syndrome. She and her husband Jon decide to go through fertility treatments and later they have two lovely twins.

Fast forward three years: Kate is pregnant with sextuplets and gives birth the following year. These births are keys to being on a TV show called "Jon & Kate Plus 8." The show is a great success. It was one of the highest rated programs on TLC during its run, and approximately 9.8 million people watched the premiere of the fifth season.

Next, the couple runs into some marital trouble: Jon is accused of having an affair with another woman, and Kate is accused of an affair with one of her bodyguards. The two become separated. Jon's lawyer relays a cease-and-desist order to TLC to suspend the filming of his children. So now, if the show "Kate Plus Eight" does not get aired, TLC will do a "series of specials" instead.

Phew. Okay, I think that's the gist of it.

Wait — the latest news is that Jon is going to be on a radio show in Florida and is asking for \$12,000 per hour. Also, Kate is upset at reports that Jon hacked into her e-mails. Jon has halted the proceedings for divorce to regain control over the future of the family. And the couple is now in serious debt.

Judging by recent events, it is totally apparent — no, blatantly obvious — just how invasive and unnecessary media coverage can be. It's just as excessive how much time people spend reading about or tuning in to hear the latest updates on Jon and Kate's lives.

A few things bother me here. First of all, agenda-setting with our media today is totally out of whack. And not just in the sense that celebrities' lives today are dissected and every little thing is reported — as a result of this type of coverage, we have more limited access to the news that would really have an effect on our day-to-day lives.

Here's a prime example. Foodborne illnesses are responsible for 5,000 deaths and

325,000 hospitalizations annually. While most of us probably recall the salmonella outbreak, which was linked to peanut butter, earlier this year, and the Hepatitis-A cases which caused by tomatoes a few years ago. But my bet is that the majority of — if not all — people can't list the source of all 5,000 deaths. Food-related deaths are an important national issue — not the latest Jon and Kate updates.

My second concern is for the effect that the media coverage will have on the eight Gosselin children. Growing up in the spotlight has yet to provide a success story — just think of Lindsay Lohan and Michael Jackson.

A little sinful indulgence in the lives of celebrities is okay from time to time. Fans can't be blamed entirely for falling victim to blogs that are updated online every thirty seconds. I can't say that I haven't enjoyed reading some juicy gossip in "People" magazine or learning a little about the most recent hot celeb hook ups. I admit that I haven't started to watch particular shows for fear of becoming too attached. That's what scares me the most.

The technology at our disposal today literally puts information at our fingertips. But the media should really subscribe to better policies of reporting what is actually important and leaving behind what the average American can do without, like the daily updates on the lives of Jon and Kate. I'd say all of us would be a little better off with a little less Perez Hilton and a little more coverage of what really matters.



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how bazaar

Each week in *How Bazaar*, Mosaic will feature a different component of everyday life that we wouldn't otherwise have space to cover. This week, managing Mosaic editor Ted Simmons presents a guide to Fall TV.

Don't be pretentious and claim TV isn't refined or intellectual enough. The truth is, while movies work through a sluggish fall season and we become more and more attached to our heaters, we have every reason to invest in some high quality television programming — And there's more than ever these days.

Monday

"Heroes" (NBC, 8 p.m.)*

"Dancing With the Stars" (ABC, 8 p.m.) This season brings together the usual bunch of athletes, singers and actors to compete in various dancing styles. Tom DeLay had to cut his season short because of an injury, but it was fun(ny) while it lasted.

"How I Met Your Mother" (CBS, 8 p.m.)

Tuesday

"So You Think You Can Dance" (FOX, 8 p.m.)

Wednesday

"Mercy" (NBC, 8 p.m.) Can you say 'recreating the "ER" magic?' This drama about nurses looks pretty heavy. If you're looking for emotion, then "Mercy" is right up your alley, or waiting room.

Glee (FOX, 9 p.m.) It's "High School Musical" the TV show, with "Role Models" Jane Lynch bringing the comedy like only she can.

Modern Family (ABC, 9 p.m.) This new comedy looks at three very different family units: one traditional, one with a wide age disparity and one made up of two men. All three are related and between them will surely embody someone from every family.



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"South Park" (Comedy Central, 10 p.m.)

Thursday

"The Office" / "30 Rock" (NBC, 9 - 10 p.m.) NBC has been filling its Thursdays with comedy for years now, but with these back-to-back hits, the network pairs up two of its funniest (and well-written) shows.

"It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia" (FX, 10 p.m.)

"Fringe" (Fox, 9 p.m.) This sci-fi cop thriller is a mix of "Law & Order" and "The X-Files." In its second season, "Fringe" continues to explore strange science-related crimes and begins to paint the larger picture of the series — an inter-dimensional war.

Friday

"Ugly Betty" (ABC, 9 p.m.)

Saturday

"CSI: Miami" / "CSI: NY" (CBS, 8 - 10 p.m.) A double dose of forensics for anybody craving excitement while calling it an easy night.

Sunday

"Dexter" / "Californication" (Showtime, 9 - 11 p.m.) Those with a taste for mischief will feast on Showtime's Sunday lineup. Between the murderous forensic detective Dexter and David Duchovny's portrayal of the mild-mannered Hank Moody, staying up late is a perfect way to close out the weekend.

*all times are Eastern Standard Time

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you speak out

What's your Halloween costume for this year?



I don't know yet; I will go shopping with my girlfriend this Saturday.

— Weifang Wang, freshman



I'm dressing up as Galadriel from Lord of the Rings.

— Ashley Barner, first year grad student



I'm going as a Guido. I'll probably wear chains and a wife-beater.

— Mike Kerrane, junior



This year for Halloween I want to be Pocahontas or a Native American.

— Megan Soria, freshman

mosaicmusings

The girl behind the glasses

Each week, the managing Mosaic editors present their thoughts on current cultural happenings.

"How can one explain the Girl of the Year? The girl of the year is a symbolic figure the press has looked for annually in New York since World War I because of the breakdown of conventional High Society."

Baby Jane Holzer was the centerpiece of Tom Wolfe's 1965 article "The Girl of the Year," but the Girls of the Year we know now go by Lindsay, Nicole, Mary-Kate and Mischa.

"Some become Girls of the Year because their fame suddenly sheds light on their style of life, and their style of life could be easily exhibited," Wolfe wrote.

Baby Jane's style of life consists of models, photographers, the frug, mashed potatoes and stretch pants. Our Girls of the Year are actresses, but they have all posed for a photographer at one point or another. These notoriously stick-like starlets don't actually get too much exercise — no frugging for them; these girls run from the paparazzi to get their heart rates up. And it's not mashed potatoes they subsist on, it's Starbucks. If they wear stretch pants, it's because their stylist — a Girl of the Year in her own right — deemed them appropriate for the aforementioned paparazzi-filled Starbucks run.

Rachel Zoe is arguably the most in-demand stylist in young Hollywood. The girls she dresses are often talented by themselves, but Zoe's fashion advice has helped propel many of them into the upper echelons of fame. Zoe's "girls," as she refers to them, are heavily photographed, and their style highly coveted. Zoe (and her girls) always look effortlessly, imperfectly glamorous — think big jewelry, bigger sunglasses and a coif of messy beach hair set atop a slender (okay, downright skinny) frame.

With two seasons of her own TV show, "The Rachel Zoe Project," and a book, "Style A to Zoe," under her belt, Zoe has become the Girl of the Year herself. She's just about as famous as her clients, and certainly subject to just as much tabloid buzz. Zoe is notoriously thin (Really, Google her — it's kind of gross), as are many of her clients, and there have been rumors that Zoe was encouraging them to lose weight.

Zoe vehemently denies these claims.

"Their weight loss — I really think it was timing," Zoe says on her Web site. "It has nothing to do with me. I would never, ever, ever promote anorexia. It is a serious disease. They don't have eating disorders. It makes me extremely uncomfortable."

In fact, Zoe is widely portrayed as a sisterly figure to her girls — a friend in a city full of fame-seekers.

Not that Zoe isn't out for her own little slice of the fame pie (which may be the only thing she eats all week). She has her own reality TV show, after all, and when she attends red carpet events with her clients, she dresses up and talks to reporters just as much as they do.

What Zoe has done is created an image and a cult following. Her style resembles that of celebrities whose pictures I look for in the pages of "People" and "Us Weekly." It is the style I've tried to adopt — with varying degrees of success, mind you — for myself. In a distant era, before I knew who Rachel Zoe was, I knew that there was a crop of young Hollywood starlets — Mary-Kate Olsen, Nicole Richie, Kate Hudson, Cameron Diaz — whose style I loved.

These girls exemplified the bohemian-glam look, and punctuated their outfits with oversized accessories that seemed

to swallow up their small frames. I have no idea why I think it looks cool to wear sunglasses that cover half my face, or bangles that are so bulky they restrict my ability to use a keyboard, but I do know this: I've got Rachel Zoe's look on the brain, and for better or for worse, if someone asked me for a short list of my style icons, she would be near the top.

— Alexandra Duszak, aduszak@udel.edu



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When genocide becomes personal

One girl's story of horror and escape

BY JORDAN ALLEN
Senior Mosaic Reporter

Editors' note: This is the first installment in a two-part series about the Rwandan genocide and the experiences of one of its victims.

Diana Bisengo watched her father get murdered in front of her eyes. She lost two of her brothers and was tortured for months by a house full of strangers before she managed to escape her home country of Rwanda, located in central Africa, and move to the United States.

There has been tension in Rwanda between two ethnic groups, the Hutus and the Tutsis, for years. Bisengo, a Tutsi, says Hutu extremist leaders wanted to eliminate all Tutsis so Hutus could take over the country. Her family could tell the genocide was coming — her mother fled the country a few years before the mass violence broke out, but her father was passionate about living and dying in the country in which he was born.

Hate speeches were broadcast on the radio for several weeks preceding the genocide. Tutsis were called cockroaches, and Hutus were ordered to rise up and eradicate them from

the earth. On April 6, 1994, the tension finally erupted when the plane of Juvenal Habyarimana, the president of Rwanda and a Hutu, was shot down. Both Hutu and Tutsi extremist groups were blamed, but no one ever claimed responsibility for the shooting. The night Habyarimana died, mass murders of Tutsis, and anyone found helping Tutsis, began. In the 100 days that followed, an estimated 800,000 people were killed.

Caught in the violence

Bisengo, 21, is now a junior at Salisbury University and at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore with a double major in social work and sociology. She was only 6 years old when the genocide happened.

She says the most disturbing thing about this story is how victims were killed.

"They could just shoot you or stab you," Bisengo says. "No. This time they would slowly, slowly kill you, they would make you feel the pain. They would chop your fingers one by one, they would chop your legs piece by piece until you beg for mercy and you'd grab the knife from them and stab yourself, or you'd die slowly right there."

When the president's plane was shot down, Bisengo says, her father knew it was time to move. She fled with her father

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and two brothers from their home in Kigali, Rwanda's capital. They traveled on foot from city to city, trying to find safety. Almost every means of transportation was being watched by the Hutu militia, the Interahamwe.

"The bodies of people who died before that day, the Hutus used the bodies as like a road block, so you couldn't drive your car, you couldn't take a boat and go somewhere, you couldn't go to the airport," she says.

They made their way to the house of her father's best friend. He was a Hutu, but told the Bisengos they would be protected. Her family stayed for one night. The next day, Bisengo says, her father went out. While he was gone, his best friend called other Hutus and told them there were Tutsis in his house.

"When they came my older brother, Eric, ran away because he was old enough. He knew exactly what was going on," she says. "But as far as me and my younger brother, we didn't know what was going on, we stayed with my dad."

She says she watched as her father got into an argument with his best friend, asking him how he could betray the family. Her father offered the dozen or so men money so his family could be set free, but the men refused.

Bisengo's father's best friend came up to her younger brother and hit him over the head with a shovel, beating him to the ground. He then went over to Bisengo and did the same. She says she was knocked unconscious but could still see what was happening. She watched helplessly as her father was stabbed to death.

After her father died, she woke up to find her younger brother was gone.

"Here I am laying down trying to figure out what had happened. I was left alone and I didn't know where to go," Bisengo says. "As soon as I woke up I started running as far away from the body as possible, and then I see the man who just killed my father and he's running after me."

Luckily, she says, she was able to outrun him. She kept running through the surrounding forest where she found her older brother, Eric. They got into an argument about where to go and ended up parting ways — it was the last time she ever saw him. Even today, she hasn't heard any news about what happened to him, or if he is alive or dead.

Bisengo continued running, and says the next thing she knew, she was laying on the ground.

"The first thing I saw when I woke up was this woman, and her neck was hanging loose, you know, like those bobble heads. Her head was just about to fall off because someone had cut her neck," she says.

A man dressed in army clothes woke her up. He took Bisengo, the woman with the injured neck and one other woman back to his home where his mother, father and siblings lived.

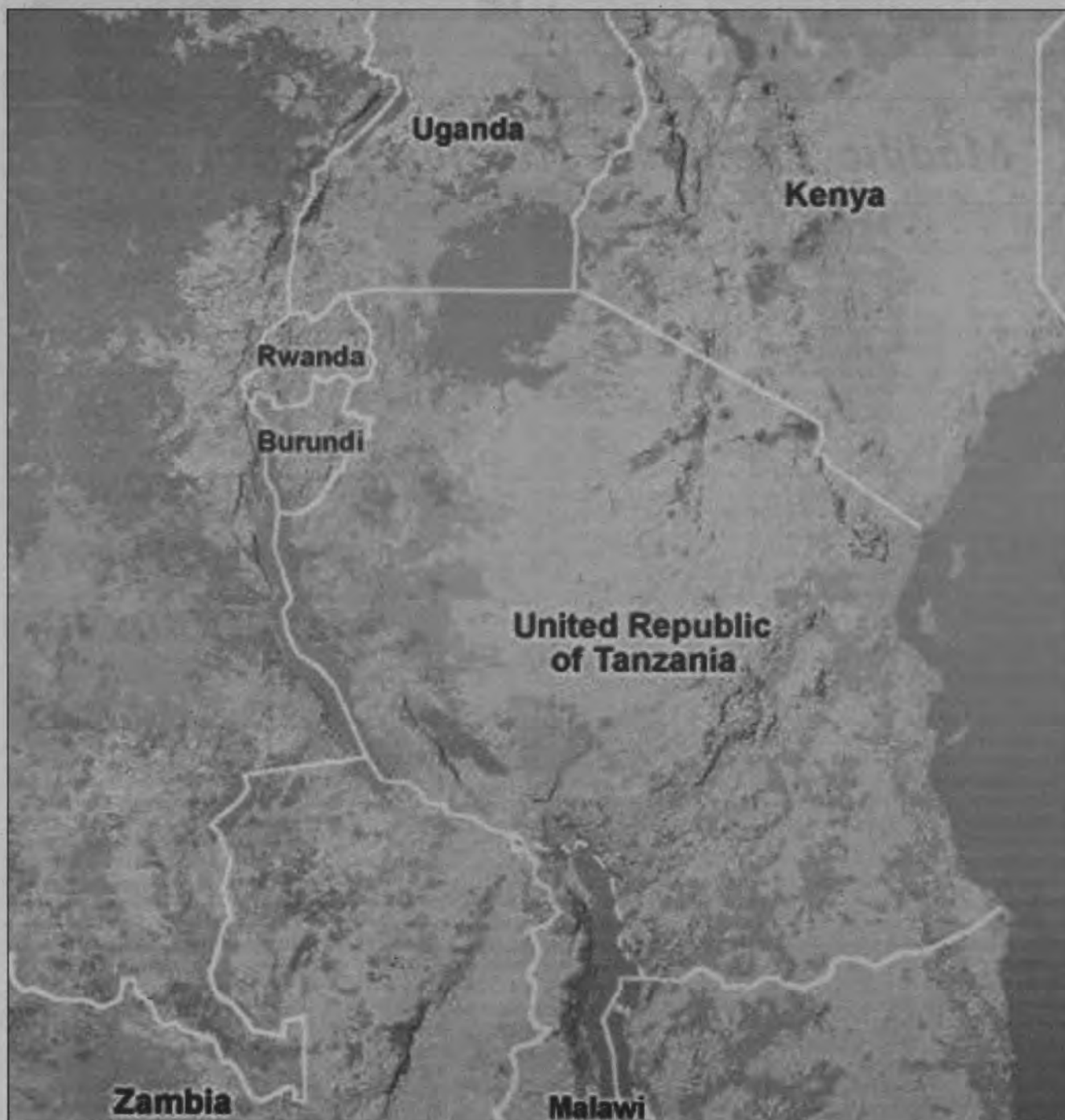
The women and Bisengo stayed in the attic for several days, where the new environment, she says, irritated her nose and caused her to sneeze and cough. The other women in the attic nearly suffocated her as they tried to cover her mouth to keep her from making a sound.

They were all in danger, Bisengo says, because Hutus kept searching the house trying to find them after one of the neighbors had revealed the man was hiding Tutsis. The Hutus kept hunting but found nothing — they didn't know there was an attic in the house. After several more days, the man's father and mother realized it was going to be too risky to keep Tutsis in their home any longer. They decided to let the older women go, but kept Bisengo since she was still just a child.

She stayed with the family for several months until the genocide was over. Though the family essentially helped to save her life, Bisengo says she was horribly mistreated during her time with them.

"They abused me, stabbed me, burned my body, nearly killed me. I was basically left there to die, and I never understood why they took me in even though they starved me to death half the time," Bisengo says. "Their daughter always hit me, burned me; she would put on a knife and heat it up and then stab me with it. And then the boys of the house, they would do whatever they wanted to do as far as beating, raping. Any possible thing you can do to a person that family did to me."

An old woman who lived in the same neighborhood found out she was being kept in the house and she was alive, Bisengo says. The woman happened to be married to Bisengo's uncle, and she began working to free her from her



Rwanda is a small country located in eastern Africa.

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captors. She succeeded, and then contacted Bisengo's mother in the United States.

Bisengo says when her mother heard she was alive, she processed papers and raised money to bring her to the United States. Bisengo was sent from Rwanda to Kenya, where she stayed with a family for a short time. In 1996, she was sent to the United States and has lived here for the past 13 years.

"Ever since then I've been trying to find a way to cope with it and move on with my life," Bisengo says.

Cause and effect

Timothy Longman is a professor and director of the African Studies Center at Boston University. From 1995 to 1996, he worked for the Human Rights Watch in Rwanda, where he did research for a 900-page dissertation about the genocide and its roots.

The country of Rwanda has three ethnic groups. The largest is the Hutus, followed by the Tutsis, then the Twa. Longman says there was much distortion of identity between the ethnic groups during the colonial period. The Belgians, who were colonizing Rwanda, believed the Tutsis looked slightly more European than the other groups and were therefore closer to being a superior race. When the Belgians left, they placed the Tutsis in positions of power so they could rule the country.

Ethnic battles for power in Rwanda continued between the Tutsis and the Hutus. Much later, in the 1990s, government power had shifted primarily to Hutus, who began losing support and resorted to ethnic scapegoating. A multi-party transitional government was created, but ethnic violence continued. The government pushed forward some political reform, Longman says, but at the same time they resisted political reform by encouraging ethnic hatred. Massacres took place periodically.

Rwanda: A Quick Look

- ♦ There are three ethnic groups in Rwanda: the Hutus (84%), the Tutsis (15%) and the Twa (1%).
- ♦ The Rwandan genocide began on April 6, 1994 and lasted for 100 days.
- ♦ The Interahamwe are the Hutu militia responsible for much of the killing during the genocide.
- ♦ An estimated 800,000 people were killed in the genocide.
- ♦ The Tutsi-led Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) was ultimately responsible for ending the genocide.

Compiled from BBC News reports.

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**— Diana Bisengo,
a survivor of the
Rwandan genocide**

"It was an organized event that took place from the top, it wasn't spontaneous violence," Longman says. "It also wasn't really as much popular violence as people make it out to be, really it was a sort of core group of people that did most of the killing because they were really organized by the central government. So a lot of what happened is really explained by the power of the state if it's a very centralized state."

He says the main reason people participated in the killing was fear.

"A lot of people who don't understand the Rwandan genocide very well think it was motivated by hatred and that's inaccurate," he says.

Most people, Longman says, participated because they were scared, confused and manipulated by the government.

The government controlled all sources of information, and told its Hutu citizens that Tutsis were attacking the country, causing some of the Hutus to believe they were acting in self-defense by killing. They were also afraid of the Rwandan Patriotic Front, a minority group

of Tutsi soldiers working to regain power in the country. Lastly, Hutus were afraid of being killed as traitors if they did not participate in the mass killing of Tutsis.

"The people who are in charge of maintaining security in society, the people in charge of maintaining order, are telling you to kill your neighbors and they're telling you that if you don't you can be punished," Longman says. "So it isn't just that people are rising up and killing their neighbors, it's rather that they were ordered to do so by the people who are powerful."

Andrew Rice has spent several years living in Uganda, the country bordering Rwanda to the north, where he worked with the Institute of Current World Affairs. He has also written about Africa for several publications, including "The New York Times Magazine" and "The Economist."

He says the countries have strong common ties, and each has experienced extreme violence. However, Rwanda and Uganda have taken different steps toward reconciliation after violence.

"What you really see with Rwanda and Uganda is two different models at work, one of which is the forgive and forget model and the other one, in Rwanda, which is much more about commemorating atrocities, remembering the atrocities, and trying to hold people accountable," Rice says. "Even if the punishments aren't necessarily huge that they're weeding out, they're still trying to assign accountability."

Uganda, he says, has offered amnesty for perpetrators of the country's extreme violence during the military rule of Idi Amin. An estimated 300,000 people were killed while his regime was in power, according to the BBC World News.

In Rwanda, there has been much more of an emphasis on trying people accused of genocide crimes, Rice says. There are smaller, local trials for most of the accused. There is a larger international criminal tribunal for Rwanda, based in Tanzania, which tries those in charge of planning the genocide.

He says it is too soon to tell which model will be most effective in restoring stability in the countries. In Uganda there has not yet been a renewed outbreak of violence, but many who lost friends and family members are still unsatisfied with the reconciliation that was forced upon them.

In Rwanda's case, he says, some people argue that the victors dole out punishments, perpetuating a circle of violence and tension.

Longman says the most disappointing thing about the Rwandan genocide is people seem to think it was unavoidable.

"It was never inevitable. It's not that there was something wrong with the Rwanda psyche. The fact is, it could have been stopped," Longman says. "It was so predictable, it was something that we saw coming and those of us who were there tried to warn the world and unfortunately they didn't do anything."

Next week: Diana Bisengo talks about how the genocide affected her and her return trip to Rwanda this year.



All photos courtesy of Diana Bisengo.
Diana Bisengo's mother and aunt (top), Bisengo with her mother (center) and Bisengo with her mother and sister (bottom).

Technology vs. books: a distracted studier's dilemma

BY MEGAN KENSLEA

Staff Reporter

Concentrating on schoolwork has never been easy, but in recent years, it's become ever harder for students to crank out papers and problem sets, thanks to distractions like texting, Facebook and instant messaging.

Sophomore Joe Spar says he spends at least an hour and a half procrastinating every day. On any given day, he might be distracted by any number of things, including his roommate and floor mates, but he says he is mostly distracted by the TV and computer.

Spar says the things distracting him have both increased and changed since middle school, and it has become harder to stay focused.

"I definitely managed my time better when I was in middle school, probably because I didn't have as many distractions," Spar says. "I would watch some TV and maybe play a computer game or go on instant messenger, but I usually would finish my work first."

Spar says that having a laptop in his room is definitely a hindrance. He usually gets distracted on the Internet, checking his e-mail, Facebook and other Web sites, and talking to friends from home on instant messenger.

Spar says he tries to get his work done earlier in the day because he and his friends often have movie nights in his dorm room. But usually he doesn't finish the work until much later.

"Right now, the baseball post-season has been really distracting, and unless I get my work done before the game starts, I won't get any studying done," he says.

Another distraction is his iPhone, Spar says, which he checks constantly throughout the day, though only occasionally during class.

"As much as I like it, it definitely creates more distractions," Spar says. "I can always find something to do other than work."

As his workload has increased, Spar says he is trying to develop better studying habits, but it is a gradual process.

John Gizis, a physics and astronomy professor, says he doesn't think students' level of distraction in class has changed — they are simply distracted by different things than in previous years. He says that technology, like cell phones, is



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Advancements in technology have made it harder to focus.

simply a different way for students to become distracted.

"I don't like phone use, but as long as it's not during a test and the sound is off, I don't mind it," Gizis says.

Gizis also doesn't mind if students use their laptops to take notes, but doesn't supervise students' activities on them.

"Especially in a big class where it's hard to monitor, I wouldn't make a big deal of it," he says. "We used to doodle; it's a similar type of distraction."

He adds that he thinks computers are more helpful than harmful for students when they are studying.

"It used to be if you wanted to find out how to solve a problem, you had to look it up in a textbook," Gizis says.

"Today, students tell me they find the answer on the Web, which can save a lot of time. I don't see any difference between the two."

Sophomore Mike Piacentini has an opposing viewpoint.

"There's no way I could study in my room, especially with my computer," Piacentini says. "With so many distractions like my TV and Facebook, iTunes, and the Internet, I can never get anything done."

For students who want assistance developing their study skills, the Academic Enrichment Center offers a variety of workshops, as well as a class, to help build better studying habits. The courses can help students learn how to better manage distractions.

A new online workshop series, Your Roadmap to Success, helps students with goal-setting and time management, note-taking, and reading, studying and test-taking strategies. Lysbet Murray, the Associate Director of Academic Workshops at the Academic Enrichment Center, states in an e-mail message.

A similar workshop series also aids students in preparing for finals, she says. The series is offered in both fall and spring semesters, and the second round of workshops begins this week.

"We also offer one-on-one academic support sessions for student who are trying to get a better understanding of their academic strengths and challenges," Murray writes. "If a student is having problems and can't figure out why, this is a great place to start. We can help with the entire range of academic success strategies, depending on what the student needs."

Another service the AEC offers is tutoring, in both groups and in one-on-one sessions. Group tutoring by trained peer tutors is available in many subjects, and students can also hire individual tutors through the AEC. Undergraduate tutor fees are \$11 an hour, and graduate student tutor fees are \$14 an hour.

"I absolutely think students find our services helpful," she states. "My experience has been that we are very effective in helping students who are looking for ways to make the most of their academic experience, and those who are motivated to make a change in their current strategies."

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Volleyball continues to dominate in CAA play

BY PAT GILLESPIE

Staff Reporter

The Delaware volleyball team has only one loss in CAA play, and they have no intention of seeing another. The team was on a 10-game winning streak before falling to James Madison, 3-2, last Friday. It rebounded the next day, however, beating George Mason 3-0.

The volleyball squad is having a standout season thus far, holding a first place lead in the CAA. As of Oct. 19, the team had ascended to No. 46 in the NCAA Ratings Percentage Index rankings with a record of 15-6, 8-1 in the CAA. Despite the success, head coach Bonnie Kenny has higher expectations for her squad.

"I don't think we're where we need to be to reach the goals that his team has set for themselves," Kenny said.

Kenny believes the tough pre-season schedule gave her squad the best preparation possible for conference play and her players feel the same way, too. The tough preseason play against schools such as the University of New Mexico and the University of California at Santa Barbara, which are both in the RPI top 50, allowed Kenny's team to excel in the regular season.

Along with only having one loss in conference play, the Hens are also undefeated at home. Although the team was at a 4-5 mark when their 10-game win streak began, there wasn't a specific shift in momentum for the squad.

"I don't know if there was any turning point," Kenny said. "I thought emotionally and confidence-wise this team got a big lift when they beat North Carolina. After being down 0-2, and 19-11 in the third game and coming back and winning that match, I think that was a good confidence boost for us."

"I just think we trained so hard during preseason and had some really tough competition," junior setter Jess Chason said. "We played a ton of teams that were above one hundredth in the nation, so I think that competition really prepared us for the season."

Chason played well against North Carolina Wilmington on Oct. 16 and Georgia State on Oct. 18, notching 85 assists collectively. She set a Delaware record against Georgia State University with 53 assists, the most by a Delaware

volleyball player in a four-set match since the NCAA converted to 25-point matches. Chason also received CAA Player of the Week honors for her performance.

"Your center is like your quarterback," senior captain and middle hitter Michelle LaLonde said of Chason. "Her presence on the court is so good that everyone looks to her for guidance and stability."

LaLonde was impressed with the play of freshmen Alissa Alker, but Chason also commended sophomore Kim Stewart for her play as an outside hitter.

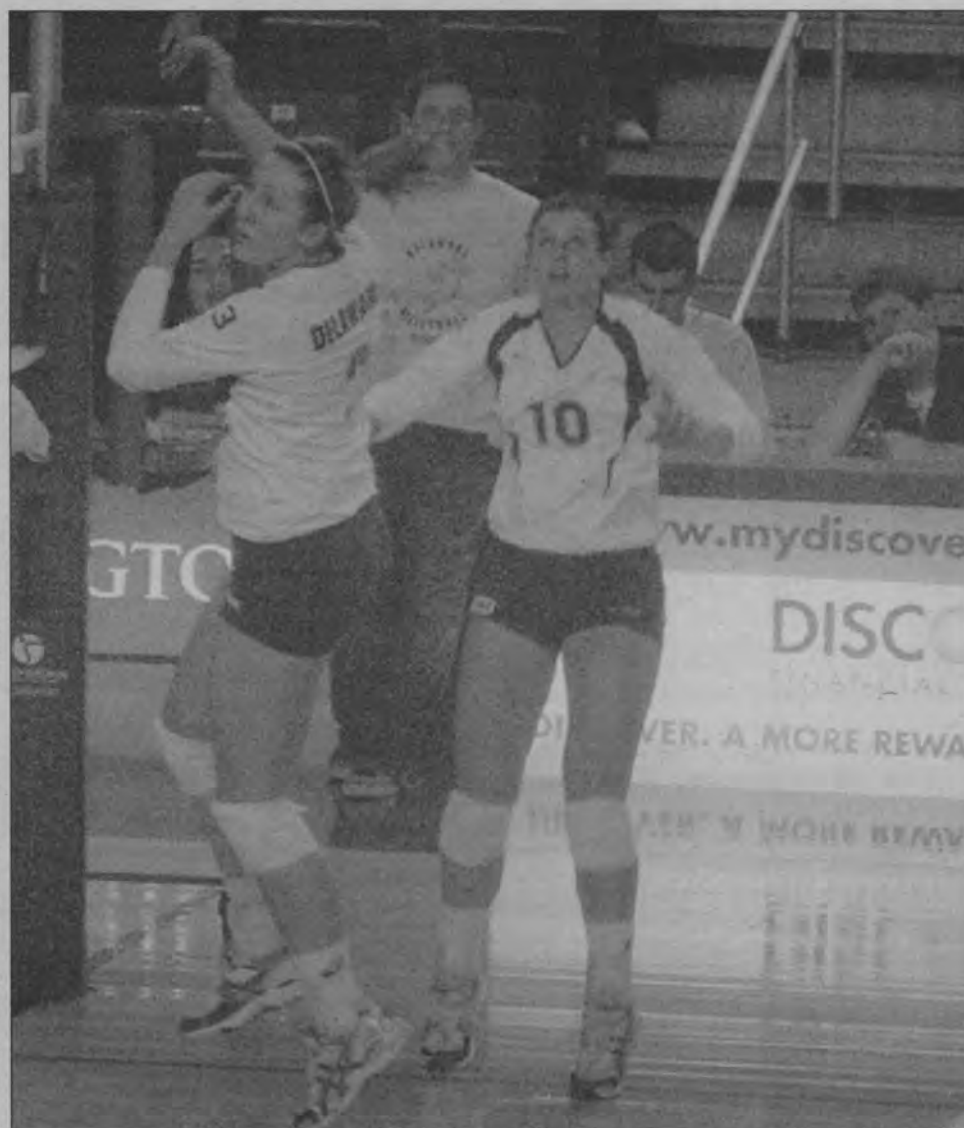
During the 10-game win streak Delaware has defeated seven CAA opponents, the University of North Carolina and Villanova University. The streak has not gotten to the team's head though; LaLonde said there's still plenty of work to be done.

"I don't think we're as good as everyone ahead of us [in the RPI rankings], but I think we're on our way and we have the potential," LaLonde said.

The team appears to have its sights set on hosting the CAA playoff tournament, and advancing further into the NCAA ranks.

"We want to be a sweet sixteen team," Kenny said.

The volleyball squad finishes its 2009 regular season



THE REVIEW/Christine Fallabel

Jess Chason (right) has provided leadership for the Hens during their CAA dominance.

home games this weekend against Virginia Commonwealth on Friday and William & Mary on Saturday. On Friday, the first 300 fans will receive black Delaware volleyball t-shirts to go with "mischievous night" on Oct. 30 at 7 p.m.



Courtesy of Kevin McLister

The golf team played stress free golf after adding Dr. John Brunelle to the staff.

Golf team quietly wraps up season on top

BY ELLEN CRAVEN

Assistant Sports Editor

The golf team is wrapping up its season at the Old Dominion Invitational in Nags Head, N.C. after recently capturing its fourth consecutive team championship.

Junior Kevin McLister said the ODU tournament has one of the best fields the Hens will see this year, making it all the more important to play well.

"We're on a streak right now—the best we have been in a long time," McLister said. "I think there's pressure on us to maybe go in there and get the fifth or maybe finish up

there with the teams."

Head coach Mike Keogh said the competition at the ODU invitational is fierce.

"Even if we had done nothing all fall to go down there and even play well, to finish in the top five would be an accomplishment," he said. "But now, after winning four in a row to go down there and to play well—even to be in the top three of four and win it would be like all the lights going off on the pinball machine."

Delaware entered the season coming off

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Chicken Scratch

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Wednesday, October 28
Men's Soccer vs. Northeastern
3:00 PM

Friday, October 30
UD Baseball Golf Classic
Noon

Field Hockey vs. Hofstra
7:00 PM

Volleyball vs. VCU
7:00 PM

Women's Soccer vs. Drexel
7:00 PM

Saturday, October 31
Men's & Women's Cross Country at CAA
Championships at James Madison
10:00 & 11:00 AM

Football vs. James Madison
Noon

Rowing at Head of the Occoquan Regatta
1:00 PM

Men's Soccer at VCU
7:00 PM

Volleyball vs. William & Mary
7:00 PM

Sunday, November 1
Field Hockey vs. Drexel
1:00 PM

Monday, November 2
Men's Basketball vs. Philadelphia
University
7:00 PM

commentary



PAT MAGUIRE

"THERE WILL BE BLOOD"

Everyone hates "that guy" – the guy who shows up to a game wearing the visiting team's gear, the guy who shows up to Eagles games wearing Giants gear, or the guy who appears at the Staples Center at a Los Angeles Lakers game rocking a Paul Pierce jersey.

All it does is create conflict. Tensions run high and when one team does something well it results in the mocking and temporary humiliation of the other team's fan. It's simply human nature – to ostracize those who root against your team, to despise them, to hate them.

Sometimes these conflicts are unavoidable, though. And, in a college town like Newark, expect clashes.

"She punched me in the face," my friend said. "I couldn't believe it."

He was referring to a Phillies fan, high on adrenaline (and probably a few cold ones), who had an intense reaction to a snide comment he made during the Phillies run to a World Series title last year (apparently he forgot that his Yankees didn't make the playoffs in '08).

Nonetheless, emotions were high, and New York wasn't even playing Philadelphia. My friend's altercation serves as proof of New York's (sometimes warranted and sometimes unwarranted) arrogance and Philadelphia's die-hard, adrenaline-filled enthusiasm.

Historically, New York and Philadelphia are huge baseball rivals. They play every season, and every meeting between the two teams is intense – and usually important in the standings. Ehem, we're talking about the Mets and Phillies, right?

No. This year we're talking about the Phillies and the Yankees – and it could be deadly. Never before have these two teams met in the World Series. And, with these two fan bases, expect there to be blood.

Both teams have proud traditions and proud fans. While it is easy to hate them if you are an outsider, it's hard not to respect their loyal obsession with their favorite teams.

If my battered friend doesn't serve as proof, perhaps I can refer to my other friend. He dates a die-hard Phillies fan whose family owns season tickets to Citizen Bank Park. Earlier in the season, when it was clear both teams would make the playoffs and make a run at the title, my

friend (a Yankees fan) asked his girlfriend what it would be like if their two beloved teams clashed on the big stage.

The response was a simple "F - you."

Needless to say, my friend won't be getting any tickets to go see his Bombers play in the World Series at "The Bank," and they may have to avoid seeing each other until the series is over. I sure hope it doesn't put a strain on their relationship, but it wouldn't surprise me if they hated each other just a little more after this match-up.

The battle lines are drawn hypothetically, and it is clear who the home team is. Newark is just an hour outside Philadelphia. But, aside from Delawareans (who tend to be Philly fans), most Delaware undergrads hail from New Jersey or New York – home turf for those Yankee faithful. Pennsylvania came in just after New York and New Jersey in this year's freshman class profile.

Maybe we should draw some real battle lines. If not, the chaos that will ensue beginning tomorrow could be ruthless. There should be a city-wide ban of any Yankees fans watching the games with Philly-phanatics, and we'll split Grottos down the middle (separated by a ceiling-high barbed wire fence.)

Additionally, Grottos and the other bars on Main Street should beef up their security. Perhaps we should request that Governor Jack Markell call in the National Guard in advance. After all, if he doesn't do it now, he will have to after tomorrow night.

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Cross Country

For the third straight week, Delaware's men's and women's teams kept their No. 14 rankings in the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Mid-Atlantic Region poll. The Hens will compete in the CAA championships this weekend at JMU.

Field Hockey

The Hens beat Towson 6-5 Saturday after Casey Howard and Rachael Schexnayder scored all six goals. Delaware improved to 11-4 and 5-1 in the CAA. They host Hofstra Friday.

Football

After a bye week, Delaware moved up to 19th in the nation in The Sports Network Poll and remained at 23rd in the coaches rankings. They host JMU Saturday. Head coach K.C. Keeler said WR Mark Schenauer, WR Rob Jones, OL Shea Allardt, WR Tyrone Grant and RB David Hayes will return from injury for Saturday's game. TE Colin Naugle will likely remain sidelined.

Men's Soccer

The Hens dropped to 5-11-0 overall and 2-6-0 in the CAA as they fell to UNC Wilmington on Saturday. They head to Boston to play Northeastern on Saturday.

Tennis

The men's and women's tennis teams tallied a combined record of 34-7 over the weekend at the Lehigh Invitational. The women were undefeated at 18-0 and the men were 16-7 to round out their fall schedule. The squads will resume matches in February.



About the Teams:

About the Hens:

The Hens had a bye week last weekend after they defeated Towson, 49-21. This was Delaware's third-straight victory (5-2, 3-2 Colonial Athletic Association), and they just moved up to the No. 16 spot in The Sports Network poll and into the Top 25 on the national coaches poll, taking the No. 23 seat.

About the Dukes:

James Madison lost to William & Mary 24-3 on Saturday. The Dukes only managed 66 yards passing on 31 attempts and 150 yards rushing. JMU is 2-5, (0-4 CAA) and recently fell from the FCS rankings.

underReview: Delaware vs. James Madison

**Time: Homecoming Saturday,
October 31 - Noon**
Location: Delaware Stadium



Why the Hens can win:

Quarterback Pat Devlin and wide receiver Mark Duncan are turning heads in the CAA with their performances. Duncan had two touchdown receptions from Devlin in both the Towson and Massachusetts games. He's had a hand in five touchdown passes in the Hens' last three games. Duncan caught for 299 yards in Hens' last three victories. It seems like this duo is just warming up, and Devlin has also had success with several other receivers as of late. Pair this with the Hens' newfound running game and the Dukes defense could have its hands full.

Why the Hens could lose:

In their last two victories, the Hens allowed both Massachusetts and Towson three fourth-quarter touchdowns. Seventy-two of Delaware's opponents' 128 points have been acquired in the fourth quarter. Although both games were clearly dominated by Delaware, the Hens' backups shouldn't make a habit of slacking off late in the game. Any slacking could come back to bite them should find themselves playing in a close game due to injury or replacement.

-Ellen Craven

The Numbers:

**7-41 Score of Hens' loss
to JMU last year**

**11-7 Delaware leads the
series**

Matt's Prediction:

JMU is just a step in the Hen's playoff chase, and Delaware needs to win if it wants to be taken seriously come playoff time.

Hens 35, JMU 9

Women's diving pushes forward with all-freshman roster

BY EMILY NASSI

Sports Editor

Out of the 23 varsity sports offered at Delaware, the women's diving team is different from the other teams in two ways: first, the team is made up of four women, and second, all four are freshmen, left without the upperclassmen leadership that sports have prided themselves on for years.

Head diving coach Peter Metrinko said this hasn't happened since he's been here.

"I think it's actually a tremendous opportunity, to have four amazing girls like we do. Each one of them performs at an incredible level."

The men's and women's diving teams function as part of the men's and women's swim team. The four teams travel together and compete at the same meets, and points earned by divers at meets are added to the overall score of the meet. The captains for the swim teams also serve as captains of the diving teams. However, the swimming and diving teams practice separately and are under the direction of different coaches.

Having no upperclassmen female divers to depend on, the divers on the women's team band together to support each other, during both practice and meets.

"We're all leaders in our own ways," Carly Sheppard said.

Erika Bilenki had the highest placing finishes for Delaware versus George Mason. She placed third in the three-meter dive, and second in the one-meter dive.

When in need of a veteran perspective, the girls turn to the only senior from both dive teams, Tom Gallagher. Gallagher exerted his leadership and experience last week against George Mason, placing first in the three-meter dive.

"I've learned from my coach so everything that he has taught me, I just relay it back to them," Gallagher said. "I try to help out as much as I can."

Emily Kasyon said that the women's team is very close to the men's team and they look to them for support.

"They're always open to help us with anything,"

Kasyon said. "They're really good for motivation and they've always pushed us."

The dive team competes in two events during swim meets, the one and three meter dives. In a typical dual meet, a diver placing first will earn nine points. In a close meet, these two diving events can often be critical for a win. However, Metrinko was quick to point out that it cannot come down to any one event.

"Swim meets do come down to only a few points," Metrinko said. "I don't think when you look at it one or two points is coming down to the diving side. When you have over 32 events in a meet, it shouldn't come down to any one individual event or any one individual."

Still, the women do their best to take off the pressure off each other that comes with being a diver and competing at the college level, mostly through keeping things light.

"We're always joking, I don't think we've had a serious meet yet," Kasyon said. "We just constantly laugh and I love practice here. It's probably the thing I look forward to most during the day."

Although the diving team does not produce a lot of revenue and receives less attention than big-name athletic teams, like football and basketball, Metrinko is not worried about the lack of attention.

"They can get overlooked by anyone they want," he said. "The fact of the matter is we don't do it to get recognition from other schools, we do it because we're a team. The bottom line is that when we show up at a meet, we're going to dive and that's when we're going to make our name."

Belenki agreed.

"If people look over us, that's fine," she said. "We're on our own, but as a team, swimming and diving, we're really close."

Despite the lack of experience, Metrinko said his team is already a force to be reckoned with.



THE REVIEW/Andy Bowden

Despite youth, Hens' freshmen have held their own in the C.S.B.

"They already are [making their presence known]," he said. "Our entire team held their own [against George Mason]. If you look at the overall results, we've already made a statement. We already challenged the CAA."

The diving teams will compete again Nov. 6-7 at the CAA pod meet with UNC Wilmington, George Mason and Towson at the Carpenter Sports Building.

Local forward leads Hens to top of CAA standings

BY RACHEL GREENE

Staff Reporter

Following Delaware's back-to-back wins against Old Dominion and William & Mary, field hockey forward Amanda McCardell was named WomensFieldHockey.com's National Player of the Week on Oct. 7. McCardell scored the game winning goal against William & Mary and contributed a goal and an assist vs. Old Dominion.

McCardell said she first found out of her selection when her roommate, another player on the team, sent her a text message telling her the news. McCardell was in class and upon getting home and checking, she saw her picture on the Web site.

"I didn't think it was serious at first," McCardell said. "I red-shirted my freshman year, so it was shocking."

McCardell, this season's second leading goal scorer, already has 14 points and helped lead the Hen's to their 11-4 winning record as well as being tied for first in the CAA standings.

Head coach Carol Miller said McCardell is a junior but has sophomore eligibility and will undoubtedly be a Hen for a fifth season. Miller said she loves fifth-year seniors since they are there because they want to be there.

"[McCardell] does act as an upperclassman even though she's only sophomore status, so that really has done a lot of wonderful things for us because the younger players look up to her," Miller said. "The younger players watch her very closely. I think she's



THE REVIEW/Ayelet Daniel

Amanda McCardell (No. 19) is second with seven goals to Casey Howard's 20 (No. 1)

finally realized people are watching her so she knows that at every practice she's got to perform and she's got to be on her game."

Miller described McCardell as unpredictable in her play because she can take the ball in any direction she wants to take it.

"Amanda's improved in her game in also being able to play defense for me when they lose the ball," Miller said. "She's able to get

it back and play good, strong, individual defense."

Both Miller and senior Casey Howard, a forward, midfielder, and team captain, agreed McCardell has a good personality, a wonderful sense of humor and great work ethic which makes it easy for the players to follow her lead.

McCardell, originally from Elkton, Md.,

said she lived at school over the summer and has trained here since June. Howard said McCardell worked with the team's strength and conditioning coach.

"Every day at practice Amanda constantly challenges our defenders with her attack skills," Howard said of McCardell's dedication. "She's such an offensive threat for us this season."

Miller said while McCardell played midfield in high school, she was recruited for her good ball-handling skills and was then moved to forward. The coach described her as a force on the forward line.

McCardell said herself, as well as the entire team, is taking the season one game at a time but can't help hoping they eventually make it to the CAA championship.

"We want to be CAA champs — that's the ultimate goal, every year," McCardell said. "It's a long season but we're at a point where I think we need to be."

McCardell has contributed by producing clutch goals for the team in times of need. According to Howard, McCardell contributes on defense and is able to keep the ball in the Hen's attacking end during games.

"She's stepped up this year and has taken obviously more of a starting role, but along with that she's taken on the responsibility of really setting a good example for the other players — working hard and coming here in the summer and working as hard as she did," Miller said. "This is the kind of thing that can come from it."

World Series: tensions will run high

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Now, I'm not trying to scare anyone. If you're not a fan of either team (like me), just stay inside and stock up on canned food, like beans and chicken noodle soup. If you're interested in seeing some good baseball, turn the game on in the safe environment of your own room (with the door locked, of course). And, if you see a fan of either team, smile and nod at them. They may think you're on their side.

Whatever you do, don't make a pro-Yankees comment around a Phillies fan or a pro-Phillies comment around a Yankees fan. If you do, don't be surprised if you get punched in the face like my friend did. Tensions will be high and both of these

sets of fans will do anything to defend their teams' honor.

Prepare for the worst my friends (or the best, depending on what side you're on). Either way, don't take this World Series lightly. The winners will rejoice and the losers will be sent home in shame at the hands of their opponents. No holds barred. Let's get it on!

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Golf: psychologist helps with fall success

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two seventh-place conference finishes.

"Previously we'd won maybe one tournament a year and now that we have four it feels like everyone is coming after us and people are looking up to us," McLister said. Keogh said the Hens are looking to add to their unprecedented streak.

"They're chomping at the bit for us to come down to them," he said. "So, if we were to pull this off, no team had ever gone three in a row, and we just made it four. Now this would be five, so this would be Cinderella story type stuff — Caddyshack stuff with Bill Murray."

Senior captain Mike Barrow said the team started its season off slow, but their mentality has changed.

"Now the momentum is going our way and instead of us looking at teams saying 'Wow, we have to beat them,' they're looking at us saying, 'Now we need to beat these guys,'" he said.

Keogh said the Hens started to turn things around last season, while this year they are training better, working out better, and putting in more work during the summer.

"Before we used to just work out in February," Keogh said. "They came to me last year at the end of fall and said, 'Can we continue to condition, continue to train the whole year out?' So they get up, they go at

6:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays and they have a trainer who puts them through their paces, they run the stadium steps, they do the whole thing.

"These kids are true student athletes, they work hard, they practice immensely on their own too, which is key to golf."

Not only do they work harder, but Barrow also said the team gets along better.

"The team really came together chemistry-wise. We're all best friends, four of us live in the same house," Barrow said. "We're always together whether it's eating dinner, practice, going to classes—we see each other for probably more than half the day—it just helps out that way."

Keogh said in seasons past there has been a lot of competition within the team, but this year the Hens have transcended that mindset.

"They're really, literally pulling for each other, and it's really gratifying, this is teary-eyed stuff," he said. "They help each other and pull for each other and it's really evolved into a team concept."

Keogh said negativity and dwelling on

mistakes was a problem Delaware struggled with last year. The Hens requested to meet collectively with sports psychologist and assistant coach John Brunelle, who sat down with them and compared their putting statistics with those of professional golfers and help them see that they shouldn't be devastated when they mess up.

"It's the stupidest-ass game in the world," Keogh joked, frustrated by the pressure put on his players. "A little 4-inch and a quarter hole and you beat this ball around trying to put it in. Who the hell even thought of the game? I don't know."

Keogh said a top finish at ODU would be a good stepping stone for the spring.

"Northeastern teams typically play better in the fall than we do in the spring, just because the southern schools have access to better weather in the winter—can make it out a little more," he said. "Depending on how bad the weather is, if we have a mild winter and it's not too bad these guys will go out and practice on their own during the winter, but typically, sometimes we've had it where we've never been outside and gone away to our first tournament."

"Hitting balls in a cage and a net is just not the same thing," Keogh said. "So, for spring, you got to be ready to go like that, I mean spring season is quick. It's like the middle of March until the end of April."

Keogh said the team's hopes for the spring season and year lie in the CAA Championships.

"The goal is to win the conference championship because that's how you get to NCAAs," he said. "We're not going to be ranked in the top-100 teams in the country, so we need to win the conference championships."

Keogh said it's a lofty goal since the CAA includes several powerful teams.

"We're a little in over our heads, but these kids don't think so," Keogh said. "They say, 'Who are we beating next week?'"

McLister said the team will try not to lose the drive and momentum that has taken them far this fall season.

"I think we're going to have the same mindset going into the spring, and we have to do exactly what we're doing now work-out-wise and practice-wise, spending a lot of time on the short game and stuff and continue that into the spring," McLister said.

"It really feels like we're on the top right now and everybody's chasing after us, which isn't a feeling we've had yet."

Blue Hen Babble

Who will win the World Series and in how many games?



"I definitely think the Yankees are going to win in five, but the Phillies are a good team, so possibly six. But I'm definitely going Yankees in five right now on a Phillies campus because the Yanks are going to pull through."
-Caron Johnson, Senior

"I think the Phillies will win in six games."

-Brad Burgess, Freshman



"I think the Phillies are going to win in six games."

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The things a criminal record can do to your future ought to be a crime

What's the value of a clean record? Employers, graduate schools, the military services, professional licensing boards, immigration authorities-- the gate keepers to a lot of the good stuff in life-- look carefully at your record. Exactly how much a criminal record will affect your life, no one knows. What is known is that many students-- because of stepped up efforts to control alcohol, occupancy of private residences, or noise-- will be arrested this year.

Most things for which you receive citations from the University or Newark police are reported as criminal arrests in national and State crime reporting. Convictions of City ordinances are reported as criminal convictions. They are not like "parking tickets". And an arrest record will turn up in the future. On background searches for employment. In FAFSA applications. When you request a passport. Or want to do military service. Or apply to graduate school. And an arrest can result in University discipline, up to and including expulsion. Even if you complete PBJ successfully after an arrest, the arrest will still show on your record unless it is expunged. Scrutiny of criminal records for all these purposes has increased dramatically since September 11, 2001, as reported in the Wall Street Journal.

If you have been arrested in the past--or are arrested this year--don't panic. Maybe you were arrested in the past, and would like to talk about expunging your arrest record. Maybe you have charges pending now. You have the right to legal representation. I served as Newark City Prosecutor for many years, and have since that time represented many students in the Delaware courts. If you have been arrested and have questions about your pending case, or your past arrest record--contact us. You, or your parents, or both, can consult with me by phone at no charge.

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