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Review compelled to leave CLU event

BY STEVE RUBENSTEIN
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The University's Civil Liberties Union held a public lecture Wednesday about which The Review was not permitted to report because the speaker said he would be discussing information that will be used in an upcoming lawsuit.

Roy H. Lopata, director of planning for the City of Newark, told The Review he refused to speak if it was present at the lecture.

He said he would not speak in The Review's presence because he would be using information involving the city's lawsuit with the Newark Landlords Association over the student home ordinance.

"This is closed to the public," Lopata said. "I've got two minutes if [The Review] is staying."

The NLA is currently suing the city over Bill No. 99-10, which establishes a definition and regulations for a student home.

Lopata also said the meeting should not have been held on campus. "They could have come to my house if they'd wanted to," he said.

CLU Vice President Heather Abe, who attended the lecture, said the event, which was held in 205 Kirkbride Hall at 7:00 p.m., was closed to the public.

"You're right, from a CLU group it is hypocritical to ask [The Review] to leave, and I'm sorry," Abe said.

She said Lopata used figures and statistics in his talk that are going to be used as evidence when he goes to court.

Eric Rise, a university criminal justice professor, said the fact that Lopata was even speaking was out of the ordinary due to the fact he was discussing information in a pending lawsuit.

"It's not customary," he said. "There's nothing particularly wrong with it since people have the freedom of speech, [but] it's not advisable."

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Lopata said he discussed the matter with those at the city's offices who are involved with the NLA lawsuit before agreeing to speak.

"The attorney said as long as it was private, it was okay," he said.

Roger Akin, solicitor for the City of Newark, said he was aware Lopata was planning to address a group at the university but did not know the nature of Lopata's lecture.

Akin and attorney Kevin Connors are arguing the city's position in its lawsuit with the NLA.

Connors said he did not know

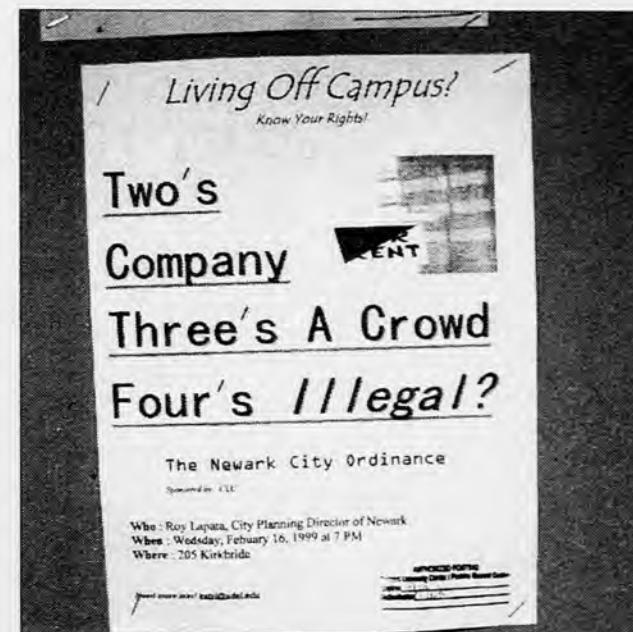
Lopata was speaking to a university group about information that would be used in the lawsuit.

Nathaniel Miller, treasurer of the CLU, said the event was open to the public.

"It was a public meeting," he said. "It was open to students and anyone who was interested."

The CLU is affiliated with the American Civil Liberties Union, who's mission is to assure the Bill of Rights are preserved for each new

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This flier was posted in the Trabant University Center before Wednesday's meeting.

Alpha Epsilon Pi faces sanctions

BY ADRIAN BACOLO
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After failing to comply with specific alcohol-related sanctions, the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity is facing a possible suspension from the university, Dean of Students Timothy F. Brooks said.

University police officers found alcohol to be in plain view when they assisted Newark Police on a drug-related search Feb. 5, Brooks said.

Because of a previous disciplinary sanction against Alpha Epsilon Pi for possession of alcohol, he said, the house was designated to be alcohol-free territory.

If found guilty of failure to comply, the sanctions against the fraternity could be severe, Brooks said. He said suspension from the university is a possibility.

Alpha Epsilon Pi could not be reached for comment.

Interfraternity Council President Dan Mott said due process must be adhered to, and Alpha Epsilon Pi must be found guilty before any suspensions are enforced.

"AEPi knew the sanctions against them and if the evidence shows that they did break the dry-house sanctions, they will be dealt with accordingly by the Dean of Students," Mott said.

Currently, Alpha Epsilon Pi has not met with the Dean of Students' Office for a preliminary hearing, Brooks said.

He said that the drug-related arrest on Feb. 5 is a Newark Police Department matter and is unrelated to the charges against Alpha Epsilon Pi failing to comply with sanctions.

Originally, Newark Police refused to release any information concerning that arrest because of the investigation's continuing status.

Last summer, while classes were not in session, university officials entered the Alpha Epsilon Pi house and discovered disconnected smoke detectors and dismantled sprinklers.

Newark building inspectors later designated the building as uninhabitable.

The house was also littered with both full and empty alcohol containers.



THE REVIEW/Mike Louie

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The presence of the containers violated a judicial sanction against Alpha Epsilon Pi from the spring of 1999.

At the time, Public Safety was scheduled to inform the members of what is and what is not permitted in

the house, according to the terms of the fraternity's judicial sanction.

Ben Melnicki, president of Alpha Epsilon Pi at that time, said the fraternity planned to cooperate with university officials to avoid further sanctions.

Binge drinking may be linked to gun usage

In the
CrosshairsPart Four of Four:
The possible
correlation between
binge drinking and gunsBY SUSAN STOCK
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Binge drinking and gun possession among college students are potentially correlated, according to a Harvard survey published in July 1999.

The survey, which was answered by more than 15,000 students at four-year colleges nationwide, reports that of the nearly half a million students who reported owning guns, 7 percent also reported having been arrested for an alcohol-related offense. This figure is being compared to the 3 percent of students who did not report having a gun but were arrested for similar alcohol-related offenses.

Also reported in the survey was that of the 274 students who said they are chronically dependent on alcohol — defined as needing an "eye opener" in the morning — 12.4 percent reported owning a gun.

Dr. Henry Wechsler, one of the three Harvard professors who did the study, defined a correlation as "an association between two events." He said this holds true even if the numbers being studied are small.

"We found that a gun possessor was more likely to have been arrested for an alcohol offense than someone who does not own a gun," he said, "even if both events are relatively rare."

Dr. Matthew Miller, who was another of the three researchers, said this survey is breaking new ground.

"The connection between lethal violence with guns and alcohol has been known for some time," he said. "What's new about this is that this connection persists even in a college environment."

Miller said he does not know which specific factors may make a person more disposed to binge drinking and using a gun.

"It's possible that a particular background might dispose people to do both," he said. "That's a subject for further research."

However, Miller said, he thinks the behavior of people when they are drunk can be attributed to the resulting bad decision making.

"When people drink, their judgement is impaired," he said. "As evidence of impaired judgement, they drive too fast, they vandalize property and they get into fights."

Steve Martin, University of Delaware Center for Drug and Alcohol Studies scientist, said 389 university students took part in the Harvard survey, conducted in 1997.

Martin said less than 1 percent of those students reported having a gun.

"UD students appear less likely to possess guns than do college students in the nation as a whole," he said.

However, Wechsler said, while the national numbers suggest a correlation between guns and binge drinking, the specific numbers for the university cannot be analyzed to determine if the correlation exists on campus.

"They are too small to do statistical tests on," he said. "You can only study these relatively rare events in large, national samples."

Miller said he remains hopeful that the trend of students drinking and possessing guns on college campuses will decline.

"If it didn't," he said, "it would be really hard to do this kind of research."

New sell-back policy at University Bookstore leads to student confusion No return 'booking'

BY JANET FRIED
Staff Reporter

The University Bookstore is checking semester schedules to make sure students have dropped or added a course before allowing them to return books after the Feb. 15 return deadline, officials said.

"The marketplace is changing, and we have to change along with it," said Tod Petrie, general manager of the University Bookstore.

The new policy states that during the first week of classes, a textbook can be returned for any reason.

However, Petrie said, during the second week of classes, a textbook can only be returned if the student has the receipt and has either dropped or added a class.

Petrie said the change was brought about by the presence of new competition in the market.

Some students are purchasing their textbooks at the University Bookstore, then finding them cheaper online and returning the books purchased online to the bookstore instead of paying shipping costs, he said.

The University Bookstore, part of the

efollett Company, is responding to the 5 percent penalty for every book returned to the wholesaler.

"I just want to make sure I'm returning the books that were purchased at my store," Petrie said.

The new policy includes checking the students' schedules on the computer to be sure a class was either dropped or added, he said.

"As people come in for returns, we're explaining the policy to them," says Petrie. "We're going to make sure it's an easy process, and as long as the computer system isn't slow, I don't see any problems."

The University Bookstore purchases its textbooks from various wholesalers depending on how many textbooks are bought back, a process which begins with book orders being placed by professors as early as October for the Spring Semester, Petrie said.

"Up to 30 percent of total textbook orders are placed by professors a month before classes start," he said.

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In the News

LESSER CHARGES SOUGHT IN DIALLO MURDER TRIAL

ALBANY, N.Y. — Jurors in the trial of four white police officers accused of murdering an unarmed African immigrant will have the option to convict the defendants on less serious charges, a judge ruled today.

With testimony in the Amadou Diallo case completed after just nine days, prosecutors on Wednesday asked the judge to allow the jury to consider manslaughter and criminally negligent homicide in addition to the original second-degree murder charges. The defense did not object.

Justice Joseph Teresi made the decision yesterday without comment at a hearing to discuss how the jury will be instructed.

It is not unusual for judges to do this if requested, Barry Kluger, chief assistant district attorney in the Bronx, said prosecutors often ask for less serious charges and "no special significance should be given to that."

The trial is adjourned until Tuesday, when the jury will hear closing arguments.

New York City Officers Kenneth Boss, 28, Richard Murphy, 27, Sean Carroll, 37, and Edward McMellon, 27, have pleaded innocent to charges of intentional murder, murder by "depraved indifference to human life," and reckless endangerment. If convicted of murder, they could be sentenced to 25 years to life.

Prosecutors refused to say why they sought to include the lesser charges.

But both sides appeared to be hedging their bets — the prosecution against a complete exoneration of defendants in a high-profile case, the defense against the specter of harsh prison terms for their clients.

Stephen Worth, McMellon's attorney, insisted that despite the decision, the officers expected to be cleared.

"We don't concede for a moment that it's anything but not guilty," Worth said.

The officers testified this week that they fired 41 bullets at Diallo on Feb. 4, 1999 because he refused to stop for questioning, retreated to his Bronx building and pulled out what appeared to be a gun. He was hit 19 times. The object Diallo had turned out to be a wallet.

The prosecution contends the officers never yelled any warnings before cornering Diallo and opening fire. Backed by autopsy findings, prosecutors also said most of the bullets hit Diallo, an immigrant from Guinea, while he was going down or flat on his back.

The trial was moved to Albany from New York City because of pretrial publicity and protests alleging widespread police abuse of minorities.

RE-CREATION OF WACO SIEGE APPROVED

ST. LOUIS — Six gunmen armed with pistols and submachine guns will start from post to post, firing their weapons in detailed sequence. Grenades will be launched overhead and an advancing tank will crush glass and aluminum siding.

Those were the elements approved Wednesday as part of a court-ordered re-creation designed to put to rest questions about the role of federal agents at the Branch Davidian compound on the last day of the April 1993 siege near Waco, Texas.

The re-creation, tentatively scheduled for March 18 or 19 at Fort Hood, Texas, will be recorded on special infrared cameras attached to aircraft flown by British pilots and the Air Force. A variety of weapons are expected to be used, and debris — glass, water and aluminum — could help determine whether they could have caused the flashes picked up by the FBI's infrared cameras.

The government and lawyers made public details of the re-creation after meeting for more than five hours behind closed doors at the St. Louis office of Special Counsel John Danforth.

However, it remained uncertain whether the news media would be allowed to witness the event.

The decision to open the re-creation rests with U.S. District Judge Walter Smith of Waco, who is presiding over a wrongful death lawsuit by Branch Davidians against the government.

Lawyers Michael Caddell and Jim Brannon, who represent surviving Branch Davidians and their families, and Texas U.S. Attorney Mike Bradford said they believed the media should be present. Danforth apparently objected.

Danforth and his chief of staff declined to comment after the meeting.

After the test, a court-appointed expert will verify whether the conditions of the test were satisfactorily met. The original tapes will then be left with the court.

The parties hope the test will determine what caused more than 100 flashes to show up on an infrared tape the FBI filmed of the siege. They plan to compare that tape with aerial surveillance footage from Fort Hood.

The government has long insisted that none of its agents fired their weapons. But the Branch Davidian plaintiffs, backed by infrared experts, contend the bursts of light on the FBI tape can be nothing but gunfire.

Davidian leader David Koresh and some 80 followers died in the final hours of the 51-day standoff, some in the fire that engulfed the compound, others from gunshot wounds. The government insists the Davidians perished by their own hands.

— compiled from Associated Press wire reports by John Yocca

Del. to test probation program

BY CHRIS EMANUELLI
Staff Reporter

Delaware will be one of six states to test a program designed to reduce repeat offenses during probation, Sen. Joseph R. Biden, D-Del., announced Feb. 11.

Currently, offenders merely meet with a probation officer regularly after their release, said Margaret Aitken, Biden's press secretary.

The new program will provide more surveillance and guidance to help offenders in New Castle and Sussex counties integrate back into society.

Delaware Supreme Court Judge Richard Gebelein said, "What this is designed to do is give them a more structured reentry into the community, so hopefully we get them over that first six months."

Gebelein said the first six months after release is the period when offenders are most likely to commit a new crime or violate their parole or probation.

The pilot program will provide job training, substance abuse counseling, remedial education and help with housing, he said. In addition, he said, the offenders will meet regularly with a judge, as well as their probation officers.

"We'll enforce a curfew," Gebelein said. "We'll require them to be seeking a job [and] we'll be making them come into court on a regular basis and explain how they're doing on their probation."

Gebelein said that several months ago, the federal government asked states to

submit proposals for new programs for reintegrating offenders into society.

Aitken said Delaware was probably chosen because of its success with a similar reentry program for drug offenders.

"Typically, when they do pilot programs like this, they take states with good reputations that have done programs similar to this before," she said.

Gebelein said the drug court system has been shown to be successful in rehabilitating 30 percent of offenders.

In New Castle County, 50 inmates will be chosen to participate in the program, Aitken said. They will be supervised by probation officers and community police and will meet weekly with a judge and a probation officer.

Gebelein said while offenders will be supported with counseling and education or training programs, they will be expected to pay their way with income from a job.

"The [criminal] record always makes it difficult for people to get a job," he said, "but right now, the economy is such that these people are able to find some kind of work."

Aitken said the program in New Castle County will target people who have been incarcerated for one year and have a public service obligation.

"We're trying to do a pure test in New Castle County," Gebelein said. "In other words, we're randomly selecting the people for this program so we'll have a true

test model to see if the methodology works."

The pilot system in Sussex County, on the other hand, will focus on one type of perpetrators — domestic violence offenders.

Gebelein said the pilot system, which is still being organized, will be integrated in the two counties by March.

Aitken said the pilot system will draw from already existing Delaware personnel who will be aided by the Department of Justice.

"This year there's no funding, but there's a lot of technical assistance provided by the Department of Justice," she said.

"They actually help [states] set up these reentry programs, and there's probably future funding allocated."

Gebelein said the success of the pilot program will be unknown for several years.

"You're looking at a three-year period for them to come up with any meaningful numbers," he said. "It's going to take each [offender] at least six months to go through the program, and we're going to have a group follow them for 18 months to see if they get into trouble."

Gebelein said if the pilot reentry program proves to be as successful as the drug court system, it will probably be adopted on a national scale.

"The next step would be to expand it," he said. "That's going to require significant resources if you're going to have a large number of people go through."

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Sleep = good

Sleeping a good night's sleep in order to cram for an exam, write a paper or even hang out with friends is a common practice on college campuses nationwide. But students should be wary of cutting rest out of their schedules.

It may be more harmful than they think. Dr. Karl Dohrmann, director of the Sleep Disorders Center at Thomas Jefferson University, said people need to sleep so their bodies can repair themselves from damage and general wear.

During sleep, the body also secretes vital chemicals such as growth hormone.

As the name suggests, GH is a hormone that stimulates growth, and a disturbance in the secretion of GH can cause problems in the development of humans, including gigantism and dwarfism.

Dr. Joseph Siebold, director of university Student Health Services, said college students are especially prone to get less sleep and have more erratic schedules.

Those who constantly sleep very little — the chronically sleep-deprived — get sick more frequently, particularly during midterms and final exams.

People who don't sleep suffer other side effects as well, such as aging faster, having poor coordination and mental agility and falling asleep during the day — but never during class, of course.

The average nightly amount of sleep required for a person is six to eight hours.

"What one person may need will be a little different than what other people need," Dohrmann said.

He said people who get deep sleep, or delta sleep, for an extended, uninterrupted period of time benefit most from their times of rest.

"There is such a thing as quality sleep," Dohrmann said. "We know that if you deprive animals of delta sleep, they eventually die."

Though Brew-HaHa and Brewed Awakenings have built businesses by pushing favorite beverages, Dohrmann said sleep deprivation is serious and cannot be cured by consuming stimulants like coffee.

"The problem with coffee is that it can get rid of the sensation of sleepiness," he said. "Coffee is not the cure-all. It may help a little bit, but sleep is the best cure for sleepiness."

Students who couple their poor sleeping habits with bad eating habits deal themselves a double dose of trouble.

Siebold said eating sugary items for energy leads to an artificial high caused by a rise in blood sugar. Sugar levels then fluctuate between extreme highs and lows. It is better to eat healthily and have a constant blood sugar level.

Dohrmann said a little missed sleep is sometimes necessary and not horribly unhealthy.

"You can catch up by sleeping a few more hours on the weekend," he said. "But the best way to catch up is by sleeping a little more each night."

However, the chronically sleep-deprived may have a little more difficulty making up the time.

"Sometimes it takes longer than just a weekend," Dohrmann said.

Siebold said there is no quick fix. The only cure for sleep deprivation is rest.

"Unfortunately," he said, "our body is not a battery pack."

So until college students can recharge like the Energizer Bunny, the best advice to follow is to get a good night's rest.

Carper donates papers to UD

BY DAN STRUMPF
Staff Reporter

Gov. Thomas R. Carper has donated papers from his 10-year congressional career to the Morris Library.

The collection was opened to the public on Feb. 7 and consists of official documents, office files, reports, speeches, photographs, memoranda, correspondence files and memorabilia amassed during Carper's terms in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Carper, who was at Morris Library for the opening of the collection, said in a press release, "Access to the historical record of the work of government officials is important in a democratic society."

"It is my hope that these papers will provide a better understanding of the way government works."

Carper said his decision to donate the collection to the library was a privilege for him.

"As a student, I spent many hours at the Morris Library," the 1975 graduate said. "I am honored that the history of my tenure as Delaware's member at large in the U.S. House of Representatives will be available for historians and others in that same library."

L. Rebecca Johnson Melvin, associate librarian in the Special Collections department, said these papers will give researchers a better understanding of government in action.

"We are very pleased to have the collection," she said. "It is an important resource to have. It contains so much information about local issues as well as the national issues of the time, and it gives us a behind-the-scenes look at how Congress works."

"The correspondence files are interesting, as they offer a unique perspective. They are voices of the people — democracy in action."

Susan Brynteson, director of libraries, said she anticipates the collection will have many uses.

"The papers will serve as an important resource for faculty and students at the University of Delaware, as well as the wider research community, for the study of American history, politics and government," she said.

At the end of each representative's congressional career, it is customary for him or her to donate their papers to a recipient of their choice, Brynteson said.

Morris Library is also home to the congressional papers of former Delaware U.S. Senators John J. Williams and J. Allen Frear Jr.

The Carper collection is open to the public and available locally through the special collections department of Morris Library, as well as on DELCAT.

The collection can be accessed nationally through OCLC, a national online computer network. A summary of the collection's contents can be accessed on the library Web site under the Special Collections heading.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

The men and women's swimming teams will wade out to the deep end at the Carpenter Sports Building for the America East Championships today through Sunday. For information, call UD1-HENS.

If only there was a way to be magically whisked away to a land where you could be regaled with tales of residence life adventures ... oh wait, there is. Stop by the RA Information Session in the Harrington D/E Lounge on Friday at noon or the Center for Black Culture Lounge at 2. Call 831-3001 for more information.

The women's basketball team will attempt to toss a small orb through an iron ring suspended above the hardwood at the Bob Carpenter Center on Saturday afternoon at 1. Call UD1-HENS for more information.

Actor Edward Norton will be appearing in Ray Street C Lounge courtesy of the miracle of VHS, as he appears in "America History X." on

Saturday at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 837-6461.

The ice hockey team will try to be a winner at the game of Life ... Life University, that is. The teams will skate on Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Gold Arena. Call UD1-HENS for more information.

No Jenny McCarthy, no Chris Hardwick, but COCO will try to make their version of Singled-Out fly on Saturday in the Scrouge. For more information, call 831-6412.

The ice hockey team continues to ravage colleges that no one has ever heard of when they face Mercyhurst at the Gold Arena at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Call UD1-HENS for more information.

Monday is the last day to drop or add a class without being looked down upon by your peers, not to mention the university administration. Oh yeah, after this date there is a \$15 processing fee.

—compiled by Paul Mathews

Police Reports

MINOR CHARGED WITH OFFENSIVE TOUCHING

A 14-year-old Newark High School Student was charged with offensive touching and disorderly conduct Monday after he assaulted the principal, Newark Police said.

The principal approached the student in the hallway to inquire about why he wasn't in class, Cpl. Mark Farrall said.

The student then pushed the principal, causing injuries on the principal's arm, and made an obscene hand gesture before leaving the school grounds.

The charges are still pending, and the school will also take necessary sanctions, officials said.

SKIPPING OUT ON THE BILL

A man left the Embassy Suites Hotel Tuesday after not paying the bill for his room. Newark Police said.

The man originally used his Discover credit card to put down a deposit on the room. However, the hotel informed the man his card was denied and made arrangements for him to make other payments, Farrall said.

The following day, the man checked out of the hotel without paying his room bill, which totaled \$171.72, he said.

The case is still being investigated and charges are pending.

CHECK FRAUD

A Newark resident informed authorities that a check made out from his account was not made out by him, Newark Police said.

A 79-year-old man received a check in his statement that he claims he did not write or sign, police said.

The check was possibly cashed at a Sovereign Bank for \$251.10. Police said the bank claimed the check was

computer generated with a false signature.

The bank is currently investigating the case and there are no suspects at this time.

YET ANOTHER CAR BREAK-IN

An unknown person stole a number of items out of a car after smashing a window on Tuesday, Newark Police said.

The car, parked on the 100 block of Lovett Ave., had its rear passenger window smashed between 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

A car stereo along with 150 tapes, a purse and a small amount of cash were removed from the car, police said.

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Delaware will be one of six states to test a program designed to reduce repeat offenses during probation. Sen. Joseph R. Biden, D-Del., announced Feb. 11.

Currently, offenders merely meet with a probation officer regularly after their release, said Margaret Aitken, Biden's press secretary.

The new program will provide more surveillance and guidance to help offenders in New Castle and Sussex counties integrate back into society.

Delaware Supreme Court Judge Richard Gebelein said, "What this is designed to do is give them a more structured reentry into the community, so hopefully we get them over that first six months."

Gebelein said the first six months after release is the period when offenders are most likely to commit a new crime or violate their parole or probation.

The pilot program will provide job training, substance abuse counseling, remedial education and help with housing, he said. In addition, he said, the offenders will meet regularly with a judge, as well as their probation officers.

"We'll enforce a curfew," Gebelein said. "We'll require them to be seeking a job [and] we'll be making them come into court on a regular basis and explain how they're doing on their probation."

Gebelein said that several months ago, the federal government asked states to

submit proposals for new programs for reintegrating offenders into society.

Aitken said Delaware was probably chosen because of its success with a similar reentry program for drug offenders.

"Typically, when they do pilot programs like this, they take states with good reputations that have done programs similar to this before," she said.

Gebelein said the drug court system has been shown to be successful in rehabilitating 30 percent of offenders.

In New Castle County, 50 inmates will be chosen to participate in the program, Aitken said. They will be supervised by probation officers and community police and will meet weekly with a judge and a probation officer.

Gebelein said while offenders will be supported with counseling and education or training programs, they will be expected to pay their way with income from a job.

"The [criminal] record always makes it difficult for people to get a job," he said, "but right now, the economy is such that these people are able to find some kind of work."

Aitken said the program in New Castle County will target people who have been incarcerated for one year and have a public service obligation.

"We're trying to do a pure test in New Castle County," Gebelein said. "In other words, we're randomly selecting the people for this program so we'll have a true

test model to see if the methodology works."

The pilot system in Sussex County, on the other hand, will focus on one type of perpetrators — domestic violence offenders.

Gebelein said the pilot system, which is still being organized, will be integrated in the two counties by March.

Aitken said the pilot system will draw from already existing Delaware personnel who will be aided by the Department of Justice.

"This year there's no funding, but there's a lot of technical assistance provided by the Department of Justice," she said. "They actually help [states] set up these reentry programs, and there's probably future funding allocated."

Gebelein said the success of the pilot program will be unknown for several years.

"You're looking at a three-year period for them to come up with any meaningful numbers," he said. "It's going to take each [offender] at least six months to go through the program, and we're going to have a group follow them for 18 months to see if they get into trouble."

Gebelein said if the pilot reentry program proves to be as successful as the drug court system, it will probably be adopted on a national scale.

"The next step would be to expand it," he said. "That's going to require significant resources if you're going to have a large number of people go through."

Carper donates papers to UD

BY DAN STRUMPF
Staff Reporter

Gov. Thomas R. Carper has donated papers from his 10-year congressional career to the Morris Library.

The collection was opened to the public on Feb. 7 and consists of official documents, office files, reports, speeches, photographs, memoranda, correspondence files and memorabilia amassed during Carper's terms in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Carper, who was at Morris Library for the opening of the collection, said in a press release, "Access to the historical record of the work of government officials is important in a democratic society."

"It is my hope that these papers will provide a better understanding of the way government works," Carper said his decision to donate the collection to the library was a privilege for him.

"As a student, I spent many hours at the Morris Library," the 1975 graduate said. "I am honored that the history of my tenure as Delaware's member at large in the U.S. House of Representatives will be available for historians and others in that same library."

L. Rebecca Johnson Melvin, associate librarian in the Special Collections Department, said these papers will give researchers a better understanding of government in action.

"We are very pleased to have the collection," she said. "It is an important resource to have. It contains so much information about local issues as well as the national issues of the time, and it gives us a behind-the-scenes look at how Congress works."

"The correspondence files are interesting, as they offer a unique perspective. They are voices of the people — democracy in action."

Susan Brynteson, director of libraries, said she anticipates the collection will have many uses.

"The papers will serve as an important resource for faculty and students at the University of Delaware, as well as the wider research community, for the study of American history, politics and government," she said.

At the end of each representative's congressional career, it is customary for him or her to donate their papers to a recipient of their choice, Brynteson said.

Morris Library is also home to the congressional papers of former Delaware U.S. Senators John J. Williams and J. Allen Fear Jr.

The Carper collection is open to the public and available locally through the special collections department of Morris Library, as well as on DELCAT.

The collection can be accessed nationally through OCLC, a national online computer network. A summary of the collection's contents can be accessed on the library Web site under the Special Collections heading.



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Sleep = good

Skipping a good night's sleep in order to cram for an exam, write a paper or even hang out with friends is a common practice on college campuses nationwide. But students should be wary of cutting rest out of their schedules.

It may be more harmful than they think.

Dr. Karl Dohrmann, director of the Sleep Disorders Center at Thomas Jefferson University, said people need to sleep so their bodies can repair themselves from damage and general wear.

During sleep, the body also secretes vital chemicals such as growth hormone.

As the name suggests, GH is a hormone that stimulates growth, and a disturbance in the secretion of GH can cause problems in the development of humans, including gigantism and dwarfism.

Dr. Joseph Siebold, director of university Student Health Services, said college students are especially prone to get less sleep and have more erratic schedules.

Those who constantly sleep very little — the chronically sleep-deprived — get sick more frequently, particularly during midterms and final exams.

People who don't sleep suffer other side effects as well, such as aging faster, having poor coordination and mental agility and falling asleep during the day — but never during class, of course.

The average nightly amount of sleep required for a person is six to eight hours.

"What one person may need will be a little different than what other people need," Dohrmann said.

He said people who get deep sleep, or delta sleep, for an extended, uninterrupted period of time benefit most from their times of rest.

"There is such a thing as quality sleep," Dohrmann said. "We know that if you deprive animals of delta sleep, they eventually die."

Though Brew-HaHa and Brewed Awakenings have built businesses by pushing favorite beverages, Dohrmann said sleep deprivation is serious and cannot be cured by consuming stimulants like coffee.

"The problem with coffee is that it can get rid of the sensation of sleepiness," he said. "Coffee is not the cure-all. It may help a little bit, but sleep is the best cure for sleepiness."

Students who couple their poor sleeping habits with bad eating habits deal themselves a double dose of trouble.

Siebold said eating sugary items for energy leads to artificial high caused by a rise in blood sugar. Sugar levels then fluctuate between extreme highs and lows. It is better to eat healthily and have a constant blood sugar level.

Dohrmann said a little missed sleep is sometimes necessary and not horribly unhealthy.

"You can catch up by sleeping a few more hours on the weekend," he said. "But the best way to catch up is by sleeping a little more each night."

However, the chronically sleep-deprived may have a little more difficulty making up the time.

"Sometimes it takes longer than just a weekend," Dohrmann said.

Siebold said there is no quick fix. The only cure for sleep deprivation is rest.

"Unfortunately," he said, "our body is not a battery pack."

So until college students can recharge like the Energizer Bunny, the best advice to follow is to get a good night's rest.



LESSER CHARGES SOUGHT IN DIALLO MURDER TRIAL

ALBANY, N.Y. — Jurors in the trial of four white police officers accused of murdering an unarmed African immigrant will have the option to convict the defendants on less serious charges, a judge ruled today.

With testimony in the Amadou Diallo case completed after just nine days, prosecutors on Wednesday asked the judge to allow the jury to consider manslaughter and criminally negligent homicide in addition to the original second-degree murder charges. The defense did not object.

Justice Joseph Teresi made the decision yesterday without comment at a hearing to discuss how the jury will be instructed.

It is not unusual for judges to do this if requested. Barry Kluger, chief assistant district attorney in the Bronx, said prosecutors often ask for less serious charges and "no special significance should be given to that."

The trial is adjourned until Tuesday, when the jury will hear closing arguments.

New York City Officers Kenneth Boss, 28, Richard Murphy, 27, Sean Carroll, 37, and Edward McMellon, 27, have pleaded innocent to charges of intentional murder, murder by "depraved indifference to human life," and reckless endangerment. If convicted of murder, they could be sentenced to 25 years to life.

Prosecutors refused to say why they sought to include the lesser charges.

But both sides appeared to be hedging their bets — the prosecution against a complete exoneration of defendants in a high-profile case, the defense against the specter of harsh prison terms for their clients.

Stephen Worth, McMellon's attorney, insisted that despite the decision, the officers expected to be cleared.

"We don't concede for a moment that it's anything but not guilty," Worth said.

The officers testified this week that they fired 41 bullets at Diallo on Feb. 4, 1999 because he refused to stop for questioning, retreated to his Bronx building and pulled out what appeared to be a gun. He was hit 19 times. The object Diallo had turned out to be a wallet.

The prosecution contends the officers never yelled any warnings before cornering Diallo and opening fire. Backed by autopsy findings, prosecutors also said most of the bullets hit Diallo, an immigrant from Guinea, while he was going down or flat on his back.

The trial was moved to Albany from New York City because of pretrial publicity and protests alleging widespread police abuse of minorities.

RE-CREATION OF WACO SIEGE APPROVED

ST. LOUIS — Six gunmen armed with pistols and submachine guns will dart from post to post, firing their weapons in detailed sequence. Grenades will be launched overhead and an advancing tank will crush glass and aluminum siding.

Those were the elements approved Wednesday as part of a court-ordered re-creation designed to put to rest questions about the role of federal agents at the Branch Davidian compound on the last day of the April 1993 siege near Waco, Texas.

The re-creation, tentatively scheduled for March 18 or 19 at Fort Hood, Texas, will be recorded on special infrared cameras attached to aircraft flown by British pilots and the Air Force. A variety of weapons are expected to be used, and debris — glass, water and aluminum — could help determine whether they could have caused the flashes picked up by the FBI's infrared cameras.

The government and lawyers made public details of the re-creation after meeting for more than five hours behind closed doors at the St. Louis office of Special Counsel John Danforth.

However, it remained uncertain whether the news media would be allowed to witness the event.

The decision to open the re-creation rests with U.S. District Judge Walter Smith of Waco, who is presiding over a wrongful death lawsuit by Branch Davidians against the government.

Lawyers Michael Caddell and Jim Brannon, who represent surviving Branch Davidians and their families, and Texas U.S. Attorney Mike Bradford said they believed the media should be present. Danforth apparently objected.

Danforth and his chief of staff declined to comment after the meeting.

After the test, a court-appointed expert will verify whether the conditions of the test were satisfactorily met. The original tapes will then be left with the court.

The parties hope the test will determine what caused more than 100 flashes to show up on an infrared tape the FBI filmed of the siege. They plan to compare that tape with aerial surveillance footage from Fort Hood.

The government has long insisted that none of its agents fired their weapons. But the Branch Davidian plaintiffs, backed by infrared experts, contend the bursts of light on the FBI tape can be nothing but gunfire.

Davidian leader David Koresh and some 80 followers died in the final hours of the 51-day standoff, some in the fire that engulfed the compound, others from gunshot wounds. The government insists the Davidians perished by their own hands.

— compiled from Associated Press wire reports by John Yocca

CAMPUS CALENDAR

The men and women's swimming teams will wade out to the deep end at the Carpenter Sports Building for the America East Championships today through Sunday. For information, call UD1-HENS.

If only there was a way to be magically whisked away to a land where you could be regaled with tales of residence life adventures ... oh wait, there is. Stop by the RA Information Session in the Harrington D/E Lounge on Friday at noon or the Center for Black Culture Lounge at 2. Call 831-3001 for more information.

The women's basketball team will attempt to toss a small orb through an iron ring suspended above the hardwood at the Bob Carpenter Center on Saturday afternoon at 1. Call UD1-HENS for more information.

Actor Edward Norton will be appearing in Ray Street C Lounge courtesy of the miracle of VHS, as he appears in "America History X" on

Saturday at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 837-6461.

The ice hockey team will try to be a winner at the game of Life ... Life University, that is. The teams will skate on Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Gold Arena. Call UD1-HENS for more information.

No Jenny McCarthy, no Chris Hardwick, but COCO will try to make their version of Singled-Out fly on Saturday in the Scrounge. For more information, call 831-6412.

The ice hockey team continues to ravage colleges that no one has ever heard of when they face Mercyhurst at the Gold Arena at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Call UD1-HENS for more information.

Monday is the last day to drop or add a class without being looked down upon by your peers, not to mention the university administration. Oh yeah, after this date there is a \$15 processing fee.

—compiled by Paul Mathews

Police Reports

MINOR CHARGED WITH OFFENSIVE TOUCHING

A 14-year-old Newark High School Student was charged with offensive touching and disorderly conduct Monday after he assaulted the principal, Newark Police said.

The principal approached the student in the hallway to inquire about why he wasn't in class, Cpl. Mark Farrall said.

The student then pushed the principal, causing injuries on the principal's arm, and made an obscene hand gesture before leaving the school grounds.

The charges are still pending, and the school will also take necessary sanctions, officials said.

SKIPPING OUT ON THE BILL

A man left the Embassy Suites Hotel Tuesday after not paying the bill for his room, Newark Police said.

The man originally used his Discover credit card to put down a deposit on the room. However, the hotel informed the man his card was denied and made arrangements for him to make other payments, Farrall said.

The following day, the man checked out of the hotel without paying his room bill, which totaled \$171.72, he said.

The case is still being investigated and charges are pending.

CHECK FRAUD

A Newark resident informed authorities that a check made out from his account was not made out by him, Newark Police said.

A 79-year-old man received a check in his statement that he claims he did not write or sign, police said.

The check was possibly cashed at a Sovereign Bank for \$251.10. Police said the bank claimed the check was

computer generated with a false signature.

The bank is currently investigating the case and there are no suspects at this time.

YET ANOTHER CAR BREAK-IN

An unknown person stole a number of items out of a car after smashing a window on Tuesday, Newark Police said.

The car, parked on the 100 block of Lovett Ave., had its rear passenger window smashed between 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

A car stereo along with 150 tapes, a purse and a small amount of cash were removed from the car, police said.

The damage to the window totaled \$275. The police have no suspects and the case is still pending.

—compiled by John Yocca

Seniors play the health insurance game

BY KYLE BELZ
News Features Editor

Like many seniors entering their last semester, James McFarland doesn't need 12 credits to graduate.

But he said he has no plans to drop any of his four classes before Monday's deadline for penalty-free withdrawal.

He said his decision does not stem from any academic requirements or out of the sheer enjoyment of taking classes, but from a more practical concern — health insurance.

His parents' insurance plan will not cover him unless he's a full-time student, thus raising McFarland's workload and cost of tuition.

As an in-state resident, the fourth class caused his bill to increase by only \$543. If he had come to the university from another state, his bill would have risen by \$1,576. Still, he said the added expense to his parents' account doesn't trouble him much, nor did they raise much of a fuss. Even his aversion to an extra class has slackened since he realized last November that he would be forced to take more than the nine credits he thought would suffice.

"At first, I was kind of angry, more about the extra class," he said. "I don't think about it much anymore," he said. "My mom and dad weren't mad. They said the insurance was too important."

Dr. Joseph Siebold, director of Student Health Services, said insurance plans place certain requirements for coverage to keep individuals from abusing their services, as many college students have surpassed the age limit for most family plans. These plans cover college students as an exception to this rule, he said.

"If they didn't, you'd have people taking one class per semester on plans," he said. "This restriction aims to keep students from hanging around longer than they need to."

Considering most university students do not have the financial resources to pay for insurance, most people in McFarland's situation might opt as he did.

Siebold said health insurance is not usually a requirement for enrollment, unless the case involves a foreign exchange student, for whom the government mandates coverage.

"We don't require it," he said. "We know there are a lot of students that can't afford it."

The standard cost for a personal Health Maintenance Organization costs around \$3,300 annually, said Bill Devine, president of University Health Insurance.

"The plan we offer is designed to fit a student's need," he said.

The university's \$661 plan costs much less than HMO plans, he said, and the enrollment restrictions are not as strict. A student seeking coverage under the university plan needs to be enrolled in a degree-granting program, but need not necessarily be a full-time student every semester.

However, the plan is not the solution to someone seeking the same coverage offered by an HMO, Siebold said. Aside from the limitations on when a student can apply for the coverage, he said, the cheaper plan only covers the bare minimum — accidents and serious illness.

But Siebold said this less extensive plan is better than living without coverage.

The number of college students without insurance fluctuates, he said, and depends largely on the students' economic background. Despite these complexities, he said the figure tends to hover around 15 percent.

The figure disturbs him, he said. It can cause problems if an uninsured student develops health problems.

"It doesn't normally affect us, but it does affect us if they don't have insurance and they need hospitalization," he said. "They'd be in trouble."

Despite the urge to gamble, Siebold said, students should deal with the hassle of an extra class, because the alternative poses too much risk.

Siebold said when his three children attended the university, he made sure they always maintained full-time status, an example he said all students should follow.

"I don't think it's a good idea to not do it, because you can't anticipate when you'll need it," Siebold said. "You're at the mercy of the health care system if you're not insured."

In response to the issue of going without insurance for a senior's final semester, Devine also recommended prudence.

"You're playing with fire," he said.

Though he said doctors are sometimes portrayed as only caring about the business end of health care, Siebold said he believes the current system does not meet the needs of seniors caught in the 12-credit clause, or for the entire population.

"I think there should be some universal coverage for every human being in the United States," he said. "It's too important not to cover."



The walls came tumbling down

THE REVIEW/Mike Louie
Demolition was underway at the Budd site on South Chapel Street on Tuesday.

UPenn finally gives in to student sit-in

BY JENNA R. PORTNOY
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The University of Pennsylvania chapter of United Students Against Sweatshops' eight-day sit-in ended Tuesday evening after the university agreed to withdraw from the Fair Labor Association, making it the first school in the nation to do so.

Penn Students Against Sweatshops media representative freshman Anna Roberts said the group is pleased with the result.

"We're really happy," she said. "We're the first school to pull off the FLA, and we won't be the last."

PSAS member freshman Emily Quesada stated in a press release that the group has pushed for the university to sever ties with the FLA since April, citing its use of corporate monitors, lack of disclosure of information to the public and lack of worker representation.

"The Fair Labor Association was never designed to correct sweatshop abuses," she said. "It was created as a way for the industry to correct its image."

The break came after group members asked themselves, "What's best for the [sweatshop] workers?" she said.

"We didn't want the university to just threaten to pull out," she said. "If anything, we wanted to wipe the slate clean and go from there."

PSAS began its occupation of a reception room outside University of Pennsylvania President Judith Rodin's office on Feb. 7, following repeated attempts to persuade the university to end ties with the FLA in favor of the Workers' Rights Consortium.

The FLA and the WRC are groups charged with monitoring working conditions in overseas factories that manufacture clothing, including collegiate apparel.

Barbara Kreppel, associate vice president of administrative services in charge of licensing at the University of Delaware, said the university — a member of the Collegiate Licensing Company, which sits on the FLA — is confident with the FLA's leadership.

"We'll continue to work with the FLA and evaluate their progress," she said.

Kreppel said she met with the Student Labor Action Committee last Spring Semester to discuss the university's affiliation with the FLA, which is backed by the White House Department of Labor.

"We received a number of concerns [from SLAC] about workers' rights and forwarded them to the Department of Labor because they were collecting information for the FLA," she said.

SLAC member sophomore Rachel McCarthy said the group is opposed to the university's affiliation with the FLA and will discuss the issue at its next meeting.

"We believe that we should pull out of the FLA," she said. "In the FLA, corporations have more power than the schools."

"Corporations can veto anything that the schools want."

Although SLAC was formed with sweatshop issues in mind, McCarthy said, it currently has no plans to pursue the problem at the university.

The University of Pennsylvania Ad-Hoc Committee on Sweatshop Labor — a task force that includes

Dept. of Education gives UD \$1 million

BY LAURA LAPONTE
Staff Reporter

A \$1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education will be used by the university and local school districts to help students become better teachers, officials said.

The university was one of 28 recipients for the grant, said Barbara Van Dornick of the Delaware Center for Teacher Education. That center, the College of Arts and Science and three local school districts were notified of the award in August.

The money will be used for a scholarship program intended for future teachers, Van Dornick said. The Christina, Red Clay and Capital school districts will be participating in the three-year program.

Van Dornick said the program aims to attract a diverse group of students who want to be educators.

"It benefits students, and at the same time, provides high-need schools with outstanding teachers who have been trained in the schools where they will work," she said.

"The program also is an excellent recruitment incentive for talented students who wish to enter the teaching field to come to UD."

Van Dornick said schools are designated as high-need depending on how many students receive free or reduced-cost lunches.

The program provides up to 20 students per year with \$8,000 in scholarship money, she said. In return, the students are required to complete an internship of 160 hours every year and agree to teach in Delaware for one year for every year they receive the scholarship.

Participants in the program are chosen based upon applications and personal interviews with officials from the university and school districts.

Each student is paired with a mentor-teacher and attends professional development seminars to work on skills, Van Dornick said.

Michael Stokes, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Science, said the program can benefit both students and schools.

"It's a win-win program where the teachers receive help and the students get hands-on experience in teaching," he stated in a press release.

Debra Davenport, supervisor of human

resources for the Red Clay Consolidated School District, said the program is a great incentive to draw new teachers.

"It's very important to education because there aren't a lot of young people going into the field," she said.

Christina School District was chosen to participate in the program because of its high need of teachers, said Shirley Saunders, liaison for the Christina School District.

"With the high number of teachers expected to retire in the next three to five years, it is important to start grooming students to be effective teachers," she said.

Stokes said it is a great partnership between the university and the school districts.

"They are fully committed to developing and hiring future teachers," he said. "The students benefit with an academic education from the university and practical classroom training from the school districts."

Dan Kingery, assistant superintendent of personnel and support services in the Capital School District, said he feels this program will better prepare the undergraduates and make them more committed teachers.

Saunders said of the students chosen to participate, "So far, the feedback we have right now is very positive."

Junior Megan Oates is currently a program participant and is working with a kindergarten class in the Capital School District.

"I love it," she said. "It gives you an opportunity to learn stuff that may not have made sense in class."

She said she gets hands-on experience with the children three days per week, which enables her to put into practice what she learned in the classroom.

She said Stokes told her about the program while she was participating in the Aspire program, which deals with minority education.

"What strikes me most with working in high-need districts is how many people don't recognize what schools are in need," she said.

"This program really works to educate teachers and is an awesome opportunity with extra bonuses."

three members of PSAS — will recommend by Feb. 29 which, if any, monitoring organization the University of Pennsylvania should join.

Phyllis Holtzman, senior manager for university relations at the University of Pennsylvania, said the committee will explore the FLA and the WRC.

"The only issue is which organization can best meet our goal," she said.

Roberts said the group is optimistic that the university will not rejoin the FLA.

"We have the moral upper hand," she said. "It's a moral cause and we know we're right about it."

PSAS coordinator senior Miriam Joffe-Block stated in a press release that the group is very proud of its efforts.

"This outcome is a testament to student power," she said. "Students have raised their voices and shown that they are not going to tolerate their universities protecting corporate interests at the expense of human rights."

Newton's laws of relative diversity

Professor James Newton said he did not always want to be a professor.

"I always wanted to be an artist," he said. "And I was always into sports."

In college, it was his track coach who helped him to define the bridge between athleticism and scholasticism which helped him decide to pursue a career in teaching, Newton said.

As a professor in black American studies at the university, he said he feels the need for diversity on campus is one of great importance.

"It's clear America is a multicultural society," he said.

A native of Bridgeton, N.J., Newton said he was influenced by his parents and the blue-collar workers who lived in his neighborhood.

"They were hard workers who wanted to get ahead in life," Newton said.

Newton has been teaching at the university for the past 28 years. For more than 20 of those years, he was the director of black American studies.

Now, he is a professor and senior fellow in the Center for Community Development and Family Policy.

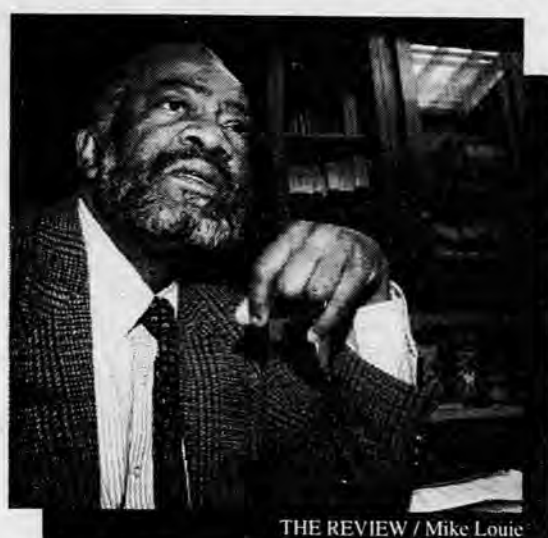
Newton said that overall, the university has done well dealing with problems of diversity on campus, but he feels it can do better.

"We can always improve, but we've made some tremendous strides."

Newton said one of the university's greatest achievements in the area of diversity is in creating the Louis Redding Chair in the College of Human Resources and Public Policy.

An endowed chair representing an African American and also one of Delaware history is important, he said.

Newton said the university could improve diversity by recruiting more minority faculty



members and by having a stronger minority presence on campus.

"It's something we can be constantly vigilant about," he said. "We can enhance understanding of the many groups in American society this way."

Newton attended college at North Carolina Central University, majoring in art and German. He also went to graduate school at North Carolina University, Chapel Hill, where he later taught.

Newton said he has also taught at Western Illinois University, Illinois State University and Westchester State University.

He said he especially enjoyed teaching multicultural education, contemporary African-American history and African-American art.

— Stephanie Denis

Hacking for a good cause

BY KYLE BELZ
News Features Editor

As the investigation into last week's attacks on several popular Web sites continues, federal officials still have named no suspects, but they have begun looking within the hacker community for leads.

Investigators may face unusual problems with this case, because the attackers do not leave tangible evidence, said Michael Davis, the manager of the university lab for computer science and electrical engineering. There are no fingerprints in cyberspace.

To solve the hacking case, investigators are turning to an unlikely source — other hackers. This is not unprecedented, however. Some Internet security firms hire hackers to search for weaknesses in their systems.

Many people have misconceptions about hackers, Davis said. For the most part, the only information the general population receives about them comes in times of mild hysteria, such as last week's attacks on eBay, Yahoo! and other sites, Davis said. From these reports, he said, some might believe that all hackers are either sophomoric or political dissidents.

"It does infer some negative stereotypes," he said. "One hacker working to secure the Internet is 'Mixer.' In a letter published on www.AntiOnline.com,

Mixer explained that although he created some of the software the hackers used, he had no active part in the temporary shutdown.

"There is a clear distinction between nonmalicious hackers and criminals," Mixer stated. "Of course, the recent malicious attacks are something different [from legitimate hacking], something completely wrong and criminal. They have not much to do with hacking at all."

Legitimate hackers enjoy finding potential Internet problems and correcting them, Mixer said.

"Nonmalicious hackers are not altruistic, but selfish," he said. "When they notice they can help improve things with their hobby, they're saying, 'If I can help improve security with my skills, why not?'"

While no motive has been established for the hacking that caused an estimated \$1.2 billion in damage, the two most popular explanations are that the assailants either hate e-commerce or enjoy the thrill of causing trouble, Davis said.

"People are asking, 'What's the reasoning — for fun or for design?'" he said.

One hacker at the university, "Jon," who spoke to The Review on the condition of anonymity, said he is not ashamed of his illicit activities. One of Jon's partners in crime shut down Strauss two years ago by using a ping command, which is similar to the one used last

week, he said.

"He also inserted a few lines on a UD page about DuPont and nerve gas," he said.

Jon said he believes this sort of attack is immature. Although he believes last week's Web assault was motivated by juvenile delinquency, he said, he still supports it because of his stance toward the computer industry.

"Personally, I just like to cause minor havoc," he said. "I'm more mischievous. I'd be more likely to put pornography where there shouldn't be any."

He said last week's attacks could have been spurred by any or all of three attractions.

"Most hackers attack targets where there's big money, lots of people or important information," he said. "I'm more interested in stealing credit cards."

Like many people who share the hacker hobby, he said, he feels greater crimes go unpunished.

"I feel I'm justified because of the overpriced, exploitive nature of the software," Jon said. "That's my justification or rationalization or whatever you want to call it."

He said he believes hackers are Jedi-like figures in the information age, because they possess powers to which the public is oblivious, and because they can use these powers to either destroy or protect.

"I certainly wouldn't consider myself the Dark Lord of the Sith, but I don't kiss Yoda's ass."

15 students dropped from English course

English department forgot to reduce enrollment from last spring's limit

BY GREG JONES
Staff Reporter

Fifteen university students reported to their English class Feb. 10 only to be told they were being dropped from the class.

Registrar Joseph DiMartile said the problem occurred because the English department never reduced last spring's enrollment limit from 50 to 35 for the course, Biblical and Classical Literature.

"We went by those numbers, and by the time they realized the error, it was too late," he said. "It was the English department that dropped those students, and not us."

Associate English department Chairman James Dean said he takes full responsibility for the problem.

"Last spring, the professor who

taught the course agreed to increase the enrollment limit," he said, "and I never thought to check and see if it was returned to its original limit."

Dean said this is the first and last time this will happen while he is associate chairman of the department.

The course fulfills requirements for the English major and is a Group A breadth option, making it one of the most difficult to enroll in.

Professor Stephen Helmling, the instructor of the affected section, said the last 15 students who signed up for the course were dropped.

One of the ousted students, freshman Sarah Amon, said she needs this course for her major and is upset.

"They could have told us on the first day," she said. "Instead, I had to wait until the second class."

"It practically makes me want to weep at their sacrifice."

— English department chairman
James Dean

Amon said she had to scramble

to return her books and find another course, and she will be a week behind the other students in her new class.

Amon also said she was angry because other students were able to enroll in the class after she and 14 classmates were dropped.

"Another student, a senior, turned in her pink slip and got in," she said.

Helmling said he noticed the problem an hour and a half before the first class began.

"I feel real bad about what happened, because I know that some of those students needed this course to graduate," he said.

Despite having to drop some students, Helmling said, he later let in a few seniors who needed the course to graduate on time.

Dean said he asked another

professor to make room for some students in his section.

"I spoke with professor Brockmann, and he agreed to take six extra students in his section," Dean said. "We tried to help the students who needed the course most."

"This is no fault of the professors. Our faculty has done a yeoman service."

"It practically makes me want to weep at their sacrifice," he said.

Dean said the English department has seen its enrollment swell from 600-plus to almost 700 majors in the last year.

"The problem is too few seats and too many students," he said.

"We don't have as many faculty to teach as in the past with this specialty."

Castle fights for oil cost relief

BY ANDREA N. BOYLE & MARK HAUPIT
Staff Reporters

Rep. Michael N. Castle, R-Del., last Wednesday urged President Bill Clinton to release more emergency funds to combat the continuing high home heating oil costs facing low-income residents in Delaware.

Castle stated in a press release that the president did not release enough funds to the states that really need them.

"The president's recent release of funds pales in comparison to the magnitude of the increase in home heating oil, which has increased 53 percent in the past month," Castle said.

Delaware has had an exceptionally hard winter, while other states have not, Castle said. He said he did not understand Clinton's plan for funding.

"While I certainly appreciate the president's release of funds to help Delawareans during these winter months," Castle said, "the decision to give funds to warm weather states' funding defies common sense."

Clinton released \$130 million in



THE REVIEW/ Amy Shapiro

Rep. Michael N. Castle, R-Del., is trying to get more emergency funds from President Clinton to help defray home heating costs.

emergency funds to be distributed among all 50 states last week, Castle said. Delaware's share was \$236,449, while states like Texas received almost \$2 million.

Oil prices have risen steadily all across the world as the production limits set by OPEC, an inter-governmental agency that works for the stabilization of oil prices, continue to hold steady.

The production of oil is currently 2.7 million barrels below the worldwide demand of 76.9 million barrels of oil. The production limit has caused prices to rise worldwide.

Clinton proposed the release of a portion of the more than 500 million barrels of U.S. petroleum

reserves to bring oil prices back down.

"I have not closed off any options," Clinton told reporters. "I am monitoring this on a daily basis. It's a deeply troubling thing."

The Clinton administration has decided to put off the decision on the release of emergency reserves until Energy Secretary Bill Richardson returns from talks with Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Mexico later this month.

OPEC is planning to review the production limits in March. Mexico and Venezuela are both pushing for an increase in the oil supply but are being directly opposed by other states that support the higher prices.

Discussion of off-campus housing closed to Review

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generation.

NLA President John Bauscher said Lopata also told him to leave the lecture or he wouldn't speak.

"I was surprised he was even speaking," he said.

"I was given the impression it was open to the public, and I understand he wouldn't speak [with me there] when we are in litigation," Bauscher said.

The CLU advertised the lecture as open to the public.

There were also signs placed in the Trabant University Center and ran a kiosk to promote their group as well as the event.

CLU President Katy Lewis said her group advertised to the club's members and also posted fliers for other students to see.

"We aren't going to stop people from coming," she said.

"That's not the nature of our organization."

She said the CLU's executive board organized the public meeting and that professor Jeffrey Raffel, the group's adviser, contacted Lopata about speaking.

"We usually invite The Review," she said, "but this was

last-minute."

A representative from the School of Urban Affairs, of which Raffel is the director, said the

"If you want something to be private, don't advertise it."

— Marilyn Prime, director of the Student Centers

professor was unavailable for comment.

After leaving the lecture, The Review learned two students who were present for Lopata's presentation were not members of the CLU.

University students Kitty Heit and Charles McDaniel both said

they signed up to join the CLU after the meeting was over.

"I came to hear about the issues concerning off-campus housing," Heit said after the event. "I just signed up, though."

McDaniel said he followed a friend to the meeting and joined the CLU afterward because he was looking for something to do.

Rise said The Review should have been admitted to the event if it was advertised by a Registered Student Organization.

"I don't know the exact campus rules," he said, "but in general, if something is held in a university building and sponsored by a university organization, such as the CLU, which gets student activities fees, those meetings are to be open at least to members of the university community."

The Review is a part of the university community, Rise said.

Student Centers Director Marilyn Prime said if a meeting is advertised as public, then it is open to others.

"If fliers were posted for the event, then the meeting was open to the public and this should have been maintained," she said.

"If you want something to be private, don't advertise it."

Student charged with drug offenses

BY ADRIAN BACOLO
Student Affairs Editor

Newark Police released information Thursday concerning the Feb. 5 arrest of an individual at the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity house.

Cpl. Mark Farrall said Eric Michael Sidman, 20, was arrested and charged that night with three counts of drug-related offenses.

A university student, Sidman was charged with possession with intent to deliver a non-narcotic Schedule I controlled substance, Farrall said. The non-narcotic was Ecstasy.

Delaware legal code states that a conviction for a Schedule I offense is a mandatory minimum sentence of six years.

The other charges against Sidman, Farrall said, were maintaining a dwelling for keeping controlled substances, and possession of non-controlled prescription drugs — anabolic steroids.

Farrall said he had no information about possible court dates.

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Rezoning could aid reading group

BY JEN LEMOS
City News Editor

The rezoning of a Newark property sought by a local agency was passed by a 5-2 vote in Monday's City Council meeting, paving the way for a possible expansion of the location of the International Reading Association.

The IRA, an agency which promotes literacy by improving the quality of reading education was recently contracted to purchase property known as the "Murray Farm" at 926 Barksdale.

Although construction is not definite, the rezoning of the property from its previous classification as a single-family residential establishment to a business facility enables any future plans to develop commercially on the site.

The Council, led by Mayor Harold F. Godwin, voted to accept the proposal after nearly two hours of public comments by representatives of the agency, the city planning department and community members.

Neighbors of the establishment expressed concerns at the meeting and contributed suggestions to the deed restrictions of the proposal, a set of ground rules created by the planning department under the direction of Planning Director Roy Lopata.

Among the restrictions were provisions that no development other than evergreen screening should take place within 50 feet of property boundaries, and no building more than 850 square feet should be located within 125 feet of boundaries.

However, IRA attorney Mark Sisk said in his address to the Council that residents should have no concern of immediate construction on the property.

"The association does not have any present plans to develop the property in the immediate future," Sisk said. "In the long run, the association intends to develop a building that will secure its place in Newark and contribute to the community."

"If it does not, and this property is sold to a third party, which is a natural, understandable concern of neighbors, these deed restrictions assure that nothing built is unfavorable from the neighborhood's point of view."

Neighbors also voiced concerns that the land would be re-sold and developed for a business such as a

bank, which is not restricted from development on properties declared for business purposes.

Some neighboring residents repeatedly suggested the land and existing house be used for a community park or a bed-and-breakfast inn.

Thomas Fairchild, a three-year Newark resident of Greenmeadow Court, was the only community speaker who said he supported the land acquisition and use.

"My thought is that the best and most pragmatic choice is to accept their offer," he said. "They're clean, they're a quiet, non-profit organization and they've demonstrated themselves as a good neighbor."

While he is like other residents in his preference for open space in the area rather than business development, Fairchild said, he can recognize the push toward development.

"I'd prefer that we just had nice, green fields forever," he said. "But I also recognize that my house is on what was a nice green field 12 years ago."

Herb Dayton, a Newark resident since 1964 who lives on Meridan Drive, said to the Council that one of his major concerns with the development of the property concerned the eventual fate of the Murray farm.

"It is a historic landmark," Dayton said. "It should be regarded as such. To destroy the building would be an abomination."

The original proposal to the Council did not include a subdivision plan detailing the layout of construction on the property, a factor Godwin said was the source of much of his hesitation to vote for approval.

Before voting on the proposal, council members added two amendments requiring that development undergo a complete review by the City Council and prohibiting the sale of alcohol on the property.

Although several neighbors expressed disapproval of the measure to rezone the area, Fairchild said, he felt a greater sense of security in allowing development by the IRA.

"The devil is often assumed to be behind any change," he said. "In this case, it seems to me pretty clear that we should prefer the devil we know to the devil we don't know."

University well plan approved

BY JEN LEMOS
City News Editor

The Newark City Council unanimously approved a proposal by the university Monday to drill its own well near Cannon Hall.

City Finance Director George Sarris told the Council Monday that the well would ultimately save the city and university \$70,000 and \$84,000 dollars per year, respectively.

"What is involved here is the university engineering, designing and constructing a well at its own expense, on its own property, much closer to the facilities plant," he said.

Richard Walter, director of university facilities management, said construction of the well could begin as early as Spring Break or as late as this year's graduation ceremonies.

The proposed well is designed to conserve water that could be used for drinking by using undrinkable water from the North Wellfield for other uses, he said.

"It's perfectly good for use in boilers and cooling towers in air conditioning plants," he said.

Walter said the only visible part of the constructed well would be a pipe six to eight inches in diameter that would stand above the ground, surrounded by landscaping.

"If things come out the way we expect, we will be able to — during the hot and cold parts of the year — save 60 gallons per minute for potable uses, which will help significantly if there is another drought."

Sarris said the university proposed to pump 60 to 100 gallons of water per day from the well once it is constructed, but the amount would still be insufficient for its water needs.

"If they were successful in being able to do that, day in, day out, throughout the year, that would equate to about 42 million gallons of water," he said.

"Even at that rate, it would still not satisfy all the university's requirements for their facilities and their irrigation. They'd still be

purchasing water from the city."

Final development of the project was dependent on a study to determine the proposed well's influence on the closure of the former city/university landfill located on South Chapel Street below the Amtrack rail lines.

Walter said the landfill, which he estimated as approximately three-fourths of a mile from the proposed well location, should not be considered a hazard.

"The environmental people have said that, with its distance, they expect little impact from the landfill," he said.

During the 1999 drought, the university was given permission by the city to truck water from Well 8 at the nearby North Wellfield to the athletic fields for irrigation at its own expense.

The university then requested last fall that the city install water mains from Well 8 to its facility plant near the corner of Academy Street and East Delaware Avenue. Sarris said, but the proposal was not accepted.

Capano judge cautioned

BY JOHN YOCCA
National State News Editor

Superior Court Judge William Swain Lee was admonished Tuesday for comments he made concerning sealed information involving the Thomas J. Capano murder trial.

Mary M. Johnson, chief counsel of the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, dismissed the matter after warning Lee to refrain from making any further statements involving the trial.

During a Jan. 27 meeting of the Rotary Club of Wilmington, Lee disclosed certain statements made in a Dec. 17, 1998, closed conference with Capano's four defense attorneys.

He said the attorneys raised the issue of possible false testimony that Capano was going to offer on the stand.

Capano was convicted and sentenced to death for the murder of his former lover, Anne Marie Fahey.

During his testimony, Capano claimed Deborah MacIntyre, another mistress, shot and killed Fahey.

Lee told approximately 150 Rotary Club members that Capano was going to use one of his daughters as an alibi to his theory.

Lee also divulged information concerning certain jurors and reasons why they were excused from the case.

He said one juror had to leave because

his wife thought he was romantically interested in a female juror.

Lee also offered his personal opinion of what the outcome of the trial would have been if Capano had not testified.

He said he thought all the matters he spoke of were part of the publicly available record on appeal. However, Lee said, after checking the Delaware Supreme Court docket, he realized they were sealed.

The Disciplinary Counsel said although he violated the Delaware Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct, counsel considered other factors in its decision.

"Your conduct, although careless, was not intentional," Johnson stated in a press release. "You have cooperated fully with this office in our evaluation of this matter with related inquiries from the chief justice of the Delaware Supreme Court."

Johnson also stated that Lee's past conduct as a member of the Bar Association and the judiciary for many years has been consistent with the high standards of integrity and professionalism expected of Delaware lawyers and judges.

Johnson's only ruling is that he Lee must "refrain from any future conduct, which may appear to reflect adversely upon the proper administration of justice."



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Former Judge William Swain Lee was admonished for comments made last month.

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Student schedules checked for returns at the bookstore

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These late orders are a possible answer to why there is sometimes a shortage of textbooks, especially the used books. This is also why students are forced to look elsewhere for their textbooks, Petrie said.

Stan Frost, owner of the Delaware Book Exchange, said sellbacks of new textbooks from competitors are not a problem for his store, which is known for its used-book selection.

Frost said his store has no policy on checking students' schedules if they want to return a book.

"We price our books and sticker them so we know if they're our

books or not," he said.

Petrie said 40 to 50 percent of the University Bookstore textbooks have stickers on them — usually the used ones — but the stickers are not on most of the new books.

Unlike the University Bookstore, the Delaware Book Exchange gives full refunds for textbooks with a receipt until Feb. 22, the deadline for Drop/Add, Frost said.

Book Exchange clerks attach a card to each receipt that states the return policy and deadlines for returns, while the University Bookstore does not.

Jessica Rookard, a sophomore who said she used Drop/Add,

returned her books but did not know under the new policy she had up until Feb. 22 to return them.

"I thought that I wouldn't get all my money back after Feb. 15," she said.

Cashiers at both bookstores are instructed to tell customers what the last date is for textbook return.

The University Bookstore does have a two-day return policy on textbooks purchased throughout the semester for a full refund, except for finals week.

The Delaware Book Exchange will allow returns for a day after the purchase, up to a month after Drop/Add. Afterward all sales are final.

Popular dietary supplement interferes with HIV medication

BY MICHAEL LOUIE
Photography Editor

The simple habit of taking over-the-counter medications from the shelf to the cash registers of local drug stores may have gotten a little more tangled.

The results of a study released by the Food and Drug Administration last week indicate that St. John's Wort, a popular herbal medication, can dangerously interfere with the actions of prescription drugs, especially in patients undergoing HIV treatment.

Steve Piscitelli, the principal investigator of the study conducted by the National Institute of Health, said St. John's Wort, officially considered by the FDA as a dietary supplement, can cause increased resistance to HIV treatment.

Piscitelli said the popularity of St. John's Wort among HIV patients comes mainly because it is classified as an anti-depressant.

Due to the controversy involved, a FDA press official refused to comment on potential regulation of herbal medications.

Both Piscitelli and the FDA declined to comment on whether the herbal medications should be regulated. The issue remains in the hands of the courts.

"A lot of people think it can boost their immune system," Piscitelli said, "but the majority use it to treat depression."

In the study, NIH examined the interaction between the herbal medication and the protease inhibitor indinavir, a protein that prevents viral cells from attaching to healthy ones which is used to treat HIV infection.

"What we found was that the interaction of St. John's Wort decreased the level of HIV inhibitor in the blood by nearly 50 percent," Piscitelli said.

With the levels of indinavir dwindling in the body, he said, the patient runs the risk of failing HIV treatment, allowing the virus to progress faster.

"The consequence of the interaction is HIV can get worse," Piscitelli said. "And since doses of the drug are so low, the virus has a chance to get resistant to the drug."

According to its label, St. John's Wort "helps maintain healthy balance and a positive outlook."

It stresses it is not approved by the FDA and is not intended to be used as "a drug, or to treat or prevent any disease."

The FDA has no control over substances labeled as dietary supplements.

St. John's Wort falls under this category and is not considered a drug, according to the Dietary Supplement, Health and Education Act of 1994.



THE REVIEW/Megan Bunn

St. John's Wort, a dietary supplement, may interfere with prescription drugs used by HIV patients, a FDA study claimed.

According to the act, St. John's Wort and other herbal medications labeled as dietary supplements are considered "safe within a broad range of intake, and safety problems with the supplements are relatively rare."

Doug Young, a pharmacist at Eckerd Drug on New London Road, said St. John's Wort has long been popular as a remedy in Europe, a claim the label also makes.

Although CVS Corp. recently began asking customers to list any herbal supplements used in addition to their prescription drugs, Young said Eckerd Drug makes no such request.

"I do get some questions about the herbal medications," he said. "But most customers just go straight from the counter to the register."

"We do not require customers to do anything. If they have concerns they must be initiated on their part."

Young said he is unsure about a recommendation as to the effectiveness of St. John's Wort.

"I find it works just like any other product," he said. "It works for some people and for others it doesn't."

Piscitelli said the NIH is currently composing a comprehensive program to examine more interactions of herbal medications such as garlic and ginkgo, with prescription drugs.

The act also states "although the federal government should take swift action against products that are unsafe or adulterated, the federal government should not take any actions to impose unreasonable regulatory barriers limiting or slowing the flow of safe products and accurate information to consumers."

Piscitelli said the 1994 act makes it unlikely that dietary supplements will be affected by the FDA.

"As long as they're considered dietary supplements, they're not going to be regulated," he said.



THE REVIEW/Scott McAllister

Students have mixed reactions about the recently-completed fountain between Smith, Kirkbride, Ewing and Purnell halls.

New fountain is functional

BY STEPHANIE DENIS
Administrative News Editor

The long-awaited fountain and benches that have been under construction for the past several months between Smith, Kirkbride, Ewing and Purnell halls is finished, officials said.

Andy Welsh, director of Facilities Planning and Construction, said the total project cost around \$1 million, and the fountain will be fully operational in April.

Right now, Welsh said, the fountain is running for tests and to build up water pressure.

After the fountain is pressurized, it will be drained and filled again, he said, creating a spout of water that will rise about four inches from the top tube lying horizontally across the fountain.

Executive Vice President David E. Hollowell said most of the funding for the fountain and benches came out of the money set aside for landscape improvement on campus.

"The fountain itself probably cost somewhere in the ballpark of \$400,000," he said.

Welsh said construction of the

fountain started in mid- to late-August 1999 and was finished in November of the same year, the projected finishing date.

The fountain, which recycles its water, will be patrolled and will use security cameras to monitor activity, he said.

Despite all the effort put into the fountain's construction, students had mixed reactions to it.

"It looks like butt," sophomore Joe Stephens said. "It already looks old, worn-out and dirty."

"It's terrible," senior Chris Malanga said. "It's an architectural disaster."

However, many students are already using the area to study and socialize between classes.

"It's not very attractive, but I like it," senior Keri Thomas said. "I like the benches."

"It adds something to the area," sophomore A.J. Bryant said. "It adds a little character and ambience."

Other students said they were pleased that the construction project was finally finished.

"I'm glad to see it's working and not just sitting here," freshman Eric

Fleetwood said. "I don't remember what's been here before."

While most students thought the fountain was okay, many were expecting the fountain to look different.

"It doesn't look as nice as it should have," Stephens said. "After the hype, I was disappointed."

Sophomore Courtney Franz said, "I thought it was going to be a big, round fountain."

Other students expressed concern over the money spent building the structure.

"Is it done yet?" senior Greg Shies asked. "Is water supposed to come out of the little holes on the sides? What a waste of money."

Welsh said the area definitely needed the character added by the fountain.

"It was built in a place surrounded by buildings which were built in the '70s and are outdated architecturally," he said.

The architects for the project were Stubbins Associates, who designed the MBNA America building. The firm also designed the Colonnade.

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Federal judge speaks at university

BY JESSICA R. PACKER
Staff Reporter

Each morning, Judge Joseph H. Rodriguez enters the courtroom.

He looks at the American flag.

He thinks of his father.

Rodriguez shared his experiences as a U.S. federal judge and memories of his father with an audience of approximately 70 people Tuesday in the Trabant University Center.

The Camden, N.J., native began his speech with his father's story — one which began in June 1918 when the S.S. Carolina, traveling from Puerto Rico to New York, fell victim to a German submarine attack.

After 44 hours on a turbulent sea, lifeboat No. 5 landed on the beach of Atlantic City. One of the passengers in that lifeboat was Rodriguez's father.

Rodriguez said he remembers his father learning about the culture and studying the Constitution.

"My father learned English the hard way," he said.

Rodriguez said it was through his memories of his father's experience gaining citizenship that Rodriguez developed an interest in law.

Eventually, after years of studying law on his own, Rodriguez was sworn in as a judge in the same courtroom where his father became a U.S. citizen.

Rodriguez, who studied at Rutgers University Law School, was described by longtime friend and university Vice President for Administration Maxine Colm as a man dedicated to the society and the community he loves.

"I've really enjoyed getting to know what a great guy he is," she said.

Through the years, Rodriguez worked as a New Jersey public defender and served as president of the New Jersey State Bar Association. He is also a member of the American Bar Association for which he has served in the House of Delegates and as chair of the ABA's National Conference of Federal Trial Judges.

Recently, Rodriguez received the Medal of Honor from the New Jersey Bar Association for his accomplishments.

"But I haven't gotten far in life," joked Rodriguez. "I now work in a courthouse that's four blocks from where I was born."

Rodriguez has done most of his work in New

Jersey, serving as chairman to the New Jersey Board of Higher Education with Colm and working with the New Jersey Crime Commission on organized crime.

Now that Rodriguez has been a federal judge for more than a decade, he said he enjoys some of the same privileges as the president of the United States. He has lifetime tenure, and can only be removed from his position by impeachment.

These conditions, he said, are in place to give independence to judges so they can feel free to rule as they see fit without having to worry about job security.

Although secure in his position, Rodriguez said he finds his job challenging.

"Many of our constitutional amendments are under tension," he said. "I have a fear that if we voted on them today, they wouldn't pass."

"The Bill of Rights and the Constitution should be seen as our safe havens."

But Rodriguez acknowledged that people's different interpretations of the Constitution can be problematic. He attributes this to what he calls "constitutional illiteracy."

For example, he said, despite unfavorable public opinion regarding the jury system, he is optimistic that the system can work.

"If the jury system has flaws, they are human flaws, and they can be corrected," Rodriguez said.

And Rodriguez said he has no problem correcting what is wrong. Fluent in Spanish, he said he sometimes disagrees with the words interpreters use when in the courtroom.

"When rights are at stake, words and expressions are incredibly important," he said.

However, Rodriguez said, if there is an interpretation that cannot be agreed on, he is bound by the interpreter's understanding of the words.

These are the times when Rodriguez said he feels strapped by guidelines. But he said he never falters in what he sees as important attributes to have — to be aggressive, well-prepared and ethical, no matter what guidelines are in place.

"Every day is a different day, every case is a different case," he said. "It's all very exciting."

One thing that does not change for Rodriguez is what goes through his mind when he enters the court.

"There isn't a morning that goes by that I don't go into court, look at the flag and think of my father."

"If the jury system has flaws, they are human flaws, and they can be corrected."

— Federal judge Joseph H. Rodriguez



THE REVIEW/ Amy Shapiro
Joseph H. Rodriguez, a federal judge, spoke about his life on the bench to university students Tuesday.



THE REVIEW/ Megan Brown
The crew of the space shuttle Endeavor is collecting images which will help NASA create a 3-D map of Earth.

NASA mapping mission underway

BY NATHAN HAYFIELD
Staff Reporter

NASA launched the space shuttle Endeavor on a shuttle radar topography mission last Friday after five months of postponements. Unfortunately, the "endeavor" has not been free from difficulties.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration intends to re-map more than 70 percent of the earth's surface. By using recently developed radar equipment, scientists hope to acquire a map 30 times more accurate than current satellite photograph maps.

This new technology allows NASA to create three-

dimensional terrain maps that depict the exact height or depth of mountains and valleys.

In order to acquire the required data, the six-member crew of the Endeavor must attempt to keep a 200-foot mast resembling a fishing pole perfectly stable.

Unfortunately, the tiny gas jets on the end of the mast clogged during the mission for unknown reasons. Although these jets only send out a thrust equal to the weight of a penny, the malfunction means the shuttle must use more fuel in a maneuver called a "fly cast" to keep the mast steady.

NASA will determine later today whether this extra fuel consumption will lead shortening the mission's duration.

Despite the minor malfunction, preliminary images from the shuttle indicate superior detail.

"Even in the lower resolution, quick-look results, we can see many topographic features that were completely invisible in the best maps we have today," Michael Kobrick, a Mission Control Scientist, told CNN.

Though the mission cost NASA more than \$600 million, the new, highly detailed maps will enhance a host of applications.

The military will use them for flight simulation and weapons guidance systems.

Scientists will use the data to improve models of weather patterns and fire spread patterns.

Geography professor Tracy DeLiberty said the data would be useful to monitor other things, such as acid rain.

"It would help us to model hydrology processes and runoff contamination," she said.

Communications companies will benefit by using the maps to place their cellular phone towers in places that will reach more people, and commercial airlines will be able to install improved ground collision avoidance systems in their aircraft.

If this mission is as successful as is hoped, NASA may run a follow-up mission to gather data on the 30 percent of the earth it was unable to map this time.

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Phi Sigma Pi, a honor fraternity, sponsored a blood drive in Trabant University Center this week.

THE REVIEW/ Amy Shapiro

Blood drive in Trabant could help more than 400 people

BY JENNIFER LAVINIO
Staff Reporter

Members of the Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity helped collect enough blood Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons for the Blood Bank of Delaware to aid more than 400 people, blood bank officials said.

Karen Murtha, communications coordinator for the blood bank, said 113 pints were collected. Each unit of blood can help three to four people, she said, because the blood can be separated into components such as red blood cells, platelets and plasma.

These components can assist a wide variety of patients. For example, Murtha said, red blood cells can help accident victims, platelets aid cancer patients and plasma is often needed by burn victims.

Anne Marie Wake, a Phi Sigma Pi service co-chair, stated in an e-mail message that the participation from college communities makes a significant contribution to the blood banks because of the concentrated amount of people, both students and faculty.

"We constitute a large population in a rather condensed area," she said. "Since the [drive is] sponsored by a student organization such as a sorority or a fraternity, students also play a large role in helping with canteening and advertising."

Phi Sigma Pi helped to publicize the drive and monitor donors in the Trabant University Center after they had given blood. Members ran a refreshment canteen that provided juice, soda, crackers and cookies to university members.

Given only three weeks' notice and only one week to organize the drive, members of Phi Sigma Pi said they were a little unprepared. Wake stated that due to a scheduling misunderstanding, the blood drive was left without a sponsor. The fraternity was contacted and agreed to sponsor it, despite having only one week to advertise and recruit potential donors.

Fraternity member Katy Lewis, a junior, said the fraternity usually holds sign-ups in one of the kiosks in the Trabant University Center about a week prior to the blood drive. Due to the short notice, Phi Sigma Pi was unable to do so this time.

"We didn't have much time for publicity," Lewis said, "but we've been going around telling people who are eating in Trabant to come up and give blood."

Marianne Lazorick, supervisor of the blood bank's Mobile Operations, said she thought the blood drive suffered because of the lack of awareness.

"It started slow," she said. "I thought we would be really busy since we haven't been here since November. Word didn't really get out."

Despite the lack of preparation time, Wake said, blood drives rely heavily on walk-in donors, so she felt the drive was not severely affected.

One of the donors, English professor Thomas M. Leitch, said he liked the convenience of an on-campus blood drive.

"It's nice that they come to campus so often so that people don't have to leave [in order to donate]," he said. Junior Jennifer Maser said the ability to anonymously help others inspired her to donate blood.

"It only takes an hour out of your day to help

"It only takes an hour out of your day to help someone out."

— Junior Jennifer Maser, blood donor

someone out," she said.

Lazorick said the blood bank hopes to foster this kind of attitude among students, because they are going to be the blood supply for years to come.

Fraternity member Lauren Shuster, a senior, said one of the reasons Phi Sigma Pi sponsors blood drives is to encourage the university community to become involved.

"If they come and have a good experience," she said, "they will come back and donate more."

The experience was worthwhile for first-time donor Angela Esposito, a senior. Esposito said she enjoyed giving blood because she felt it made a significant contribution.

"With giving blood, everyone counts," she said. "It's not like you're one in a million people — one person can help."

Microsoft unveils new Windows 2000 program

BY CARLA CORREA
Copy Editor

The Microsoft Corporation officially released Windows 2000, an upgrade to the Windows NT4 operating system, on Thursday.

The fundamental difference between Windows 98 and Windows 2000 is that the former is designed for a single personal computer, while the latter specifically addresses larger networks, comprised of 20 or more machines, said Beth Jordan, a spokeswoman for Microsoft.

Windows 2000 will include improvements in the features and stability of the operating system, Jordan said.

She said Windows 2000 consists of three versions — the Professional, Advanced and Datacenter editions. The professional edition is the best desktop for businesses of all sizes, she said.

The new versions contain improved Intranet and Internet options as well as innovative help features, Jordan said.

"The machine tries to monitor usage and helps users with what they do," she said.

"Also, the help feature can now run in tandem with programs. The user doesn't have to open the help screen and remember all two or three pages of what it said. It's on the screen at the same time."

Another enhancement is Windows 2000's ability to prevent a computer system from crashing, Jordan said.

"I've had it on my machine since August," she said, "and I haven't had a crash."

Daniel Grim, executive director of Network and System Services at the university, said the absence of system crashes is due to the protective mode Windows 2000 runs.

"Windows 95 and 98 do not run in a protective mode," he said. "A program, for example a word processor, could write over computer memory and cause the operating system to crash."

However, he said, one disadvantage of this protection is many applications may not run in a NT system, which deals with large area networks. Operating systems such as Windows 2000 do not allow programs to overwrite some pieces of memory, which they must do in order to run.

An additional reason some programs do not work with previous NT releases, and may not work on Windows 2000, is because of their reliance on a computer's disk operating system.

"Windows 95 and 98 are derived from DOS — NT isn't," Grim said.

"Things with the DOS environment in mind won't work on NT — they have to be written for a Windows interface [system]."

This difference is vital for consumers to be aware of, he said.

"People may presume it's an upgrade to Windows 98, but it's not," Grim said. "People may end

up getting it because they think it's the latest and the greatest."

Jim Smith, deputy press secretary for Delaware Gov. Thomas R. Carper, said the Christina School District is one of the first school systems in the nation to implement the program.

"The Christina School District is paving the way for other school systems," Smith said.

He said the importance of the upgrade is to provide students with cutting-edge technology, allowing faster access to great amounts of data.

"The governor realizes that the more technology and information that we can provide our students, the better off they're going to be, and the more employable and marketable they will be in our Delaware economy," he said.

John Holton, public information officer for the Christina School District, said further benefits include improved teacher training and easier equipment maintenance.

"It will allow to use the money and the people we have more efficiently," he said.

Microsoft plans to release Windows Millennium, which is currently being tested, later this year, he said.

Millennium will attempt to merge some Windows 2000 options with enhanced Windows 98 features.

Microsoft is also working on combating the illegal piracy of both Windows 2000 and the upcoming Windows Millennium, she said.

Counselor

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Car seat inspections held in Newark

BY JAIME BENDER
Staff Reporter

Several child safety seat checks were performed this week in an effort to make parents more aware of car seat safety.

In observance of the second annual Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week, safety technicians inspected car seats at various locations, including the Newark Day Nursery and Kindercare Learning Center.

The program was designed to better inform parents of the importance of using their child safety seat correctly, said Andrea Duckworth, community relations officer for the Delaware Office of Highway Safety.

After three seat checks were organized last year, Duckworth said, the Delaware Office of Highway Safety was flooded with phone calls from concerned parents requesting more of these checks.

She said the program grew as parents became more aware of the necessity for proper use of child safety seats.

"The main goal of this program is to increase correct use of the child safety seats and stress the importance of installing the seats correctly," Duckworth said.

Newark Police statistics show that 89 percent of child safety seats were misused in Delaware in 1999.

"For the most part, it has nothing to do with negligence," Duckworth said. "Not every child seat fits well with every vehicle, and parents do not always know what the best choice is."

Because the written instructions that come with each seat are not always clear, Duckworth said, child passenger safety technicians undergo a four-day federal training course.

"Each trainee is told what questions to ask, what problems or abnormalities to look for and what advice to give parents," she said.

Since there was such a widespread interest in child safety as a result of the establishment of seat checks, the program has spread to both Kent and Sussex counties.

Duckworth said the plan is to hold one seat check per month in each

county from now on.

At the check, Cindy Genau, one of the safety seat inspectors, distributed pamphlets to parents who walked their children into the daycare.

The pamphlets provide information on airbags and the proper use of child safety seats, as well as advice for choosing the best seat and the best way to strap a child in safely.

"We have had many parents calling in and asking us where the seat checks are located in their area," Genau said. "Most parents really want to make sure their child is as safe as possible."

Genau inspected each seat parents wanted checked. She showed them proper harness tightness and installation techniques.

"The ideal location is in the back seat, in the center," she said.

The seat check on Tuesday found that 91 percent of drivers and 95 percent of passengers were wearing seatbelts, according to Newark Police Lt. Susan Poley.

"Parents, especially those who are

well-informed, know the basic guidelines for wearing seatbelts," Poley said. "If a child under the age of 4 is not using a car seat, we issue the driver a ticket. It's state law."

To assist parents in ensuring car seat safety, technicians developed a checking process that involved filling out a brief form and answering some questions, including the child's age, weight and whether the car has an airbag.

"We check to see how the child is placed in the safety seat," Duckworth said. "For instance, if the child is under 1 year old or below 20 pounds, the seat should be faced toward the rear of the vehicle."

The technicians also check the tightness of the seat, which may involve taking it out of the car to get a closer look.

Genau said they are also required to check the date the seat was manufactured as well as the product number. In the case of a recall, the car seat must be fixed immediately.

Duckworth said the technicians look for any cracks in the plastic or any abnormalities that may alter the



THE REVIEW/ File Photo

This week was the second annual Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week. Technicians showed parents the proper way to buckle their children into child safety seats.

effectiveness of the seat.

Statistics show that 30 percent of children who should use safety seats do not.

Duckworth said a major reason for this lack of use is that many families must alternate one safety seat between two cars.

"Either they install the seat poorly or they don't install it at all," she said. "They leave the seat in one

car even when the other [parent] is transporting a young child."

"It can be very complicated to keep detaching and reattaching the seat between cars."

She said in that case, the state encourages parents to buy a child-safety seat for each car they own, or only use the vehicle with the seat already installed to transport their child.

Comedian kicks off Scrounge performances

BY JAMIE SCHUMAN
Staff Reporter

Comedian Jamie Lissow coaxed a few laughs out of a tough-to-please smattering of students in the Scrounge Tuesday night.

Lissow, who has opened for Chris Rock and appeared on Comedy Central, gave the first performance in the semester-long Coffeehouse series sponsored by the Student Center Programs Advisory Board.

Admittedly uncomfortable on a stage so informal it had no curtain, Lissow drew the first laughs of the evening by commenting on his small audience. He questioned whether anyone had been told of his appearance.

audience's attention.

When he made fun of the decorative lighting in the Scrounge — where SCPAB will showcase various forms of college entertainment every Tuesday night — the viewers lit up.

"Oh, so that's why they call this place the Scrounge," he said. "Because they scrounged up all the colors they could and hung them from the ceiling."

After commenting on the décor of the Scrounge, Lissow began satirizing several students who were not a part of his audience. He mimicked one man, describing him as "massive," as the student ordered his dinner from the pastry counter.

"So, I was at a party and there was a keg of nonalcoholic beer. And I thought, 'I guess this is for people who like to pee a lot, but don't like to have fun.'"

— Comedian Jamie Lissow

"Did anyone know there was a comedian coming tonight?" he said. "I'm sorry, but I am used to an audience."

Lissow, who had never before performed in Delaware, had to tell at least five jokes before he gained the

The student ignored the comedian, but his cheeks flushed pink as Lissow seized the opportunity to continue his mockery.

"Yes, I will have two chocolate eclairs and a chocolate doughnut please," Lissow said, speaking as if he were the student.



THE REVIEW/ Mike Louie

Comedian Jamie Lissow entered Scrounge eaters on Tuesday.

Turning their heads toward the target of Lissow's ridicule, the audience of about 15 students burst into laughter.

Lissow turned to college drinking for the topic of his next joke.

"So, I was at a party and there was a keg of nonalcoholic beer," he said.

"And I thought, 'I guess this is for people who like to pee a lot, but don't like to have fun.'"

Sophomore Amanda Udell said she thought Lissow was hysterical, especially when he played with the crowd.

Freshman Dave Hartunian also said he enjoyed the performance. Smiling as he spoke, Hartunian said, "He reminded me of a young Adam Sandler — he kind of looked like him, too."

But as Lissow's hour wore on, he started to glance at his watch and grasp for new material.

Pointing at a large potted plant in a corner next to a fire extinguisher, Lissow said, "Doesn't that plant look like it's ready to put out a fire?"

No response greeted his attempt. Lissow looked at his watch and made one last joke — this time on himself.

As a Scrounge worker chopped vegetables behind a counter, Lissow wiped the sweat from his forehead and said, "Wow, you know you're rocking a room when you can hear someone cutting celery in the background."

Lissow sighed and pulled on his black leather jacket. Telling the crowd he was not used to leaving the stage without a curtain to hide him, he joked, "Please don't make eye contact with me."

Lissow headed for the safety of the steps.

"Well, this sure was the weirdest show I've ever done."

Carper proposes new plan for alternative schools

BY ANDREA BENVENUTO
Staff Reporter

Rep. Michael N. Castle, R-Del., proposed a new plan for alternative education during a press conference at Claymont Elementary School Monday.

Castle's new education initiatives will fall under the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Community Act. It will focus on making schools safer and helping students who have been expelled or suspended from school.

Elizabeth Brealey, Castle's press secretary, said the initiative he proposed is a two-fold plan.

First, she said, each state would receive money allowing it to help plan and implement alternative schools and programming.

"This provides another learning environment for those students who have been disciplined for such offenses as sexual harassment, drugs and alcohol, while allowing teachers to have a non-disruptive environment to work in," Brealey said.

Second, the General Accounting Office, which does studies for Congress to determine how its programs will effect the U.S. budget, will be required to conduct a study on what the needs of these students are, she said. The office will also have to identify quality programs that already exist and decide how their success can be duplicated.

Castle met with teachers, principals

and parents before his press conference at Claymont Elementary.

"Talking to parents isn't always something people think about, but it's important," Brealey said. "Maybe parents don't want their students in alternative education. You don't know unless you ask them."

Brealey said Castle's proposal has not been written into a bill yet, but it will be voted on sometime this year as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

She said the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, which contains all of the titles and programs for K-12 education, is re-authorized every five years. All programs are reviewed to see what can be improved and what can be completely cut. Questions to see if children are being educated properly are also asked.

John Holden, Christina School District's public information officer, said any disruption in the classroom is one that needs to be addressed.

"In Christina, we have a number of students in alternative education," he said. "We work with them and try to get them back into regular schooling as soon as possible."

Holden said he thinks the state and federal governments could be more helpful with alternative education. He said he is interested in seeing what improvements Castle's proposal might bring.

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Y-Chromes provide a comfy, cozy style

BY ANDREA BENVENUTO
Staff Reporter

In front of an audience of 200 people, the Y-Chromes, sporting matching white overalls, performed in Bacchus Theater Tuesday night.

The 12-member, all-male a capella group performed their "Comfy Cozy Concert" in two sets, which were separated by a performance of the Rubber Chickens, the university's improvisational comedic troupe.

Singing a wide variety of pop tunes including everything from BLACKstreet's "No Diggity" to REM's "It's the End of the World as We Know It," the Y-Chromes' strongest piece came in the form of Train's "Meet Virginia."

Although the Rubber Chickens compared what they do to the television show "Whose Line is it Anyway?" it was a member of the Y-Chromes who provided the first comedic episode of the night.

Singing "Basket Case" by Green Day, one singer attempted to solve a Rubik's Cube. Unfortunately, he dropped the Cube and could not complete it regardless of how many times the group repeated the chorus.

The group quickly established a rapport with the audience, which cheered after each song and laughed as the members constantly pled with the audience members to join the Y-Chromes.

The Y-Chromes called it their "Comfy Cozy Concert" because of its comfortable setting, said junior member Ian Pryor.

"We called this the 'Comfy Cozy Concert' because we usually sing in Mitchell Hall which is much bigger," he said. "So this concert was kind of comfy, cozy and intimate."

Audience member Marna Lew, a freshman, said she appreciated being close to the stage and felt like she was more involved in the smaller venue.

Despite some mistakes, listeners said they did not mind the few slip-ups made over the course of the night.

"I know all the different a capella groups put in a lot of practice and time," Lew said. "You can't just stand up there and sing."

Several members of the Y-Chromes expressed a desire for improvement as the semester goes on.

"It was a little rough tonight because we're just getting back from winter break and we haven't had much time to rehearse," said junior Doug Cook, a member of the group. "But it was definitely fun to be onstage."

Pryor said the Y-Chromes tour other schools and usually do three shows on campus per semester, although this spring they hope to do more.

"We're looking forward to better things as we get some new songs under our belts," he said.

Pryor said the group members vote on song suggestions, and whoever is most interested in a song will arrange it for them to sing.



THE REVIEW/Mike Louie
The Y-Chromes, in their usual garb of matching white overalls, performed for 200 people in Bacchus Theater Tuesday night.

City discusses parking strategies and waivers

BY SETH MILLER
Staff Reporter

Newark City Council and the city's planning department discussed possible parking strategies and the need for parking waivers for the city Tuesday night.

Maureen Roser, assistant city planner, said parking waivers are needed for Main Street businesses in order to bring more merchants to the street.

Businesses are required to provide parking for a portion of their customers, she said. If there is not enough parking, a waiver is required for them to operate.

Another solution to the parking shortage was suggested by Councilman Karl Kalbacher. He suggested building a multilevel parking garage behind Pearson Hall in place of the current parking lot.

Rick Armitage, university director of government relations, said he thought the idea should be approved by a committee of the Downtown Newark Partnership before being approved by the full organization.

Armitage said if the partnership approved the idea, action would be required by university President David P. Roselle and the board of trustees.

Roselle stated in an e-mail message, "We will assess future parking needs after the Academy Street garage has been in service for a while."

When asked about Kalbacher's idea, Roselle stated, "If we later make the assessment of need for an additional parking deck, it is determined that there is a need, then we will study possible locations."

The partnership's approval of the idea would show the university that the idea merits more serious consideration and may be acceptable to the Newark community, Armitage said.

However, Newark Mayor Harold F. Godwin said a new parking lot on university property may not be the best solution.

"I firmly believe the city needs to

improve the available parking in the Main Street area," he said. "The university has already come under fire for the one parking garage it has on Main Street and the one it plans to build at the Perkins Student Center."

"I'm not sure a new parking garage is an idea the community would necessarily endorse."

Senior Jordan Munson said she supports the idea.

She said, "I think it's a good idea but I don't think students should have to pay to park there."

Roy Lopata, the city of Newark's

"I'm not sure a new parking garage is an idea the community would necessarily endorse."
— Mayor Harold F. Godwin

planning director, said the city is looking into options to consolidate parking and mass transit.

"The city currently has a consultant under contract which is reviewing the possibility of a parking garage [that includes a] transit hub"

Although a location for the center has not been set, Lopata said this may be an area where buses will stop and people can transfer between different bus systems.

SEPTA is a tri-state train service. Lopata said the consultant may find SEPTA's Newark stop to be an appropriate location for the transit hub.

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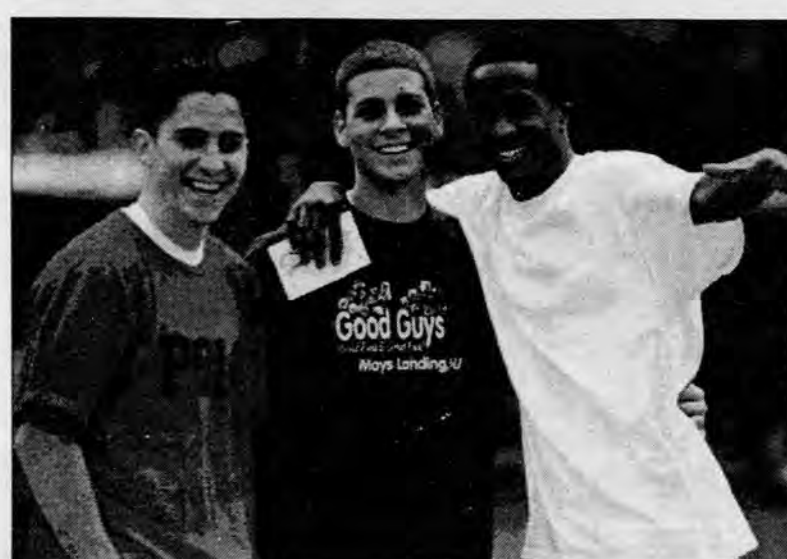
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UD alum helps flood victims abroad

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A flood that decimated the capital area of Venezuela in early December, killing at least 30,000 people, has become a priority for a university graduate student whose homeland was wracked by flooding rain.

Leonardo Ledemza, 45, initiated a drive in support of the Venezuelans who had lost everything almost immediately after the incessant rain had wrought a devastating blow to the capital city of Caracas.

Ledemza, who earned a doctorate degree this year, said his assistance efforts are attributed to the enormity of this tragedy.

"There's a human connection," he said. "I never saw a devastation like that and that country never had any problems."

"They had flooding and they lost crops, but here 35,000 people died in one night. The magnitude of the disaster was the most impressive thing — that affected me."

The amount of rain that fell in one night equaled the total amount of rainfall for an entire year, he said. Coming down off the mountains which lie in between the sea and the capital-city, the water brought with it mud, rubble and rocks — a collaborative effort which killed the economy as well as thousands of people.

Ledemza said his idea to bring Venezuela's current plight to the attention of the university arose from his connection to Philadelphia, PA, where he works at LaSalle University as a visiting assistant professor.

He said he has been working with people in Philadelphia, contacting churches and collecting

supplies to be sent overseas. He said he became overwhelmed with their generosity.

One of the Catholic dioceses amassed a substantial collection of everything from new coats and shoes to kids toys and medical supplies, Ledemza said.

"It was a challenge for me to see Philadelphia react," he said "To see a city that is so big and to a certain extent so impersonal, and just by appealing through a conversation, they reacted."

His next challenge was to bring his homeland, Venezuela, to his current home in Newark.

"I thought the university is more of a challenge for me. After spending the last five years here, it is much more closer to my interest."

There has been little response from the university community thus far, but he said this is attributed to the limited number of people on campus during the winter recess.

In terms of promotion, Ledemza was granted permission by the university and then given advertising space by the Office of Public Relations.

"I talked to Dr. Roselle and he approved," he said. "Public relations allowed me to get it out to the community."

"The university accepted to keep this running until May, to give people enough time to understand the magnitude of the problem and to react to it."

Ledemza has spent the past 13 years in the United States and was only recently in Venezuela for vacation. Some of the areas that were destroyed were ones familiar to him when he lived there.

"I had never seen such a tremendous

devastation as when I saw that — places that I used to go to on the weekends," he said.

"Those were areas when I was a child that I used to go with my family on vacation. Now entire towns were destroyed, have disappeared — leveled completely."

The impact of the rain was magnified by the fact that Venezuela is not accustomed to such a high degree of destruction and misfortune, Ledemza said.

"The Venezuelans never expected this kind thing," he said. "The population never expected to be killed that way."

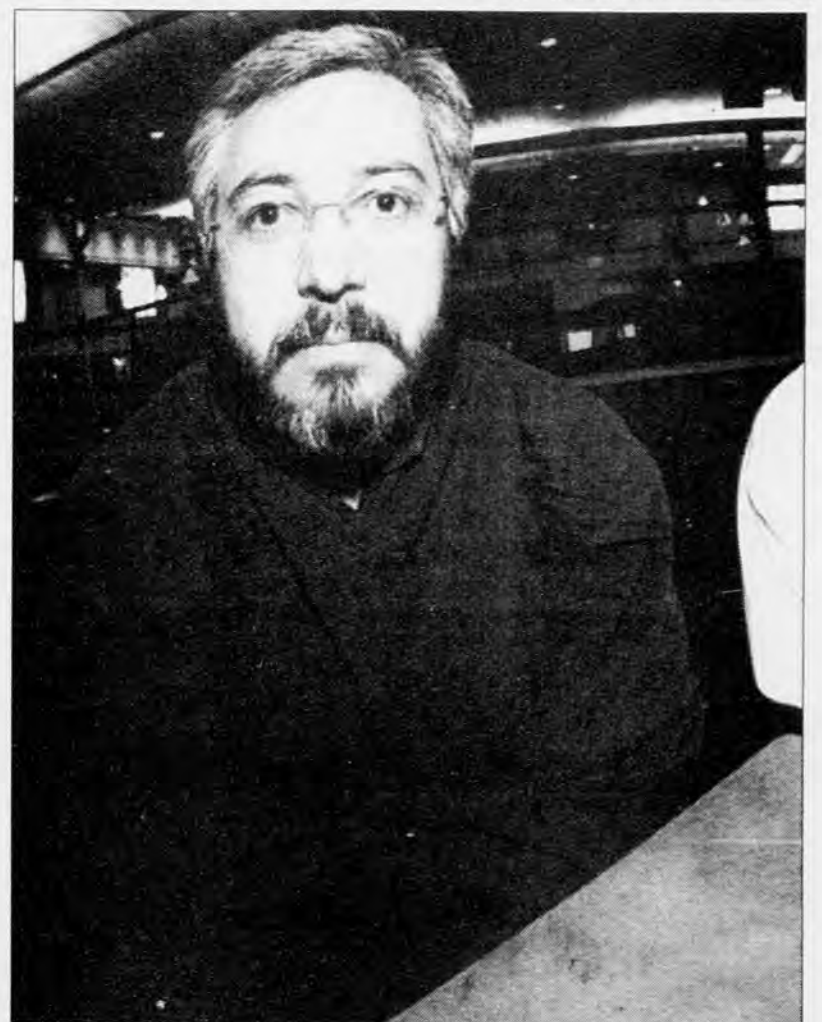
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"It wasn't that the government could not have anticipated that kind of disaster," he said. "They have the same technology that we have here to forecast weather, and when you see the density of the clouds and the amount of rain that was falling, you could have prevented this disaster."

"In a neighboring state the governor completely evacuated towns and saved millions of lives," he said. "In this state, they were not concerned about anything because they never expected this to happen — and they got killed."

Ledemza, who spent the first 32 years of his life just 20 miles away from Caracas, said his drive is not about making himself out to be a hero.

"I don't want to put this like I'm the hero and I'm collecting stuff — no," he said. "I'm appealing to the generosity of people to donate, and I will be the liaison, and I will bring the stuff to the [Venezuelan Embassy in Washington, D.C]. I'm not seeking recognition, because I don't care for that. It's just to help the people, that's it."



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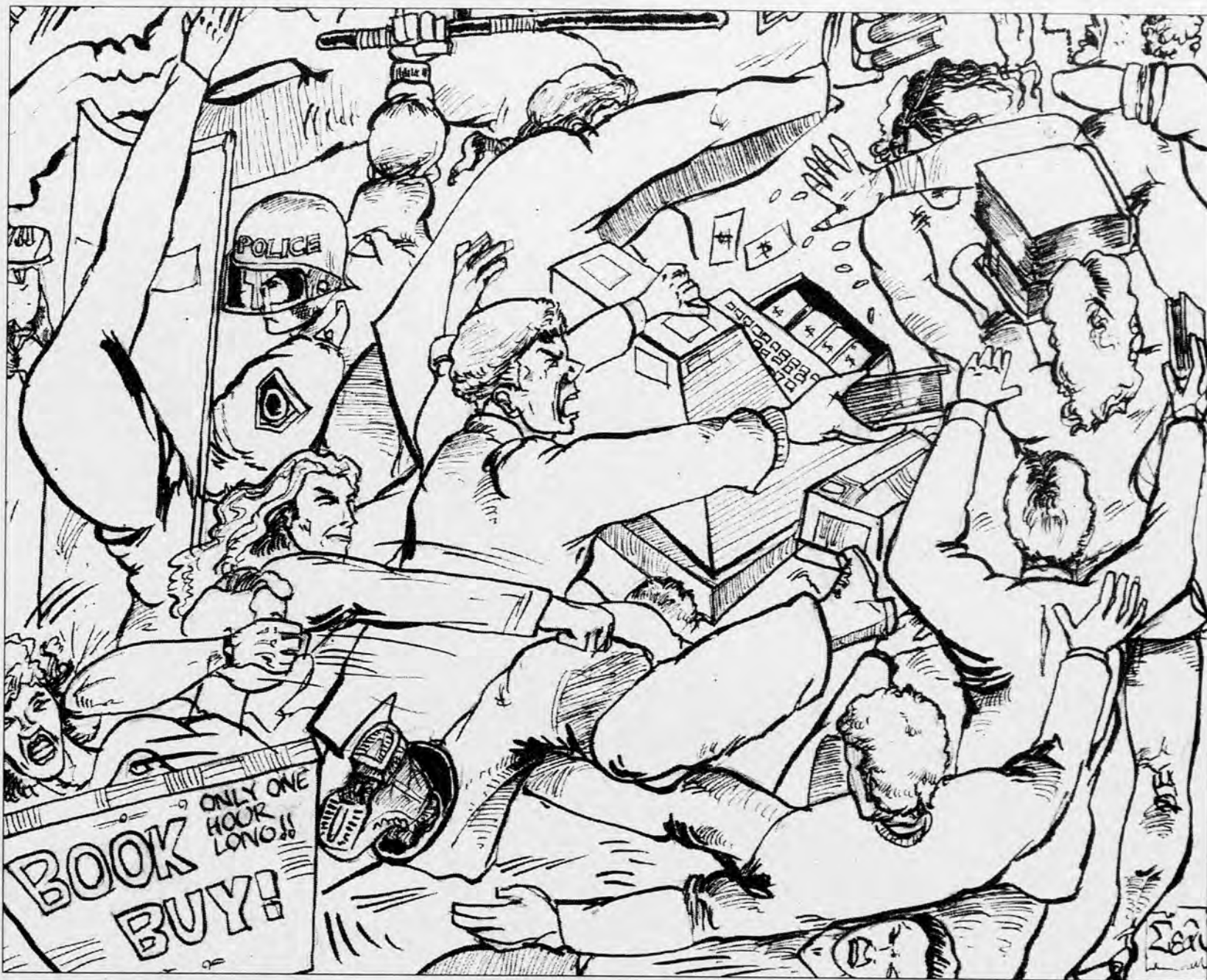
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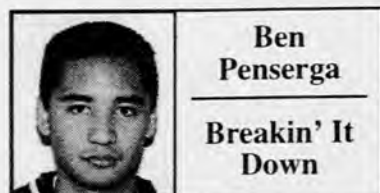
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Ben Penserga
Breakin' It Down

Dancing is a phenomenon that's always mystified me. Like some sort of hip-swiveling Pied Pipers, the guys I see dancing at parties or on television always seem to land the women. That annoys me. Consider Ricky Martin, Usher, the Backstreet Boys and N'Sync. Besides good looks, money, growing superstardom and varying degrees of talent, if you take away all those things, who do you have? Me. I know stripped down, I am exactly like those guys. Except I can't dance. Now, I have nothing against guys dancing, girls dancing or dancing in general. What I do have a problem with is the fact that guys who choose not to dance are somehow frowned upon in today's society. Can we drop this huge stigma that males that don't

dance are inferior in all other facets of their lives? It irks me to no end when I hear some women say, "He's so great on the dance floor. I bet he's pretty good elsewhere."

Just because I choose not to display dance ability doesn't mean that I lack in other areas.

In fact, I have a dance repertoire. It includes such classics as "The Cabbage Patch," "The Running Man" and my two grounds keeping moves, "The Lawn Mower" and "The Sprinkler."

If my life depended on it, I could "get funky" on a moment's notice.

Having said this, I choose to abstain from "bustin' a move" because I don't feel a need to.

But in all honesty, there have been a of couple times where, in a second of insanity, I considered lifting my ban.

After pondering the situation, though, I leaned against the wall or sat on the couch instead.

Why? Because there is no legitimate reason that I should dance every time I hear music.

I think if you took a poll of the reason guys were dancing at a party, the answer, "I just like to get my groove on" would not be at top of the list.

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Any one guy, at any time, with the proper push and the right amount of artificial aids, can find his way to the dance floor and allow himself to be openly scrutinized by his friends and partygoers.

Not me.

Does anyone ever stop to think why certain guys don't dance?

Maybe he feels so confident in his other attributes that dancing would only serve to weaken his overall image.

Maybe he tore a ligament in his leg his junior year in high school and now sudden, high-impact movements would put his already fragile leg in danger of going beyond repair.

Or maybe, just maybe, he doesn't like strange people gawking at him, making the lad even more self-conscious.

I'm not saying that men should totally boycott dancing for their entire lives.

I'm advocating that not dancing, much like staying sober at a party, should not be fodder to later demonize a person.

For those men who like to dance, go for it.

If it's your thing, more power to you.

For those men who don't like to dance, stay strong — don't let anyone break your principles.

Women, don't sell a guy short for not "bumping and grinding" with you.

If a boy is really attracted to you and vice versa, he'll find a way to approach you and talk without putting his hands on your ass.

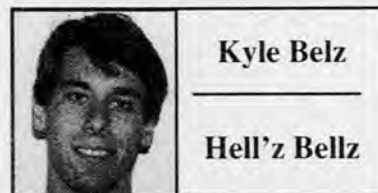
Whatever you do, have fun.

Just know you do have options in life.

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Get up and give the girls a thrill — boys shouldn't be scared to get jiggy with it.



Kyle Belz
Hell'z Bellz

This column is constructed solely for one purpose. It does not aim to solve any riddles as to why some men don't find dancing enjoyable, nor does it pretend to try and convince such individuals that dancing in itself is an enjoyable, or even a meaningful, activity.

Of course, there are males that honestly like to dance, but they are not implicated in this debate. Their attraction to dancing exempts them, and it seems fair to assume that they enjoy it, in part, because they're naturally good dancers.

Instead, the audience I have in mind is he who does not dance, and sees no reason to. And even more pertinent to this discussion is he who complains about any stereotypes his refusal to dance bestows upon him. I hope that by the end of my rambling, I will have convinced some members of this audience that dancing is in their best interest, and even more important, it's a responsibility that none can shirk off in good faith.

Allow me a little bit of leeway. My argument may appear a bit ridiculous, or even nonsensical, but that is only to keep things as concise as possible, as I've been told I tend to beat around the bush.

I believe that dancing is fundamental to the human experience. It, along with music, exists in every culture and in every language. In fact, rhythm might be the universal language, communicating in each man's bones and stirring even the most sullen heart to action, to dance.

Plain and simple, dancing is a means to an end. Though that end may vary from man to man, they dance for a purpose, whatever they have contrived it to be.

Some dance to pick up girls, while others do it from social pressures. Both of these motivations seem legitimate, as do concerns over exercise.

Why then do some dislike dancing? The reason is obvious — thought stalls them.

Everyone can recall a time when thought paralyzed them. Perhaps the thoughts of one standing motionless while watching dancers leads him to believe his refusal to dance denotes superiority.

Perhaps he would say, "Look at them, dancing, stupid and unconscious. Most of the guys can't even dance well. At least I can evaluate my lack of talent and choose not to embarrass myself. No one has any business sneering at me for my refusal."

"Dancing is not for me. I will just observe and think To dance would be to lie to myself, to pretend to be something I'm not."

Such thoughts seem reasonable to me. At times, they fill my head. But upon closer examination, they crumble, as this individual is lying to himself.

Listen.

Going to a setting that involves dancing seems to indicate a preference for socializing. But before I proceed further, I think I've failed to be precise in characterizing the audience of this argument. I don't even attempt to persuade misanthropic individuals that go to dances just for the twisted pleasure of sneering at the dancers with a silent grin. These types of men are stunted, and I am impotent to rectify their condition, at least in the space allotted.

But if you go out with the intention of socializing, and yet you refuse to attempt to dance while everyone else does, you undermine the original purpose of your excursion.

Furthermore, you must realize that your decision not to dance could be impeding the enjoyment of others. Perhaps there is a lonely girl staring at you curiously, wondering what could be eating at you while you stand nervously with your sixth cigarette of the hour burning between your fingers. Perhaps this isn't the case. Perhaps no one notices your isolation. But perhaps dancing would be cause for attention. Your refusal could keep a few dancers from laughing at you while you move awkwardly.

This being the case, I suggest that those sober enough to question the reason to dance should simply grin and bear it. In time, your dissatisfaction will fade into the dance. As your thoughts of alienation drift into the rhythm of the dance, into the innate harmony between the music, your heartbeat and your partner, perhaps tempting you with dances of another variety, a smile will surely grow across your face.

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Opposite sexes in residence halls should stay bosom buddies



Jen Lemos
Lemos Lane

Arizona State Rep. Jean McGrath, R-Glendale, and the students of the University of Arizona have been at war for months over three college reforms McGrath has been trying to push through the state legislature. McGrath hoped to ban co-ed residence halls, minimize the number of hours opposite-sex visitors can remain in a residence hall and limit what she deemed "sexually explicit" Internet access for students.

Student opposition to these proposals has been so strong that legislators have dropped all of McGrath's bills.

And still the debate rages on.

McGrath's plan to limit Internet access to students was perhaps the most understandable of her reforms.

She had a point when she said that university students are using a network connection operated by the university to access the Inter-

net. Perhaps students should be subject to the university's policies regarding sexually explicit content.

But how do we define sexually explicit?

Are illustrations of artwork in which models appear naked inappropriate for art students? What about biology students who access representations of the human body?

While McGrath's one proposal may have been comprehensible, the other two were, to say the least, outdated.

She was quoted in Arizona's student newspaper, The Wildcat, on several occasions as saying that co-educational residence halls were immoral and contributed to the problem of teenage pregnancy — a concept that most university students would consider as ridiculous.

Banning opposite sex visitors from being in residence halls after midnight also seems a bit archaic.

Then McGrath dropped all her proposals save the residence hall bill, which she amended to do very little.

Originally, according to The

Wildcat, she was under the impression that the University of Arizona had eliminated all of its single-sex residence halls.

In actuality, the university has six — five for women and one for

men.

So, of course, she amended the bill.

Under the next proposal, students who had roommate problems in co-ed dorms would be moved

into single-sex dorms at no additional cost. Supposedly, this plan was a "preventative" for the growing trend of co-ed dorms in public universities.

What? Maybe it's a good thing the Arizona House of Representatives rejected it this week.

After following this saga for some time, I can honestly say that I've never been so confused by the actions of a legislator.

What is McGrath trying to accomplish? She doesn't like co-ed residence halls, she doesn't like opposite-sex visitors after certain hours, and she doesn't like sexually explicit Internet content.

Haven't these co-ed residence halls and opposite-sex visitors been there for awhile? Why the push for reforms now?

McGrath is dropping proposals left and right in favor of newer, amended ones. She's talking to anyone who will listen about the immorality of college campuses.

But is she listening?

Students are saying what anyone would on any college campus — that these reforms infringe on their rights as students.

That they should be treated like adults who can make their own

decisions.

And I agree with them.

I live in a co-ed residence hall, and I enjoy it. I have neither slept with anyone in my building nor found myself contributing to the problem of teenage pregnancy.

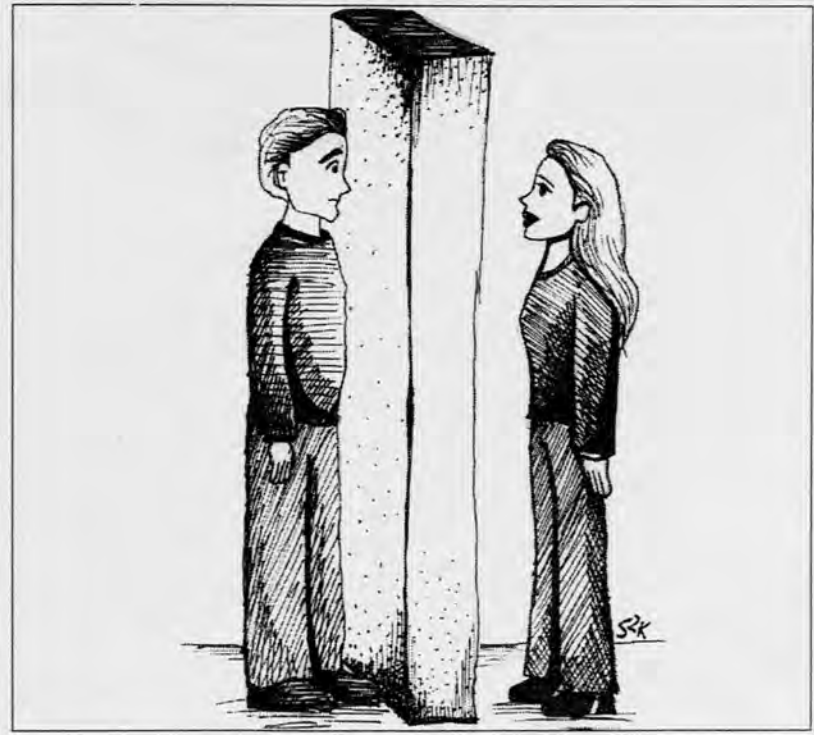
I have visitors of either gender in my room at any time I see fit, and I like that. This isn't a boarding school, it's a college institution and I'm glad everyone knows that.

I admire McGrath for taking a stand on what she thinks is right. She may truly believe that she is protecting college students in her state and not hindering them from making their own decisions.

But that's what life is, and they deserve to find that out for themselves.

Maybe McGrath should give thought to the idea of keeping co-ed residence halls and other existing policies in place. Then she might find out that, like at our university, it's really no big deal.

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Friday, February 18, 2000



BY BEN PENSERGA
Features Editor

PHILADELPHIA — It was the first basketball game for the 76ers after the NBA All-Star break.

There were 18,488 fans in attendance at the First Union Center for Tuesday's match-up against the Charlotte Hornets.

Some people came to welcome All-Star guard Allen Iverson back from Oakland.

Other people came to welcome back All-Star Hornet guard Eddie Jones, who played collegiate ball at nearby Temple University.

Some people flocked to the arena out of love for the game of basketball.

Others flocked to the arena just out of love.

On center court during halftime, in front of a sold-out crowd, 76 couples either renewed or took their wedding vows for the first time.

For some couples scattered throughout the stands that night, the countdown to the happiest moment of their lives was measured in 12-minute quarters.

As the clock ticked down, many couples tried to curb their excitement and nervousness by immersing themselves in the game. By shouting at the opposing team, they released excess energy, calming themselves for the big moment.

When the final buzzer for the half sounded, the 76ers led 48-47.

Both coaches gathered their teams off the court and ushered them into the locker room for pep talks.

That's when the fun began.

As soon as the teams stepped off the hardwood, a podium complete with two small pillars and red carpet was placed on the parquet

floor. Former "Newlywed Game" host Bob Eubanks, the master of ceremonies for the event, approached the podium along with Judge Louis J. Presenza, 76ers rabbit mascot Hip-Hop and a life-sized Hershey's Kiss.

Eubanks explained that although he was new at this type of event, the Sixers felt he was the right man for the job.

"I had never done anything like this before," he said. "They called me up and said, 'Since you're Mr. Newlywed, do you want to do it?' I said, 'Hell yes!'"

The couples marched onto center court. A few of them, realizing where they were standing, tried to get the rest of the crowd into the ceremony by excitedly "raising the roof."

Spectators could easily tell the first timers from those who had been hitched before by the way they were dressed.

The new kids on the wedding block sported the traditional wedding attire, while couples just stopping for a renewal went with a more casual look, consisting mostly of jeans and sweaters.

Even with the differences in dress, all were intrinsically linked by the sneakers they wore to avoid scuffing the floor.

Eubanks adopted his game-show persona and kicked things off by welcoming all the couples.

"There's going to be a whole lot of whoopie tonight!" he said, before turning things over to Presenza.

Then the judge recited the wedding vows to the couples, which were only slightly altered to accommodate the large group.

"Do you — your name here — take — your wife's name here —

see TYING page B4

'They do' — 76 couples score big time

Game show guru
Bob Eubanks
hosted a mass
wedding during
halftime of
Tuesday night's
Philadelphia 76ers
basketball game.

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"The Newlywed Game" takes on new meaning for Bob Eubanks (top). Kelly and Matthew Rulli (above) consummate their marriage vows.

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Innocence lost between the pages

BY CLARKE SPEICHER
Entertainment Editor

Actors can do many things to convince audiences to take them seriously. Some, like Jim Carrey and Tom Hanks, take on more dramatic roles. Others, such as Tom Cruise and Bruce Willis, work with cutting-edge directors.

But for blossoming actresses, things aren't always that simple.

Lately, it seems more actresses are trying to get ahead in Hollywood by appearing scantily clad in men's magazines.

This trend has continued to grow over the past few months, as popular starlets grace the covers of magazines in revealing attire, hoping to better their careers.

Jennifer Love Hewitt slipped out of her tight-fitting sweaters to give readers the time of their lives in Maxim. Her lustful poses of thumb-biting and back-less dresses inspired men to have a party of one.

Melissa Joan Hart, "The Teenage Witch," cast a spell on Maxim and Bikini readers, and almost lost her job in the process. Disney felt Maxim's pictures of Hart sprawled across a bed in her underwear weren't wholesome enough for their standards.

After showing the world how much she adored "Dawson" and "Dick," Michelle Williams also shared her love with Maxim. Upon seeing her in a red nightie, readers longed to have her climb into their bedroom window too.

And Rachel Leigh Cooke, who was photographed lying across a sofa in lacy lingerie, proved "she's all that" by appearing in Bikini.

Now, Jessica Biel of television's "7th Heaven" is trying to change her image in the March issue of "Gear."

Her need for change may be understandable. A year ago, Biel auditioned for a role in "American Beauty" that could have sent her career into orbit. She lost the part because of her good-girl image.

Instead, Thora Birch got the role and is riding the wave of success created by the film, which is a multiple-Oscar nominee.

Taking a cue from Birch's bare-it-all performance, the 17-year-old Biel appears in a series of risqué photos, exposing her desire to expand her horizons as an actress.

Jacqui Chazen, director of public relations for Gear, said Biel approached the magazine to do the pictorial. In the photos, Biel puts on make-up while topless, crouches in front of a mirror and sits in a bathroom sink wearing nothing but panties.

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Chazen said Biel hopes that by shedding her clothes, she will also be able to shed her pristine image.

Judging by the pictures, Biel may have achieved her goal. In fact, the photos are risqué enough to be considered child pornography.

According to the Child Pornography Prevention Act of 1996, "the breast of any female minor" is considered child pornography. In two of the photos, Biel's breasts are clearly exposed. Since Biel does not actually turn 18 until March 3, Gear could be held accountable under the current law.

However, Gear is not concerned about such allegations, Chazen said, because Biel's father was at the shoot. But even though her father was

present, Gear could still technically face a lawsuit.

Biel says in the article accompanying the pictorial that her appearance in Gear is not only a desperate plea to be recognized as a serious actress, but a not-so-subtle attempt to be released from her contract.

She may have gotten the idea when Hart posed for Maxim and Bikini magazines. Hart was almost removed from her hit sitcom "Sabrina, the Teenage Witch," because her provocative poses were considered too sexy for her family-oriented show. However, in Hart's case, the offense was accidental.

But Biel's ploy to be fired from "7th Heaven" may be in vain. In a press statement released in response to the pictorial, producer Aaron Spelling makes it clear that there are no plans to remove Biel from the show.

"Jessica Biel is a talented actress and great asset to '7th Heaven,'" he stated. "Currently, she is under contract to Spelling Television and '7th Heaven' for the next two years, and we look forward to working with her."

But in Gear's interview, Biel said she plans to be written off from the show as soon as possible, even if it means killing her character off.

Perhaps it's admirable that Biel and other actresses would go to such lengths to advance their careers. Yet it seems unfair that young actresses feel they have to seduce the public in order to gain respect. The amount of cleavage an actress shows seems to correlate with the amount of attention she receives.

Such male ingenues as Tobey Maguire, Wes Bentley and Leonardo DiCaprio probably wouldn't need to change their image by posing provocatively for women's magazines.

There's plenty of room for speculation into the double standard.

But for now, editors remain content to advance the careers of beautiful young actresses — and watch their magazines fly off the racks.

It looks like "Seventh Heaven's" star Jessica Biel is left-handed.

THE REVIEW / Retouched File Photo.

'Pitch Black' barely sees the light

"PITCH BLACK"
USA FILMS
RATING: ☆☆☆

Sneak Peek HOLLYWOOD

BY JESSICA ZACHOLL
Contributing Editor

Lately, nothing seems too original. Every action movie ends with the good guys destroying the bad guys. Romantic comedies always have happy, predictable, pathetic endings. And almost every other movie is either a remake or a live action version of a popular cartoon. One of the notorious followers of this banal trend is the science-fiction genre. It has come down to a dangerous, ugly "thing," which revolves around a poorly written story for 90 minutes. But writer/director David Twohy has done his best to try to escape the staleness of sci-fi with his latest film "Pitch Black."

Although the movie contains abundant stereotypes from the genre, this "Alien"-inspired flick still deviates from the norm. The scenario sounds vaguely familiar. A spacecraft crash-

es on an unknown planet, leaving the handful of survivors to find a way out. The difference — the characters are equally, if not more, important than the plot and the threat amidst the foreign planet. Docking pilot Fry (Radha Mitchell) is the only surviving member of her crew, and she soon realizes she will have to serve as the group leader. However, one member of the troop poses a serious threat to the others — Riddick (Vin Diesel), an ex-con who was on his way back to a maximum-security prison for the rest of his life. Fortunately, a lawman named Johns (Cole Hauser) is there to keep Riddick under lock and key. The planet has three suns hitting it at all times, making the temperature an unbearable 130 degrees. Also, there appears to be no life, with remnants of past existence scattered around. The group members are not only confused as how to escape the planet, but they begin to wonder if it is even possible. The first instance of trouble arises rapidly when Riddick busts out. Johns is convinced that he will kill the others, and suddenly everyone is twice as scared as they already were. But when a member of the group mysteriously dies, Riddick informs the rest that an alien creature from underground caused the death. While searching through the leftovers strewn around the old spacecraft, Fry encounters a model of the planet, with its suns and moons revolving around it. Unfortunately for the group, the model indicates that a full eclipse will begin within a few days. Riddick says that as soon as the planet is in entire darkness, whatever kind of being living underground, which he suspects is nocturnal, will rise to the surface and kill them all. The rest of the film becomes a race against time, as Fry tries to get the spacecraft to work again while protecting the group. Seemingly, this plot sounds typical, and in many ways, it is. However, the characters drive the many twists in the story, as none of them are what they seem. Fry puts on her leader façade, but in reality she is more worried about saving herself than about taking care of the others. Johns and Riddick are extreme cases of character changes.



Due to a deterrent operation on his eyes, Riddick's vision has been impaired. Yet he can see at night, and he uses his ability to assist the others upon the beginning of the eclipse. Johns, however, suddenly seems less like a cop and more like an evil bounty hunter. Even though Riddick has proven to the rest that he isn't a threat, Johns keeps after him anyway. Each of them has something to hide, and considering the material in most sci-fi films, this character development is a welcome element. Twohy's script keeps the viewer guessing. Despite an ample amount of cheesy dialogue and predictability early on, the course of the movie keeps twisting, maintaining the constant suspense. The creature seems almost too much like that of the "Alien" series, and since Twohy worked with its creator, Ridley Scott, several times, the similarity is not unexpected. Yet "Pitch Black's" characters are still the stars rather than the creature, which is unusual in the sci-fi genre. And Twohy is able to keep the audience guessing who will die next — it

is hardly ever the obvious choice. Diesel, Hauser and Mitchell, who all come from non-sci-fi film backgrounds, manage to shine through the substance of the movie. Their lines may be trite, but at least their faces are not, making the actors a refreshing choice. The cinematography is initially compelling with a bleached, grainy effect, as seen in "Saving Private Ryan" and "Three Kings." However, this newly popular effect loses its appeal 20 minutes into the film. Though it is nothing to get excited about, "Pitch Black" succeeds in escaping its clichéd genre in several of its aspects. The dramatic element seems forced at times, but it does become realistic enough at others. Sci-fi buffs that miss the importance of a story will appreciate this, and anyone looking for a semi-scary thriller with plenty of action scenes could enjoy this in the theater. But if "The Matrix" is as sci-fi as you are willing to go, wait until "Pitch Black" comes out on video — just watch it in a dark room to get the full effect.

"DIAMONDS"
DIMENSION FILMS
RATING: ☆☆☆ 1/2

It doesn't seem possible that legendary actors like Kirk Douglas and Lauren Bacall could appear in a mediocre movie. Sure, Bacall's last great film may have been "The Big Sleep" from 1946. And out of Douglas' nearly 100 movies, many were less than stellar. And director John Asher's "Diamonds" hardly does any justice to these Hollywood luminaries. The story of three generations of a Polish family is more or less cheesy and uninspired, much like most romantic-comedy-dramas of late. Douglas stars as the former prizefighter Harry Agensky. Harry had a stroke shortly after his wife died eight years ago, and his speech was left impaired. His son, Lance (Dan Aykroyd), and grandson, Michael (Corbin Allred), go to Vancouver to visit him to try to strengthen their tense relationship. Then they take a trip to Reno to find a buried box of diamonds, which Harry claimed to have left in a gangster's house about 50 years earlier. During their adventure, they visit a house of call girls, with Sin-Dee (Bacall) serving as the house madam.



It is refreshing to see the accomplished, ever-glowing face of Bacall, who steals the show in the latter part of the movie. And Douglas, who suffered a stroke and now speaks with a speech impediment in real life, makes a valiant return to the silver screen. But the film is entirely too predictable to be at all original. "Diamonds," complete with Asher's wife, Jenny McCarthy, playing one of the call girls, isn't worth cubic zirconium, much less the real thing.

— Jessica Zacholl

"THE WHOLE NINE YARDS"
WARNER BROTHERS
RATING: ☆☆☆

Never has going to the dentist been so funny, or so dangerous. Matthew Perry plays Oseransky, "Oz" for short, a DDS who despises his wife (Rosanna Arquette), and his frustrations with his unfriendly home-life only lead to desperate comedy. But when trouble moves next door — ex-hit man Jimmy "The Tulip" Tudeski (Bruce Willis) — Oz's life gets even more complicated in "The Whole Nine Yards." As it turns out, Oz is worth more dead than alive, and his greedy wife Sophie would do anything to see her husband killed — and so would everyone else. Perry plays a nervous, vulnerable, bumbling fool who closely parallels his "Friends" character. His slapstick comedy and bruising stunts keep the film rolling with fast-paced antics. Both Tudeski's bodyguard Frankie Figs (Michael Clarke Duncan) and archenemy Janni Gogolak (Kevin Pollak) articulate comedy through their subtleties in rhetoric. Perry and Willis generate many laughs as a duo, but the weak female characters are merely there for sex appeal.



Oz's receptionist Jill (Amanda Peet) spends most of the film infatuated with Tudeski and his killing techniques, and the last third of the movie she acts in the nude. Natasha Henstridge has a minimal role in the film as Tudeski's wife, but her character merely embodies another sexual role. Each actor fulfills the comedic capacity desired in the film, but director Jonathan Lynn's haphazard ending is quite disappointing. The trite finale heartily manifests the typical romantic comedy — with all the conflicts solved and love triumphing over evil.

— Heather Garlich

Mosaic's Celeb Mix-up

This musical legend ranks among the best. Can you figure out who he is?

Answer on B4.

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Powerman 5000, Feb. 20, 7 p.m., \$20-\$22
Sno Core 2000 (featuring System of a Down, Incubus, Mr. Bungle & Puya), Feb. 22, 8 p.m., \$20-\$23
KESWICK THEATER (215-572-7650)
The Beach Boys, Feb. 25, 7:30 & 10:30 p.m., \$45
FIRST UNION CENTER (215-336-3600)
Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young, Mar. 20, 8 p.m., Sold Out, March 21, 8 p.m., \$40.50-\$76
TOWER THEATER (610-352-2887)
Fiona Apple, March 3, 8 p.m., \$28.50

Movie Times

CHRISTIANA MALL GENERAL CINEMA (368-9600)
The Hurricane 1, 4:10, 7:10, 10:15
The Tigger Movie 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, 12
The Talented Mr. Ripley 1:10, 4:15, 7:15, 10:20
Girl, Interrupted 1:15, 4, 7:20, 10:10
Toy Story 2 1:20, 3:45
Anna and the King 7, 10
REGAL PEOPLES PLAZA (834-8510)
Hanging Up 11:15, 11:45, 1:40, 2:20, 4:05, 5, 6:30, 7:30, 9, 10
Pitch Black 12:05, 2:30, 5:10, 7:45, 10:50
The Whole Nine Yards 11:35, 1:45, 4, 7, 9:50
Boiler Room 11:25, 2:05, 4:40, 7:15, 10:15
The Beach 11:20, 1:50, 2:25, 4:20, 5:05, 7:05, 7:40, 9:45, 10:40
Snow Day 11:40, 12:10, 1:55, 2:15, 4:10, 4:30, 6:20, 6:45, 8:20, 8:50, 10:30
The Tigger Movie 11:30, 12, 1:30, 2, 3:30, 4, 5:30, 6, 8
Scream 3 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:20, 8:05, 9:40, 10:35
Eye of the Beholder 11:50
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The Sixth Sense 1, 3:55, 6:50, 9:55
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FRIDAY
Rumor has it that Lincoln was inspired to write the Gettysburg Address while getting down at a place very much like the Stone Balloon. Discover what motivates you at the **DJ Dance Party**. There's no cover with student ID.

According to legend, Washington actually made a stop on his way across the Delaware River. Check out **Tequila Mockingbird** at 10 p.m. at the Deer Park, the very establishment that tempted the first president to make a detour on his voyage.

Growing up in a log cabin, Lincoln always had a fondness for acoustic folk music. You would do him proud by checking out **Pork Chops** at the East End Café at 9:30 p.m.

The former presidents would have already bought their tickets to the sold-out **Beck** concert at the Tower Theatre. If you were wise enough to get your ticket in advance, enjoy the 8 p.m. show.

Another favorite hangout of the birthday boys was Sala Salu. Go see **Healthy Doses** rock out at 10 p.m.

SATURDAY
Washington never told a lie. That is, of course, unless he knocked back a couple of \$4 pitchers at the Balloon. The price goes up at 11 p.m., so get there early to see **Burnt Sienna**.

They say that after writing the Emancipation Proclamation, Lincoln got silly to a band that sounded very similar to **The John Faye Powertrip**. Two bucks will get you into the Deer Park for the 10 p.m. show.

Washington fought in the American Revolution in the 1770s. Now you can party like it's the 1970s. **The '70s Loop** is Saturday night, so put on your funkier retro threads. An "Abe Lincoln" in your hand will pay your cover into 17 Wilmington bars and clubs.

He may not be the hero that our former presidents were, but **Adam Brodsky** has been dubbed the "local anti-folk hero." Watch him belt out a few tunes at the East End Café. The show begins at 9:30 p.m.

MONDAY
Celebrate President's Day with the electronic grooves of **Lords of Acid**, 7 p.m., at the Trocadero. Tickets are \$16 in advance and \$18 at the door.

— Compiled by Paige Wolf, who will show some respect for her forefathers and party 'til she passes out.

Toasting the bizarre

A trio of plays offer some unconventional theater

BY HEATHER GARLICH
Entertainment Editor

WILMINGTON — "It's an orgy of chaos — people, drunk and staggering — the men with noisemakers — and the women, the women were topless!"

No, it isn't Main Street, but the audience at O'Friel's Irish Pub are made to believe the streets outside teem with Y2K madness in the first comedy performed.

"Pub Plays 5" commenced in an intimate, upstairs room filled with lovers of beer and the antics of thespians.

Gary Keifer's "That Bunker Mentality" sets off the trio of plays. The comedic action circulates around a frightened family on New Year's Eve that builds a bunker to hide from the turmoil above ground.

Michael Glatts plays Joshua Bunnenschmidt, the son of Charlie (Keifer) and Mabel (Melissa Dammeyer). He just wants to escape the deranged paranoia of his parents. However, he adopts the role of a preteen almost too well, as Glatts himself is well beyond those years of naïveté.

Joshua wants to escape the bunker, except his frightened parents will not allow him to leave. Therefore, Joshua has no choice but to elicit help from Scratchy, the millennium clown (Patrick Hunt).

Scratchy ends up explaining the key to comedy — timing. And the chain-smoking, balloon-making clown definitely adds to the absurdity of the situation.

In the end, Scratchy ends up taking the canned corn the Bunnenschmidts were storing for the end of civilization since the food "looks the same coming out as it does going in."

Even more out of a bizarre-o file is "Beef Junkies," written by Jon Dorf. The audience has to imagine addicts shooting up beef instead of heroin, along with hallucinations of giant hamburgers dripping with grease.

However, the cowgirl (Kerry Kristine McElrone) just keeps going through withdrawal because only one cow remains, protected by the shepherd (Paul Schmidt). The cowgirl's boyfriend (George Tietze) refuses to kill the last cow — since he has already murdered the last ostrich.

Just when the audience thinks the play isn't peculiar enough, KLF's "The White Room" starts

booming from the stereo and the three characters start to dance in a pathetic fashion. However, "Beef Junkies" has a tragic end — although no one cries.

Drury Pifer's "A Public Nuisance" is perhaps the most amusing play of the three. It takes place in a men's restroom that has just turned unisex because someone bombed the women's room.

The chaotic scene and multiple subplots involving an agent searching for the "unisex bomber," a woman attending a language conference and a woman stuck in the stall with a headache who mumbles in backward French all make the audience members signal for another round.

But the two people with a fascination for sado-masochistic toys in town for the "Festival of Sex" add a certain flare to the confusing plot.

The agent, played by Dammeyer, looks and acts extremely authentic in her k.d. lang-styled garb, and she ties the different comical remarks together with her sleuth mentality.

David Colbert plays Sigmund Flumpeter, a German sexual deviant. His shiny, plastic ensemble generates many laughs as does Liz Hutchinson's role of Ida Belle Fleet, a dominatrix with a Brooklyn accent.

Even though "A Public Nuisance" sounds like a disturbed episode of "Ally McBeal," it flows brilliantly with clever rhetoric.

"Pub Plays 5" proves to be an original night out on the town with many laughs concerning the absurdity of each situation.

And as every member of the audience files out the door they agree with the cowboy — "A good hit of salmon always calms me right down."

Where: O'Friel's Irish Pub, 600 Delaware Ave., Wilmington
When: Feb. 20, 23 & 27
Showtime: 8 p.m.
Cost: \$7 for students, \$10 for the general public
For more info call: 654-4468



Ride 'em cowboy: Liz Hutchinson tames David Colbert in Drury Pifer's "A Public Nuisance."

THE REVIEW / Mike Louie



THE REVIEW / Scott McAllister

Do you feel like chicken tonight? Going fried might not be the best way to chow down on YoUDee.

Food for thought

BY SHAUN GALLAGHER
Features Editor

YoUDee, the Fightin' Blue Hen, can surely pile-drive opponents with unyielding force and inspire sold-out crowds to get on its feet.

When it comes to brute strength, no other mascot — can equal YoUDee's power and prowess.

But let's face it. In today's busy world, most people demand a mascot who is not only a fearless presence on the field or court — but also a mascot that is nutritious and delicious.

With this in mind, The Review gathered the nutritional statistics on five local college mascots, including our very own Blue Hen, to see which ones are not only good for their university, but also tasty with a side of fries and a Pepsi.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND:
THE TERRAPIN

The terrapin, a kind of turtle, is considered a rare delicacy, says Ryan Larsen, manager of Seattle's Finest Exotic Meats, a wholesale meat supplier.

Most turtle meat, which can often be found in soups and stews, has the stringy texture of roast beef, but much less fat, he says.

"Turtle meat is 0.5 percent fat," he says. "It is good for you."

DELAWARE STATE:
THE HORNET

Hornets, bees and other insects are not commonly what's for dinner, but Ron Hood, of the New York-based Hoods Woods Survival Training Program, says that with some careful preparation, they can be an ample source of nutrients.

"Most of their bodies are made up of protein," he says.

Even the stinger and the venom are modified proteins, which can be broken down in the cooking process.

"They're OK after a good boiling," Hood says, warning that anything with a stinger should not be eaten raw.

PENN STATE:
THE NITTANY LION

Since lion meat is very rare in the United States, there are no USDA figures, says Greg Landry, owner of 1-888-EAT-GAME, a nationwide meat distributor.

But he says he would classify it as "lean meat," akin in flavor to beef.

However, he says, because lion meat is not mass-produced for popular consumption, it is not subjected to growth hormones or other chemicals.

"That makes it a much healthier, far superior meat," Landry says.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA:
THE QUAKER

Quaker Old Fashion Oats have been a bland but filling staple breakfast food for ages.

Though they're not a delicacy, they do stand up to the competition.

According to nutritional information on every box of Quaker Oats, each serving contains 150 calories and is 5 percent fat.

Quaker Oats is also easy on the heart — it has zero cholesterol.

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE:
THE BLUE HEN

KFC's Hot & Spicy Chicken Breast may just be the perfect way to savor the flavor of the Fightin' Blue Hen.

According to KFC's nutritional information, the Hot & Spicy Chicken Breast claims 530 calories per serving, along with 35 grams of fat. In addition, 58 percent of all of the calories come from fat.

The towering blue chicken might be as fit as a Navy Seal and as limber as an Olympic gymnast, but deep fried, he's not very healthy. Even though YoUDee eats most other mascots for breakfast, eating YoUDee may be hazardous to your own health.

Web site plays 'Let's Make a Deal'

BY PAIGE WOLF
Assistant Entertainment Editor

It is now possible to hold a backstage pass to the Grammy awards without being a presenter.

One does not have to be a major league player to attend batting practice with Derek Jeter or be a supermodel to attend Heidi Klum's next modeling shoot.

All that is necessary is the click of a mouse — and a few thousand dollars.

The new Web site UltimateBid.com allows the public to bid on auctions that feature fantasy experiences and celebrity encounters.

The bid package that includes meeting Gloria Estefan is up to \$6,500, while the top bidder for a day with Heidi Klum has offered \$6,100.

On the surface, the idea of being able to live out celebrity fantasies seems appealing.

However, many students say they would not be willing to pay money to spend time with a celebrity.

Sophomore Jonathan Glasser says the entire situation would make him uncomfortable.

"I would just feel awkward knowing I paid the person to hang out with me," he says. "It's like they're a prostitute of your time."

Sophomore Nick Chase says he agrees that he wouldn't want to meet someone under those circumstances.

"I wouldn't feel like the person would be into it if I met them," he says. "It would be like a job for

them."

A few students say they would be willing to use the services of UltimateBid.com, but only under certain conditions.

The possibility of going in as a group to make a purchase would ease the financial strain and discomfort for most people. But many say the only way they would place a bid, is if it were a gift for someone else.

"I would buy someone as a present for a friend who was crazy about a star," freshman Nikki Kucharski says.

Some of UltimateBid.com's auctions benefit charities. Other less costly auction items do exist. For less than \$1,500, fans can attend an all-star ice skating warm-up with Tara Lipinski and Kristi Yamaguchi, or gain pit access and VIP seating at NASCAR's Daytona 500.

However, most college students say that although the idea is appealing, paying money to spend time with a celebrity would be an unnecessary, if not impossible, expense.

"I wouldn't spend too much," sophomore Kelly Jensen says. "But if I could buy someone it would be Tim McGraw."

Many students say they would not be interested simply because there is no one they find important enough to dole out big bucks to meet.

"I think I could find a better way to spend my money," junior Fred Chait says.

Junior Liz Rutherford says that if money were not an issue she would consider taking the Web site up on its offer.

"I would pay to jam with Sarah McLachlan," she says.

Some students say if the right item were up for bid, financial concerns would no longer be an issue.

"I would pay an undisclosed amount to buy Jude Law," junior Lauren Tracy says.

And then there are those who would go to any extreme to fulfill their fantasies.

"I would live off of bologna sandwiches and Bud Light to spend a day with Heidi Klum," senior Glenn Feaster says.

Scott Senauke, director of product marketing for UltimateBid.com, says that the response to the auctions in the first week was above the company's predictions.

"There have not been that many bids so far," he says. "But we are very happy about the amount of people who registered to bid in the future."

Upcoming auctions on UltimateBid.com include a walk-on part in Broadway's "Rent," an evening with violin virtuoso Itzhak Perlman and a private dance recital by Mikhail Baryshnikov.

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THE REVIEW / Nat Scott

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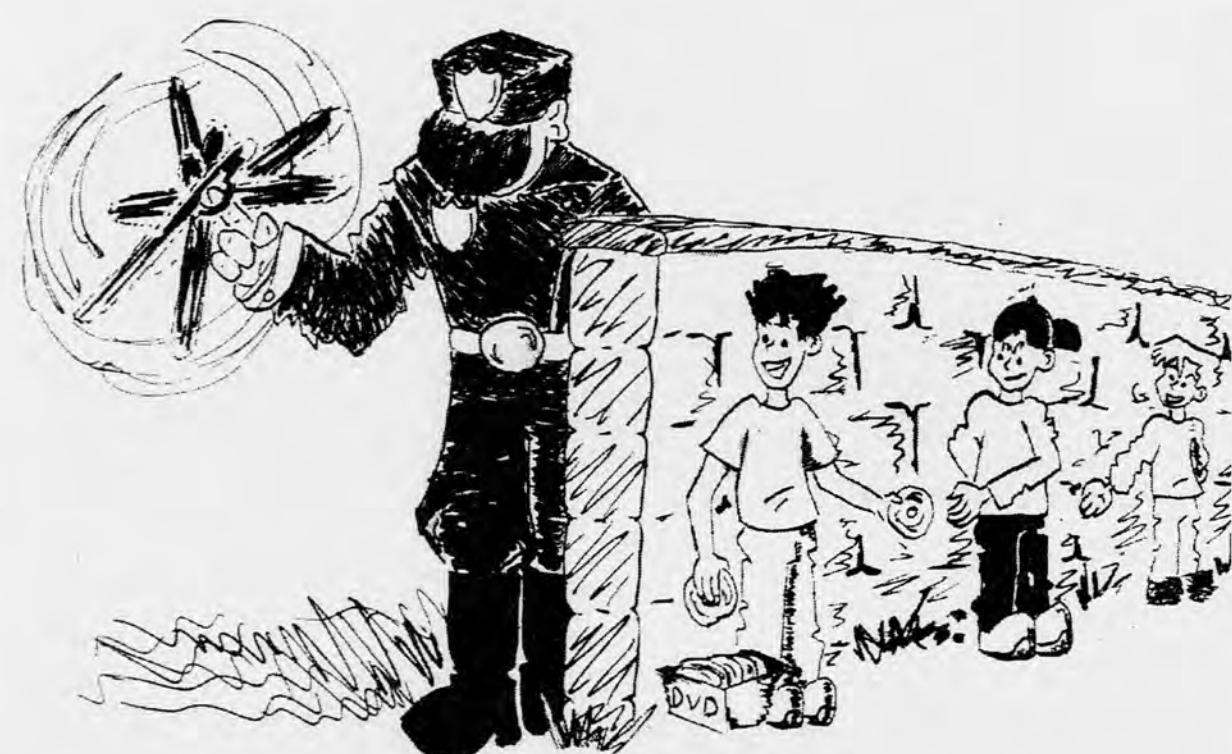
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Many companies, especially software producers, include clauses in their "do not copy" messages, giving the consumer permission to reproduce the copyrighted material only to backup the original.

The question is whether the MPAA can sue "hackers" for posting a program, namely DeCSS, that could possibly be used to pirate DVDs for sale on the black market.

A major problem with these suits lies in the fact that unless someone is caught selling or distributing illegal

copies of copyrighted material, there's no way to prove an intent to use the copies as anything but back-up.

For example, Johansen and others originally held responsible for introducing DeCSS to the world said they did so in order to play DVDs on a Linux operating system. To date, the MPAA only releases digital video for registered DVD players or MacOS/Windows DVD drives — a detail most Linux users find discriminatory.

And if DVD producers can exclude operating systems, heeding consumers to buy certain computers, they can go a step further and format their discs' CSS encryption codes to conform to different players sold in different regions.

For example, producers might be afraid American buyers will purchase DVDs from India instead of the United States, as the discs are cheaper in India. By encrypting Indian DVDs differently than their American counterparts, companies can be sure consumers will be unable to play imported movies on their domestic digital players.

Some liken this scenario to Sony hypothetically selling CD players that would only play CDs produced by Sony Records.

But the logic of supply and demand still stands, and in a free market, there's nothing to stop the MPAA from ensuring the demand falls where they want it.

Linux users, by decoding CSS in order to play DVDs on their operating systems, proved to film producers that their movies can be copied or played on any digital video player. While the MPAA has every right to sue multimedia pirates based on copyright laws, it's debatable whether they have any right to require that a DVD be played on registered players only.

And to ban DeCSS, the program that lets DVD owners decode their discs, would be like banning assembly instructions.

Technology often evolves faster than the legality surrounding its offspring. In cases like that of DeCSS versus the DVD industry, it's hard to determine a verdict for one side or the other, as both have valid points.

But until a clear-cut solution is proposed and implemented, the corporation giants will continue to swat ineffectively at the cyber-gnats trying to break into their networks — and hackers will always have opportunities to develop delightful persecution complexes.

Mosaic
Celeb
Mix-up
Answer:

Ray Charles

Lucky numbers:
3, 17, 42, 43, 69

Tying the knot on the hardwood

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hand in marriage," he asked.

After Presenza made the wedding official, the Philly fans, notorious for their attitude, erupted in a large cheer. Friends and family scurried around with camcorders capturing everything on tape. As per the custom, some couples threw wedding bouquets up into the stands.

In the end, the newlyweds were all smiles.

Terry and Yvette Sizer said they got married at center court because of financial concerns as well as love.

"We love basketball," Yvette said in her white wedding dress, veil and tennis shoes. "We were planning a formal wedding over a year ago, but it would have cost \$130,000."

She said when the chance arose to mix their love for each other with their love for the team, it was just natural.

"We love the Sixers," she said.

Eubanks said he was proud to be a part of the event.

He added that while for those watching it may not mean

much, it would be a lasting memory for the 76 couples.

"It's really a wonderful thing," he said. "It's a salute to Valentine's Day."

Despite euphoria and good will from the weddings, some people were not sure they would take the same route when tying the knot.

Jackie McMonigle, who watched everything unfold from her seat, said she'd rather get married the traditional way down the aisle.

"It's not something I would do," she said. "I don't find it that romantic."

But Eubanks said the ceremony holds more meaning for the couples themselves.

"While we might not appreciate it, it will be a memory they'll remember at Christmas, Thanksgiving, etc.," he said. "It will be there forever."

Though the Sixers lost 95-93, the couples, getting ready for their reception at the Red Bell Brewery, could still feel secure in the fact that they had wedding souvenirs unique to only themselves and 75 other couples.

Ticket stubs.

"There's going to be a whole lot of whoopie tonight!"

— Bob Eubanks



THE REVIEW / Scott McAllister

Matthew and Kelly Rulli got hitched while the 76ers took a break from Tuesday night's game.

THE 72ND ACADEMY AWARD
NOMINEES (A SAMPLING)

Best Picture

"American Beauty"
"The Cider House Rules"
"The Green Mile"
"The Insider"
"The Sixth Sense"

Actress in a Supporting Role

Toni Collette
Angelina Jolie
Catherine Keener
Samantha Morton
Chloe Sevigny

Actor in a Leading Role

Russell Crowe
Richard Farnsworth
Sean Penn
Kevin Spacey
Denzel Washington

Directing

"American Beauty"
"Being John Malkovich"
"The Cider House Rules"
"The Insider"
"The Sixth Sense"

Actress in a Leading Role

Annette Bening
Janet McTeer
Julianne Moore
Meryl Streep
Hilary Swank

Cinematography

"American Beauty"
"The End of the Affair"
"The Insider"
"Sleepy Hollow"
"Snow Falling on Cedars"

Actor in a Supporting Role

Michael Caine
Tom Cruise
Michael Clarke Duncan
Jude Law
Haley Joel Osment

Original Song

"South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut"
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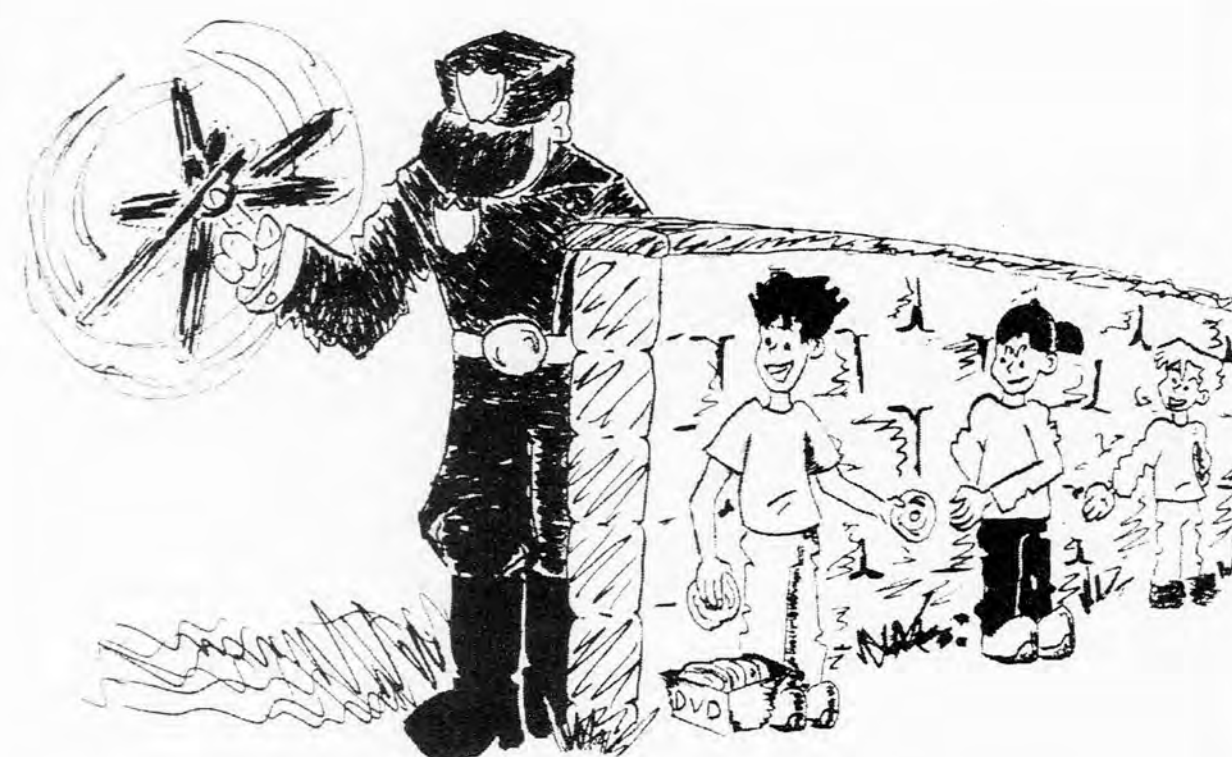
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Many companies, especially software producers, include clauses in their "do not copy" messages, giving the consumer permission to reproduce the copyrighted material only to backup the original.

The question is whether the MPAA can sue "hackers" for posting a program, namely DeCSS, that could possibly be used to pirate DVDs for sale on the black market.

A major problem with these suits lies in the fact that unless someone is caught selling or distributing illegal

copies of copyrighted material, there's no way to prove an intent to use the copies as anything but back-up.

For example, Johansen and others originally held responsible for introducing DeCSS to the world said they did so in order to play DVDs on a Linux operating system. To date, the MPAA only releases digital video for registered DVD players or MacOS/Windows DVD drives — a detail most Linux users find discriminatory.

And if DVD producers can exclude operating systems, heaving consumers to buy certain computers, they can go a step further and format their discs' CSS encryption codes to conform to different players sold in different regions.

For example, producers might be afraid American buyers will purchase DVDs from India instead of the United States, as the discs are cheaper in India. By encrypting Indian DVDs differently than their American counterparts, companies can be sure consumers will be unable to play imported movies on their domestic digital players.

Some liken this scenario to Sony hypothetically selling CD players that would only play CDs produced by Sony Records.

But the logic of supply and demand still stands, and in a free market, there's nothing to stop the MPAA from ensuring the demand falls where they want it.

Linux users, by decoding CSS in order to play DVDs on their operating systems, proved to film producers that their movies can be copied or played on any digital video player. While the MPAA has every right to sue multimedia pirates based on copyright laws, it's debatable whether they have any right to require that a DVD be played on registered players only.

And to ban DeCSS, the program that lets DVD owners decode their discs, would be like banning assembly instructions.

Technology often evolves faster than the legality surrounding its offspring. In cases like that of DeCSS versus the DVD industry, it's hard to determine a verdict for one side or the other, as both have valid points.

But until a clear-cut solution is proposed and implemented, the corporation giants will continue to swat ineffectively at the cyber-gnats trying to break into their networks — and hackers will always have opportunities to develop delightful persecution complexes.

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Tying the knot on the hardwood

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hand in marriage," he asked.

After Prezenta made the wedding official, the Philly fans, notorious for their attitude, erupted in a large cheer. Friends and family scurried around with camcorders capturing everything on tape. As per the custom, some couples threw wedding bouquets up into the stands.

In the end, the newlyweds were all smiles.

Terry and Yvette Sizer said they got married at center court because of financial concerns as well as love.

"We love basketball," Yvette said in her white wedding dress, veil and tennis shoes. "We were planning a formal wedding over a year ago, but it would have cost \$130,000."

She said when the chance arose to mix their love for each other with their love for the team, it was just natural.

"We love the Sixers," she said.

Eubanks said he was proud to be a part of the event. He added that while for those watching it may not mean

much, it would be a lasting memory for the 76 couples.

"It's really a wonderful thing," he said. "It's a salute to Valentine's Day."

Despite euphoria and good will from the weddings, some people were not sure they would take the same route when tying the knot.

Jackie McMonigle, who watched everything unfold from her seat, said she'd rather get married the traditional way down the aisle.

"It's not something I would do," she said. "I don't find it that romantic."

But Eubanks said the ceremony holds more meaning for the couples themselves.

"While we might not appreciate it, it will be a memory they'll remember at Christmas, Thanksgiving, etc.," he said. "It will be there forever."

Though the Sixers lost 95-93, the couples, getting ready for their reception at the Red Bell Brewery, could still feel secure in the fact that they had wedding souvenirs unique to only themselves and 75 other couples.

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"There's going to be a whole lot of whoopie tonight!"

— Bob Eubanks



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Matthew and Kelly Rulli got hitched while the 76ers took a break from Tuesday night's game.

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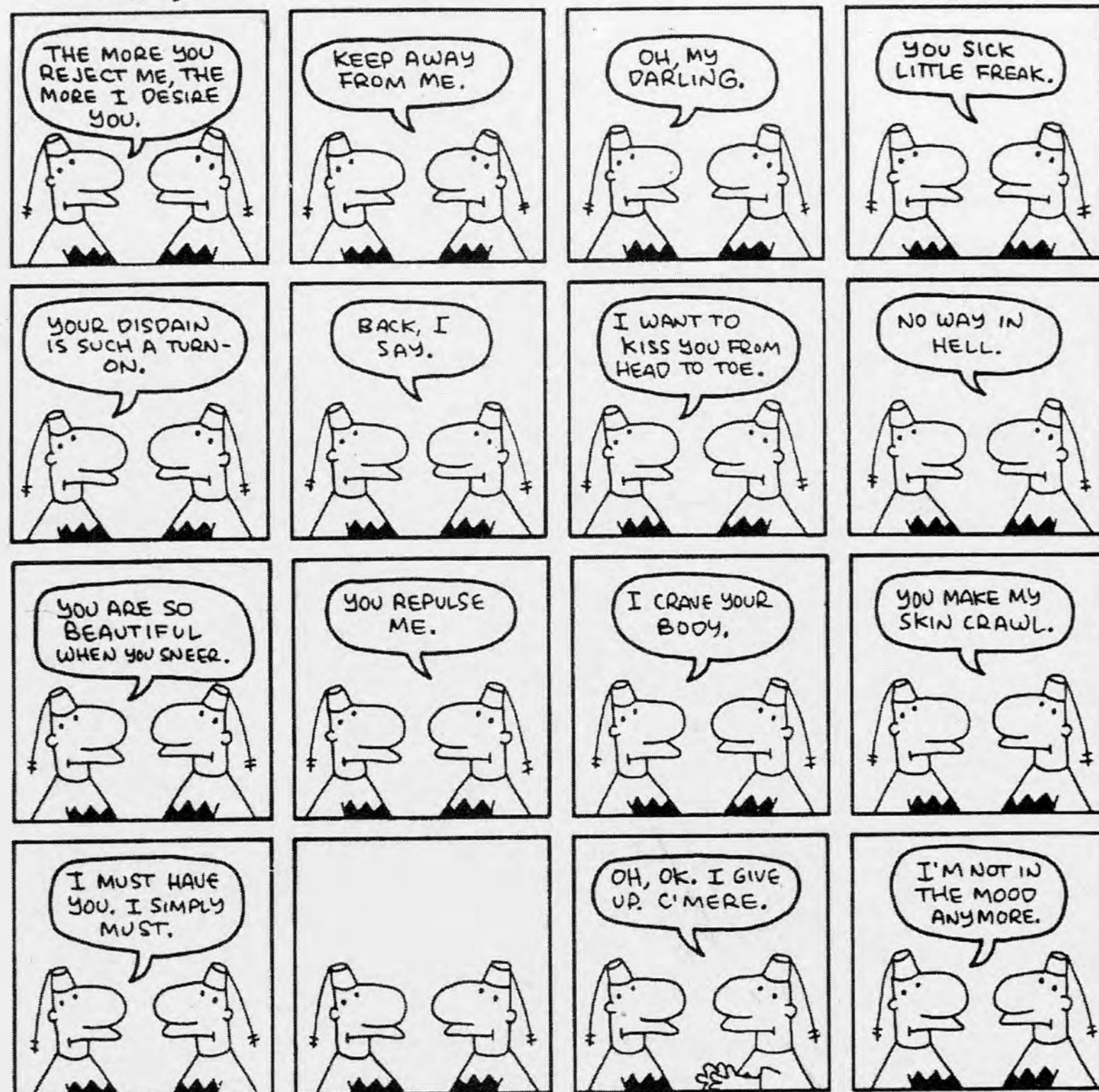
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Delaware ready for AE conferences in Boston

BY ROB ERDMAN

Looking to defend its conference title, the Delaware men's indoor track team will travel to Boston University for the America East championships Saturday at 9 a.m.

The women's meet will be at the same location Saturday, with the Hens looking to improve on last year's fifth-place finish. However, the competition for both Delaware teams will be difficult.

Hens men's head coach Jim Fischer and Delaware women's head coach Susan McGrath-Powell both said that Northeastern, New Hampshire and Boston University will be strong this time around.

"I'm fairly nervous considering the competition in our league this year," Fischer said.

He said the Terriers will be especially competitive because the meet will take place on their home track.

Fischer said he believes that proximity can play a pivotal role

in a meet. He added this helped the Hens win the championship last year, when the conference championships were in Newark.

"It's not easy to travel seven hours and be competitive," he said. In order for the men's team to continue its success and repeat, Delaware must continue to place high in the jump events, the throwing events, and the distance running events, Fischer said.

"People we expect to be good need to be good," he said. "We'll also need some surprises from our younger and inexperienced athletes."

Fischer said the men's team could bring home as many as seven individual championships, which would be an improvement on last year's five.

Returning conference champions include junior Joe Quigley, who won the 1,000-meter in a school record time of 2:28.95, and junior Jeff McIlvaine, who won the pole vault.

McGrath-Powell said the women's team will improve on last year's finish if it gets strong per-

formances in the high jump, the long jump, pole vaulting, and the relay events.

She said she believes the team has the potential to bring home as many as four individual conference championships.

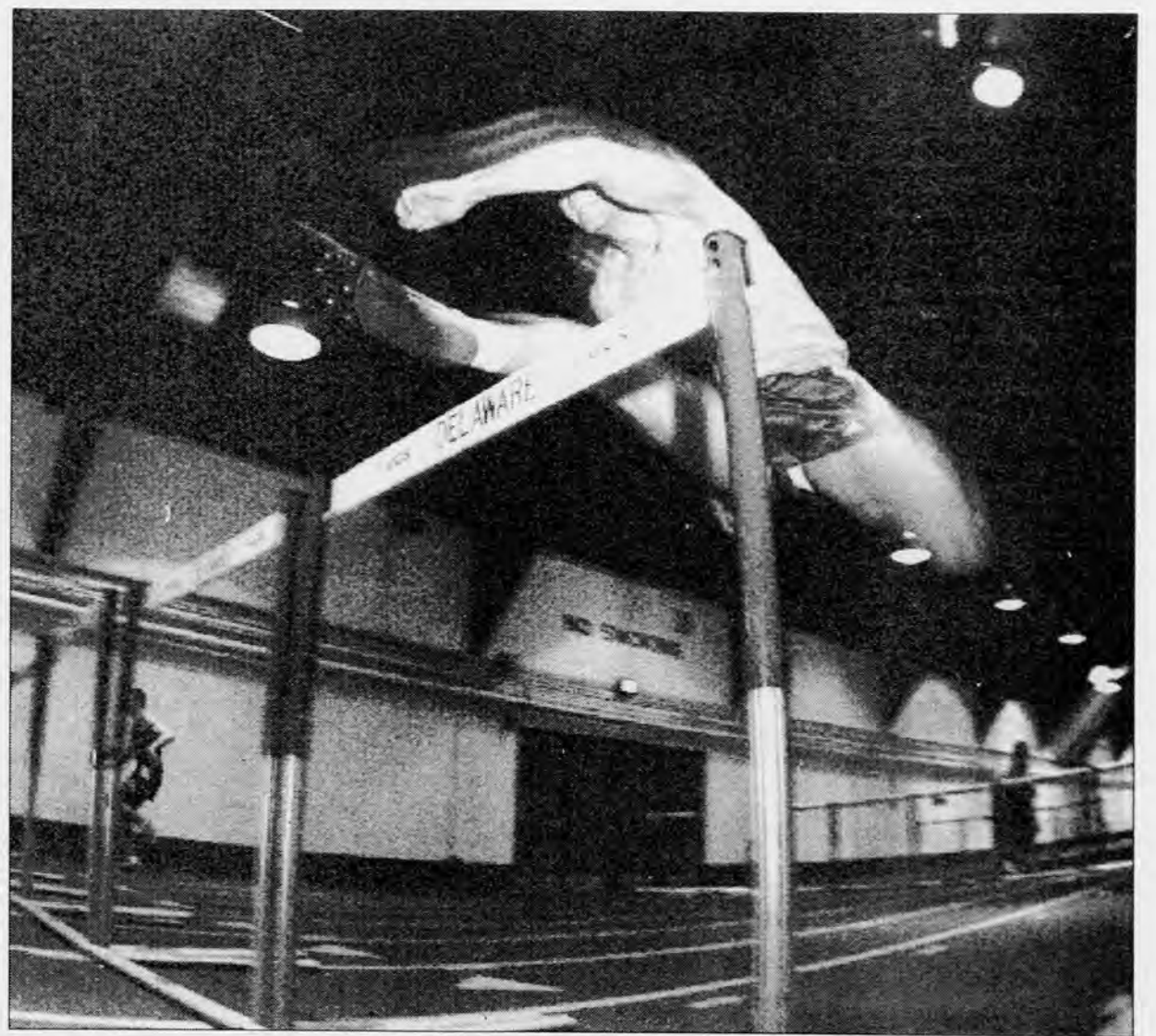
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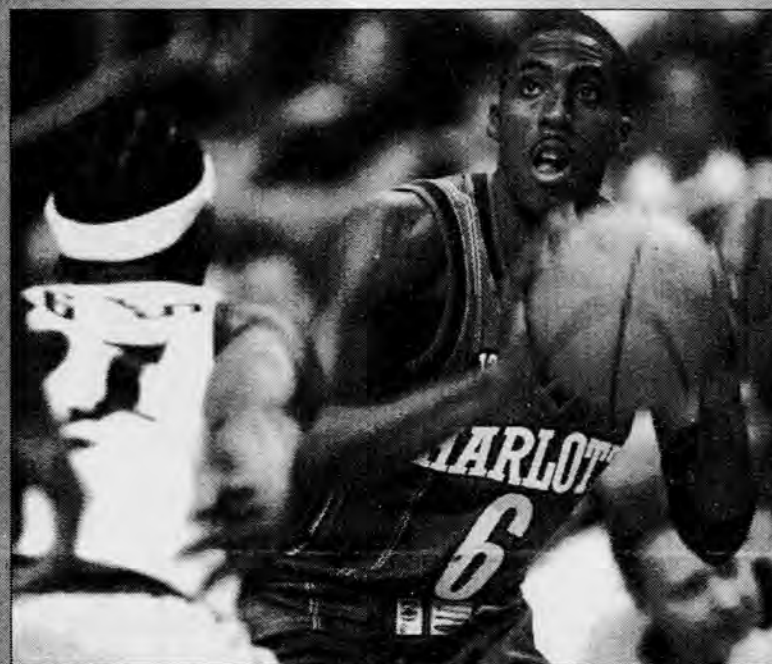
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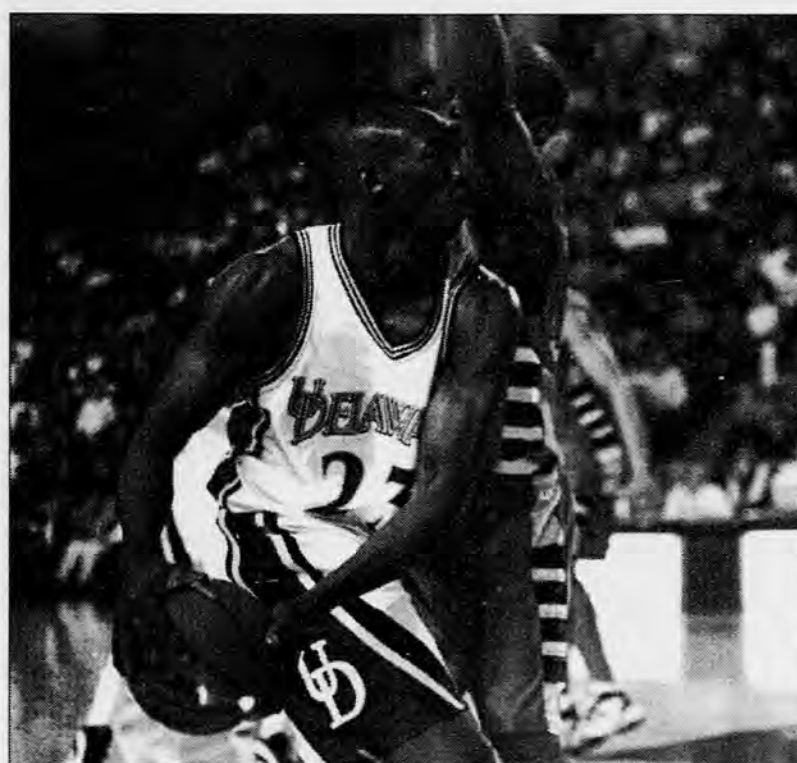
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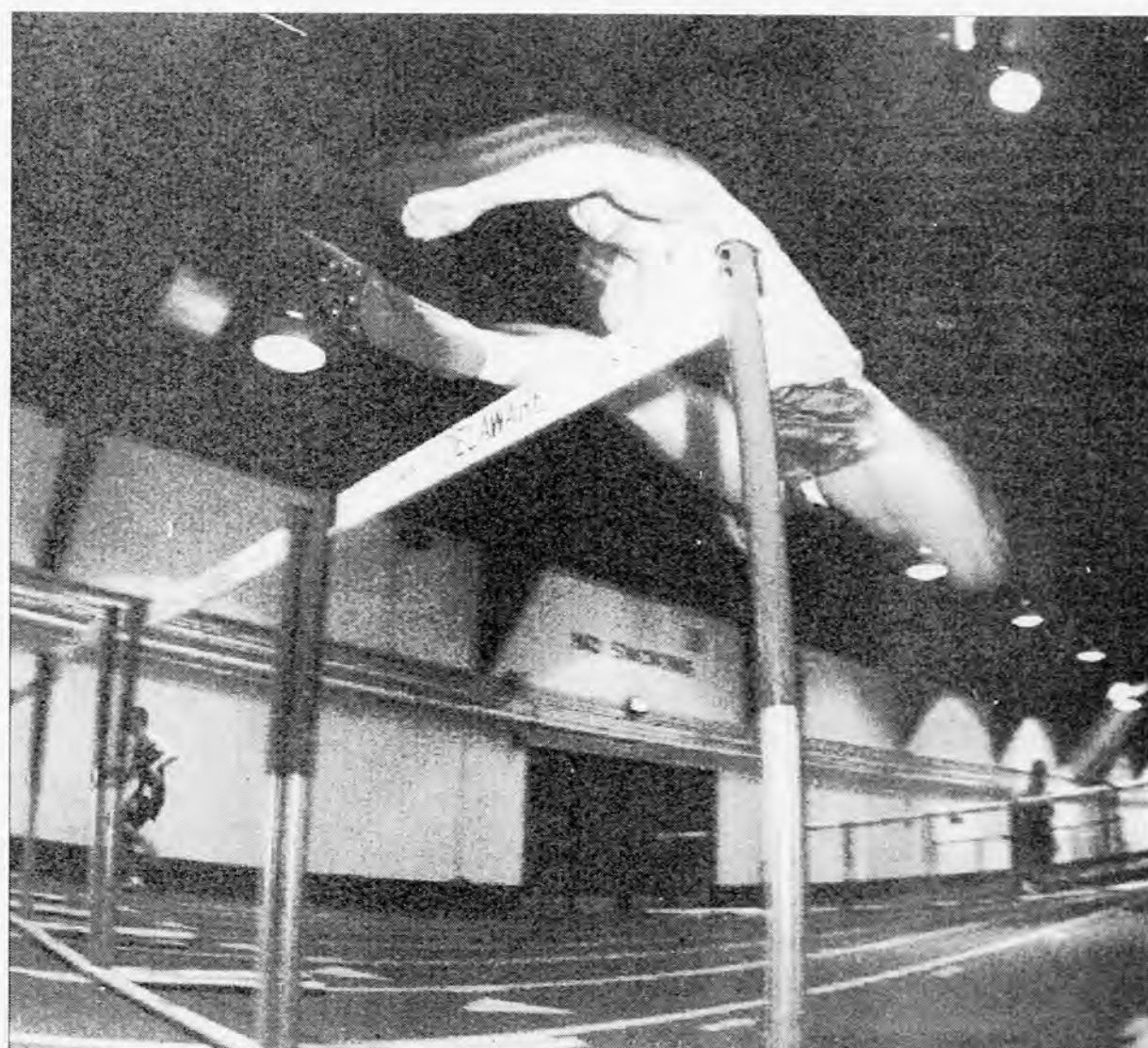
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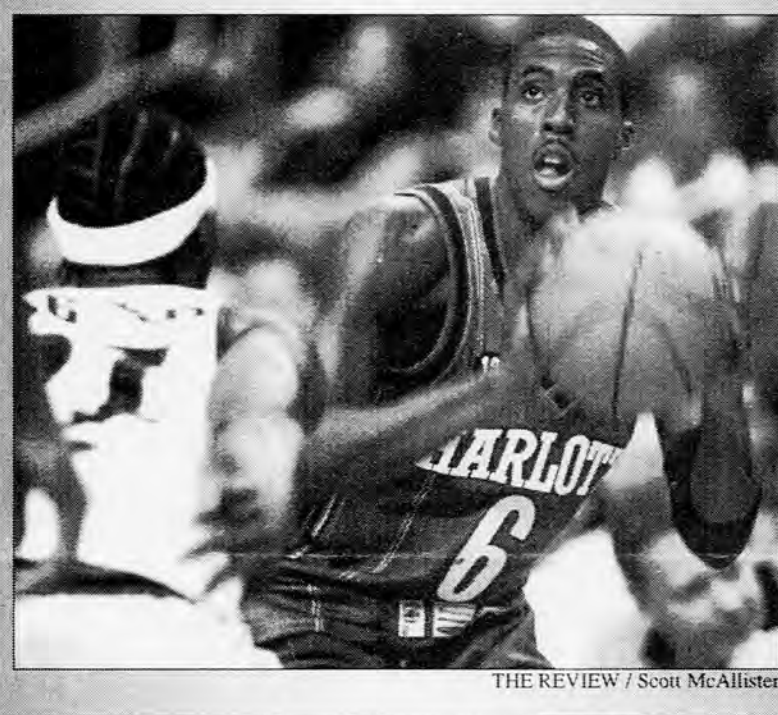
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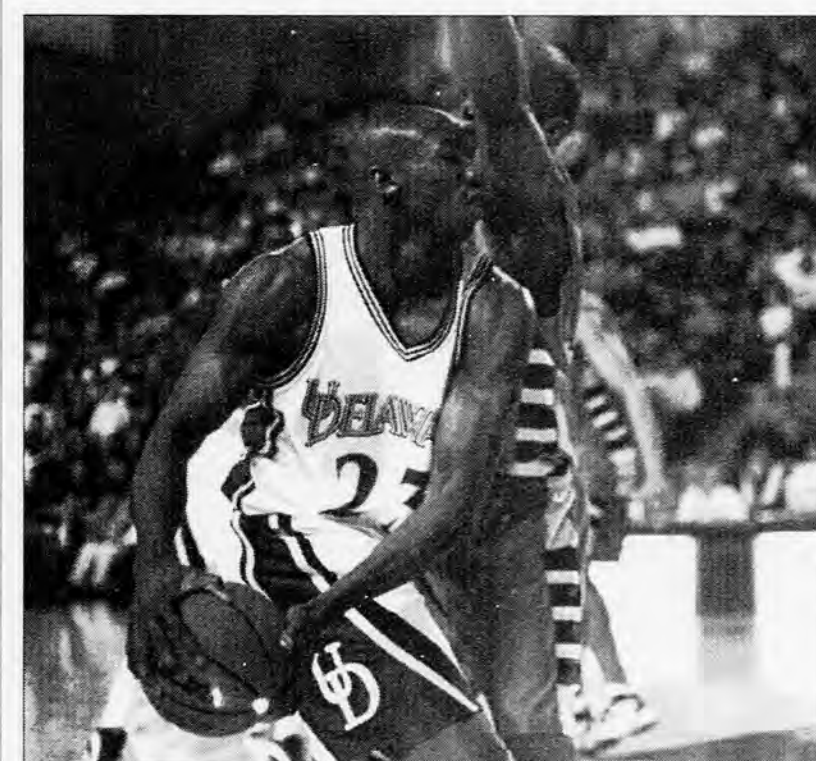
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Sure, McGwire and Sosa put on aerial shows with baseballs for NL fans in '98 and '99, but they played on mediocre clubs while doing it.

Only Sosa has sniffed October playoff air recently, but his senses were muffled when the Cubs were eliminated in three games by the Braves in the '98 divisional playoff.

And the Braves themselves, like the Buffalo Bills in the NFL, have become the can't-win-the-big-one club of baseball, winning only one world championship in five Fall Classic trips in the last decade.

But now, with Junior's arrival in Cincinnati, the National League can finally boast that they have the most complete player in baseball playing within its borders.

Often compared to Hall-of-Famer Willie Mays, Griffey has wowed AL audiences since his entry into the majors at the tender age of 19.

Since then, Junior has hit 398 HR, scored more than 1,000 runs and averaged .299 in his 11-year professional career.

Oh yeah, he is also the best center fielder toiling in the outfield today, racking up 10 consecutive Gold Gloves for excellence in fielding.

With the trade, Griffey returns to the city that holds a special place in his heart. It was in Cincinnati that his father, Ken Sr., played as a member of Cincinnati's "Big Red Machine," a team that won two consecutive World Series in '75 and '76.

Growing up in the locker room next to Pete Rose, Joe Morgan and Tony Perez, Junior developed his love for the game inside the walls of Riverfront Stadium (now known as Cinergy Field).

Want evidence of Griffey's desire to play in Cincinnati? The Mariners offered him \$24 million more than the Reds but he turned it down in order to play in front of the Reds faithful.

Perhaps the greatest beneficiaries of his move to the National League are the millions of fans who, because of their close proximity to NL parks, have never witnessed Griffey's play in person.

Because of this move, fans in Wrigley Field and Shea Stadium can watch Junior rob Cubs and Mets sluggers of certain homers by leaping over the center field wall for another amazing catch.

Audiences in St. Louis and Philadelphia can see Griffey's almost-perfect swing as it rips another double to the gap or lofts a fly ball that lands 15 rows up in the bleachers.

It's about time NL fans can see some excitement at the ballpark.

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D-III team thumps UD

BY MATTHEW STEINMETZ
Managing Sports Editor

Hershey, Pa., markets itself as "the sweetest place on Earth."

But the Delaware ice hockey team's Tuesday night trip to chocolate world undoubtedly left a bad taste in players' mouths.

Lebanon Valley College, an NCAA Division III school, handed the Hens a 4-1 defeat at a neutral site.

After a scoreless first period in which play was fairly even, the Dutchmen poured in three goals in the second to seize control of the game.

Hens head coach Josh Brandwene said Lebanon Valley (18-4-1) was one of Delaware's more challenging opponents.

"They're a very good hockey team," he said. "They're well coached and there's a reason they are going to their Division III playoffs this year."

While its record might not be entirely indicative, this Hens club has made serious strides this season, and Brandwene credits much of the

improvement to an extremely difficult schedule.

That would explain why Delaware (16-12-1) would be interested in playing an NCAA team like the Dutchmen.

"We play them for the competition," Brandwene said. "Our schedule has been 100 percent about playing tough teams so our team is ready come tournament time."

This time around, Lebanon Valley proved to be a little too much for the Hens, outshooting them 43-33.

"We certainly expected it to be a competitive game and it was," Brandwene said. "Special teams was the difference."

Three of the Dutchmen's four tallies came on either a power play or penalty kill.

The scoring got started 3:53 into the second period when sophomore Tim DeVuono jumped into a short-handed rush on a Delaware man-advantage and fired a shot past Hens goaltender Adam Barbour to make the score 1-0.

Lebanon Valley added to its lead just

a minute and a half later on an even-strength goal by freshman Jeremy Felt.

Delaware countered when Bret Huston beat Dutchmen goalie Kevin Block at 7:38 of the period to cut the deficit to one, but Lebanon Valley answered once more with a short-handed goal near the end of the period.

Freshman Scott Shilling took a feed from teammate Jason Kilcoyne and found the top corner of the net to run the score to 3-1.

The Dutchmen tacked on an insurance goal midway through the third period to ice the victory.

Brandwene said he was pleased by Barbour's netminding, especially since this was the freshman's second start.

"I can't say enough about [him]," he said. "He's waited an awful long time to get his opportunity and the two games he's played in, he's played very well."

Brandwene also said regular goaltender Bjorn Christiano is healthy now and should be between the pipes from here on out.

Hens eye fourth straight

Injury bug strikes again as Presley's status in question

BY ROBERT NIEDZWIECKI
Sports Editor

Coming off a dominating effort against Hartford Monday night, the Delaware men's basketball team will take the floor against another "ordinary" team when it travels to play Towson University Saturday night at 7.

But they may have to do it without one of the team's best players — not only for this game, but possibly for the rest of the season.

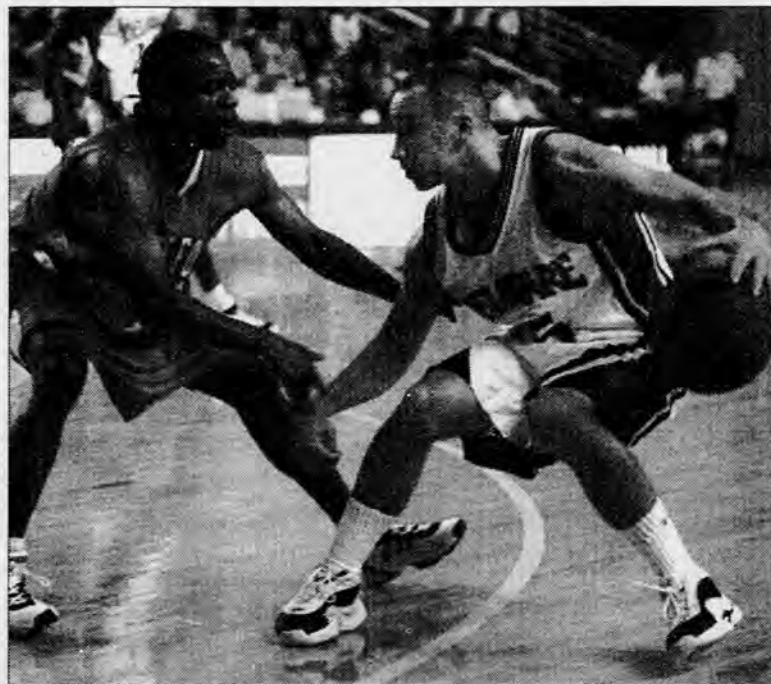
On Senior Night Monday, the five seniors that played gave the fans a night to remember, scoring 74 of the team's 90 points in the Hens' (19-6, 11-4 America East) 90-72 victory.

The one who did not participate, Delaware senior forward Darryl Presley, missed his third straight game due to continuing problems with his left big toe.

Presley has had trouble with turf toe since his sophomore year, but irritation of the seismoid bone in the same toe has kept him on the shelf since Feb. 9.

"It could be over as far as him being with us this year," said Mike Brey, Hens head basketball coach. "We have to deal with that."

Presley, the 1998 America East tournament MVP, would certainly be missed in the post-season if he is unable to play. But given that he has already missed 12 games, Brey said the team would be ready for this potential



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Senior John Gordon scored 13 points on 5-of-9 shooting, including 3-of-6 from three-point range against Hartford.

issue.

"We've had success without him," he said. "Our guys will probably take this as more of a challenge."

"The whole year has been dealing with who's available, and who's not. I think the team has handled it really well."

Brey said Presley will be checked by a doctor Monday or Tuesday to update his condition.

For the fourth straight contest, Delaware will be taking on a conference-lightweight. Towson comes into the matchup struggling mightily, having lost five of its past six games.

The Hens were the team that got the Tigers going on this unimpressive skid, handing them

an 82-70 loss on Jan. 22.

"That worries me," Brey said. "I don't care if we're in third — everyone has their game with us circled on their schedule."

"We've beaten them seven straight times, and knocked them out of the tournament the last two years. This would count as a seven-win game for them if they beat us."

Last time, Towson gave Delaware all it could handle. The Tigers were tied with the Hens at 49 with 13:36 remaining before Delaware managed to pull away.

Leading the way for Towson is junior forward Brian Barber, who is averaging 16.4 points and 6.4

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Squad takes on Towson

BY DOMENICO MONTANARO
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They are breaking new ground and establishing prominence.

If the Hens can pick up a victory against Towson Saturday afternoon, they will become the first team to amass 17 wins since the 1992-'93 squad went 17-11.

However, the last time the Delaware women's basketball team played Towson, it fell apart. On Jan. 22 at Towson, the Hens blew a 19-point lead and were outscored 40-19 in the second half as they fell to the Tigers, 59-53.

But that was nearly a month ago and some things have changed.

Delaware is coming off the school's first-ever Boston road sweep under head coach Tina Martin and has won four conference games in a row.

The squad is playing with confidence and performing the best it ever has during Martin's tenure.

The third-place Hens, who are now 16-7 (9-5 America East), have been picked up by their proverbial bootstraps since Martin took over the reins four years ago.

She came into the position after assisting at Seton Hall for eight seasons where she played an integral part in rebuilding the Pirates' program and leading them to a Sweet Sixteen appearance — the school's best-ever performance.

The 34-year-old Lock Haven graduate, where she was a two-time Division II All-American and finished as the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference's all-time leading scorer with 2,157 points, has had her hands full trying to rebuild Delaware's program.

Martin inherited a team that had had three straight losing seasons and a crew of players that she has said seemingly wanted no part of the new coach.

In her first season ('96-'97), Martin said she tried to overcome the attitudes of players that were resistant to her coaching philosophy.

The Hens finished a dismal 9-19, but the cards on the floor were certainly not a full deck. Martin has said she knew in order to get the program to the threshold of where it is today, she would have to get some new, talented faces.

And she has.

With her staff's and her own impressive recruiting skills, they have brought in the likes of Cindy Johnson and Danielle Leyfert — a duo that is vaulting its way to Delaware dominance.

In Martin's second year, due to injuries and inexperience, the squad went 6-21. Last season, the Hens shocked everyone but themselves with their 16-11, 10-8 mark. As the No. 5 seed, Delaware lost in the quarterfinals to host Vermont.



THE REVIEW / Mike Louie

The Delaware ice hockey team fell 4-1 Tuesday night to NCAA Division III Lebanon Valley in Hershey, Pa.

Viera retires after 27 years as coach

BY JEFF GLUCK
Staff Reporter

Barbara Viera, Delaware's head volleyball coach for the last 27 years, announced her retirement Tuesday afternoon.

"I've always looked at retirement as a positive thing," Viera said. "But it's difficult leaving some players behind."

Viera is finishing a coaching career that began at Delaware in 1973 after coaching one season at Springfield (Mass.) College in 1970. Overall, she compiled a 687-434-4 record in her coaching career.

"I'm shocked," said sophomore Kelsey Manning, who was recruited by Viera from Woodridge, Ill. "I thought she was going for 700 wins."

Viera's 687 victories place her seventh on the active NCAA Division I women's volleyball coaching win list. UCLA's Andy Banachowski tops the list with 873 victories.

In 1999, the team compiled a 12-21 record and advanced to the America East conference semifinals for the ninth consecutive



Barbara Viera

year. "Barb has been a great friend and colleague," Athletic Director Edgar Johnson stated in a press release. "She has been a true leader in the sport of volleyball. Her contributions reach worldwide."

Viera said, "It's hard to leave when I haven't finished with some players. But I guess that whenever you leave, there are always going to be a few players who are two or three years away from finishing."

Viera said she will remain involved with volleyball through several committees.

"I've been around the game for

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Delaware dives into conferences

BY JAMES CAREY
Staff Reporter

February. It is the time of year for beginnings. Students and faculty start classes, not to mention that spring is just a month away. Fresh starts and a relaxed atmosphere flourish in the minds of all that have returned from winter break.

But the Delaware men's (6-1, 2-0 America East) and women's (6-1, 2-0) swimming and diving teams don't have the luxury everyone else has.

This is it. The end of the long season that began last fall starts today at 11 a.m. with the America East Championship meet in the Carpenter Sports Building.

The Hens enter this championship

AE Championships

Friday through Sunday

• Prelims run 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
• Event finals start at 6:30 p.m.

All events held at Rawstrom Pool in the CSB.

meet with lofty expectations, especially the men. They could embark on a feat no other team in the conference has accomplished by winning their fourth straight conference championship.

"Four in a row is something that has never been done," said John Hayman, Delaware head coach, "and for our team to do that would be amazing."

However, winning the meet for a

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The Delaware men's swimming team looks for its fourth straight conference title at the America East Championships this weekend.