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THE REVIEW/ Charles Fort

Only the Shadow knows — Chance, a one-year-old groundhog at the Philadelphia Zoological Gardens, was reluctant to leave her burrow Sunday morning. She eventually came out, but did not see her shadow, which, according to tradition, means we will have an early spring.

Preferred majors change

by Stacy Mayhew
Assistant News Editor

Business administration and education have taken the lead as the most popular majors for this year's freshman class.

The number of freshman computer science majors is declining at the university, in keeping with a national trend, according to data from the Admissions Office.

The number of education majors has increased by 30 percent since 1983. These figures are consistent with the national figure in the 20th annual survey of American freshman by Alexander Astin, a professor at the University of California at Los Angeles.

At the university, there is a slight increase in physical therapy interests and the number of majors in physical education and biological science.

The number of nursing majors at the university has declined slightly while the communication major has risen in popularity by 40 percent.

A survey of the class of 1988 taken when it entered the university as freshmen was conducted jointly by the American Council on Education and UCLA. A profile of the

sophomore class is as follows:

- 64 percent favored legalized abortion.
- 51 percent favored couples living together before marriage.
- There was a four percent increase in the number of students who believed a couple should live together for some time before they get married, from 47 percent for the class of 1987 to 51 percent for the class of 1988.
- 34 percent of the university students polled versus 40 percent on the national level thought it was important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships.
- 72.5 percent believed raising a family was an important objective.
- Only 14 percent expected to be married within five years compared to 20 percent nationally.
- 6 out of 10 considered themselves politically middle of the road.
- The percentage of students who believed marijuana should be legalized continued to decline.
- Students expressed a lack of interest in political and social issues, in keeping with the results of the national UCLA survey.
- 78 percent said the university was their first choice institution.

Cheating rise causes concern

by Sharon Anderson
and Robert DiGiacomo
Staff Reporters

Academic dishonesty charges filed against students increased 40 percent last semester over the previous fall's total.

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There were 41 cases of academic dishonesty last semester compared to 25 cases from fall semester a year ago, said Pat Corder, assistant dean of students.

"I don't think there is an increase in cheating as much as there is an increase in the awareness of the faculty towards cheating," she added.

Last fall, three students were suspended from the university as a result of academic dishonesty.

"I'm not convinced there is more cheating," said Timothy Brooks, dean of students.

"I think the faculty is paying more attention to the issue and to their students," he added.

The Council on Student Judicial Affairs and the Faculty Senate approved a change in the criteria for guilt last semester.

Under the new policy, clear and convincing evidence must be present in order to press academic dishonesty charges. In the past, a student's guilt had to be proven beyond a reasonable doubt, Corder said.

"This new criteria makes it easier to gain a conviction," she said.

Last fall, the greatest number of students, 44 percent, were charged with plagiarism. Copying from another student's exam comprised 29 percent of the cases.

Students convicted under the new policy have an "X" placed on their transcript, indicating failure due to academic dishonesty.

In addition, the student is required to pay for and attend a four-week, eight-hour course on academic dishonesty.

Students can petition to have



Pat Corder

the "X" replaced with an "F," Corder explained.

Ninety percent of those convicted are placed on deferred suspension for a specified time period, she said.

Students on deferred suspension are suspended from the university if convicted of any additional offenses.

Depending on the seriousness of a charge, the student can be immediately suspended from the university, although they can re-apply for admission after their suspension has ended.

There are three ways an academic dishonesty case may be treated:

- An administrative action, in which the student can plead guilty and either Corder or Charlotte Maher, administrative coordinator, hears the case.
- An administrative hearing heard by Corder and one of five hearing officers.
- Through the Judicial Board, composed of three to 10 members, including faculty, professional staff and students.

"Maher or myself represent the university," Corder said. "We assist both parties like a judge in a courtroom. We act as an advocate for both," she said.

Regardless of which option chosen, students can appeal to the Appellate Court, a body similar to the Judicial Board, if they are unsatisfied with the decision.

Diplomat urges stronger U.S.-China relations

by Tony Varrato

Copy Editor

The United States and China must increase their efforts and mutual trust if their relationship is to become more productive, according to Zhang Zai, minister of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China.

In the relations between the two countries, he said, the cooperative exchange of information has already pushed back "a jungle of doubt and misunderstanding."

Zai spoke to nearly 120 people about "Sino-U.S. Relations" Thursday night in Clayton Hall.

The main obstacle hindering the two countries' relationship remains the U.S. recognition of Taiwan, Zai argued.

America treats Taiwan as a government separate from



Zhang Zai

China, he said, and continues to ignore an agreement with China which dictates strict policies concerning the U.S. position of capitalist Taiwan, including the sale of arms.

The United States should take a positive attitude toward China's "one country, two

system" proposal of capitalism and communism, the diplomat suggested.

"It is the faster way to solve the Taiwan issue," he said, "and accomplish peaceful reunification of China."

America should display more trust toward Chinese trade, Zai continued, and U.S. legislation discriminating against China, such as protectionism, must decrease in order to further economic development.

"Any such protectionist move," he said, "will inevitably harm our overall trade relations."

China has accumulated almost a \$15 billion deficit with the United States since 1972, he said, and exports to the United States are less than 1 percent of China's yearly imports.

"China needs to diversify its

exports to the United States," the minister said, but strict American trade controls must first be relaxed.

Similarly, the government of China is "firmly pursuing" opening its market to the outside world for foreign investments, Zai reported.

"This gives American companies a good opportunity to bring into play their strong points," he said, "and compete forcefully on the Chinese market."

China is also achieving educational reform at every level of education, he continued.

One step to bring the two countries closer, Zai explained, is the establishment of a bilateral educational exchange program, in which he hopes "the University of Delaware will play an exemplary role."

"When the young people of our two great nations link arms in better mutual friendship and understanding," the diplomat said, "the future of the world ought to be brighter."

"A lot has been accomplished," Zai concluded, "but more needs to be done."

This week in history

This week in history, according to *The Review*...

from its national organization because, among other reasons, its membership dwindled to six in December.

•in 1971, a neighborhood petition delayed the Newark City Council's vote on the establishment of a new community drug center to be housed at the former Alpha Epsilon Pi house on West Park Place.

•in 1980, the Olympic torch made its first stop in the state and town when one of the 52 runners, Carol Arnold from Wilmington, carried the flame on its way to Lake Placid, N.Y.

•in 1973, Pi Kappa Alpha planned to recolonize after receiving a suspension notice

•in 1983, university and state dignitaries recognized the university's 150th anniversary in a 90-minute sesquicentennial celebration.

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Never a dull moment...

Strange but true tales of the Judicial board

by Jill Brandt
and Robert DiGiacomo
Staff Reporters

People do the craziest things. When they get caught, as they often do, Timothy Brooks is the man they see. "People who do bad things get to my office or I get to them," said Brooks, the dean of students.

Brooks discussed "Tales of the Judicial Board," before an audience of 40 people Wednesday, as part of the Faculty Fireside Chat program in Brown Lounge.

Most of the cases, he admitted, stem from "boy-girl" problems.

Brooks remembered one incident involving a guy who was beaten up by his girlfriend.

"He was 6 feet, 190 pounds, with two black eyes, and a split lip," the dean explained. "And she was 5 feet 1 inch, and 98 pounds."

The boyfriend pressed charges, the girl was put on probation, and Brooks recommended they both go to the counseling center. Two years later, the guy, again battered, returned but decided against pressing charges.

Brooks asked, "What are you going to do about this?"

"We're engaged to be married," the guy responded.

"And they're still married today," Brooks concluded.

But Brooks does not just deal with judicial problems.

In addition to judicial cases, Brooks said he handles all student deaths and accidents.

"The absolute worst is when a student dies," he said. "I deal with the [student's] family and the ramifications."

After the lecture, Brooks addressed the question of what happens when a roommate dies or commits suicide.

Although "it's a myth that you get a 4.0 if your roommate commits suicide or dies," he explained, "[the administration] does make incredible allowances."

Before coming to Delaware, Brooks was the dean of student affairs at the University of Maine, and he recalled one incident that occurred shortly before he left Maine.

A professor, suffering from paranoia, brought his large German Shepherd to class each day to sniff out the room and to protect him. One day, the students fed the dog a laxative during class. The dog then wandered into the president's office and relieved itself.

"[The professor] was in the

Maine State Mental Institution in five minutes," Brooks said.

Most discipline cases at the university are alcohol related, Brooks said, although there are some involving drugs. At Christmas one year, a drug dealer posted a list on his door with his current supply and reduced holiday prices.

"He wasn't caught then," Brooks explained, "but he was later arrested for selling cocaine to an undercover cop."

Brooks said although the overall number of discipline cases at the university has decreased, academic dishonesty has increased greatly, from 25 cases in the fall of 1984 to 41 last semester.

"Women are smarter and more creative when it comes to cheating," he said.

Brooks said one female student approached a secretary saying, "You secretaries don't make a lot of money, do you?" The student then offered the secretary \$50 for a copy of an exam.

"I didn't believe it," he recalled.

The girl was eventually caught, Brooks said, and suspended for four years.

One male student was not as clever in his attempt at cheating, Brooks said. The freshmen copied the cover



THE REVIEW/ Tim Butler

Dean of Students Timothy Brooks addresses students' questions Wednesday about the Judicial board in Brown lounge.

story from a national news magazine word for word for an E 110 paper. He was placed on probation, he said.

Despite all the frustrations involved with his position, Brooks admitted he does enjoy his job.

"I do this because I love the environment and I like the students," he explained. "Not once, even in the summer, when all [the students] are gone, have I had a boring day."

Mayor seeks fifth term

by Patty Talarico
Staff Reporter

Mayor William M. Redd Jr. announced his plans Friday to seek a fifth three-year term and cited problems with "cruising and rowdiness" on Main Street as his foremost concern.

Redd wants to discourage loitering on the city's main thoroughfare by introducing more police foot patrols and continuing sobriety checkpoints, he said.

"So far we have scratched the surface," Redd explained. "I feel that the problems that stem from Main Street are not caused by Newark residents or university students, but from [others from] surrounding areas."

Redd has been mayor since April 1973, and previously served three years on the city council. As of Friday, no one had filed to run against the mayor for the April 8 municipal elections. The deadline is March 10 at 5 p.m.

"I've heard some rumors about people running, but so far no one has filed," said Redd, who plans to file for the position this week.

Looking forward to the challenges of his job, Redd



THE REVIEW/ Lloyd Fox

Mayor William Redd Jr.

said he is able to spend more time serving as mayor since his retirement in 1983. He worked 33 years in the Employee Relations Department of the Du Pont Co.

"Before, mayor was only a part-time job," Redd said. "Now that I'm retired I'm more readily available."

Redd cited some of his administration's recent accomplishments, such as the introduction of the city's strict noise ordinance which went into effect in October.

"We've taken a tough stand with the noise ordinance," he

said, "but we are making success."

In an effort to stimulate economic growth in the downtown area, Redd and the city council have enlisted Jeffrey Miller, an associate professor of economics at the university, to conduct a six-month study of Main Street businesses.

Redd also noted that during his 13 years as mayor, property taxes in Newark have risen only 61 percent, compared to the 135 percent rise in consumer prices.

UD students make tracks to the slopes

by Tony Varrato
Copy Editor

300 university skiers will soon leave the flatlands of Delaware for the mountains of Sugarbush, Vt.

There are approximately 50 people going to Sugarbush with the Kappa Alpha fraternity from Feb. 6 to 11, according to co-organizer Robert Hammer (BE 87), making this a "personalized" vacation.

Last year's trip was limited to 25 people, he said. This year the limit was raised to 50, because of the large number of students turned away last year.

Hammer said he intends to keep the group of skiers small every year.

"A small group adds to the trip a lot," Hammer said. "Having everyone on one bus gives a sense of closeness."

The second wave of ski fans do not agree.

The university Ski Club boasts 240 skiers making the Feb. 9 to 14 trek.

Last year 400 skiers participated in the club's Sugarbush trip. According to Joe Shott (EG 86), co-president of the Ski Club, dropping atten-

dance may be due to the overlap of the trip and the beginning of the spring semester.

This year those who attend the trip will miss four days of classes, said Shott. "Last year we missed only three."

The Ski Club is handing out a notice informing the skiers of the missed school days and academic problems that may result.

The four missed class days are the reason the two groups aren't going to Sugarbush at the same time, as they did last year.

"We get the same amount of skiing," Hammer said about fraternity trip, "but we only miss one day of school."

Regardless of the number of class days missed, there's plenty of entertainment for both groups on and off the slopes.

The KA trip stresses the closeness in their group and everyone is encouraged to get acquainted, said Hammer. The group will stay in the same lodge with a centrally located lounge.

The \$199 for the KA trip in-

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"Excuse me, where is..."

Information center knows all, tells all

by **Jill Schwab**
Staff Reporter

"This may sound like a dumb question, but..."

Last year, the Student Information Center, located in the Student Center, received 27,213 questions, many of which began with these very words.

"I always say that no question is ever dumb," said Dave Beaudoin (BE 86), one of five students who works at the center.

"You name it and they've probably received it."

Open weekdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Student Information Center answers questions students have about the university, said Marilyn Harper, associate director of student life.

"Our purpose is to help students," she said.

The center provides information on directory listings, academics, administration, lectures and public events, campus and off-campus activities, student organizations, general directions, travel, ticket sales, and other miscellaneous information, according to Harper.

Beaudoin, who has worked at the center for two years,

said he is frequently asked the same three questions.

Students are often trying to locate friends living on campus, said Beaudoin. He also receives inquiries about campus and Dart bus schedules, or general questions about the university.

"September is always our busiest month, and next comes November," Harper said. Fewer questions are asked in May because students have gotten to know the campus, she said.

The workers at the Student Information Center receive questions on virtually every topic possible, Harper said. "You name it and they've probably received it," she said.

Students are referred to other sources when the workers at the center are unable to answer a question. Academic questions are sometimes referred back to academic departments for further information, Harper said.

The five students employed at the information center do more than just answer questions.

The Activities Hotline is another resource provided by the Student Information Center.

"Workers at the center gather current information on university events and they are responsible for updating that information every night," Harper said.

In addition, the student workers also send out letters to the various academic departments informing them of any new services offered by the university.

Those students employed at the center are chosen very carefully, Harper said.

After job applications have been reviewed, a selected number of students are called in for interviews, said Harper.

"Most people who call are really nice...When you can help someone out, you really accomplish something."

As a result of this process, five students are chosen.

"The job position is open to anybody," said Harper, "but the students are chosen on the basis of their general overall knowledge of the university, and they must also like helping people," she said.

"I enjoy working at the center a lot," said Beaudoin. "Most people who call are really nice...When you can help someone out, you really accomplish something," he said.



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Karen Sellers (AS 88) offers information to Carolyn Winder (BE 88) in the Student Information Center.

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Hammer stressed the safety precautions taken for the trip. "The bus will drop us off and pick us up at the bar. There will be no driving and everyone will be together."

The Ski Club skiers spend the nights in six to 10 person

condominiums.

Their trip costs \$195 plus \$55 for transportation, includes a long john party, dance contest, happy hours with live entertainment and "The Great UD Ski Race" followed by awards night.

Both organizations are controlling admission to their groups' activities.

The Ski Club is using a ticket system for admission into the parties, while KA will rely on its small numbers and closeness.

"We're so personalized," Hammer said, "we have more control over the situation."

The two groups' ideas of size and activities may vary, but they agree on the experience.

"It's fantastic!" said Hammer.

"It's incredible!" commented Shott.

"Whatever people say about [Sugarbush] just doesn't do it justice," Shott concluded.



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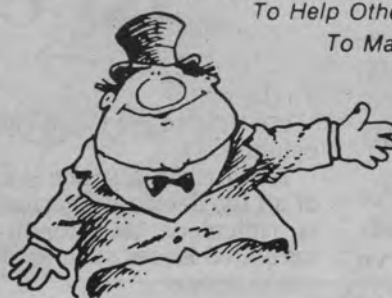
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Honor

When, in January 1984, a survey conducted by an ad hoc committee on academic dishonesty revealed that 78 percent of university students cheat, an unpleasant reality smacked Delaware in the face.

Since then, the university has strengthened its stand against academic dishonesty. The stipulation for evidence of cheating was changed from "beyond a reasonable doubt" to "clear and convincing evidence." And a provision was made to note failure due to academic dishonesty on student transcripts.

It is now February 1986 — and in spite of these measures, the number of reported cases of academic dishonesty among students has nearly doubled. Forty-one cases were reported during Fall 1985, as opposed to 25 cases during Fall 1984.

Apparently, the problem is still with us.

University students, through their dishonest efforts, are hindering attempts to erase that 78 percent smear on Delaware's reputation.

Students still plagiarize words and ideas from others' works. Accounting exams still find their way into students' hands before the test. And eyes still wander when the professor turns his back.

The administration has taken strong steps to rectify the situation. And yet, the cheating continues — in a big way. The responsibility for this cannot lie solely with the faculty.

The student population is also part of the problem. And part of the solution. We hold the university's reputation in our academic integrity — or our lack of it. Students must take their reputations, and that of the university, seriously.

We can start by changing old attitudes. First — erase the stigma of the tattletale. If someone cheats, do something about it. A scene isn't necessary. Professors are capable of handling matters discreetly and confidentially.

Second — think of who is helped by cheating. No one. The cheater doesn't learn, and fellow students are hurt by the guy who smashes the Econ curve because he got the exam the day before.

Third — remember that a letter grade is only a letter. A "B" in Calc can't help in Finite later on — unless it was earned. Knowledge gained should be the end result of a course — not a connived letter.

Students, faculty and administration should work together to make things better. Perhaps an honor system could be instituted. Although given the apathy of Delaware students, such a system could face a slow death here. This does not mean, however, that we can't introduce a little honor into our apathy.

When it comes to cheating, there are no winners. Only losers.

B.A.M.



Letter

Keep the tradition

To the editor:

It's time to get rid of ridiculous newspaper columns.

That's right. It's time to eliminate the source of all the hoopla concerning Super Sunday. It is ridiculous to attempt to compare two unrelated issues such as the Super Bowl and world hunger.

If the amount of money these players earn bothers some people, they should consider the years of hard work and effort these athletes have invested in becoming pros. These people are a select few of the great athletes in the world. However, athletic supremacy wasn't given to them. They worked hard to become pros and deserve to get paid for it. It's their job!

These upset people should also consider the fact that many players come from poor sections of the inner city. Sometimes, the only way to escape the poverty surrounding an inner city is to become a great athlete. This may actually reduce world hunger. But I guess we should take away that incentive. And while we are at it, we should take away the World Series, the NCAA Tournament, and why not Wimbledon?

There is some money in tennis we could use to aid world hunger.

Now let's ask New Orleans' mayor how he would feel about discontinuing the Super Bowl. I'll give you a hint. He would laugh until he saw you were serious, then he would explode! The Super Bowl brings additional revenues to the city's businesses and actually boosts its economy. Restaurants, hotels and a host of other businesses will reap profits.

I suppose now that the Bears have become video superstars with the "Super Bowl Shuffle," they should make an album and get even more money. Well, all proceeds from the single are going to aid the homeless in Chicago. Pretty nice for a group of money mongers.

I don't think we should end 20 years of tradition due to an unrelated subject like world hunger. But I guess some people are too preoccupied with these subjects to take a day off and have fun. Don't worry though. Tomorrow there will be rapes, murders, apartheid and world hunger — Super Bowl or no Super Bowl.

Mark Vroman
BE 87

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Take a walk on the Far Side

by M.L. Hummel

Features Editor

This guy's got to be a little weird. Not just because he has a pet python, not even because he once gave a potential girlfriend a tarantula, but mostly because Gary Larson draws an irreverent and truly weird one-frame wonder cartoon called *The Far Side*.

After all, any man who could write a comic with the caption: "Cornered by the street ducks, Phil wasn't exactly sure

what to do — and then he remembered his twelve guage," must be a few Fritos short of a full bag.

Indeed, Larson's life has been a quirky paradox between a "Twilight Zone" brand of weirdness and "Ozzie and Harriet" sanity.

"I feel fairly regular," he said in a *Washington Post* interview. "Maybe I'm biased."

People are often a little disappointed by the shy, mild-mannered artist's blatant normality. "I feel embarrassed," he said, "like I should be there with one eye in the middle of my forehead."

Larson developed his sense of humor early. His mother said when she went to wake the 5-year-old Gary for his second day of kindergarten, he said, "What, again?"

The Far Side knows no bounds in terms of subject matter, but the cartoon seems to pivot on a bizarre, often totally turned around, relationship between man and beast.

Take for example, a classic *Far Side* in which a group of cows are standing casually on their hind legs when suddenly one yells "Car!" and they all revert to all fours until the car passes.

And then there's the frame where a Papa spider is sitting in his chair reading the paper,



and two little spiders are dangling a person in front of him as he screams in fright.

Larson himself has had an unusual relationship with the animal kingdom. His species preference leans toward snakes, wart hogs, frogs and

the like.

A snakebreeder, Larson has owned anywhere from five to 20 snakes at a time and always has frozen mice in plentiful supply.

He helps quench his passion for other odd critters with an

his hands on. "I just always had a fascination with everything I caught. Something about the conquest or the challenge of 'Get that frog!' Primal."

Nature has always held a fascination for Larson. "When I was a little kid, I spent a lot of time living in my own little world. I could go off someplace and turn over a rock," he said, "and just stare at the world underneath it for hours."

This love of wild life was responsible for Larson taking "all the science courses I could" at Washington State University.

His interest didn't parlay into a career due to what

Larson calls "fear of physics." Even so, the sciences inspired the young artist.

"It seemed I was always getting my imagination juiced."

One of Larson's favorite parts of nature is, of course, the cow.

"I don't know what clicked the first time I drew a cow," he said. "It was enjoyable."

Larson made his first career connection while working with the Humane Society (with typical Larson irony, he ran over a dog on his way to the interview) in his native Washington. He met a reporter while on a horse abuse case who subsequently showed Larson's work to the editor of the *Seattle Times*.

Larson's cartoon, then called *Nature's Way* ran for about a year before the paper dropped it. "They said there had been too many complaints."

Soon after, the cartoon was picked up by the *San Francisco Chronicle*, which syndicated it. The first month of syndication, Larson made about a hundred dollars.

"I thought it would be exciting if I ever got to the level where I could pay my rent," he said.

The Far Side is so off-beat many people find it impossible to grasp. Though Larson knows his humor is sometimes evasive ("I don't always

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The Morning Zoo breaks out of the cage

by M.L. Hummel

Features Editor

Three things make it bearable to wake up on a weekday around here: instant coffee, indoor plumbing and the Morning Zoo.

WMMR's four-hour, fast-paced, wisecracking answer to the crack of dawn, the Zoo features head-jiber John DeBella, newscaster Mark "The Shark," Chip, the engineer and Philadelphia comedian Clay Heery.

It seems logical, even appropriate, that the Morning Zoo put all this on a record, and what better name for this documentation of warpedness than *Abey Dirt Road*.

The Zoo's merry band of bizzaros meets morning blow for blow with witty banter, funny bits and unlimited schtick. But so dependent is the Morning Zoo's mythical appeal on spontaneity, on the ungodly time slot, on the MORNING part of its name, that the whole thing falls a little flat on vinyl.

Some stuff holds up, but surprisingly, the most laugh-worthy cuts on this LP are Zoo discoveries rather than Zoo creations.

Hard-to-find gems, like the whimsical "Nikki Hoi" and Kip Addotta's classic pun-filled maritime romp, "Wet Dreams," and Big Daddy Graham's "Call In Sick," are more fun than a barrel of almost anything.

On the other hand, Zoo originals like the "Morty's Travel" sequences (as if one wasn't too much, they put three of them on one side), and Heery's hockey-mask-and-chain-saw humor just don't cut it.

DeBella's "New Coke" is worth a chuckle, John Steven's hilarious "Fast Food" is veritable guffaw material, and the back cover is a riot.

For the most part though, it's about six million times more fun to listen to the Morning Zoo right where it belongs, on the radio.

Sade's second album, *Promise* could have easily been called *How to Be Sexy Without Really Trying*.

Unlike Madonna, this Nigerian-English singer doesn't throw her sex-

uality in your face. She just leans back and lets it drift to you. The result is much more intriguing than any belly button could be.

The sound on *Promise* is so glass-smooth, so ice-cold, Sade, or Helen Flossade Adu, gives off an aura hotter than the steamy trysts she sings about.

This LP has a broader mood than her last, *Diamond Life*. Sade's debut was a look at the elite and the svelte, the relenting and the unaffected. The songs on *Diamond Life* were speckled with people who peer at each other over the rims of champagne glasses.

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Students get good grades by talking in class

by Nancy Chiusano

Features Editor

"O.K....umm...ahh...well...um...hmm, let's see..."

It's not the "p's and q's" that concern professors and employers anymore, it's the "umm's," "ahh's" and other stutters that have them worried.

Dangling modifiers, limp conclusions and wet-noodle arguments can ruin hours of research spent on term papers.

Speeches littered with the phrases "sort of," "kinda like," "ya know what I mean" and "stuff like that" can blow a job interview faster than the applicant can blow his nose.

Oral Presentations Practicum, U367, is a two-credit, free-elective course designed to give students much-needed experience in public speaking.

"Professors at the university and employers are concerned about the number of students who are deficient in the ability to speak and write well," said Rita K. Farrell of the department of business.

Farrell, the course coordinator, said she thinks poor communication skills are a problem for students from all majors.

In the class, students learn to stand still, get their hands out of their pockets and stop twisting their hair, twiddling

their thumbs and staring at their shoes while speaking.

Students also learn to get the lead out of their statements and say what they mean — short, sweet and to the point.

A "Toastmaster" presides over the class, a "Topicmaster" initiates a short question-and-answer session at the beginning of class, speakers give five to seven minute speeches and other students evaluate the speakers for speaking style and organization of material.

The class includes all the formalities of a professional board meeting, from calling "the meeting" to order to shaking hands.

Students are coached to speak with authority and take command of the podium.

Farrell coaches students once a week by giving lectures advising them on important skills such as the use of hand gestures while speaking, how to perform in a press conference, how to make a good first impression and the use of body language. The rest of the classes are run by students and teacher assistants.

Students choose their own speech topics, ranging from a "New Coke vs. Old Coke," to "Places to Go on a Road Trip."

Students also learn to think on their feet. The topicmaster prepares five questions to ask individual students in a short question-answer session at the beginning of class. "What vegetable would you use to describe yourself?" or "If you had to spend the rest of your life on the moon, what three things would you take?" These sessions help students organize answers to questions they're not prepared for.

The course boasts outstan-



ding evaluation results. One hundred percent of the students that took the class during Winter Session 1984 and spring semester 1985 thought that it was "extremely worthwhile" and that peer teachers were an effective method of education.

In their evaluations, students wrote that they felt more comfortable speaking

before an audience and that they felt well-prepared for job interviews.

Peer teaching is effective in the course, Farrell said, because it reduces the pressure of being evaluated by an authority figure.

"As a teacher assistant, I learn to use authority without

being severe," said Bob Reuther (BU 86).

Oral Presentation practicum, which will be offered this spring, is like a dress rehearsal. It provides an oppor-

tunity to give your vocal chords some hands-on experience before the performance is for real.

...Zoo

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If *Diamond Life* was an album of the beautiful people, *Promise* is an ode to the broken heart.

And boy, are there broken hearts on this album... most of them Sade's. She is a vixen on some tracks, but more often than not, Sade finds herself on the wrong end of a broken promise.

Stewart Matthewman's sax floats along sympathetically, cushioning Sade's husky, dulcet tones.

As Matthewman's horn saunters lazily into "You're Not the Man," you can almost see Sade sitting in some dimly lit after-hours club, nursing her drink and licking her wounds: "You're not the man who would/bleed for me/who said he'd always be here/But you see I'm not the little/girl I used to be."

Sade is the perfect blend of Alexis and Krystal...smart and scheming but oh-so-vulnerable.

Songs like the breathy "Is It a Crime," and the current sultry hit, "Sweetest Taboo" help make *Promise* irresistible, if unvaried. The music is lush and slippery-smooth, an enchanting brand of samba...just lean back and let yourself be enticed.

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THE FAR SIDE



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THE FAR SIDE



"Once in a while couldn't we just have some pasta?"

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BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



...Far Side

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understand some of these things"), he isn't going to change his style.

When asked to explain *The Far Side*, Larson balks. "These are cartoons, not nuclear physics. Don't analyze."

Judging by reader reaction, *The Far Side*, now syndicated in 160 papers, is one of those things you either love or you hate. Enough people fall under the "love" category to push Larson's income into the six figure range (his originals go for \$200 a piece) and to push *The Far Side* onto T-shirts, posters and greeting cards.

But, according to his friends and Larson himself, the father of *The Far Side* remains the same unobtrusive man he has always been, in spite of the cartoon's mammoth success.

Larson is just a guy who likes to shoot a few hoops now and then, watch David Letterman at night and eat Rice Chex in the morning.

So, it's easy to see that Gary Larson is just a regular guy. Unless, of course, you count the dead mice in his freezer.

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...Hens win

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In the last few minutes of the game, Towson started to pick away at the Hens' small lead, and it looked like maybe the Tigers might have Delaware singing the "here-we-go-again" blues.

But Delaware hung on in the final minutes and squeaked by behind the clutch free throw shooting of Jones and junior forward Donald Dutton.

"I was confident," said Jennings. "We had to win this one. There was no question. We said before the game, 'This is our game.'"

"I don't even want to talk about if we lost this one."

BACK COURT: Towson State forward Steffan Bunsavage, who scored 14 points, became the 10th player in Towson history to score 1,000 points... Six of Delaware's ten defeats have been by less than four points... At game time, Chisholm was first nationally in assists per game with 8.2 and the sophomore is now just 42 away from becoming Delaware's all-time assist leader... The Hens were 25-for-31 from the foul line, while the Tigers were 3-for-6... Delaware center John Weber, who scored 13 points, was 6-for-9 from the field... The Hens play at Hofstra tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.



THE REVIEW/Lloyd Fox

Steve Jennings takes it up against Towson State Saturday.

Sports Shorts

Wrestling

Delaware's wrestling team picked up its first conference win of the season when it defeated Lafayette, 26-17, Saturday afternoon at Delaware's Field House.

John Curran (126 pounds) pinned his man in 1:20, while Dan Neff (150) and captain Dave DeWalt (190) both scored technical falls for the Hens.

Delaware is now 9-2, 1-2 in the East Coast Conference.

The Hens are scheduled to face Rutgers away tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

Swimming

Delaware's men's and women's swim teams both defeated East Coast Conference rivals Lafayette Saturday.

The men's team won 59-50, while the women cruised to a 65-31 victory.

Freshman Scott Edmonds was a triple winner for the men, finishing first in the 50-yard freestyle (22.36) and

the 100-yard freestyle (50.24), and teaming up with Alan Panaccione, Lee Martin, and Rich McCormick to win the 400-yard medley relay (3:44.13).

McCormick, also a freshman, took first in the 200-yard butterfly (2:02).

For Delaware's women's team, senior Laura Clarkson led the way with first place finishes in the 200-yard freestyle (2:04.37) and the 500-yard freestyle (5:27.9).

"She's coming along real well," said Delaware coach Chris Ip.

The women's team is now 8-6, 2-1 ECC. The men stand at 6-6, 2-1 ECC.

Next for the women is the ECC Championships Feb. 13-15. The men face Rider Feb. 12, then go to their ECC's Feb. 21-22 at Drexel.

Hockey

Junior center Bob Beck picked up his second hat trick of the season Saturday to lead Delaware's hockey club to a 6-4 victory over Maryland.

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SPORTS

Delaware beats up TSU

by Rich Dale

Sports Editor

Towson State's Angela Matthes didn't waste any time Saturday.

The game, which Delaware went on to win 90-66, was almost eight minutes old, but Matthes had only been on the court for three seconds.

There was a loose ball, and Delaware guard Sue Whitfield jumped right on top of it. Just as Whitfield picked up the ball, Matthes broke in.

Sure, Matthes was going for the ball. But she got more of Whitfield than the ball. A lot more. And Whitfield went to the ground hard.

"I picked it up (the loose ball)," said Whitfield, "and she just nailed me."

With Delaware's playmaker still trying to figure out what had hit her, Matthes, who ended up a few feet away, approached Whitfield as she was getting up on her feet.

The two looked at each other, as if they weren't sure what to do next. Then the 5-7 Matthes and the 5-6 Whitfield got real close.

And then they both smiled. What else would good friends do?

Whitfield and Matthes made up the backcourt for Bladensburg (Md.) Elizabeth Seton High School two years ago.

"We were best friends," said Whitfield after the Hens raised their record to 8-11, 4-3 in the East Coast Conference. "We talked both nights (Thursday and Friday) before the game. And this morning, too."

Whitfield and Matthes probably had plenty to talk about. Old times, new times, and, of course, life in the ECC.

With the win, Delaware moved into a tie with Towson, who dropped to 11-7, 4-3 in the conference.

While Whitfield and Matthes might still be friends, not everybody was exchanging

smiles Saturday.

That's what happens when one of the referees doesn't show up on time. Agnes Kuchler was on her own until there were just 18 seconds left in the first half. That's when Jim Powell, the other official, finally arrived.

The Delaware Field House crowd gave Powell a little ovation when he walked onto the court. Now it was time to see some real basketball.

Sometimes it looked like even Agnes wasn't out there in the first half.

"I thought she did a good job," said Delaware coach Joyce Perry. "Letting some things go, but being consistent til she got help."

Meg McDowell led the Hens in scoring, pumping in 18 points behind 8-for-12 shooting from the field.

The senior co-captain needs just 29 more points to become Delaware's second all-time leading scorer.

Sophomore guard Lisa Cano racked up a game-high nine assists for the Hens.

Sarah Gause scored 17 points, while junior Marian Moorer, who came off the bench and played just 17 minutes, went 6-for-7 from the field and scored 14.

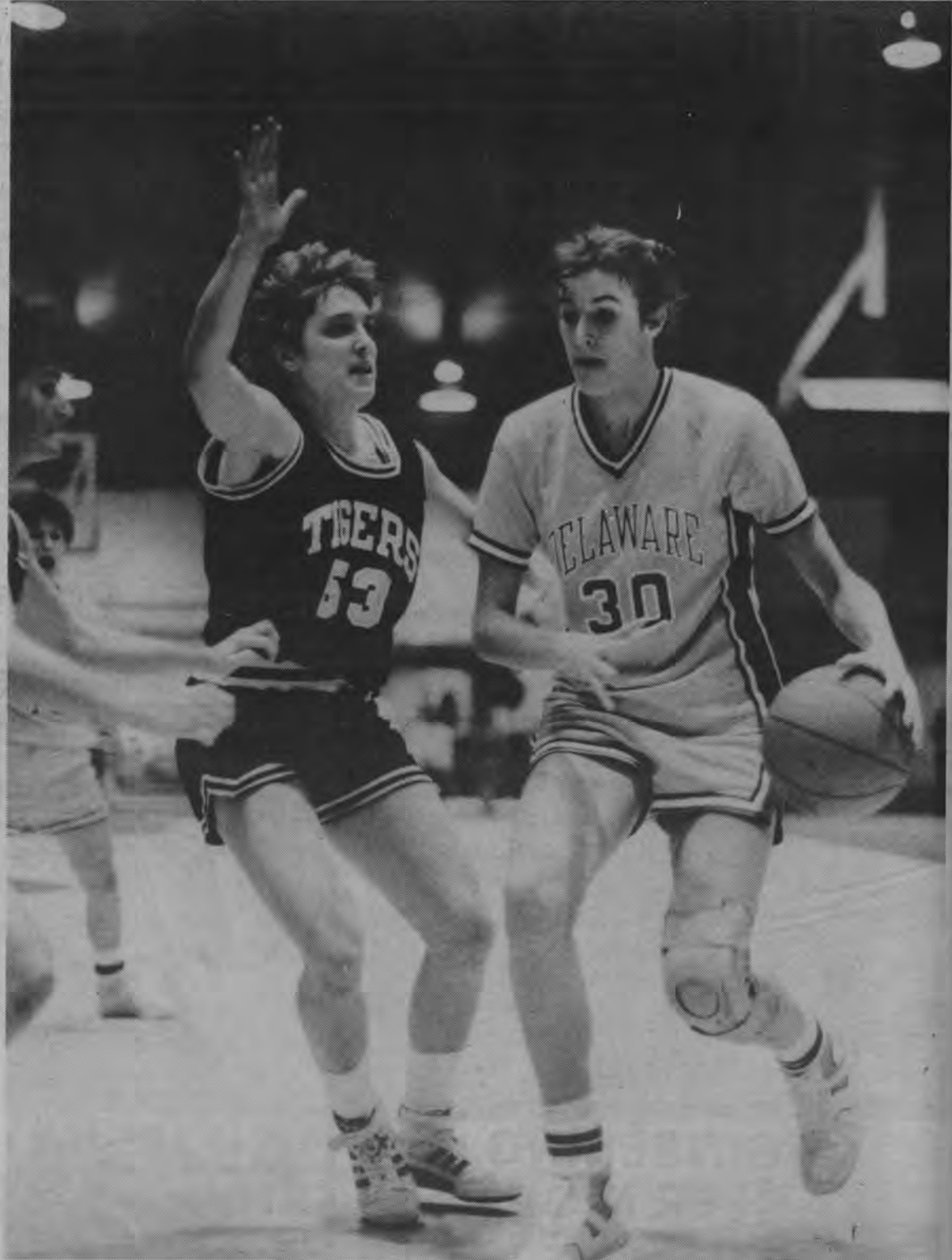
Senior center Paula Polyanski added 10 more points for Delaware, but hers were probably the most important. Polyanski helped the Hens build an early lead that they would never lose.

Towson's Debbie Oraczewski led all scorers with 35 points, 27 of them coming in the second half.

Oraczewski, who leads the ECC in both scoring and rebounding and ranks among the nation's top 30 scorers, is a 5-9 junior transfer from Clemson.

"The biggest disappointment of the game is that Debbie Oraczewski had half their points," said Perry.

And that had to be the only disappointment for Delaware.



Sarah Gause, last year's ECC Player of the Year, tries to get by Debbie Oraczewski, who leads the ECC this season in scoring and rebounding.

THE REVIEW/ Charles Fort

Hens win fight for seventh place

by Mike Freeman

Assistant Sports Editor

It was a game that both teams probably aren't very proud of.

Well, maybe Delaware is, because the Hens (now 9-10, 2-5 East Coast Conference) beat Towson State 57-53 Saturday at Delaware's Field House, ending a two-game losing streak.

But Delaware probably wanted to end their losing streak in a neater fashion.

In the first half alone there were 20 turnovers — 12 for the Tigers. At one

point in the game almost four minutes passed without a single basket, both teams missing easy jumpshots and layups.

There were missed dunks and sloppy passes. Technical fouls and double dribbles. Goaltending and plenty of travel calls.

It was a fight between the eighth-place Hens, who were sitting at the bottom of the ECC barrel, against the seventh-place Tigers (now 4-14, 2-5 ECC).

It was a fight for, well, next to last place.

"The game was pretty sloppy," said Delaware guard Taurence Chisholm, who had seven points, four assists and three steals. "Both teams shot poorly, but we just played a little better defense and came out with a win."

So this year against Towson it was better defense. Last year against the Tigers it was more like better boxers.

When these two teams played at the Field House last season, there were a couple of fights that cleared both benches.

There was one fight just five minutes

into the game in which one player — Delaware forward Oscar Jones — was ejected.

"Delaware-Towson has always been a rivalry," Jones said after scoring a game-high 17 points Saturday. "Last year they played very physical."

"They [Towson] came out more relaxed this year," said Delaware center Steve Jennings, who had eight points and led the Hens in rebounds with 10. "There were a lot of scuffles last year."

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