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Students react to 10 percent jump in tuition

BY MADDIE THOMAS
Executive Editor

This fall, university graduate and undergraduate students will have to pay more in tuition. In-state undergraduate students will begin paying \$8,540 annually – a rise of \$760, and out-of-state undergrads will pay \$22,240 per year, \$1,980 more than last year. This is an increase of approximately 8.9 percent for both.

For graduate school, all students, regardless of residency, will begin paying \$22,240. Previously, in-state graduate students paid the same as in-state undergraduates, and out-of-state graduates paid the same as out-of-state undergraduates.

University spokesman David Brond said so far, the reaction to tuition increases has been less than expected.

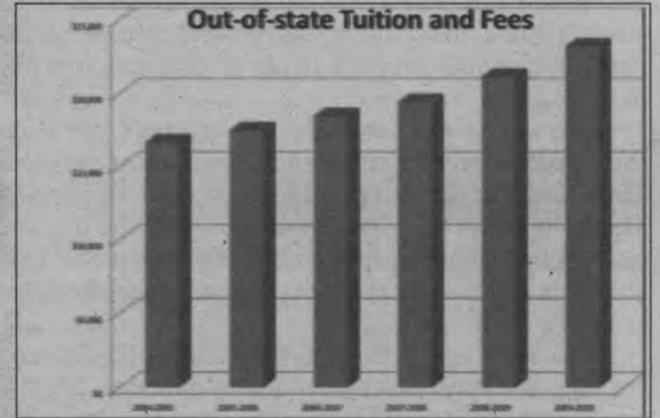
"There hasn't been enough rancor for it to be a huge issue," Brond said.

Junior Matt Racz, an out-of-state student from New Jersey, said his parents have agreed to pay for his first two years of college, but he is responsible for paying for his junior and senior years. He said he was unaware of tuition increases until he was taking out loans for this semester.

"I was like, 'How am I going to pay for this?'" Racz said. "My loan just got confirmed a week ago. A week ago I didn't know whether I was coming back to school or not. I don't understand why tuition keeps increasing."

According to a press release, approximately 35 percent of next year's tuition increase for both in and out-of-state students will go toward students' rising needs for financial aid including the university's Commitment to Delawareans program. As part of the program, which began with the class of 2013, the university has promised to pay in full the

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UD task force braces for fall outbreak

STEPHANIE KRAUS
Senior News Reporter

The H1N1 virus may have blindsided the campus last spring, but the university says it is now prepared to handle the second wave that the Centers for Disease Control warns will hit campuses nationwide this fall.

Marcia Nickle, emergency coordinator of the university's Communicable Disease Working Group, said the group which consists of representatives from the State of

Delaware's Division of Public Health, the Newark Police Department, Public Safety, Student Health, the School of Nursing, Residence Life, Environmental Health and Safety and the Agriculture School, have met a few times over the summer to assess problems that may arise if H1N1 strikes again.

Its goal is to develop emergency plans and educational outreach programs, such as the "H1N1 411" Web site they launched last week and poster campaign on campus. The

CDWG also added 37 hand sanitizer stations across campus to help members of the campus community keep their hands clean.

Nickle said the university will notify its students when the seasonal and H1N1 flu vaccines are delivered to Student Health Service. Joseph Siebold, director of Student Health Services said the seasonal flu vaccine is predicted to arrive at the end of September and the H1N1 vaccine is

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Newark, UD police launch crime crackdown

BY CLAIRE GOULD
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On Sept. 19, 2008, a university student was shot on the 600 block of South Chapel Street. In the same month three armed home invasions occurred, two on East Cleveland Avenue and one on East Park Place. These were in addition to a rash of muggings beginning in July and extending through the end of September.

This year, the Newark Police Department and Public Safety have instituted a new plan to make sure a similar crime spree does not happen again.

On Aug. 12, the Newark police began their Fall Crime Suppression Plan, which will increase police presence in heavily populated off-campus areas.

Lt. Brian Henry, public information officer for Newark police, said the department is concentrating patrols on the downtown district, including Main Street, East Delaware Avenue, Cleveland Avenue, South Chapel Street and East Park Place.

"We'll also cover any area where there's an agitated population of people, large groups milling about late at night or early in the morning," Henry said.

Although the department had a similar plan in place last year, they decided to begin two weeks earlier this Fall.

"Last year we saw there were a few incidents that occurred that we thought could be prevented by starting earlier, so we decided to go ahead and do that," he said. "Some of the incidents that happened in mid to late August last year we prevented this year."

Henry said the program will continue until November, when the department will evaluate the success of the plan and determine whether or not to continue it. He said as the weather gets colder there will be less people out at night, which may decrease the necessity of the plan over time.

He also said the beginning of the school year attracts crime because of the warm weather and the large numbers of students out late at night or early in the morning.

"People who are committing crimes know students are here at

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Letter from the Editors

Dear Readers,

You may have noticed that our Web site, udreview.com, looks a little different that it did before. That's because we've spent the summer redesigning it to better serve you.

This semester, The Review is transitioning to a new mindset, one that puts a greater emphasis on breaking news and multimedia. At the forefront of that effort is the new Web site.

We've cleaned up the design, bringing more headlines to the front page of the site, and making it easier to navigate through the different sections. We've also added several new features to make the site more useful and interactive.

At the top of the page, a tab box rotates through our four biggest stories. Below that, for each section – News, Mosaic, Sports and Editorial – five headlines appear on the front page. There's a link above the headlines, and also in the main navigation bar, that you can click to see all of the stories from that section.

One of the most exciting new features you'll notice is the Web Updates section in the middle column at the top of the page. There is where we will post the latest news throughout the week. The most recent story will be at the top of the list, and each article will be stamped with the day and time it was published. We aim to update the site every day, so be sure to check back regularly for the latest news.

The other new feature is the Multimedia Center, where you can find the latest videos and photo galleries. We'll continue to attach videos and galleries to the stories to which they correspond, but the Multimedia Center is where you can go to find all the multimedia content in one place.

On the right side of the Web site, you'll see an electronic version of our print edition each week. You can flip through the pages, zoom in on certain content and even download the entire paper as a PDF. Further down on the site, we have a feed of our latest tweets and posts from our music, fashion, environmental and other blogs.

Finally, at the very bottom of the site is our Special Coverage section. We'll use this area to bring together our articles and multimedia content for big stories, such as Spring Commencement and preparations for another H1N1 outbreak. These links will stay at the bottom of the page and are your one-stop-shop for information about that subject.

We've spent many hours planning and designing the new Web site, but we want to know what you think. What do you like? What don't you like? What should we add next? Email us at editor@udreview.com.

Faithfully yours,
Josh Shannon, Editor in Chief
Maddie Thomas, Executive Editor



Cheerleaders pose Friday at the first football game of the season.

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A bicycle at Student Health Services promotes exercise as part of the Healthy HENS program.



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Siddiq Haynes waves the American flag at Friday's game against West Chester.

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Freshmen prefer social lives over luxury

Older dorms prove more popular for first-years

BY ELLEN CRAVEN

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As anyone who has explored campus upon arrival has probably noticed, Laird campus residence halls are nice.

With air conditioning, personal bathrooms and seemingly double the floor space of the traditional residence halls on West and East Campus, rooms in George Read Hall — the only freshman residence hall on North campus — seem like a steal, especially since freshmen living there usually pay the same housing rates as those who live in the cramped, hot dorms of East or West.

Senior Kellyn Wright said, "I would be really mad if I was in an economy-sized Rodney single this year and I was paying the same amount as someone living in a huge single in George Read — I don't think it's fair, community or not."

Freshmen are usually charged \$5,708 per semester for housing in a designated freshman residence hall. Director of Student Housing Linda Carey stated in an e-mail message this is because freshmen are assigned housing and are not able to choose where they would like to live until after the first bill.

Carey said the university is more apt to assign freshmen to the traditional residence halls such as Dickinson and Rodney because freshmen desire them, not for the characteristics of the rooms, but the community—the social life.

"There were a number of students who requested room changes from the suite buildings to West campus as they felt it was a better social environment," she said. "One reason is that students do see each other in the bathrooms and there is more activity in the floor and building lounges in traditional residence halls."

Carey said input gathered from many departments such as the hall governments, resident assistants, hall directors, Residence Life and Housing staffs also supports the idea that freshmen living in these type of residence halls meet more people and are part of a stronger community.

Wright said during her freshman year she lived in Rodney.

"It's not even about the community, it's about the conven-

ience," Wright said. "In Rodney you have to fight for the shower in the morning. It's those little inconveniences that people in George Read don't have to deal with."

Wright said her floor mates often had class at the same time and had to fight for hot water.

"It was a mad house," she said.

Although she doesn't agree with having a flat rate for freshmen housing, Wright said she understands it is fair to the freshmen because freshmen, who do not get to choose their housing locations, aren't penalized for being selected to reside in nicer dorms.

Sophomore Hannah Formica said she enjoyed the community in George Read during her freshman year.

"It's a lot less social than Rodney or Dickinson because I had my own bathroom in my room," she said. "My door was always closed, I never had to meet the people on my floor if I didn't want to, so I couldn't tell you some of the people's names on my floor."

Formica said she does not think the more closed-off atmosphere is a bad thing.

"I didn't know anyone when I came here," she said. "It's nice to meet a lot of people at once, but I got along so well with my roommates and the people that I did meet that it didn't matter to me. I was fine with it."

Wright said Rodney offered a much more social atmosphere.

"Living in Rodney, everything was so much smaller, so you were almost forced to talk to everyone," Wright said. "Your room is so small that you want to make it look as big as possible, so everyone had their doors open and would talk to everybody."

She said that kind of community was helpful for freshmen.

"As much as I say I hated living in Rodney because of



THE REVIEW/Ayelet Daniel

University officials say freshmen prefer living in older residence halls because of the more social environment the buildings provide.

how dirty and old it was—it had those terrible millipede or centipedes—I liked the friends I made while I was there," she said. "Even though we all live in separate places now, most of my good friends now are ones that lived in my building or a different building in Rodney."

Wright wishes she could return to the social atmosphere where everyone was so close and accessible.

"If I could just go back for the atmosphere, yeah, but I just wouldn't want to go back to the room," Wright said. "Not for the sharing a bathroom and walking down the hallway to the bathroom thing; I hated that."

Wright said as a freshman, seeing her friends in George Read made her wish she lived on Laird campus, but she thinks living on East or West campus is more desirable for freshmen because it's easier to make friends in the close-knit communities. She feels North campus better suits upperclassmen.

"I was like why didn't I get this place—it's like a castle compared to my little Rodney devil." But now, looking back, she said she is glad she was assigned to Rodney.

Proposed Wawa location gets preliminary approval

Store seeks permission to open at site of former Bennigan's on Route 273

BY KATIE SPEACE

City News Editor

Wawa, a popular convenience store and gas station, may be opening another Newark-based location, pending the approval of City Council.

At its Sept. 1 meeting, the Newark Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend to City Council the plan for a Wawa to be built just east of Main Street at 601 Ogletown Road.

Before the addition of a Wawa can be considered by council, the planning commission had to approve two items: a rezoning of the property from BB (central business) to BC (general business), which will allow the store to sell fuel, and a Special Use Permit for the store to cover more than 5,000 square feet in floor area and gasoline pumps.

At the meeting, Planning Director Roy Lopata said the rezoning request is not unusual.

"The plan calls for commercial uses, which can certainly fit a gas station and convenience store," he said.

A closed Bennigan's restaurant currently occupies the proposed property for the Wawa, near the Newark Post Office and College Square Shopping Center.

The convenience store would be closer to the downtown Newark area than the only other Wawa in the area is on the corner of Library Ave and Chestnut Hill Road and will have the addition of gas pumps.

Planning Commissioner Jim Bowman expressed his concerns about a private access road, of which no one seems to claim ownership, connecting the property to College Square Shopping Center.

"I suggest looking into the ownership of the street," he said to Wawa Project Engineer Greg Harvey. "If the ownership of the street is unclear, who will be responsible for maintaining the road? Wawa must have strong interest

in that roadway, making sure it's maintained."

Bowman said there were potholes on the street and its important to realize that establishments on that property in the past had significantly less customers than a gas station would have on a daily basis. With the addition of a Wawa, he said, the road will see much more wear and tear.

Sophomore Joelle Parent said she would love the plan for a new Wawa to be approved since there are none near her home in New York.

"I've been to the one down Library Avenue, but I feel like I'd be more likely to visit one closer to campus," she said. "It'd be much more convenient for students."

Parent said she also thought a Wawa close to some apartments and off-campus housing would be a safe alternative for late-night munchies.

"It'd be a long walk, but you could definitely walk there after a night of partying," she said. "The other one you can't, because it's so far that you have to drive there."

Although the Wawa on Chestnut Hill Road is only accessible from campus by car, Assistant Manager Francis Omwera said a good portion of their customer base is made up of students.

"I would say 40 percent of our customer base has something to do with the University of Delaware," he said, "whether it's students, faculty, staff or support staff."

Omwera said the development of another Wawa, if it were to happen, would not greatly affect business at his store.

"There are a few Wawas around us in the 10-15 minute radius, and that doesn't do any harm," he said.

Along with the requirement that Wawa

look into ownership of the access road, the Planning Commission asked that the Delaware Department of Transportation conduct a traffic analysis on adjacent roadways. Bowman said the results of a traffic analysis would determine what should be done with the increased traffic flow and whether a traffic light is needed for the intersection.

"This is a big development that is important for the city of Newark, and we've got to do it right," Bowman said.

The final amendment the Planning Commission made was the requirement that the developers include appropriate signage for in and out traffic on a busy road like Route 273.

In response, Harvey said that Wawa was willing to work with DeDOT and the city on signage and anything else they feel important.

"Safety and access when we talk about what's important for the success of our business are at the top of priority for what we have," he said.

After her concerns with signage were addressed, Planning Commissioner Angela Dressel said she is excited about the plans for a Wawa in Newark.

"Shopping at Wawa regularly, I am in favor of the business because the properties are always kept beautifully," she said. "I think that this would be a positive addition to the city of Newark because everything is always maintained in a very professional manner."

The next step for the Wawa plan is a proposal in front of City Council, which will vote on the approval for future construction. However, it is currently not on the agenda for the next meeting to be held Sept. 14.



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City council is expected to vote on final plans to bring a Wawa to this property on Route 273.

Tuition: Increase partially to fund Commitment to Delawareans

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financial need of in-state students as well as to cap student loans.

Kim Sipple, a freshman from Minnesota, said she was not aware of the tuition increases.

"It's not really fair what we should pay more for tuition especially if the benefits are for in-state students," Sipple said.

Joseph DiMartile, associate provost at the Office of the University Registrar, said the Commitment to Delawareans has two components – academic and financial. He said, the university guarantees admission to in-state students who fulfill certain academic requirements.

Robert Specter, vice president for finance at the university, said despite making it academically feasible for Delawareans to attend the university, officials realized the program wasn't enough if they couldn't afford to attend. "Delawareans need financial aid more than any other time in recent history," Specter said.

The program guarantees in-state students will not have more than \$18,000 in loans and debt over four years. "We wanted to be partners with students and their families in the funding of their education," he said. "We asked what a reasonable amount of debt to carry would be for in-state students."

Sophomore Alicia Krug said the increase in tuition may ultimately affect her decision to stay in school.

"I first realized tuition had gone up when I was paying my bills," Krug said. "I wasn't really happy."

Approximately 40 percent of university students are Delawareans. Four out of five college-bound Delawareans apply to the university and 92 percent are admitted. On the other hand, only 46 percent of out-of-state applicants are admitted.

Sophomore Samantha Tutone, who hails from California, said the increases in tuition won't affect her decision to stay at the university, but it does create an added strain on her family.

"It's even a little harder for me because I have to fly over here. I also have two other siblings in college," Tutone said. "My mom is really committed to me finishing my higher education, but we're probably going to have to take out a few more loans."

Specter said another reason for the tuition increases is

"My mom is really committed to me finishing my higher education, but we're probably going to have to take out a few more loans."

— sophomore Samantha Tutone

that approximately 16 percent of the university's budget comes from the state. However, state agency reductions owing to the economy have resulted in significant fiscal stress on the amount of money the university receives from the state of Delaware.

The economy has also affected the university's endowment. As of May 31, the endowment is down \$357 million from the previous year.

Tuition increases are also due in part to rising costs of health insurance and property and insurance utilities, the press release stated.

"Nobody is happy whether tuition goes up or not,"

Specter said. "Any increase places a strain on students and their families. We hope students and their families understand, and we believe from their responses that they do. In a comparative sense, our tuition is lower than most of our peers."

According to the News Journal, this year Delaware State University did not increase its tuition. Tuition for Delaware College of Art & Design has increased by 4.9 percent and Delaware Technical & Community College's tuition has increased by 5.6 percent.

DiMartile said the decision to raise undergraduate tuition was not related to this year's freshman class being the largest in university history, saying it was difficult to predict enrollment in such a deep recession.

Specter said in order to make grad school tuition consistent for in and out-of-state students, the university is implementing a market-based rate for all students.

To cover the difference in grad school tuition, Specter said the university is giving incoming and current in-state students a scholarship from university funds to cover the difference in tuition before the policy change. He said the scholarship lasts as long as the student stays enrolled.

"We'll help you if you help us," Specter said. Graduate tuition rate will now be calculated by the University of Delaware Budget office, according to university officials. Tuition will be based on other tuition increases which are approved by the university's Board of Trustees, according to university officials.

However, with approval from the Board of Trustees, university colleges may determine tuition rates for various programs.

Students enrolling in Summer 2010 or later will have their graduate tuition announced by the deans of each college. Tuition will also be stated on college and program Web sites.

University chooses "Three Cups of Tea" as FYE novel



THE REVIEW/Ayelet Daniel

Author Greg Mortenson was on campus Thursday to sign copies of his book, which is required reading for FYE classes this year

BY MONICA TROBAGIS
ALEXANDRA DUSZAK

"Three Cups of Tea", written by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin, was chosen by the university for all students in the Freshman Year Experience program to read.

"Three Cups of Tea" is a true story about the author, Mortenson, who found himself in a poor Pakistani village after failing to climb K2 in the Karakoram Mountains. Touched by the kindness of the people he met, he promised to return and build a school for the village. A decade later he has built 55 schools in Pakistan.

When the administration considered having first-year students read a book, it conducted a pilot class with university students, students who come in to the university as "undecided."

Avron Abraham, director of the university studies program, said students who came in as undecided last year were instructed to read a book for their FYE class to test the benefits of having a common reader.

Abraham said those students read "Last Child in the Woods."

Faculty formed an advisory committee of students, faculty, and staff to select a book for the new incoming class to read.

Abraham said when choosing the book the committee was looking for something that was exciting and had a focus on global citizenship.

"A book does a couple of things. It's important what you read," Abraham said. "It gives people an opportunity to communicate, to share with each other. It's an opportunity for our first-year students to share with each other."

Although the seminars have different focuses, all of them will incorporate the book.

FYE instructor Tony Middlebrooks said the class will be very interactive and

experiential. He said even though the freshmen are pursuing different majors and goals, they can all still take from Mortenson's story.

"I teach leadership and there's a million leadership lessons in this book," Middlebrooks said.

The book element of FYE was also complimented by a visit from Mortenson to campus on Thursday.

Abraham said Penguin, the book's publishing company, contacted him after hearing the university freshmen were reading "Three Cups of Tea" and arranged for Mortenson to visit the school.

The event was intended to be very student-oriented, especially for the freshmen, Abraham said. Students were encouraged to submit questions for a chance to have dinner with Mortenson and university President Patrick Harker. Seventy-five questions were submitted and 12 were selected to be asked during the event.

"We really are collaborating between academic affairs and student life," Abraham said.

Freshman Kelly Pearce said her experience in the seminar has helped her transition to the university. She said she also felt like she benefited from reading Mortenson's book.

"I thought his experience was really cool and I wanted to learn more," Pearce said.

The program seeks to establish rapport between students and the university, Middlebrooks said. The addition of the book allows freshmen to see the dynamic nature of the college experience and that there is more than just going to class and getting a degree.

"College and the work is more of an interesting fun pursuit of your own interests than something you have to trudge through," he said.

Upperclassmen, faculty share advice for freshmen

BY CAITLIN MALONEY

News Features Editor

By the end of every student's freshman year, there are few things they may wish they had known from the start, from finding the best study spots to the key to balancing one's school and social life.

Courtney Yount McGinnis, administrative academic advisor in the university studies program, first and foremost recommends that freshmen visit their advisers as much as possible. Advisers will help students plan their schedule and course load while also making sure they know university requirements.

"It is also important at UD to know your requirements may not be the same as your friend or roommates," she said. "That is the mistake a lot of freshmen make."

College is also a time to explore new things. McGinnis advises freshmen to try new classes they may not have taken in high school.

Meghan Biery, First Year Experience program coordinator, said many freshmen might try to register for classes without meeting their advisers, which causes problems down the road.

"I think a lot of them don't realize how helpful their adviser can be," Biery said.

During DeLaWorld, the incoming freshmen have advisers help make their schedules, but when scheduling for the spring they are totally lost, Biery said.

In the FYE program freshmen learn three key concepts:

alcohol awareness, safer sexuality and conflict and communication, she said.

"It is important for freshmen to be aware of the resources we have at the university," Biery said. "They need to know the resources are available."

George Brelsford, dean of students, said there are a lot of resources freshmen are unaware of, specifically this year.

"If they are having a problem and don't know how to solve it they should come to my office," he said.

Brelsford also suggests freshmen visit the Career Services Center.

It is not too early to get started with on and off campus employment and getting your resume together, he said.

Academic success is also something new freshmen often struggle with. To do well in class, McGinnis encourages stu-

dents to go to every class.

"If you go to class and take notes you often have to only skim the readings," McGinnis said.

Sophomore Elyssa Noblesala said balancing school work and a social life is a major part of being successful in college.

"Don't procrastinate, just get your work done so you have the whole weekend to hang out," she said. "That was my downfall last year."

When trying to get work done, Noblesala heads to the Daughtery Hall, which is one campus secret she wished she knew early on freshmen. "I didn't know about the chapel until the spring," she said. "It's better than the library and the lounge, it's the perfect place to concentrate."

As an adviser, McGinnis advises freshmen to take a look at all of their courses at one time and see how they overlap, if they have three exams one day or several papers in one semester. Then students can decide if they need to change the course to make their schedule more balanced.

Having a balanced schedule can help with success in the classroom.

Freshmen should also get involved on campus early on in their college career, because a lot of learning is done outside of the classroom, McGinnis said. However, many freshmen find themselves signing up for every club at activities night and getting in over their head.

She said to pick organizations students see themselves taking leadership roles in. Another way to narrow down organizations is to pick organizations that will help through school or in a career decision.

Noblesala suggested students focus on only a few activities.

"I got really involved with a lot of things first and then I narrowed it down," she said.

"I think our FYE class helps students balance student life and academic life, that's why FYE is here," Biery said. "It's not supposed to be a burden, it's to help them adjust and the peer mentors are crucial in that adjustment."

Senior Simon Campbell gave freshmen three simple pieces of advice.

Try something new, go to the Post-House on Main Street and remember to milk your parents, he said.



THE REVIEW/File photo

Resident assistants spent part of the summer preparing for the influx of new freshmen.

RAs train for potential real-life scenarios

BY ERICA COHEN

Student Affairs Editor

Arriving 12 days earlier than other students this fall, Resident Assistants were faced with mock-scenarios to prepare them for the changes in residence life policies and situations they may encounter during the year.

RAs went through a significant amount of training, including learning about the code of conduct, residence hall regulations and safety regulations, said Cathy Skelley, assistant director of Residence Life.

"We go through a whole day of exercises we call real life scenarios, RA's knock on doors and they don't know what they're going to find on the other side of that door," she said.

Resident assistants are sent to a few different rooms and an activity or issue has been planned in each — this allows the assistants to practice the proper reactions and assistance for different issues that may arise on the floor.

These scenarios vary from students violating behavioral policies like alcohol or drug violations to campus involvement issues like wanting to take on a leadership role.

While Residence Life holds RA training camp every year, Skelley said more time was spent on these life scenarios this year than any other.

"I especially liked the scenarios this year because they weren't all extreme things that may not happen, some were like 'a student wants to get involved on the floor,'" hall director Darby Israel said.

Kristen Fonte, a Dickinson Hall RA, said she found these scenarios to be the most helpful part of the training.

"It gave us a chance to apply what we had been learning," she said.

One major difference in policy this year was the change in the name of the Office of Judicial Affairs to the Office of Student Conduct, and change in language like the, now unused, three strike policy.

RAs were instructed with the new terminology during training.

Another major policy change was the alcohol amnesty policy enacted last semester.

"I spent some time discussing that at the first floor meeting," Fonte said. "We want students to come to us if there's a problem -- and explaining the policies will hopefully push students to approach us."

Shandrea Henderson, also a Dickinson Hall RA, stressed that same personal policy.

"Our job is to make it a good and safe community where everyone feels welcome," she said.

Skelley acknowledged that conduct violations are more prominent in first year residence halls and that RAs have already had to deal with violations within the first week.

"We did have several students over the weekend where first-years are violating alcohol policy," she said. "People are testing but we are very serious and we work hard with Public Safety and sometimes students don't believe that. I let them know this is my job, my responsibility and it's for the safety of everyone."

Israel said, "During the first week I talk to the RAs more and walk around the building more — not so much because people get wild but to meet people and get familiar with the students before they start taking classes."

New RAs are also put on duty with more experienced RAs for the first few weeks to get used to the process.

Other than these few things, Skelley stressed that residence life remains the same throughout the year, including the first few weeks. They train their staff to better the student community throughout the year.

"It's important to have someone who's there for you, a resource who's conducive to personal growth and academic excellence," Henderson said, "and that's why I became an RA."



THE REVIEW/Natalie Carillo

Some upperclassmen recommend Daughtery Hall as a secret study spot for freshmen.

Web site offers students cheap, green textbooks

BY ERICA COHEN
Student Affairs Editor

Junior Laura Hoferer reluctantly spent 300 dollars on a textbook for organic chemistry before a friend told her to buy her books from Chegg.com.

Chegg.com offers students 65 to 85 percent off their textbooks and plants a tree for every book rented.

Hoferer returned her book and turned to Chegg.com

"In the long run, using Chegg.com has saved me a lot of money and I recommend it," she said.

Students order their books, set their return date and receive the books with a pre-paid shipping sticker with their order. Chegg.com also gives students the option to buy the books they have rented as well as sell books they have purchased elsewhere.

The company started in 2007 as a type of college-friendly Craig's List when the founders saw that textbooks were 80 percent of the market, CEO Jim Safka said.

"The whole purpose is to save students money on textbooks which are notoriously too expensive," he said.

In the beginning, the company had no textbooks in stock, so, whenever a customer put in an order, the founders would find the books somewhere else and ship it to the student. Now, the company boasts 150 employees and connections with publishing companies throughout the country.

"Our goal is to have every textbook the student could possibly need," Safka said. Although the company has achieved much success, they want to continue to expand their brand.

"We have a long way to go, the word is spreading quickly and we have plans to expand internationally to Canada, the UK and Australia, Germany and Scandinavia."

According to Safka, Chegg.com has done virtually no marketing and

the company's success, including nods from the New York Times, Fox News and the New York Stock Exchange, has been driven by word of mouth.

"In this economic climate people are looking for signs of home and companies that are doing the right thing to save people money," he said.

Fair prices are not the company's only goal; the company has also taken an environmentally friendly policy and plants a tree for each book a student rents, in Lake Tahoe, Guatemala or Cameroon. The company wants to rebuild habitats for animals that live in those areas and need reforestation, Safka said.

"The average student in the course of a year with the textbooks that they read are consuming the equivalent of one tree per year and we thought, because of that it would be a good idea for us to help the environment, it seems responsible," he said.

Chegg.com has helped to plant more than 750 acres through their partnership with American Forests Global ReLeaf Program, according to their site.

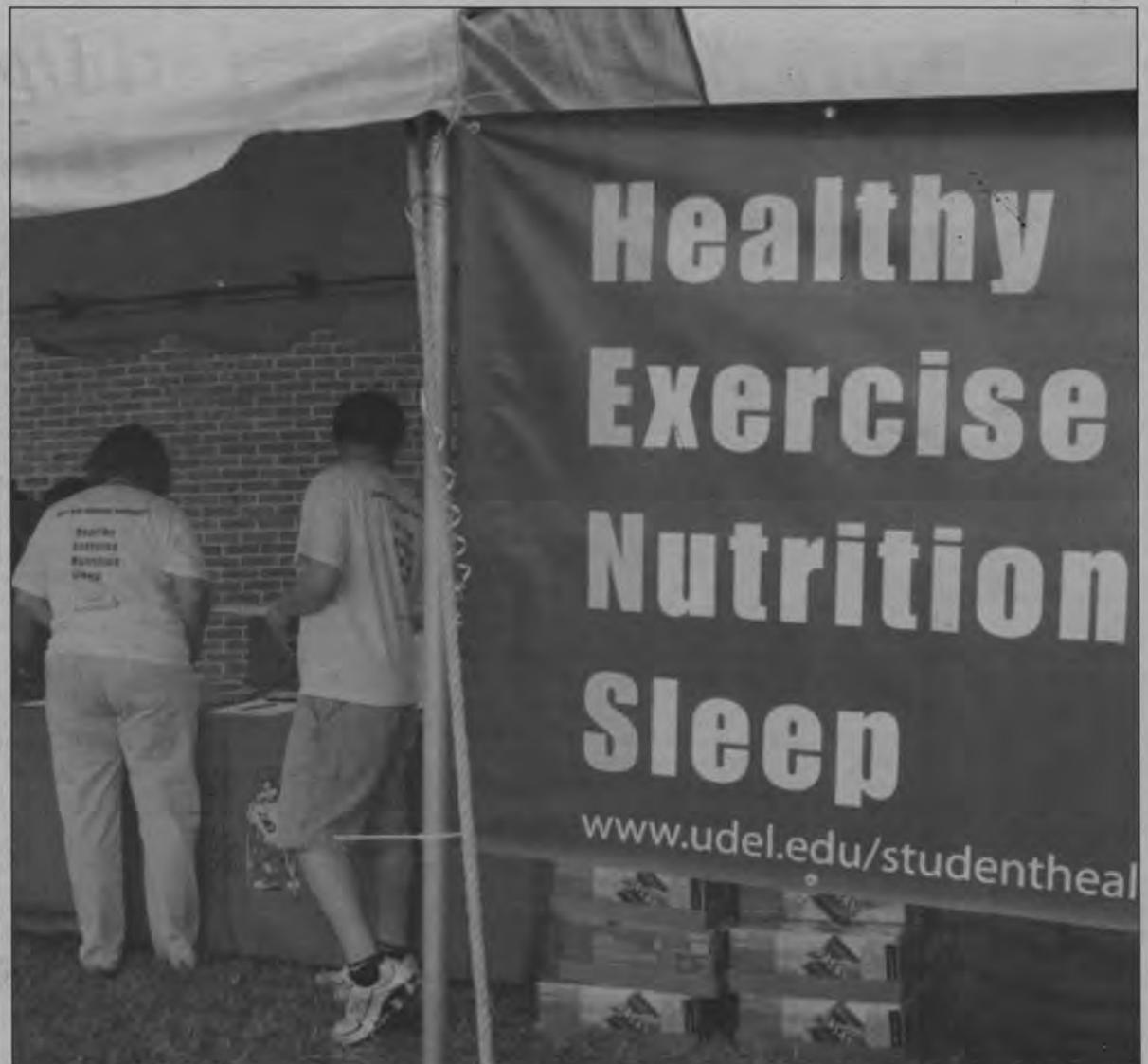
Junior Kevin Murphy has been using Chegg.com since his freshman year.

"I got my books through the school first semester and the school was a rip-off, so second semester I rented a couple," Murphy said, "It met my expectations."

Although renting books from Chegg.com means students receive no money upon selling books back, Murphy said it still proved to be a much cheaper option.

Today, Chegg.com has saved students over 43 million dollars, according to their site, and wants to continue to help students.

"It is a brand that was really created by students and their desires," Safka said. "It's a brand that is really owned by students and we feel lucky to serve them and finally lower the cost of textbooks."



THE REVIEW/Nicole Aizaga

The Healthy HENS program held a kickoff event Friday in front of Delaware Stadium.

Healthy HENS program gives students tips for staying fit

BY MARINA KOREN
Assistant News Editor

"Healthy exercise, nutrition and sleep." This is the motto of Healthy HENS, a wellness program on campus offering students the resources they need to wake up energized for class, eat a nutritious diet and stay in shape.

Healthy HENS offers fitness evaluations, peer-led exercises classes beginning this month, nutrition counseling and sleep consultation to students on and off-campus, Healthy HENS Program Coordinator Michelle Ness said.

The program, funded by AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals, hosted this year's kickoff event in front of Delaware Stadium before Friday's first football game. They gave out bags of white cheddar popcorn and bottles of Dasani to students who signed up.

Ness said the organization was started to promote healthy initiatives campus wide.

"We want students to be more active, get adequate nutrition, get more sleep and participate in disease prevention," she said.

Ness said her goals are to organize a week-long wellness event this semester, arrange for a fitness celebrity to speak during the winter,

and plan a 5K run in the spring to attract a crowd.

She said she feels people want to be healthy, but that sometimes it can be difficult.

"We all want to do things to stay healthy but it's just the matter of having services available," Ness said. "It's hard to work exercise into your schedule because of classes and getting good solid nutrition takes time and effort. And when you're stressed, sleep is the first to go."

Steve Hahn, a spokesperson for AstraZeneca, said the company decided to fund Healthy HENS because it wanted to help people in the college community stay healthy. The program is the first wellness promotion organization that the company has sponsored.

"College is an overwhelming time because you're balancing a lot of things and it's hard being sick away from home," Hahn said. "Exercising, eating, and getting enough sleep will not only help you get through college but will help prevent diseases."

He said the program is helpful because it will allow students to set lifelong healthy habits early in life.

"Prevention is so key," Hahn said. "There are so many benefits to this program, whether it's giving stu-

dents that added energy they need or helping them prevent chronic diseases."

Freshman Lauren McDuffie, a Healthy HENS student employee who will be leading several fitness classes this semester, said she joined the program to stay fit.

"I love exercising and I like to dance," McDuffie said. "It is kind of hard to stay healthy during college because the dining halls don't always provide the healthiest food."

Freshman Stacy Meyerson, who signed up for the program because she was interested in taking an exercise class, said the program is great for new students who are scared of gaining the famous freshman fifteen.

"They're used to their moms making them good food and now they have to make their own choices," Meyerson said. "I'm a little worried about it but I plan on exercising and staying in shape."

Sophomore and Healthy HENS student employee Valentine Bagirimvano said she has high hopes for the program because it is both helpful and free.

"I think a lot of people will want to join the program," Bagirimvano said. "I know when I don't exercise I get stressed and that's the last thing students need."

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Chegg.com plants a tree for every textbook rented from the company.

Company offers subscription-based ride service

By REITY O'BRIEN

Staff Reporter

Looking for a ride?

Enter V Ride—a private, paid transportation service launched this semester in Newark.

Founder and Wilmington resident David Hunt recognized that options like public transportation and taxi service he enjoyed during his college years at the University of Pennsylvania were not present at the University of Delaware.

In this void, Hunt said he and his colleagues saw an entrepreneurial opportunity and started to do their homework.

"We worked with the [University of Delaware] Center for Economic Education and Academic Enrichment, and came up with the model with the interns there," he said. It was about the same time Public Safety's vehicle transportation stopped.

Hunt and the university interns conducted a survey about transportation in Newark and found some very negative feedback.

"There was also a lot of concern about the shuttle being cancelled, and drinking and driving," he said.

Hunt also discovered many students brought their cars to campus, and the combined cost of parking permits, gas and inevitable parking violations were high.

Next on Hunt's agenda was determining a name for the company, he said.

"Being environmentally friendly was important to us, but all the green names were taken," Hunt said. "One of us said, 'How do you say green in Latin?' and the word is veritus. We decided on V Ride."

V Ride's services include subscriptions for unlimited rides between the hours of 3 p.m. and 3 a.m., which cost \$900 per semester or \$235 per month. These figures compute to approximately \$8 per day.

He said the company now offers a "Friends Ride Free" option, in which the first 500 customers can bring a friend for no additional charge. Each subsequent guest incurs a fee of \$5. Subscription to the transportation service equips students with a V Card, which identifies them as official customers.

Some students thought the fee is too hefty.

"I may as well buy a used car," Senior Cashin Chandler said. "I'd rather walk anyway, it's good exercise."

Freshman Alexa Mavanos expresses a similar reaction to V Ride's fees.

"I don't have that kind of money," Mavanos said. "I guess if someone is really wealthy and they can afford to

pay, that would be a good friend to have."

Although this unlimited ride service may be cheaper than parking and fueling a student's personal car, it only offers rides in the immediate downtown Newark area.

Hunt said he hopes students will subscribe to V Ride as an alternative to bringing their own cars to school.

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Newark water rates to jump an average of \$308 per year

By JORDAN WOMPIERSKI

Staff Reporter

Starting Oct. 1, Newark residents and university students in off-campus housing will see their water bills increase by 35 percent, a raise that could cost the typical water customer as much as \$308 in additional charges per year. The increase was unanimously approved at the Aug. 24 city council meeting.

Dennis McFarland, Newark's director of finance, said the city was not receiving the revenue expected from the water utility, which led him to recommend the increase.

"We constantly monitor the financial results of the different utilities and we could see that the water utility was starting to under-collect," McFarland said. "We did an analysis to see if a rate adjustment would get it back on track and decided on a 35 percent increase across the board."

Mayor Vance Funk III said the increase stemmed from the fact that the city's water rates were not as high as the rates of independently owned water companies operating outside of Newark.

"Our water rates were below the water rates outside of the city," Funk said. "Increasing the water rates will obviously raise more revenue for the city, which is running out money because of the economy."

In addition to increased revenue, Funk said the new rates will also help conserve water. Since the old water rates were lower than other water providers, Funk said residents were not as likely to think about conserving water.

"Our finance department and the Delaware Water Resources Agency at the University of Delaware did a report on the water rates in Newark and found them to be very low and not support conservation," he said. "When we raised the water rates 15 percent in February, there was almost automatically a drop-off of five or six percent in the amount of water being used by the residents. I would expect there would be a reduction in a similar matter, probably five

or six percent, maybe more."

In a memo to the mayor and city council, McFarland stated that the rate increase would provide the city with an additional \$1.5 million in revenue.

"For a typical city customer, who uses 200 cubic feet of water a quarter, their quarterly bill would rise about \$20 to \$77," he stated. "The typical quarterly bill for a non-city customer would rise about \$27 to \$104."

Jane Woolsey, manager of the Post House Restaurant on Main Street, said she is not as understanding about the raise.

"I think it's a bad time to raise water rates," Woolsey said. "I know everybody needs to make more money, but small businesses like myself, you're trying to keep your head above water so to speak and make ends meet. It's tough making ends meet and then they go raise the water rates."

Woolsey said that the rate increase will be tough on many area businesses, especially restaurants like the Post House.

"Let's face it, in a restaurant you use lots of water: water for cooking, water for the customers, water for coffee, water for the dishes," she said. "Any extra money that you spend is an issue."

Woolsey said she knows about the increase not only because she read about it, but also because it has been a hot topic among her customers.

"You hear customers talking about it all the time," she said. "Of course it's negative. Nobody wants to pay more money, especially in this economy."

Additionally, McFarland said the city could raise rates even higher in an attempt to meet a 20 percent operating margin goal for the water utility.

In the memo he stated that a larger rate increase could be justified, but it is not being proposed at this time in the hope that consumption may rebound.

Both McFarland and Funk said resident complaints

since the approval have been at a minimum.

"We had a public hearing about two weeks ago and no one spoke in opposition to the water rate increase," McFarland said.

Funk said the additional money the city makes from the increase will go towards a water fund for improving the city's water system.

"All the money that is going to go into the water fund and any excess money that's available will be used to make badly needed repairs to the existing water and sewer lines, especially the water and sewer structure in the inner city," he said. "It is very old and needs repair, or even in some cases replacement."

Life-long Newark resident and university alumna Heather Suchanec-Cooper said she is not too upset about the recently approved increase.

"They've always been very reasonably priced, so the fact that there has been a hike, it feels reasonable," she said. "It's a little hard on the pocket but it still feels like it's within reasonable rates."

Jon Cooper, Heather's husband, said he also sees where the city is coming from with its decision to raise the rates.

"I feel that the city is obviously in a bad financial situation and it makes sense to me that they're going to have to charge more for certain things," Jon said.

Senior Dave Brownstein lives in an off-campus apartment and is responsible for paying a water bill along with his three roommates.

Brownstein said he was aware that rates would be going up, but did not know by how much. He said he understands the city's need to bring in the extra revenue but is not looking forward to the hit his wallet will take.

"You got to just bite the bullet. It's just something you have to deal with," Brownstein said. "There are really no other options. It sucks, but it is what it is."

Native plants grow in popularity at the university

Botanic gardens showcase Delaware-friendly species, student art

BY JOHN MORGERA

Staff Reporter

Among the everyday bustle of campus life, Junior Kristen Atwood, vice president of Students for the Environment, noticed something new — the plants by the new Visitors Center are all native to Delaware's climate.

The university's landscape engineer, Tom Taylor, who was in charge of the Grounds Services group for 22 years before becoming the landscape engineer, said he has designed the campus scenery and foliage as well as areas in need of restoration due to construction or building repairs.

Taylor said a lot of thought is put in to what is planted where on campus.

"Decisions about the university grounds are made at various levels depending on the size and situation of the area," Taylor stated in an e-mail message. "Depending on the magnitude and location, I try to gather input from all levels of the Grounds Service unit — possible users of the area, utility shops and building occupants."

In his past designs, Taylor has used mostly native plants. Recently he has implemented some changes, most noticeably at the Visitors' Center and at the new Independence Hall complex on Laird Campus. In these areas, he tried to embrace the university's commitment to sustainability.

"The plantings were done to enhance sustainability issues without compromising the total campus landscape or experience," Taylor said.

He said decisions were made to reduce energy requirements around the complex, as well as to help insect and bird populations.

Taylor said while eco-friendly landscapes are trendy right now and support the university's dedication to reducing its carbon footprint, native plants also enhance the campus' look.

"Native plants not only provide essential ingredients to the ecosystem but can also be attractive and entertaining



THE REVIEW/Natalie Carillo

The university is trying to include more native plants in its landscaping.

to all who view or interact with these landscapes," he said.

Taylor is not alone in his efforts to improve the university's landscape.

At the university's Botanic Gardens, professors and students use gardens as laboratories, where the next generation of botanists and landscape engineers are being trained.

The gardens span the whole campus, with two main

locations surrounding Townsend Hall and Worriflow Hall.

Professor John Frett, director of the Botanic Gardens, oversees a small staff that manages and performs maintenance in the gardens, as well as interns during the summer.

"The garden functions as a laboratory for the students," Frett said. He estimates that 25 to 30 classes utilize the gardens. Students manage the grounds and even do design work in them, he said.

Despite being exclusively outdoors, the gardens contain plants from different climates.

"We grow as much as we can outside," Frett said. "If it doesn't survive here, we don't grow it, but we do try to push the limit."

While the Botanic Gardens' work is not as visible on the main campus as the ground crew's, the student body benefits from it. Art classes do sketches in the gardens and students' sculptures are displayed among the foliage during the last third of spring semester. The gardens have also worked with the Center for Early Learning on a butterfly project.

Botanic Gardens' staff is sometimes consulted about ongoing projects around campus. In the past, they've provided information that contributed to the Laird campus' and Visitor Center's landscaping projects, Frett said.

"We provide them information and a different perspective, but it is up to them to implement their projects," he said.

According to Taylor, one of the ground crew's goals is to have the campus know how the decisions they make positively affect the environment. Through their work, they hope to keep the campus looking its best, as well as contributing to the university's sustainability.

Atwood agrees.

"I think it's great that the university is trying to be more environmentally sustainable by planting native species as part of their landscaping," Atwood said.

Student gets creative to fund graduate school

BY MIA POZZANGHERA

Staff Reporter

Junior Bryan Jones is determined not to let graduate school lead him thousands of dollars into debt and he is using his class project to work toward this goal.

Jones said his professor asked the class to choose a problem in their lives and devise a plan to solve it.

His solution to avoiding debt was to sell advertising space on his personal vehicle. As a commuting student, Jones said he thought businesses would have a lot of publicity to gain by advertising on the side of his car.

"I chose funding graduate school. I didn't just want to pick something stupid," he said. "I wanted to pick something that related to my own life. Basically I'm just trying to get someone else to pay for grad school," he said. "I really don't want to end up with a ton of loans."

Jones said he was hopeful he would sell some space given the influx of students returning back to campus.

"I thought with everyone coming back to Newark businesses would want to advertise more, and this was a good way," he said.

Although he hasn't had any business yet, Jones said company owners have applauded his determination to fund graduate school on his own and appreciate his idea.

He said most businesses have actually thought of using their own company cars for advertising purposes.

Walt Chiquoine, manager/owner of Saxby's Coffee in Amstel Square, said he thinks Jones' idea is good but not necessarily the right thing for Saxby's.

"In terms of promotions, I look for the most bang-for-the-buck," Chiquoine said.

He said advertising space on a car is not what he needs to bring customers in to his coffee shop.

"Saxby's Coffee brings in mostly local customers and so advertising on the side of a vehicle is not necessarily a high priority for us," Chiquoine said.

Although he would not use Jones' service, Chiquoine said he thinks it would be great for a business that has multiple locations all over the place and leaves a "broader footprint."

Junior Joe Duszak said he thinks Jones' idea is good but it isn't the first time he has heard of students coming up with unique ways to raise money.

He said he remembers in high school when one of his peers sold advertising space on his body.

"He used to wear a different t-shirt everyday with a different advertisement on it," he said. "It was great, people always talked about it."

Senior Morgan Sedgley said although she would probably never offer to sell advertising space on her own car, she is very impressed with Jones' initiative and motivation.

"It's a really innovative idea, I'll give him that," she said. "Graduate school is really expensive, so it's good that he's trying."

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The U.S. News and World Report named the university among the top schools in the nation.

UD ranked 28th among public schools

BY TADEUSZ KASIAK
Administrative News Editor

U.S. News and World Report has ranked the University of Delaware the 28th top public university in the country. In last year's edition of "America's Best Colleges," the university held the 30th position.

Out of the 1,400 schools evaluated, the university ranked 68th among both private and public institutions. It tied with Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Southern Methodist University. The top three universities were Harvard, Princeton and Yale.

Provost Tom Apple said the university keeps an eye on college rankings, especially the U.S. News, one of the most widely known.

"A good fit is always a better reason to pick a university, but these rankings are out there, and because people use them, we have to consider them to be important," Apple said. "There is no doubt that some of the metrics that the ranking agencies use do indeed correlate to university program quality, and those are the metrics that we constantly focus upon improving, student retention [being] an example."

Apple said it is also important to keep in mind which metrics are used and how they are obtained. Some are very subjective measures, while others are used out of perspective.

According to the U.S. News' Web site, the colleges were sorted into categories using the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching classification scheme. Data from each school was collected and used in the evaluation of "15 indicators of academic quality."

Among these indicators were peer assessment, retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, alumni giving and graduation rate performance. The final rankings were the total weighted scores in each category.

Associate Provost Michael Middaugh said because colleges and universities are besieged each year with requests from countless commercial enter-

prises for data, the university compiles a "common data set" to which it refers most inquiries.

"The major exceptions are the U.S. News Survey, Peterson's Guide, and other high profile data collections that require information beyond the Common Data Set," Middaugh stated in an email message.

The Office of Marketing and Communications coordinates the submission of data to U.S. News. It prepares information provided by Institutional Research, Admissions, Financial Aid, and other administrative offices.

In contrast to other guidebooks such as the Princeton Review, the U.S. News does not collect information from students. It does however use peer assessment to evaluate a school's reputation among the presidents, provosts and deans of other schools.

Apple said peer ratings are over-weighted. The evaluators often present inaccurate information as they base their opinions in the absence of concrete data on the schools they are asked to rank.

"And since reputations take a long time to change, the peer evaluations don't reflect current quality," he said.

The more subjective a measure is, the more it increases the time constant for change in the rankings.

"Rising schools like UD are hurt while schools that are sitting on their laurels are aided," Apple said.

Junior Lauren Pisarczyk said she used college rankings when picking a college, but she did not evaluate perspective schools based on their individual rankings. Rather the rankings served her as more of a tool by which to quickly access information concerning tuition costs, offered majors and expected student admissions.

For universities, college rankings serve as a form of outside evaluation. While certain values assigned to the schools' academic standing are questionable, they shed light on other areas that need improvement.

Comp. sci. major creates UD Facebook application

BY KRISTINA PIATEK
Staff Reporter

Over the summer, a growing phenomenon among university students popped up on Facebook: UDel Classes Connection, an application designed by Austin Cory Bart, a sophomore computer sciences major.

The idea behind the application is simple: students select which classes they're enrolled in for the coming semester and then see who else on UDel Classes Connection is signed up for the class.

Bart said the inspiration for the application came from his own past experiences trying to decide which classes to take.

"It was very frustrating," Bart said. "You had no idea who was going to take anything."

Bart said he referred to the university's course database throughout the three or four weeks it took to get the application up and running.

"I took a copy of the publicly released PDF and I did something called parsing, which is something the computer can understand," he said.

Bart said after he updated the application with enhanced features, the registrar's office lent him a copy of their database.

UDel Classes Connection has been up and running for approximately three months and is continuing to grow, with about 1,300 students using the application.

"I just saw a whole bunch of people adding it, and they were

saying that they saw a lot of people in their classes, so I wanted to meet people too," said Freshman Stacey Mitchell who added the application.

She said she met six or seven people from her major before she got to school and got to meet them in person when she started class.

"When you get to your classes, you already recognize a face," she said.

While Mitchell said she agrees the application has been helpful in meeting people to discuss the possible challenges they may face in their classes together, she views it as more of a head start than a must-have in making new friends.

"I have met a couple people that I met on the UD connection in my classes, but at the same time, I didn't need the application to meet people," she said.

Half of UDel Classes Connection's users are freshmen, but upperclassmen have added the application to their profiles as well, including senior Debra LaGreca.

"It's good to see faces that you recognize that will be in your classes," LaGreca said. "I guess it's a good way to meet people too, even as a senior."

She said she remains optimistic about the application.

"I like that it seems to be becoming more popular," she said. "I've been seeing more people adding it and seeing more people from my classes."



Courtesy of Austin Cory Bart

Sophomore Austin Cory Bart created a Facebook application for finding classmates.



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The university is encouraging students to vote to name a trophy to give to the winner of the Delaware - Delaware State game.

Voting open to name UD-DSU game trophy

BY PAUL MUSSONI

Staff Reporter

On Sept. 19, the university will play Delaware State University in their first regular season match ever. The Wilmington News Journal is giving the winner something more tangible to take home than bragging rights: a trophy. The proposed award, however, is still shapeless and nameless.

The News Journal, in cooperation with both universities, has been running an online naming competition called "U Name It," in which the public can name the trophy.

With the polls just coming to a close, the competition has generated over 4,000 responses, according to the contest website, and the News Journal has narrowed the choices to the final four. The winning name will be announced later this week.

David Brond, Vice President of the Office of Communication and Marketing, said the idea was created over the summer to generate interest in both schools' athletic programs.

"It adds another dimension of fun and pride for the team, coaches and students," Brond said.

He said anyone could submit a name suggestion and that at first, any name was considered. Name suggestions ranged from the Hen-bee to the Small Wonder cups, and others that he said he could not repeat.

After 4,000 names, the News Journal selected the final four based on the total number

of times suggested, Brond said.

The four remaining choices are the First State Cup; the Diamond State Trophy, named after Delaware's Diamond State moniker; the Battle for the Saddle, a reference to Caesar Rodney's famous midnight ride to Philadelphia; and the Battle for the Hatchet, a reference to a Georgetown, Del. tradition in which political rivals literally bury a hatchet to symbolize cooperation.

Brond said there had been nearly 100 votes in the first two days of this semester. He said he attributes many of these votes to students.

Junior Bryan Colbourn said he likes the idea of the naming competition.

"It's a good way to build local rivalry between two schools that haven't interacted much," Colbourn said.

He said he would vote for "Battle for the Saddle" because he thinks the rhyme makes the title more catchy.

Sophomore Anthony Degli Obizzi said he thinks the First State Cup is the best.

"Some people might not know what 'saddle' or 'hatchet' mean," he said.

Freshman Annie Hudson said she would base her decision not on the name, but on the look of the trophy.

"Some names would make it a dumb trophy," Hudson said.

Freshman Kyle Ingram said he likes the connotation of First State Cup.

"Whoever wins it owns Delaware," Ingram said.

H1N1: Vaccine expected by Nov.

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expected to arrive between the end of October and the beginning of November.

The CDWG suggests students receive the seasonal flu vaccine when it becomes available because it protects them from the seasonal flu and will also help medics diagnose H1N1.

"It'll protect you at least from the seasonal flu for now and then we'll be able to have a better idea of what you've come down with later," Nickle said. "For instance, if we know you've had the seasonal flu vaccine, that'll help us determine how to treat you."

Health Services will offer the seasonal flu vaccine first to "high risk" students who have chronic medical conditions, Siebold said. Once a second shipment is received, the clinics will open up for the general student population.

There is a nominal cost for the seasonal flu vaccine, but the H1N1 vaccine will be free. Siebold says Health Services is still waiting to hear more information about the vaccines.

"The original thinking was that there would be two doses of the H1N1 vaccine but that could also change as information comes back on the vaccine trials done this summer," he said.

The university has not seen any students with H1N1 infection since classes began last week, Siebold said. However, it will take a series of tests to determine if an individual has the seasonal flu or H1N1. Based on the CDC guidelines, Nickle said unless the individual has a serious medical condition, the CDWG is not recommending giving any type of antiviral medication to those who become infected with influenza.

The university is still working on developing a plan for sick students who live in residence halls, Nickle said. Students who become infected but do not have serious medical conditions will most likely stay in their assigned residence hall.

"If you and your roommate are living together and one of you gets the flu, it's likely the other one has already been exposed to it," she said. "So in all likelihood you are both going to get it anyway, but we will look at each individual case."

Because residence halls are completely full, the committee is only looking at moving students such as those with compromised immune systems or those severely affected by influenza.

Nickle said the CDWG is looking for available space on campus right now for medically compromised stu-

dents who do become infected.

Although the university is advising students not to come to class if they are sick, the university will not force students who are infected to return home, Nickle said.

"If an option for them is to drive home and spend a couple days there until they feel better, than that is fine with us," she said.

Nickle said the situation would have to be dire for the university to consider closing for a day. The university stayed open last spring when 1400 students visited Health Services and public health clinics to be tested for H1N1, Nickle said.

"For the university to close, the virus would have to be disrupting everything that we do day to day - providing students meals, providing coursework, etc." she said. "We're hoping it won't get to that point but we have provisions in place if that happens."

During the outbreak of H1N1 last spring, the university said they did not issue medical excuses because too many students were going through Student Health Service.

The CDC's recent guidelines for institutions of higher education suggest ill students isolate themselves until 24 hours after their fever subsides. The guidelines also state that colleges should make it "easy for students, and faculty and staff members with flu symptoms to miss class or work."

Over the summer, the CDWG worked with faculty on becoming lenient with students.

"That was a big push we had

over the summer," she said. "We were asking faculty to put material on the Web so students have access if they cannot attend class, Nickle said.

Jennifer Wooleyhand, spokeswoman for the Delaware Division of Public Health, said the state of Delaware is working with the Department of Education to determine how to respond to a worst-case scenario.

"At this point, it's at the discretion of the school to close down, and that's pretty much a universal decision," she said.

Wooleyhand said the state will try to maintain some normalcy but if a large number of people need the vaccinations at one time, the state has the ability to set up five emergency health centers. The locations of the centers are yet to be determined, Wooleyhand said.

"In the event of a surprise natural disaster or weather event, this is always the case," she said. "It's the same for flu treatment."

If Delaware arranges any H1N1 flu clinics, like the seasonal flu clinics, Public Health will post the dates, times and locations on the www.flu.delaware.gov website, Wooleyhand said.

The vaccines will be distributed in the following order: Pregnant women, people who live with or care for children younger than 6 months old, individuals between the ages of 6 months and 24 years old, individuals between 25 years and 64 years old who have chronic health disorders or compromised immune systems and healthcare and emergency medical services personnel.

Siebold said supply of the H1N1 vaccine could change the priority slightly.

"At this time there is no anticipation of a delay in the supply of the H1N1 vaccine," he said. "Should that happen there could be a change to reduce that age group from 24 years to age 18 years."

Wooleyhand said the most important thing for everyone to do right now is to take hygiene precautions. The state, the CDC and the CDWG are all urging people to cover their mouths, use antibacterial hand soap, and stay home when they feel sick.

"We know it's coming," she said. "Whether it's going to be exceedingly mild, whether it's going to be tough on us, we really don't know, but we're planning for a fight."

University President Patrick Harker offered a word of H1N1 advice for students at the New Student Convocation last week.

"I want you to do me one favor: wash your hands," Harker said.



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Joseph Siebold, director of Student Health Services, said the H1N1 vaccine will be offered on campus for free.

Crime: Students feel safer with added cops

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that time, they know there's a larger victim base here, more victims to choose from," he said. "Most of these people are from out-of-town and they come here to where their targets are. We are trying to stop them. So far we've done pretty well with that."

Henry said the program is targeting robberies and aggravated assaults, and since there haven't been any yet this semester, he considers the initiative a success so far.

Major Joel Ivory, acting chief of the university police, said Public Safety is pursuing a similar crime suppression initiative alongside the Newark Police Department.

"We are deploying more officers on foot to complement Newark's forces in a couple of geographic areas that are more prone to serious crime," Ivory said.

A local command post will be set up on the Ray Street Bridge during the afternoon hours until early morning on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights to protect large number of students on foot in the area, he said.

Ivory said although it is too early to tell, he believes crime is decreasing compared to last year.

"Alcohol violations have gone up, but robbery and aggravated assault have shown a slight decrease," he said. "There have been more violations because of more officers walking around."

Ivory said alcohol consumption makes for easier targets as well as prompts aggravated assaults.

"Due to the nature of this college area, aggravated assault, such as in fights, happens with more people out and about at night when there is alcohol involved," he said.

Ivory recommends students never walk alone at night, but if they do, to pay close attention to their surroundings. He said students sometimes talk on their cell phone, thinking it is safer, but become so involved with their conversation they don't pay attention to their surroundings, making them an easy target.

Ivory said, "Always remember you can take the bus. There are more buses operating this semester and with greater frequency, and it's a very safe mode of transportation."

Henry also has some tips for students to stay safe: stay away from shortcuts, alleys and other dark places.

"If you see something suspicious or out of the norm, get yourself to a safe place and call 911 as soon as possible," Henry said. "The biggest problem we have is people not calling when there's a problem. Don't be afraid to call the police when you think you're in danger."

Sophomore Megan Richards is living on East Cleveland Avenue this year. Richards said although she has never had to call the police, seeing them patrolling her street more often makes her feel safer.

"The robberies last year were pretty scary, but this year, I'm not worried about it so much," she said. "The police cars are parked by my house, they could come quickly if something happened."

Junior Alicia Mendoza lives in Warner Hall and also feels the police presence is making the campus safer.

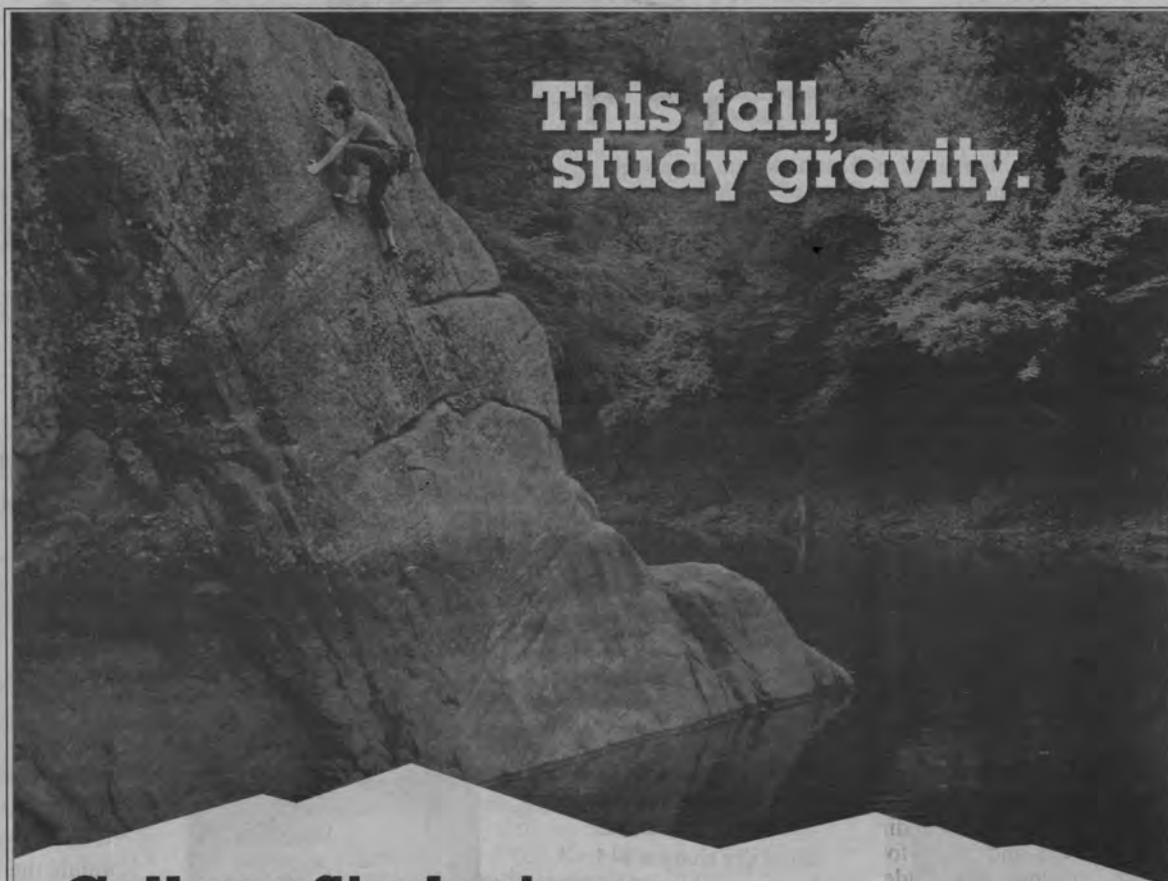
"Before I didn't see that many police around, but now I do," Mendoza said. "I do a lot of walking at night, so it helps that they're there."



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Newark and university police have stepped up patrols for the beginning of the semester.

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Fall Crime Suppression Plan offers additional safety

With added cops until November, will this new sense of security remain?

Last fall semester began with a slew of muggings and burglaries in areas surrounding campus. After student and community outcry, Newark police decided to collaborate with the university's Public Safety in an effort to decrease crime and protect students later that fall semester of 2008.

The joint effort was named the Fall Crime Suppression Plan. This plan included increased police presence as well as educational tips for student self-protection. The plan resulted in the apprehension of multiple suspects as well as an increased feeling of safety throughout the Newark area.

After last year's success, the Fall Crime Suppression Plan is back. It has been revamped and both departments are determined not to let those types of crimes occur again this year.

These types of efforts are a step in the right direction by both police forces. Drastic action was needed after last year's crime spree and luckily, these efforts have been instituted in a timely manner.

Since the beginning of the Fall 2009 semester, students seem to have regained confidence in the level of safety on campus.

Drastically increased police presence in areas stretching past the usual confines of campus, locations that were previously neglected areas, are now being more heavily monitored as well.

While additional enforcement was needed in these areas, police cannot abandon these patrols after the suppression plan comes to an end this November.

These newly patrolled locations are also heavily dominated by off-campus student housing. While safety in those areas has now increased, police efforts should be targeting their safety and not become primarily focused on cracking down on recreational events.

Student and community safety must be held with the highest regard by both of these departments, and this initiative seems to be working in keeping

criminals off the streets and residents feeling safe.

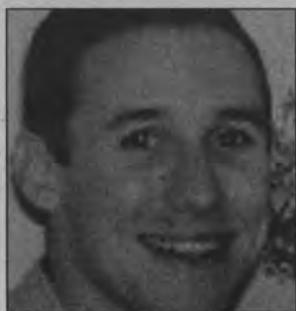
Communication between members of the Newark community and the police forces patrolling the streets should also be increased. Letting people know what is going on to protect them can only increase trust and raise awareness of how to keep yourself safe in times of increased crime, like the beginning of the semester.

Hopefully the shift in focus from alcohol-related arrests to more hard-hitting crimes during these first few months of school will keep the area we all call home increasingly more safe.



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Facebook fears put to the test with new Internet app



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Kraus In The House

A new Facebook application has students feeling anxious.

In the dark ages before the Internet illuminated our world, stalking was a term used only to describe predators worthy of restraining orders and possibly jail time. Now whether or not you would like to admit it, "stalking" has become part of our generation's daily grind, or at least our daily vocabulary. For our stranger obsession we owe but one: Facebook.

For some reason, college students have become obsessed with stalking each other privately, even without any real interactions. Now when I say "stalking," I'm describing the compulsive checking of complete stranger's statuses, pictures and relationships. I'm talking about the ultimate way to keep tabs on people you don't want to stay in touch with (i.e. high school "friends").

While it is easy to jokingly admit this to real friends that you were in fact "stalking them" today, would you be as forthcoming if there was concrete evidence of your disturbing habit?

Not likely, which is why the Facebook

world is blushing about a new application that promises to keep tabs on your biggest "stalkers," appropriately called "Stalkercheck." Nervous yet?

All of a sudden that playful behavior you have been openly admitting to for years has you feeling creepy, doesn't it?

The application also allows you to track you and your friend's biggest fans, so the quantifiable damage to be done is vast. Along with being angry about who's not stalking your own page enough, you can also rage about who your boyfriend/girlfriend is obsessing over paired with the embarrassment of your own guilty stalking. It's a domino effect of shame.

But before you go and do something crazy, like deleting your Facebook page (gasp), let me explain what this "Stalkercheck" is actually checking.

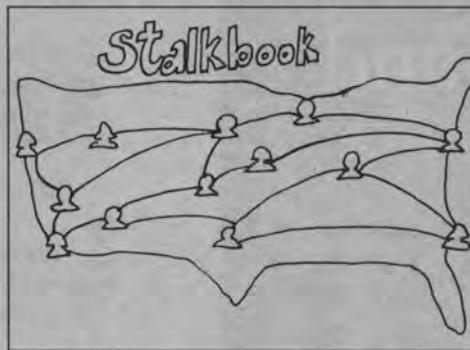
First, its birth name is actually "Top Fan" — "Stalkercheck" is just a cyber nickname for it. Second, like all things Facebook, it is optional and no one is forcing you to click on it. Third, despite popular belief, Stalkercheck is actually counting the number of times an individual has interacted with your profile — it tallies wall posts, comments, likes and gifts, not page views.

Before adding the application, Facebook even forewarns: "For privacy reasons, this application only lists users who have interacted with your profile at least once during your friendship (e.g. by writing on your wall, or liking something). Real stalkers (the creepy kind)

are protected by Facebook Privacy, and will never be revealed, by this or any other app."

You can sleep easy tonight knowing that Facebook is protecting creepers like you and I worldwide. Sad but true, right?

On the flip side, it is also shielding you from knowing your own peeping toms. Would you want to know who's stalking you? After asking around, I was surprised to find that some would prefer NOT to know, claiming that they would feel differently about people if they knew. To which I say, isn't that the point



of knowing?

However, in a New York Daily News poll about the application, 84 percent of users said they were "dying with curiosity," 11 percent said, "it's too creepy to think about" and five percent said, "they avoid Facebook for this very reason." In total, I think people are dying

to know who stalks them but would die if their stalking was made public. Facebook message me if I'm wrong.

Even still, this innocent application has sent waves of fear throughout the Facebook community faster than you can untag pictures from last night. After I finished my own panicking, I had to give it up for the power of one simple application. The creation of a real Stalkercheck, one that counted profile views, might be the only thing strong enough to ever bring down the phenomenon known as Facebook. I think it is somewhat ironic that the only notion strong enough to make us delete our public profile is lack of privacy — what we signed up for in the first place.

In any event, rest assured that we can all stalk each other peacefully again, without shame, because when you actually think about it, your "top fan" may be the least creepy friend you have. This is a similarity that Facebook stalking shares with real world stalking. Top fans are people that openly engage with your wall, instead of observing you from afar in true stalker fashion. Most likely, your top fan is your best friend or significant other, not your anonymous stalkers.

In all likelihood, your top fan may actually be your top fan. How sweet. Love, your #1 Fan.

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Carbon footprint questions arise with additional permits

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Need-To-Know Biro

Overnight parking permit contradicts university climate plan.

University President Patrick Harker announced that as of April 22, the Climate Action Plan would be enforced across campus in an effort to reduce the school's carbon footprint. More specifically, the Climate Action Plan is intended to lower the university's carbon emissions 20 percent by 2020.

The main focuses of the plan are to build more energy-efficient buildings, to incorporate solar panels into both existing and new buildings and to reduce the number of cars traveling onto campus each day.

The latter argument is one that concerns me. John Byrne, the director of the Center for Energy and Environmental Policy, along with Harker, has developed a plan to reduce carbon emissions from cars on campus.

The plan calls for possibly offering fewer parking spaces, improving the campus' public transportation, attempting to dissuade travel by car through increased permit prices and creating incentives for professors who are willing to bike to campus instead of drive.

In my personal opinion, these ideas all seem more than sufficient. I feel the university is taking the right approach in reducing carbon emissions by decreasing the amount of cars on campus.

As a student who lives off-campus, I have purchased a commuting permit and I drive onto campus each day. In doing so, I received an e-mail message this summer from the university's Parking Services in regard to a new permit for commuting students.

The e-mail message contained information on a new overnight permit for commuters. With the permit, the holder is entitled to park overnight at the university, meaning from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m.

My question to the university is this — if you are trying to cut down on carbon emissions on campus, why are you offering this permit? This permit has never been necessary prior to this fall semester, so why now?

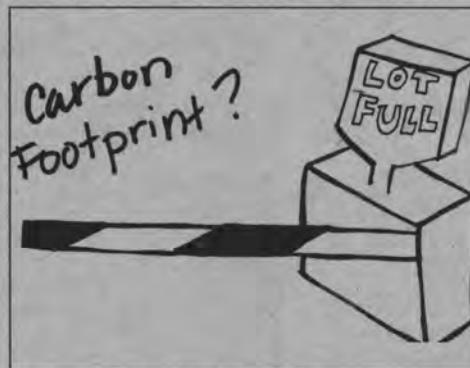
I personally do not understand the point of it. If a student is staying overnight on campus, surely they have a house, apartment or dorm to park at. Also, the meters are another way for students to park past the 5 o'clock p.m. start time of the overnight permit.

More than 8,000 cars travel through the campus daily. Why then would you want to put even more cars on campus? I find the idea to be completely contradictory to the Climate Action Plan.

Byrne said the master transportation plan is expected to be released this fall and that it involves investment into new forms of public transportation to decrease emissions.

If you're interested in spending money on new forms of public transportation that decrease these emissions, why did you create this permit?

The only reason I can put my finger on is money. Maybe the university needed more money for these new bus systems and public transportation systems. Maybe money was needed for new solar panels or



energy-efficient buildings.

All I can say is that I hope the money they are receiving from this overnight permit is going into the Climate Action Plan, at least into something that will be reducing the carbon emissions on campus.

I don't know the facts on the amount of emissions each individual car creates. I don't know the facts on the exact number of overnight permits the university has sold. And I don't know the facts on just how much more emissions this new permit is going to bring onto the campus.

I do know, however, that no matter what the numbers are, no matter how many permits are sold or how much more emissions are put out, it's not good.

The permit has never been necessary until this point in time. I personally still don't think it's necessary now.

I would think there needed to be at least hundreds of student complaints about overnight parking before something this absolute took place. And unless someone can show me where that many students complained about overnight parking conditions, I think the permit is not only unnecessary but is also an item of luxury.

With all of that being said, I hope the university takes into consideration the welfare of their campus, as well as the Climate Action Plan, and does not utilize this overnight permit next school year, or even next semester.

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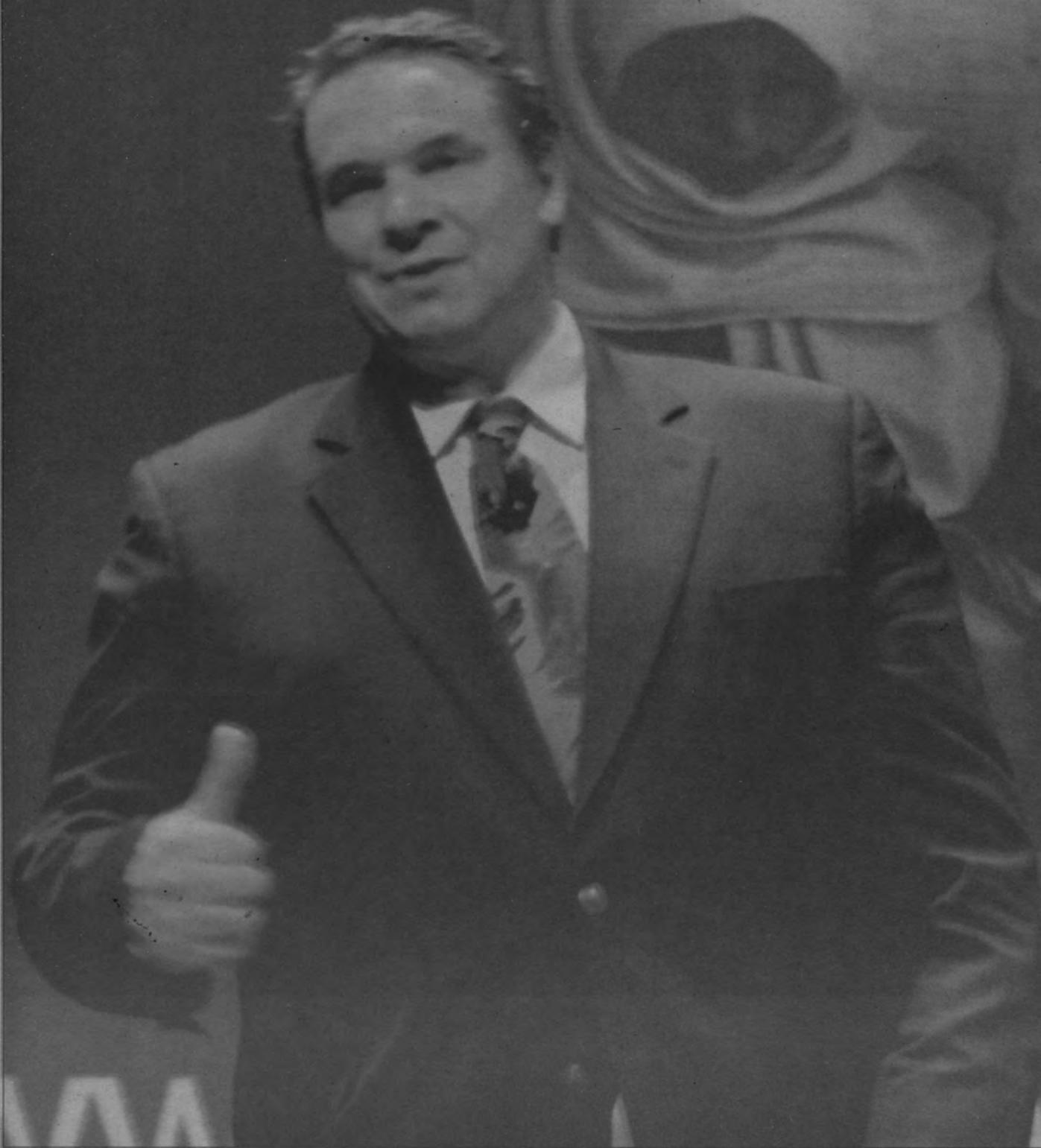
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"Cups" author shares story

Mortenson brings required summer reading to life for university community

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Greg Mortenson grew up in the shadows of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania. There he learned the skills that would lead him to experience both his largest defeat and his greatest success — the result of his attempt to climb K2, the world's second highest mountain.

As a child, Mortenson learned to climb mountains and observed the example of his parents, first as they taught at a girls' school and later as his father founded and operated Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center. These early experiences would lay the foundation for his life's work.

In 1993, Mortenson attempted to climb K2, which is located in the Karakoram range in Pakistan. Although Mortenson had been a climber since his youth, this climb had special significance for him.

His younger sister Christa, who suffered from severe epilepsy, had passed away in her sleep during the previous year. She was 23 years old.

Mortenson's climb of K2 was to be a commemoration of Christa. He had planned to place an amber necklace that had belonged to her on the summit of the mountain.

But Mortenson and the group of friends who climbed with him were ill-prepared for the task that lay before them — one member of the so-called "Dirty Dozen" admitted to bringing a tent with him that was meant for camping in the Sahara.

The group was unable to complete their climb, and the failure hit Mortenson especially hard because of his commitment to his sister. He wandered through the mountains of Pakistan before happening upon the village of Korphe, tired, hungry and thirsty. When he arrived, he hadn't bathed in 84 days.

The Greg Mortenson who arrived in that remote village 16 years ago is a far cry from the jovial, charismatic (and healthy) Greg Mortenson who addressed an overwhelming crowd of university students in Mitchell Hall on Thursday.

Among the many pieces of advice he dispensed to the audience: "To succeed, you must fail sometimes."

These words are true for no one if not for Mortenson. In 2006, Mortenson and journalist David Oliver Relin published "Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace One School at a Time." The book is a chronicle of Mortenson's climb and perhaps more significantly, his efforts to open and operate schools in the most remote and poorest areas of Afghanistan and Pakistan.

This year, for the first time, all members of the class of 2013 — except for those in select programs including honors and nursing — are required to read "Three Cups of Tea" as part of their First Year Experience (FYE).

Avron Abraham, director of the University Studies

Program, says he believes a required reading assignment helps foster a sense of community among the incoming freshmen.

"A book does a couple of things," Abraham says. "It gives people an opportunity to communicate, to share with each other. It's an opportunity for our first-year students to share with each other."

The reaction to the book among the freshman class has been positive, if the attendance at Thursday's events is any indication.

Many freshmen, including Kameron Conforti, found Mortenson's story interesting and enlightening.

"The best part about it for me was opening my eyes to the issue of overseas education and how something as simple as installing a school somewhere can start this huge series of events where educated people resist terrorism and start to make their own decisions," Conforti says.

After seeing the children of Korphe learning their lessons by drawing in the dirt with sticks, Mortenson says he felt compelled to help. It was not the poverty these children lived in that motivated him — he had seen lots of poverty as a child in Tanzania — rather their fierce desire for an education. Despite many obstacles, including constructing a 283-foot bridge across a gorge, the first school was completed in 1996.

Since then, Mortenson has founded the Central Asia Institute, an organization that brings community-based education to children particularly girls in remote regions of Pakistan and Afghanistan, according to the organization's Web site. The CAI has constructed over 90 schools.

Between serving as the executive director of CAI and visiting approximately 200 schools a year, Mortenson says he spends nearly half the year away from his wife Tara and their children, Mira and Khyber.

The family spends their summers together in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Mortenson says he is thankful that his children have the opportunity to see the world.

Although dedication to his work has caused him to miss some important milestones in his children's lives, including the first time Khyber was able to read, Mortenson has been able to experience those milestones with the students in the CAI schools. He says learning to read and write is magical for a child.

"The first time a child writes their name, it's very empowering," Mortenson says. "All of a sudden, that child has an identity. They become somebody."

Mortenson says his family is very supportive of his mission. Mira even created a rap to explain the idea behind the phrase "three cups of tea."

Mira may explain the concept of three cups of tea through rap, but Mortenson has another method for explaining many of his beliefs and for rationalizing his experiences:



proverbs.

"I hate to keep going back to proverbs and quotes, but that's kind of how I live my life," he said during his speech.

One of the proverbs he cited comes from Afghanistan, "If you educate a boy, you educate an individual. If you educate a girl, you educate a community."

Educating girls to a fifth-grade level reduces infant mortality and population growth while improving the basic qualities of health and life itself. Education is also the most effective defense against the Taliban, which still has a significant presence in the region, Mortenson says.

"Most of these men got out of the Taliban because their mothers said, 'Son, shape up,'" Mortenson says. "The Taliban have nothing to offer the people."

The Taliban is responsible for perpetrating a significant amount of violence in the region. A 2007 UNICEF report states that the Taliban has destroyed 800 schools in Afghanistan and 650 schools in Pakistan. Eighty to 90 percent of these schools were girls' schools.

In 2000, 800,000 children were in school in Afghanistan, and most were boys, Mortenson says. By 2009, that number had skyrocketed to 8.4 million — the biggest increase worldwide.

Mortenson champions education both abroad and in the United States.

"In my little home state of Montana, I'm kind of a squeaky wheel for education," he says. "I can't do that much, but I do whatever I can for education."

When Mortenson's efforts to raise funds to build a school in Korphe failed to pay off, he sold most of his possessions, including his car and his climbing gear. While he realizes not everyone is willing or able to make such an enormous financial contribution to education, he believes it is within everyone's power to help.

"I think it should be our top priority that every child in the world should go to school," Mortenson says. "99 pennies should stay here in the U.S. but we should be sending at least one percent of our money to help kids around the world. If we could just do one percent, it would be quite profound."



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Wilmington native joins tribe on "Survivor"

BY JORDAN WOMPIERSKI

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Delaware residents and students will have a hometown hero to root for when "Survivor: Samoa" premieres on Sept. 17.

Kelly Sharbaugh, a 25-year-old hairstylist originally from Wilmington, is one of 20 contestants who will vie for the million dollar grand prize on the nineteenth installment of the popular reality TV series.

Heading to Samoa for the filming of "Survivor" might be a daunting experience for many, but not for Sharbaugh, who says traveling is one of her pastimes.

"I'm always going somewhere on a trip," Sharbaugh says.

Sharbaugh grew up in Wilmington, where she attended St. Mark's High School, but left Delaware in 2003 to attend the Aveda Institute, a beauty and cosmetology school in Minneapolis. Sharbaugh now calls both San Diego and West Hollywood, Calif. home.

Sharbaugh describes herself on the "Survivor: Samoa" Web site as spontaneous and passionate, with a positive outlook on life.

"I like to kind of wake up in the morning and have no idea what I'm gonna do next," she says. "I don't like to have a schedule or a routine."

Sharbaugh says she likes the concept of "Survivor" — taking away life's luxuries.

"Our generation is used to having everything," Sharbaugh says, where as "Survivor" had her "out there with nothing."

Despite being a fan of the show, she had no intention of auditioning for "Survivor: Samoa" until she was approached by a representative for the series.

"I was actually walking by Whole Foods one day and ran into one of the casting associates," Sharbaugh says. "They came to me with the idea and I kind of ran with it."

After being recruited, Sharbaugh had to fill out an application and submit a three-minute audition tape. CBS liked what they saw, and she had a preliminary meeting with a senior casting director followed by a week of more extensive interviews with producers and casting direc-

tors. She thinks the audition process helped her become ready to compete on the island.

"I've become much more competitive during the auditioning process," she says. "It made me a lot more competitive and that stuck with me."

When she learned she would appear on the show, Sharbaugh formulated a general plan to help her deal with the other competitors.

"My whole strategy going into the show was to just basi-

cally try to be a good listener and just gauge people as I go," Sharbaugh says.

She said it was tough to get a good read on people though because she met everyone at once and the game began so quickly. She says people can expect her to be a "genuine, honest, and up-front" person.

In a CBS promotional video for the upcoming series, Sharbaugh talked more about what qualities "Survivor" fans can expect to see in her throughout the series. The self-described girl-next-door called herself versatile, trusting, and even tempered.

Sharbaugh says the thrill of the competition helped keep the butterflies away during the filming of the show.

"It's weird in a way, like I knew I was going to be on TV but it still hadn't hit me until I saw the promos on TV just now," she says. "I wasn't really nervous because I wasn't thinking, 'this is going to be televised,' I was thinking more about the adventure line of it."

Even though she wasn't focused on the television aspect of the experience during filming, Sharbaugh isn't worried about how she will appear on TV or how the show's editors will portray her.

"I feel like I was true to myself," she says. "I don't feel like I compromised who I was."

When she first arrived on the island, Sharbaugh touched on her fears about living in the wilderness in the CBS promotional video and seemed unphased by the possibly overwhelming task ahead of her.

Sworn to secrecy by CBS, only Sharbaugh and her immediate family know how she fared on the island. The rest of America will have to wait until the premiere of "Survivor: Samoa" to see if her confidence and positive outlook pay off in helping her "outwit, outplay, and outlast" the other nineteen competitors.

"Living with no food and finding everything for yourself and building somewhere to live on the beach is roughing it, but I think it's totally worth it," she says. "I don't see anything being too challenging for me to deal with at this point. I think as long as you keep an optimistic attitude and stay focused and take it for what it is, it will be fine."



Courtesy of Kelly Sharbaugh

Kelly Sharbaugh joined the Galu tribe in "Survivor's" 19th season.

Firefighter spends summer tackling flames

BY CHRIS MEIDANIS

Staff Reporter

Eric Bugglin-Borer lives for the thrill of on-the-job experiences, though his is not the most typical of summer jobs.

While most students take on summer internships, jobs at grocery stores or the local diner, Bugglin-Borer dedicates his summer to fighting fires throughout the country.

"I love chasing down life experiences, especially from any job that's off the beaten path," says Bugglin-Borer, a biochemistry major and Dover resident. "With the wild land firefighting, each time you go out it's a completely different, unique experience."

At only 20 years-old, Bugglin-Borer is gaining quite a bit of first-hand experience. His co-workers are not college kids, but rather seasonal structural firefighters or state workers. For Bugglin-Borer, this is all part of his motivation.

"The more experiences you have that are outside your main discipline kind of gives you more perspectives and different ways to look at certain situations," he says. "If your only tool is a hammer, you're going to view everything as a nail."

A careful yet rigorous training period, which includes safety classes and hauling a 45-pound pack three miles in less than 45 minutes, prepared Bugglin-Borer for any situation he may face. Volunteers must be ready for hiking up the steep terrain in other parts of the country, a sharp contrast to Delaware's mostly flat

surfaces.

"Preparation is key to maintain safety, but once I'm facing a blazing fire, adrenaline kicks in and instincts take over," Bugglin-Borer says.

Michael Valenti of the Delaware Fire Service first introduced Bugglin-Borer to the idea of fighting wildfires. He took the required classes, bought the necessary boots and equipment and waited for a call.

Unfortunately for Bugglin-Borer, that call came two years ago, the day before his 18th birthday. Firefighters are required to be 18 years old to go out on such missions. Despite the setback, Bugglin-Borer remained positive.

"I was disappointed I didn't get to go, but I stayed optimistic for next year," he says.

A call did come in the summer of 2009, sending Bugglin-Borer to Utah and northern California. He spent three fourteen day assignments containing blazes, putting out spot fires and clearing brush and other debris.

Valenti says Bugglin-Borer's role in this struggle was critical.

"Eric does a great job and he was an integral part of the Delaware crew that helped maintain that fire in Salt Lake City," Valenti says.



Courtesy of Eric Bugglin-Borer

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Bugglin-Borer can hike three miles in under 45 minutes.

"Gamer" not worth tokens or time

"Gamer"
Lions Gate Films
Rating: ☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

When Gerard Butler's name appears in any opening credits, the audience can expect a lackluster story with overwhelming amounts of violence. His latest, "Gamer," fits that mold like a glove.

The customer who decides to devote 95 minutes of his life to watching this overpriced film knows that by the time the movie is complete, there will be that dissatisfied feeling not only from a belly full of popcorn, but because his time was not well-spent. The film has tons of action packed moments on screen, but weak acting and story structure plague it constantly.

Butler, best known for his role as King Leonidas in "300," plays Kable, a prison inmate on death row who decides to take part in the videogame "Slayer." This is no ordinary game where the player controls an animated character — in this world, the gamer controls the living. Why would an inmate decide to sign up for a game where death is the most likely outcome in participation? Simple: if he survives thirty sessions he is set free.

The cast includes big names such as Kyra Sedgwick, Michael C. Hall and rapper-turned-actor Ludacris, but none are enough to save the film. "Dexter" star Michael C. Hall delivers the strongest performance of the bunch, playing villain Ken Castle. Despite his performance, the dialogue between the



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characters is dry and monotonous. Butler's voice rarely rises more than a few decibels, making his character the complete opposite of the passionate king from "300."

The story is also impossibly difficult to understand. The movie jumps around and the technology used is confusing. The final confrontation in the film was anticlimactic making the film drift even further away from its potential.

As a film based on action alone, "Gamer" is passable. As a complete movie filled with a substantial story meant to be interesting and easy to follow, the movie fails miserably. As exciting as some of the explosions and gun fights are, that's how boring the rest of the movie truly is. The most exciting part of "Gamer" was when it was finally game over.

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Bullock weighed down by flighty character

"All About Steve"
20th Century Fox
Rating: ☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

Sandra Bullock is perhaps one of the most versatile actresses in Hollywood. She has performed in romantic comedies, action flicks, and even a couple thrillers. However, her latest film "All About Steve" falls short of her usually impressive taste in films.

"All About Steve" tells the story of Mary Horowitz, who designs crossword puzzles for a living. While living with her parents, she is set up on a blind date with the infamous Steve. Mary immediately falls head over heels in love with him, but Steve is still skeptical. Her unusual behavior and quirky flair are both overpowering and frightening to him. Due to a slip from Steve, Mary travels the country to follow him while he films breaking news stories.

As a whole, Sandra Bullock is a great actress — fun, friendly, relatable, and very "girl next door." From "Miss Congeniality" to "Premonition" to "The Lake House," she is an actress that moviegoers continuously want to go see. Yet, "All About Steve" is without a doubt a let-down.

The trailer leaks all of the funny scenes and leaves nothing fresh and new to the audience. We see Mary fall into a mine, hitch a ride with a truck driver, run alongside Steve's news van, and desperately throw herself at this guy she believes to be "the One."

Bullock's character is just all over the place. For example, she seems to be stand-



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ing up for women who work hard for a living by patronizing her parents and going on a blind date. However, she immediately changes into a more revealing outfit once she discovers Steve's good looks.

Bullock has a natural quality that influences all of her audiences to fall in love with each of her characters, no matter what genre the movie may be. Moviegoers were captivated by her fun and quirky personality in "Miss Congeniality" and happy-go-lucky attitude in "While You Were Sleeping." Without a doubt, Sandra Bullock is a truly talented actress — but audiences are left wondering where she went wrong with "All About Steve." Rather than falling for her quirky personality, one just feels pity for her character and audiences are left questioning as to just how desperate this poor girl is.

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Summer spirit not wasted

Love Drunk
Boys Like Girls
Rating: ☆☆☆☆ out of (☆☆☆☆)

Boys Like Girls' newest album *Love Drunk* follows the theme of this summer's new music releases: feeling carefree and wanting to experience life to the fullest. The album is filled with excitement, emotion, and thoughtful lyrics. BLG fans have been waiting for something new from the band since its self-titled album released in 2006 and without a doubt, *Love Drunk* was definitely worth the wait.

Love Drunk has a high-powered energy along with inspirational and sentimental lyrics that reach out to music lovers of all ages. The album discusses taking risks in life and the high one gets when that risk pays off as well as the low point when the risks fail. The attitude of the album is "I'm free and loving life."

The album opens with "Heart Heart Heartbreak" and introduces listeners to the band's fast pace. Then they transition to the album's title track, "Love Drunk." The song continues the band's carefree attitude while the lyrics urge listeners to let go of bad situations and move forward.

There are also several sentimental songs on *Love Drunk*, including "Someone Like You" and "Two Is Better Than One," which features Taylor Swift. "Someone Like You" describes a lonely individual who is looking for solace in another person while he struggles to fight his inner demons. Although also very sentimental, "Two Is Better Than One" is a romantic duet declaring the love between two people and their desire to never be apart.

"Chemicals Collide" implore listeners to



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be present to each moment. The group then makes a strong transition to something softer and sentimental with "Go." It's as though BLG is reaching out to their fans and encouraging them through the difficulties that come with life.

Music lovers all over became enthralled with the band's first big hits, including "Thunder" and "The Great Escape." Boys Like Girls has also increased their fan base by touring with Panic! At the Disco, Good Charlotte, and Cute Is What We Aim For over the past couple years.

Love Drunk continues sound of the band's first album rather than striking out with something startlingly different. Yet Boys Like Girls is the type of band that's hip, fun to dance to, and cheers listeners up with their enjoyable variety of songs.

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Only Built 4 Cuban Linx, Pt. 2

Raekwon
RCA
Rating: ☆☆☆ 1/2 (out of ☆☆☆☆)

The Wu-Tang sound is as identifiable as their emblem. Kung-fu clips, RZA's simply constructed beats, the posse cuts — it's all a staple of their rap empire, and it's all over Raekwon's *Only Built 4 Cuban Linx, Pt. 2*, the follow up to his 1995 classic.

The Chef cooks up feelings of nostalgia on "House of Flying Daggers," which sounds a lot like "Clan in Da Front," and "New Wu,"

where Rae comes together with Ghostface Killah and Method Man to rap over a RZA beat that hums and sways much softer than the lyricists themselves.

The throwback track's are plentiful, and none is more sincere than "Ason Jones," a tribute to Ol' Dirty Bastard, Wu-Tang's fallen gambino. Throw in production from Dr. Dre and *Cuban Linx 2* only lacks memorable tracks like "Verbal Intercourse" that made the first OB4CL so legendary.



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It's still a sample offering of what makes Wu-Tang and Raekwon great, and at 22 tracks, it's enough food to satisfy any fan with an old school palate.

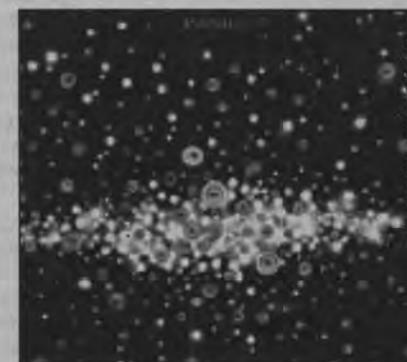
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Joy Phish
Jemp Records
Rating: ☆☆☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

Phish is back on the scene with their 14th studio album, their first since 2004, and the band proves that they haven't lost a beat. *Joy* features a full range of the band's talent.

Bassist Mike Gordon's work on songs like "Light," combined with the intricate and enjoyable playing by Page McConnell and Jon Fishman on pianos and drums make *Joy* a pleasure throughout. The ripping guitar that all Phish fans love so much from Trey Anastasio provides the final piece of the puzzle to a great record.

Veteran producer Steve Lillywhite helped the band perfect every step of the recording process. With mellow



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grooves such as "Backwards Down the Number Line" and hard rocking tracks like "Stealing Time From The Faulty Plan", the album gives the listener a little bit of everything Phish does best.

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delaware **UNdressed** Reading the fine print



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The terms "girl code" and "guy code" are the unwritten rules that each sex abides by with respect to other members of that same gender and in reference to the opposite sex. In my experience, the widely accepted girl code definition is: you are never to date a friend's ex or a guy she was really into at one point. However, are these golden rules just guidelines that one "should" follow? Do they even exist? I find myself wondering if the rules change depending on who the individual is and what relationship she had with that "friend."

I would be furious if my weekly gym partner decided to hook up with a former boyfriend of mine. It is disrespectful and breaking the Golden Rule all females follow of never encroaching on one another's territory — past or present. However, where do "snuggle buddies" fall into account? From my findings and personal experiences, this gray area is considered legal.

One-night stands, the one-time make out session, and the occasional late-night "cuddle

buddy" rendezvous are fair game and the girl or guy code does not apply in my opinion. I do not think I would be truly upset if my roommate were to start dating or hanging out with my past significant other — just as long as we were not a present item and he is off of my Blackberry speed dial.

One guy I spoke to, who will be our representative from the male perspective, believes the definition of guy code is when guys stick together and do not cross the imaginary line of disrespect when an ex-girlfriend is involved — there are some

new bonding time with their friend does not work out.

Yet on the other side of the fence, I have seen the code thrown out the window without a second thought. I have witnessed year-long relationships end with the ex being passed along to their tennis teammate in an instant. Another guy I spoke to says the guy code is conditional. He was more than willing to pass along his phone number to friends exes but feels as though he would ask his pal for permission first.

It seems as though the "codes" and the rules are subject to change depending on the situation. I still stand by the fact that the girl and guy codes apply if you know the history with your friend and the ex and whether or not they are still "hanging out." My recommendation — stay away from the people who you know had an emotional attachment involved at one point or another. For example, if your friend still has a wallet size picture that bookmarks their daily planner, then keep it moving. Yet, if their late night phone calls "to watch a movie" are obsolete and you are interested, the girl and guy code approves of your decision.

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things guys just know not to do. According to him, dating or any sexual relations with the exes are off-limits. He agrees with my definition of buddy, saying, "Sex is sex with someone who is not important."

The females I spoke to feel that as long as there is no emotional attachment and their personal "deed" was not currently taking place, they would not stand in the way of a friend's potential hook up or relationship. However, the girls also agreed that they would never turn back time and return to that individual if for some reason

fashionforward

Shorts scandal no sweat

It's no secret that Michelle Obama's position as the subject of style praise has been secured in the eyes of Americans and in the media. It's old news.

As for what's new with Lady Obama, let's just say the attention paid to her recent wardrobe choices have received a bit more publicity than she may have hoped for. A pair of shorts worn by Michelle made headlines in both "Time" and "The Huffington Post" — kind of outrageous.

I first heard the controversy in a televised newscast. Apparently there had been some questioning as to whether the shorts showed too much skin and whether they had been appropriate for a first lady. As for the shorts themselves, there couldn't have been anything more standard about them. They were ordinary and made Michelle appear ordinary. I wouldn't say she looked her most fabulous on that particular occasion, but even the First Lady is entitled to comfort on her own time.

"Outrageous" was a word used to describe the outfit. I wouldn't want to taint Michelle's image by drawing attention to this information, but — get ready for it — she wore shorts in public this summer. Oh, right — and it was a sweltering day in August, and she was with her family in Arizona.

Commentary and reports on Michelle and her shorts invaded the media, including news stations, publications and certainly, the blogosphere. "Time" refers to them as "the shorts heard 'round the world'" for the stir they created internationally.

Michelle was photographed with her daughters descending from Air Force One in the plain, classic looking shorts, a white tank and short sleeve button-down top. Believe it or not, the low-key outfit broke barriers. Michelle is now the only first lady to have worn shorts in public, as well as on Air Force One. Why shouldn't she be? This was no occasion for speech-making. It was a family vacation to the Grand Canyon.

Michelle O. has often been compared to iconic first lady Jackie Kennedy. Although I couldn't exactly picture Jackie O. in the outfit, this isn't the sixties. The wardrobes of both women define style with class, and images of both procure adjectives to describe the favorably fashioned. Even so, Michelle represents an appropriately dressed practical woman of 2009, not 1969. Let's not forget the beautiful clothing she's worn when occasions have called for such pieces, even if she does wear shorts on vacation.

Despite the "debate," Michelle had numerous supporters. A poll from "The Today Show" showed that 83 percent of voters were in favor of the shorts. The incident has been made to seem controversial through hype from the media, yet numerous Americans couldn't have cared less about the ordinary outfit.

Sure, the first lady was in public, but so are the majority of people when they vacation. Although I doubt Michelle sought such unnecessary public attention, I suppose an incident like this is always possible when you're the first lady.

It's true, America — we've achieved having a black President before having a first lady don shorts in public. But how can we be surprised? The Obamas have proven to be the First couple for firsts.

Props to you Michelle. It was about time.
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Jackie Zaffarano
Columnist



mediadarling Taking care of reformer's legacy

Following the death of Ted Kennedy on August 25, 2009, the news was loaded with tributes, specials and interviews commemorating one of the most influential government officials in American history. His leverage in the Senate and policy-making is so irrefutable, that his legacy is still shaping the way our government is addressing the health care issue.

Edward M. Kennedy was born Feb. 22, 1932 near Boston. He was a lawyer before being elected senator of Massachusetts in 1962. As senator, he served the third longest term as a member of the Senate in our country's history. His constituent Massachusetts voters elected him to the Senate nine times, a record paralleled by only one other senator. Not only was he a champion on the Democratic side, pushing for legislation securing environmental protection, sustainable energy and civil rights, but he was also highly respected by the Republican side as well.

Undoubtedly, most identify Kennedy with his advocacy for universal health care. He once called it "the cause of [his] life." Kennedy worked hard until the end to confirm legislation that would ensure health coverage for all Americans. He firmly believed that universal health care was a right, not a privilege. However, implementing such a plan would set the U.S. back \$1 trillion during this recession and time of heavy military spending, when such a price



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tag may seem excessive. The issue has been hotly contested since it was introduced. Republicans now fear that after Kennedy's death the loss of the beloved senator will be used to get the bill passed. Republican senator Jim DeMint of South Carolina explains the fear of his fellow right-wing legislators: "[Democrats] will try to leverage his name and attach it to the health care bill and basically try to blackmail us to vote against a fallen senator. It makes no sense to go to a government take over of health care,

despite what name they put on it."

Regardless of what happens with the health care bill, whether it is finally implemented or defeated in committee and deemed just too costly, the issue of health care in our country is one that needs a solution. What better time than now? Kennedy's death may have just been the push our country's legislators and government officials needed to provide a viable resolution.

Until recently, Obama has referred the writing of an elemental health care plan proposal to the Congress. Obama just may put in writing for the first time, the outline of a health care plan drawing from measures approved in three House and Senate Committees formerly headed by Kennedy himself. It's pretty safe to say that without the loss of Kennedy, maybe Obama wouldn't have spearheaded this "new season," as his advisers call it, of championing universal health care to get this issue off the table.

We most certainly have Ted Kennedy to thank for his lifetime of achievements as a motivating force for the left wing. But if this proposed health care bill passes out of Congress, it may just be because we lost that motivating force. Kennedy's passing could prove to be the catalyst for a more timely solution to the continuing debate.

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Shelter struggles to find homes

Adoptions too costly in midst of recession

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Puppies huddled in cages outside a building, kittens left in old boxes in a doorway and homeless cats meowing in an alleyway — these sights are unusually common to Jane Pierantozzi, the executive director of Faithful Friends No-Kill Animal Shelter located in Wilmington.

Though it is common for pets to be abandoned at the shelter, she says this year many more animals are being discarded, and fewer adopted, than in recent years due to the economy.

"We had a 400 percent increase in animals dumped at the shelter so as where last year we may have had 35 to 50 animals abandoned at our door, this year we had close to 200," Pierantozzi says, adding that the percentage of adoptions decreased by approximately 30 percent.

Overcrowding is causing a financial strain on local shelters struggling to care for the increasing number of animals.

Faithful Friends tried to subdue the declining adoption rates by dropping adoption fees by almost 50 percent. Pierantozzi says though it seems to be working, it is leaving the shelter with even less money.

"We have to try to raise money to buy more cages, to make more cage space," she says. "We have to get more volunteers in to help take care of the cats because we don't have the funds to hire more staff."

Pierantozzi says animals are abandoned for different reasons, but the recent increase is because many people's hands are tied by the economy. People either can't afford to buy animals, or are being forced to move to smaller homes, apartments or relatives homes where they aren't allowed to keep their pets.

She says they are trying to make things work.

"We find a way to make room because we're a no kill shelter and we won't send them to the Kent County SPCA which kills about 10,000 cats a year," Pierantozzi says.

Gail Agreen, director and founder of Dumpster Cats in Newark, says she has seen similar effects.

"Well [adoption] has been getting slower and slower and slower every year," Agreen says. "This year it has been exceptionally slow."

She says many people are also giving up their cats due to foreclosure on their homes.

Dumpster Cats is a different kind of shelter because it works out of foster homes rather than out of one building location. It was first started in 1996 when Agreen's brother needed to find a home for two kittens. She took them in for a short time, and submitted an advertisement to the local newspaper in order to find a new owner. The Dumpster Cats foster houses serve as a temporary location for the cats until a permanent home is found.

"We have to find homes for what we have before we can take more in and any that we don't find homes for well, that's why I've got ten cats," she says. "We've had to turn people away when they find a kitten. We just have to say 'no' because we just don't have any place to put them anymore."

Patrick Carroll, acting executive director for the Delaware Humane Association, says their adoption rate is steady but there is still an increase in people needing to give up their pets.

"They're surrendering them to us because they either can't afford to keep them anymore, either because of vet bills or the food costs, or they've had a circumstance in their life that's changed because of the economy like they had to move into an apartment or they had a foreclosure," Carroll says.

Though the demand for shelters is higher,

the humane society is also limited by space and throughout the summer had to turn away animals because there was nowhere to keep them. He says in July they turned away two puppies, nine dogs, 34 kittens and 23 cats.

Carroll says part of the problem is people who think they can handle the financial obligation of adopting an animal, and then realize they can't afford it as the economy gets worse.

"Overall animal shelters are feeling the economy, and to me that's more reason why we need more support," he says, adding people interested in helping their cause can donate money, blanket and towels.

Pierantozzi says Faithful Friends is trying to find ways to help pet owners keep their animals. The shelter started a food bank for people who can no longer to buy food for their pets, which runs on donations from local pet stores, companies or groups who raise money or donate items.

"I think it's important for shelters to be more than just a shelter and to be a social service agency and find ways to help people keep their pets," she says.

Agreen says this year Dumpster Cats has two foster homes which took in about 40 or 50 cats. Last year they had between 60 and 70 cats.

Even though the number of abandoned animals is still high, she says things seem to be moving in the right direction because more people are spaying and neutering their pets and there are more clinics in Delaware where people can get this service done affordably.

"It's on the right track it's just the problem is so overwhelming it's going to take years before we can see an improvement," Agreen says. "Anywhere you see a cat grab it and spay it. There are just too many having babies and they just never seem to stop."

Carroll says he doesn't advise students to adopt pets, mainly because students already have a limited income.

"We don't want to see an animal end up back here because they aren't giving them the attention or they can't afford it or because they got sick or can't pay their rent, that kind of thing," Carroll says.

The average cost of keeping a cat each month, according to www.peteducation.com, is approximately \$44 per month and the average for a dog is \$67.25 per month.

Senior Rachel Gearhart says these prices seem reasonable enough that most students could afford a pet as long as they kept a budget.

"If it was like a large dog or something, yeah that could be an economic burden on a college student, but I mean a cat or even a small dog I don't think is too much of a burden," Gearhart says.

She says she and her roommate bought a cat last year before being told by their landlord there were no pets allowed. The roommate gave the cat to a family friend, but Gearhart says if she was allowed to have a cat she would get another one.

"I think pets are comforting, especially in college when you're away from home or you're not always around people," Gearhart says. "I just spent all day today in a pet store with little baby kittens and it was really tough leaving because they're so cute."

Agreen says everyone who plans to adopt a cat should think about their future plans, because they will need to provide for the animal for the next 15-20 years.

"If you adopt a kitten, people just don't seem to realize they turn into cats and they're almost impossible to find homes for once they're grown," Agreen says. "If you can't keep it for life it's probably gonna either get put to sleep or get put into a shelter forever so it's just really sad."

mosaicmusings

Jay-Z tells the tale of the top

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

At the end of Kanye West's third album, *Graduation*, there is a rare moment of humility and dedication in the song "Big Brother" as Kanye raps heart-felt verses to his idol and mentor Jay-Z. Hearing Kanye touch on specific instances and feelings is more than insightful, but when he raps, "If you admire somebody you should go ahead tell 'em / People never get the flowers while they can still smell 'em," that remains the most profound moment.

Graduation was released Sept. 11, 2007. Two years later, Jay-Z is set to put out *The Blueprint 3* on the same day, and from the sound of it, he knows he has the most plentiful bouquet around.

Thumbing through Hov's catalog, you'd be hard-pressed to not come up with handfuls of classic material: *Reasonable Doubt, Vol. 2; Hard Knock Life; The Blueprint; The Black Album*. Through them all, Jay may not have been saying the most revolutionary things, or even displaying the most nimble tongue, but he has consistently put out great records and built an empire that, in 2009, is something to be admired.

He's got night clubs, clothing lines, a basketball franchise, fragrances, his own record label, and a wife who's a mogul in her own right, but most importantly, he's got perspective. When so many hip-hop legends — Biggie, 2Pac, Big L, Big Pun — are pushing up flowers, Jay-Z is building a garden at the top, and for the first time, we're able to hear the king speak.

If The Notorious B.I.G. had put out 13 albums over the span of 13 years, he might have been able to convey that perspective more poetically and with more talent

than Jay. But it didn't happen that way. Instead, Jay-Z is the most successful rapper of all time, not the best.

The Blueprint 3 is far from his best work. He's slowed up his flow, buttoned his shirt to the top and dished out the perspective so rarely achieved.

"I don't run rap no more, I run the map," he says on "iWhat We Talkin' About," the album's opener. It's a historically charged song that sees Jay touch on his fall out with long-time business partners and friends Dame Dash and Jaz-O.

Like a majority of the album, it's produced by Kanye West and No I.D., a fact that makes *B3* all the more captivating. Rappers aren't jumping on tracks with horns like those on "D.O.A (Death of Autotune)" or claiming they're "the new Sinatra" on "Empire State of Mind."

On "Empire State of Mind," Jay raps, "I made the Yankee hat more famous than a Yankee can," while Alicia Keys belts out the chorus. Who else can make such claims about impacting his culture, and who else gets Alicia Keys to do a feature performance?

The answer is no one. Nobody's ever been this big before.

On "A Star is Born," Jay raps about all the rap stars he's seen come through. The beat applauds the likes of Eminem and Puffy, but the real star is the one who's rapping. "And I am one of one / Can't you see just how long my run, my reign."

The Blueprint 3 isn't without missteps, but how far off the trail can you really go when it's one you blazed yourself?

"Venus vs. Mars" slithers along as Jay talks about difference between him and some fictionalized girlfriend. It's hardly "Song Cry," but that doesn't stop Jigga from dropping slick lines like "Thought Shawty was the truth, found out she was a cheater / we were supposed to takeover, I caught her bumping Ether."

It's all so well thought-out: the production, the song themes — they're reflections of an MC who's climbed to the top and made more money off rap than anyone could have imagined.

So top five, dead or alive: sure, Biggie and Pac may have had the best imagery, and Nas may be the most prophetic rapper of all time, but something has to be said about the only figure in rap history to exhibit the longevity and dominance that Jay-Z has.

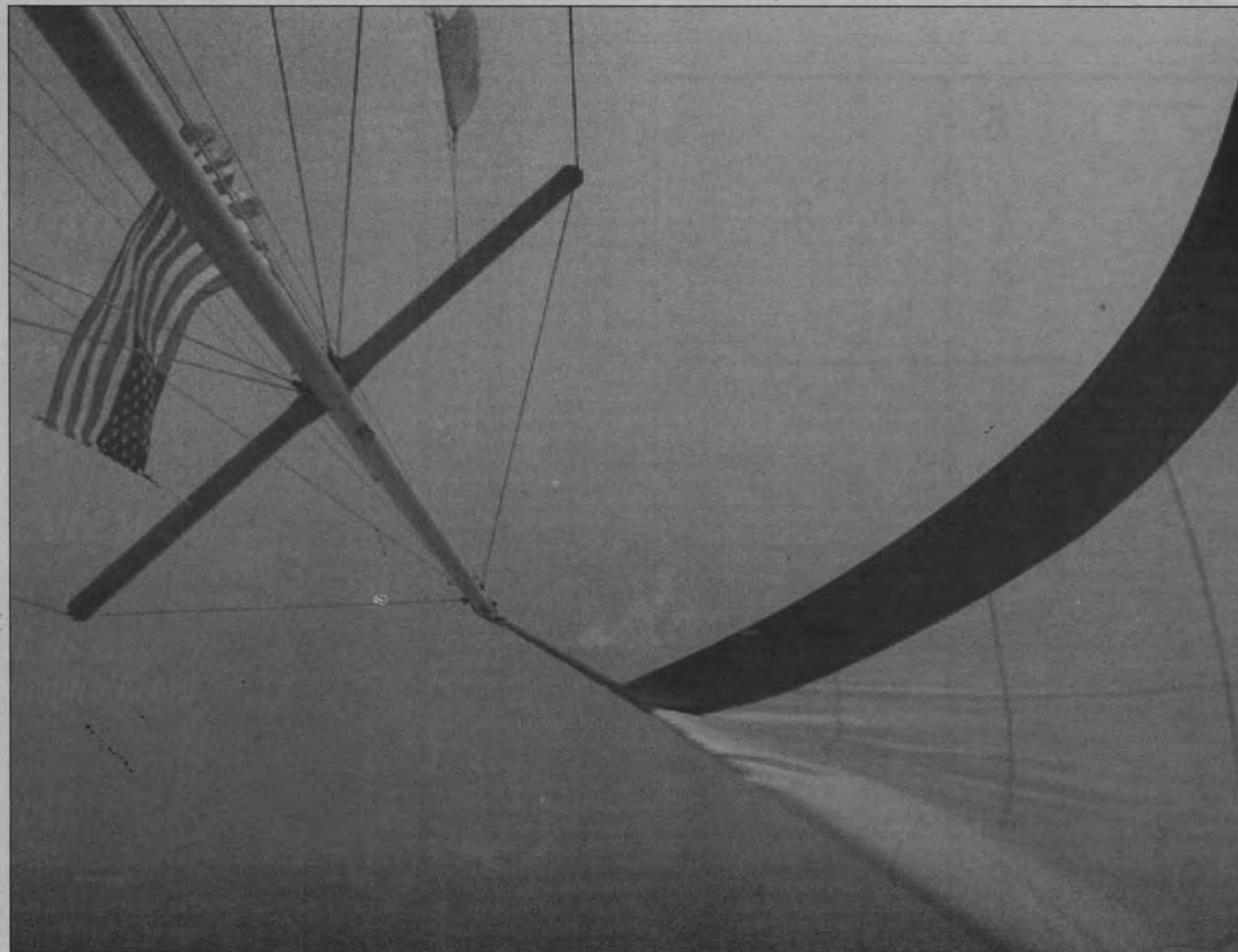
To hear him speak about it is like hearing him smell the flowers that he's so thoroughly earned.

— Ted Simmons, tsim@udel.edu



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how bazaar

Each week in How Bazaar, Mosaic will feature a different component of everyday life that we wouldn't otherwise have space to cover. This week, News Features Editor Caitlin Maloney offers her popular crêpes recipe.

Breakfast Crêpes

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 tbs. sugar
- 3 eggs
- Nutella Spread
- strawberries
- bananas
- whipped cream
- powdered sugar

Directions:

1. Light skillet over medium heat and lightly grease.
2. In large mixing bowl, whisk flour, milk, sugar and eggs together. Remove clumps but do not over whisk. Let stand
3. Lift skillet off the burner and pour batter in the center of the skillet. Tilt the pan with a circular motion so a thin layer of batter coats the pan evenly.
4. Cook until the crêpe releases from the pan and is golden brown and flip with a spatula.
5. While still on the pan, fill the center of the crêpe with Nutella. Add bananas and strawberries (or fruit of choice).
6. Fold each side of the crêpe to the center and remove it from the pan.
7. Garnish with whipped cream and powdered sugar.



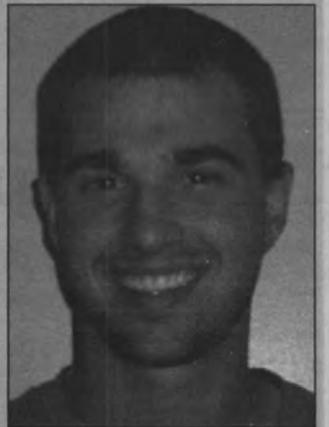
you speak out

What do you think about struggling animal shelters?



"It's really sad, but I guess if the economy is bad, people can't support pets so it's just one more thing."
— Leigh Wagner, senior

"Maybe before they could afford to care for their pets and now they can't, and I think it's very unfortunate that there are so many pets that had good homes and now don't."
— Bradley Damtoft, senior



"I didn't know that, so maybe there's animal lovers out there who don't even know that that's going on."
— Morgan Sedgley, senior

"I personally don't have room in my life to take care of another living being but I hope that other people can. That's really unfortunate."
— Kyle Yampiro, senior



— Compiled by Senior Mosaic Reporter Jordan Allen

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Courtesy of Ryan Curran

Ryan Curran biked 4,000 miles this summer.

Student cycles across country to benefit disabled

BY JACKIE ZAFFARANO

Features Editor

For many college students, summer is a time to save for the coming semester, earn those beer bucks and hit the beaches. For university junior Ryan Curran, summer had a little something to do with sun and funds as well — yet he weathered much more than just the heat.

This summer, Curran helped pave a way to help others — a way 4,000 miles long, and he did it on a bike.

As a member of Pi Kappa Phi at the university, Curran worked with the fraternity's nation-wide philanthropy, Push America, which raises money for individuals with disabilities. Inspired by the experiences of a Pi Kappa Phi alumni, Curran says he didn't hesitate to apply for the Journey of Hope.

He embarked on a 67-day-long bicycle trip beginning in San Francisco, CA and concluding in Washington, DC with Pi Kappa Phi brothers from across the country. According to PushAmerica.org, the Journey of Hope covers 32 different states and 12,000 combined miles.

"I was excited to take advantage of everything the trip would have to offer me," Curran says.

Having grown up knowing three children with disabilities, the philanthropy's cause hit Curran close to home. Aside from the understanding he's gained from knowing the children, he says he knew the endeavor would be a personal challenge and a huge learning experience.

Prior to his journey, Curran raised \$6,100 for the cause. He sent letters to family and friends asking for contributions. By standing outside of the Trabant University Center, he collected donations on campus as well. Collectively, this summer's group raised \$700,000.

The contributions were donated to the various camps and organizations the group visited each day after biking. Curran says the camps are places where people with disabilities go to get the extra help and care that their families can't necessarily provide for them. Curran says people were really receptive and happy to contribute, but he wishes they thought more about the cause as well as disabled individuals.

"The word 'retarded' is a horrible word," he says, "People just deem it acceptable to use such words. I wish people wouldn't say that."

As for the trip itself, Curran says a typical

day consisted of waking up at 5 or 5:30 a.m., eating cereal and half a bagel for breakfast, riding from around 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., a quick shower, dinner and a "friendship visit." Nights were spent in churches and high schools willing to provide free lodging. The group covered about eighty miles per day.

"Friendship visits" included interacting with disabled children and engaging in various activities with them. Activities included dancing, wheelchair sports like ice hockey or basketball and puppet shows that focused on discussing the abilities of people with disabilities, Curran says.

The cyclists interacted with people with disabilities one to three times per day. Every ten days, the group members would have breakfast, lunch and dinner with a disabled person rather than riding.

Curran recalls one child in particular, a five-year-old from Cleveland named Preston. "Probably the happiest kid I ever met," Curran says. "Just to see a person in his condition with such a positive attitude, really makes you think of the things you take for granted. The whole trip really humbles you."

Once they've heard about his experiences this summer, Curran says most people want to know if he ever wanted to quit.

"I don't say yes, but I say sometimes it was really, really hard," he says in reference to being physically exhausted. "But there was never a time when I wanted to go home."

During the 4,000 mile biking experience, there were a number of different conditions the cyclists encountered, including a sandstorm in Utah.

"A two-hundred foot wall of sand started forming to the left of me," Curran says, with wind gusts forty miles an hour. He also recalls descending the Rocky Mountains at 55 miles per hour.

Curran describes the experience as the hardest thing he's ever done but also the most rewarding. After his experience with Push America, Curran is trying to convince a few of his fraternity brothers to take on the same challenge he did. He says it's a cause that needs more attention.

Aside from coming away from the experience with tan lines that he says should last the whole year, Curran says he has learned about the abilities of people with disabilities. He says people should realize they still have feelings and emotions and don't deserve to be treated any differently or cast out.

"We're all people — no matter how we look."

Promoting organic eating throughout Newark

BY SOPHIE LATAPIE

Staff Reporter

The popular trend of "going green" has not stopped with Nalgene bottles and reusable shopping bags. Around campus, the trend continues to grow as students and businesses become more environmentally conscious.

Now, Newark Natural Foods, the organic grocery store on Main Street, boasts an expansion that not only carries a plethora of natural foods and supplements, but also strives to support both the local and world-wide environments.

Gina Cimino, marketing director of Newark Natural Foods, emphasizes how the co-op "works together with the community to bring in products people want." She also stresses the importance of supporting local farmers.

Cimino says that currently there are "fifteen different things in the produce department that are local and pesticide free."

In addition to fruits and vegetables, the store also offers local products such as honey, coffee and milk. The store also hosts a community farmers market in their parking lot every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. where local farmers can sell their freshest products at a cheaper price than in the store. The community market also attracts artists who sell locally handcrafted arts.

"We like supporting all local businesses," Cimino says.

The objective of the environmentally sustainable food store is even reflected in their products' packaging. Cimino says the co-op prefers to bring in products packaged with recycled materials.

Newark Natural Foods has also decided to host a showing of "Food, Inc." on Sunday, September 13. The documentary film aims to inform the American consumer and expose the hidden, ugly truth about the food industry. Cimino believes the movie will have a definite impact on students.

"You may think of how healthy something is for you," she says, "but you don't think about the process, about how it got from the farm to you." Cimino says of the corporate-agriculture business, which she claims is responsible for the lack of labeling laws attached to genetically modified foods.

"Eighty-five percent of corn is genetically engineered," she explains. "And the other fifteen percent is becoming cross-contaminated."

Some university students, however, are thinking about what they eat. University student and Newark Natural Foods shopper,

Zander Rogin, adheres by her mother's advice that "you are what you eat." Rogin only shops at organic grocery stores because she feels healthier when she eats natural, chemical-free foods. Rogin also dismisses the argument that organic foods aren't worth buying because of the slightly higher price.

"It's better than sacrificing your health," Rogin said.

Another Newark Natural Foods shopper, Pat Williams, has different reasons for shopping at the store. She emphasizes the importance of buying local because she likes to "give the little guy a chance." Williams also agrees with Rogin in that organic food is better for your health.

"The chemicals found in non-organic foods are not beneficial for your body," Williams says. "Especially when you're young, it's important because it'll help you when you get older."

Other university students are becoming more active about promoting environmentally sustainable food practices on campus. Kathleen Brown, a junior at university, has founded a local chapter of Slow Foods which is a national organization that is a way of living and eating that links the pleasure of food with a commitment to the environment.

"A lot of people think it's the anti-fast food, but it's not," Brown says. "We raise awareness of local food culture."

Brown believes it's important for students to be more aware of how their choices impact the rest of the world.

"The idea behind Slow Food is that people need to be aware of how little things they do could make a difference in somebody else's life," she says.

The club plans to promote their ideas in a few different ways. Brown expects to show educational videos and invite speakers to campus.

"The big thing we'd do would be an on campus farmer's market probably in the Trabant patio area, twice a year," she says.

The club would invite local farmers' from the Newark co-op and the farmers co-op to sell their fresh and sustainable produce to students. The produce would also be priced fairly because a local farmers' market eliminates shipping and market middle man costs. Brown is also planning field trips to visit local farms and other businesses so members of the club can see where their food comes from.

"It's about being world aware how buying an apple could impact somebody's life," she says.



THE REVIEW/Ayelet Daniel

Newark Natural Foods hosts a farmers' market every Sunday.

Student travels country extinguishing wildfires

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Glenn Gladders, also of the Delaware Fire Service, was Bugglin-Borer's crew boss on the Iron Complex fire in northern California. Gladders recalls a story where one of the crew members saw a spot fire — a fire outside the crew's containment line — located on a steep hill covered in poison oak.

"Eric was ready to size up that fire, and we couldn't have contained it without his help," Gladders says. "He's a standout performer."

Bugglin-Borer says he owes this praise to classes on safety and strategy as well as roughing it through fourteen-day sessions of camping with sixteen-hour workdays.

"We're going all out for two weeks trying to get into shape — the equivalent of balls to the wall I suppose," he says. "But I love camping, we get paid and they cater it."

The experiences and possibilities are seemingly endless for someone with Bugglin-Borer's job. He not only gains life lessons through fighting fires, but also from interacting with other people and traveling.

"It's great to meet people and see the different insights each person has," he says. "It's a great way to learn more life lessons and another way to broaden my perspectives."

Another motivation to keep

coming back is the travel. While constant movement would discourage some, Bugglin-Borer sees traveling as an opportunity for new experiences.

"They'll call me and tell me we're going to Alaska, then we get redirected to Oregon and then as soon as I get on the airplane they tell me it's Utah instead," Bugglin-Borer says. "It's an awesome experience and I love the fact that I get paid to travel and see new places."

Even with the job's many incentives, Bugglin-Borer never loses sight of the blaze. He feeds off the thrill he gets from seeing the fire in action and afterwards.

"Sometimes you're in the middle of the forest and you see the before, and then the fire comes through and you see what it actually does," he says. "Once we were doing mop-up and we found tons of burned rats."

Fighting fires is a long, extensive process that includes cleaning up the area after the fire has been stopped — a tedious and dirty job. One aspect Bugglin-Borer has not participated in is called "rehab," the process of making an area presentable again. As for giving it a try, he can't refuse another opportunity to learn something new.

"You know, maybe for a day or two, just to try it and get another experience."

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 Admission: \$2
 Trabant Theatre
 7:30PM

CAMPUS EVENTS

"Volunteer Fair"

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 100 Kirkbride Hall
 7:00PM

Thursday, September 10

"Rock, Paper, Scissors Event"
 Intramural Event
 Participants need to be present in the CSB Gym 2 by 6:00 PM in order to compete. Participants who did not previously register are eligible to compete.
 Carpetber Sports Building
 6:00PM-7:00PM

CAMPUS EVENTS

Friday, September 11

"The Newark Multimedia Mapping Project"
 Presentation by April Veness, Department of Geography, with comments from special guests Vance Funk III, Mayor of Newark and George Brelsford, UD Dean of Students. In the spring of 2009 the Newark Multimedia Mapping Project was initiated. Intended as a vehicle to help UD students understand the unique nature of Newark as a college town, the research and story-gathering that went into making the maps and interactive web site for this project did far more than produce knowledge about a place. It put faces, voices, landscapes and memories into context, into place. All are invited to the unveiling of this web site--to see and hear some stories about Newark and to suggest some ways that this community-building project can grow.

For more information, call (302) 831-2294
 127 Memorial Hall
 3:30PM - 5:00PM

"Fall Plant Sale"
<http://ag.udel.edu/udbg/events/annualsale.html>
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 Plant Production Area, Fischer Greenhouse Laboratory
 4:00PM - 7:00PM

Saturday, September 12

"Star Trek"
 Presented by SCPAB
 Admission: \$3
 7:30PM & 10:00PM
 Trabant University Center,
 Multipurpose Room 206
 12:15PM - 1:10PM

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CAMPUS EVENTS

Monday, September 13

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 Talks are usually about 35 minutes followed by spirited dialogue between and among presenters and audience. All are welcome to attend.
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weeky calendar

Friday 9/11

Women's Tennis- Delaware Tri-Tournament

Volleyball vs. Indiana (Ohio University Tournament)
10 AM

Field Hockey vs. Rutgers
3 PM

Men's Soccer at Monmouth
3 PM

Volleyball vs. Missouri State (Ohio University Tournament)
5 PM

Saturday 9/12
Golf at Navy Invitational

Men's Cross Country at James Madison Invitational

Women's Cross Country at James Madison Open

Women's Tennis at Swarthmore Tournament
9 AM

Field Hockey at Saint Joseph's
2 PM

3:30 PM Football vs. Richmond
3:30 PM

Volleyball at Ohio University (Ohio University Tournament)
7 PM

Sunday 9/13

Golf at Navy Invitational
Women's Tennis at Swarthmore Tournament
9 AM

Women's soccer at Villanova
1 PM

Delaware success attracts transfers

BY EMILY NASSI

Sports Editor

In 2005, Joe Flacco, a relatively unknown football player from New Jersey, transferred from the University of Pittsburgh to the University of Delaware. In addition to the transfer of schools, Flacco also transferred to play Football Championship subdivision football from Bowl Championship Series football. Flacco and the Hens struggled in 2006, finishing 5-6 for the season. However, in 2007, Flacco's true talent and leadership shined as he led the team to the National Championship of the Football Championship Subdivision. Since then, the caliber of transfer student-athletes has been higher than ever before for Delaware athletics.

Student-athletes transferring to Delaware is common. Athletes have had differences with coaches, training methods, and simply their previous schools since college athletics began years ago. However, considering the recent rise in the amount of high-profile student athletes, in moneymaker sports such as football and basketball, as well as the Olympic sports of swimming and volleyball, a question has arisen: Why are these athletes transferring to the University of Delaware?

The most notable transfer recently, Pat Devlin, lasted two years as a back-up quarterback at Penn State before deciding to become a Blue Hen, and perhaps rescue an ailing team coming off a 4-8 season. At the very least, he would start in college football games, which was a rarity while he was at Penn State.

"You just want to put yourself in a good situation," Devlin said at a press conference last week. "[Delaware] was the best situation for me."

As much of a blessing as it may turn out to be for Delaware football to have Devlin as the quarterback, it is not too surprising. Even before the days of Flacco, Delaware was considered a football school through and through.

When it comes to sports such as swimming, it is less obvious why the elite swim-

mers would choose to transfer to a school not known for the sport. Hans Gillan, a high school All-American and Florida state champion, chose to do just that.

Gillan transferred from the University of Georgia, a Division 1 perennial swimming power that sends numerous swimmers to the NCAA Championships every year, as well as to the Olympic Trials—even the Olympics themselves. Delaware, which has posted

increasingly impressive seasons over the past years, is still only a mid-major school and has yet to reach the same type of swimming record Georgia holds.

"I wasn't connecting with my coaches (at Georgia)," Gillan said. "I wanted to continue my swimming career, and I wasn't going to be able to do that successfully there."

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THE REVIEW/ Natalie Carillo

Pat Devlin is just one of a slew of transfers that migrated to Delaware from larger schools.

commentary



BY MATTHEW
WATERS
"NOT SO FAST"

Blue Hen faithful got their first look at the 2009 team in action when they beat West Chester University 35-0 on Friday night. The problem is that this impressive win came over an unimpressive team. WCU has never been a tough game for the Hens and is always a great way to ease into the season.

The truth is no one is sure how this team is going to look against an opponent who will push them to the limit—but they'll find out Saturday. Richmond is the 2008 FCS National Champions and is almost guaranteed to score more than West Chester's goose egg. Also, scoring isn't going to come as easy against the defending national champions as it did against the Golden Rams.

I have a feeling they'll be able to hang with the big boys though, especially after this efficient offensive showing by Pat Devlin. After all, even against the best teams, a stat line of 12 for 15 for 227 yards, two touchdowns and another rushing touchdown is pretty damn decent. There was one great touchdown pass

that everyone could see from a mile away, when Devlin put some air under the ball to guide it right into Tommy Crosby's hands.

He also always had a great head about him after the snap. He was always in control, especially when he would roll to either side. He kept his eyes downfield and found his targets. When things got a little too cramped in the pocket, Devlin got out and rushed five times for 20 yards. It's not much, but the threat of him taking off for those few extra yards before the first down marker is enough.

Unfortunately for Devlin, he lost a big target in Josh Baker. His foot seemed to get caught in the turf on Friday night which will keep him out for the rest of the season. Baker was suspended all last season for off-the-field issues, so his return was highly anticipated. Mark Mackey came up big for the Hens with five catches for 83 yards, taking one for 52 yards. Mark Schenauer caught two passes including one for 56 yards, showing off some good hands in the process. It doesn't seem as

though Devlin will be at a lack of weapons this year with or without Baker.

It wasn't just a successful passing game for the Hens as three backs combined for 153 rushing yards. David Hayes led the way with 61 yards on 20 attempts with a touchdown but it was Phillip Thaxton who did the real impressing as he ran 51 yards on seven attempts and also scored a touchdown. Throw in Devlin's rushing touchdown and his ability to scramble, and this team looks like it can hit an opponent from the air and the ground.

Another offensive issue that appeared solved against WCU was the questionable offensive line. This was a young, shaky group from last season who protected their quarterback and their running backs pretty well. There was always a hole to hit and Devlin was never put in a shaky situation. It's important for a new quarterback to feel comfortable with the guys protecting him, and by keeping him off

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Women's soccer ties St. Joe's in two overtimes

BY WILEY TAYLOR, JR
Staff Reporter

After 90 minutes of scoreless regular play, and 20 minutes of overtime, the Delaware women's soccer game against Saint Joseph's University ended in a 0-0 tie Sunday afternoon at the Delaware Mini Stadium.

Both Delaware and Saint Joseph's put up solid defensive performances, but the offensive performances were lacking, leading to the scoreless finish.

During the first half, freshman Mimi Korcela attempted a shot at the goal that fell wide at the 41st minute of the game. A couple minutes later, freshman Taylor Thompson, blocked a shot by Saint Joseph's. However, Thompson believes she could not take full credit for the play.

"(It was) a team effort in getting the ball back and getting back on the offensive," Thompson said.

In the second half, Delaware placed more offensive pressure in their attempt to score. At the 50th minute, senior Caitlyn Germain attempted to make a corner shot on the right side of goal, which was then blocked by Lauren Sawyer, the Saint Joseph's goalkeeper.

In the first overtime, both teams kept up the defensive intensity, keeping the score 0-0. Senior goalkeeper for the Hens, Anne Bevan, made five saves while Saint Joseph's goalkeeper, Christine Neal, had one. A couple of minutes after the goal attempt, Delaware sophomore Stephanie Rinchiler had a chance to win the game when Neal was out of position at the goal, but the shot went over the crossbar.

"My take on today's game is that we let the other team dictate the style we wanted to play and we got up on playing things way too fast," said Hens head coach Scott Grzenda. "For our team having ten freshmen, one transfer, and not giving up a goal in the past three games we have, I think we are doing just fine."

Likewise, players were critical of their performance in the game, but are still pleased with their performance even though there are a lot of freshmen on the team.

Germain felt the outcome of the game was "bittersweet" and the performance of the freshmen players looked promising for future games.

"We didn't win the game and personally, we've always held a rivalry with Saint Joseph's," said Germain. "We really thought as a team we should have beat them."

For the upcoming games, the players and the head coach believe they still have room for improvement. Bevan feels that the squad has to improve on keeping the ball in possession, maintaining communication as a team, main-

taining defensive efforts, and of course, scoring goals.

"If we play the way we can in the next game against Villanova and dictate the style of the game, we can gain a win," Grzenda said.

Delaware returns to the field Sunday at 1p.m. to play Villanova.



THE REVIEW/Steven Gold

Morgan Warrington (left) and the Hens have played in two overtime matches this season and have yet to lose a game.

underpReview: Delaware vs. Richmond

Time: Saturday, September 12 — 3:30pm
Location: Delaware Stadium

Why the Hens can win:

The Hens managed only two touchdowns in their loss to the Spiders last year. The Spiders defense hasn't changed too much, so it's the Hens' bringing something new to the table with the addition of Devlin and many other new faces on the Hens offense. The Spiders are sure to set the bar high but it could be just the opportunity Delaware's offense needs to unlock its potential.

There's no better way for a defense to face a championship-winning offense than after a shut out. The Hens defense held West Chester to just 176 total yards, made three sacks and gained two turnovers, not a bad warm-up for conference play.

Why the Hens could lose:

Delaware's offense is still relatively untested, while the Spiders' defense is intimidating, to say the least. The Hens played well against West Chester, but they haven't seen comparable competition to the Spiders in a while. If they aren't prepared, the Richmond game could be a rude awakening.



The Numbers:

18-7: Delaware's record against Richmond

16: Number of starters returning for Richmond

The Prediction:

The Hens look like they can definitely bounce back from last season, but not right back up to the top. Richmond's team doesn't look like they're coming down from their peak anytime soon. The Hens should be able to put up a fight, but capping the Spiders winning-streak is a stretch. The Spiders should come out on top, but the Hens' will lose with their pride still intact.

HENS: 10
Spiders: 21

Chicken Scratch

Field Hockey

Casey Howard led the Hens to victory on Sunday, as the field hockey team defeated Brown 10-2 Sunday. Senior forward Howard broke a Delaware record, scoring five goals in one game. Judy Anderson scored four goals in 1972 and Melissa Hefner tied the former record in 1995.

Football

The Hens defeated West Chester Friday night, 35-0 and look forward to playing the defending national champion Richmond Spiders Saturday at Tubby Raymond Field. Senior TE Josh Baker left Friday's game injured but is expected to play on Saturday.

Men's Soccer

The Hens defeated Navy on Sunday led by the play of Darren Christie, who scored both of Delaware's goals in the 2-0 victory. The Hens are now 1-2 as they head to Manmouth on Friday.

Women's Soccer

After two overtime games, the Hens stand at 2-0-1. Their latest match-up against Saint Joseph's ended in a 0-0 tie. The Hens now head to Villanova on September 13.

Women's Tennis

Elena Berry led the Hens to a dominating performance over the College of New Jersey on Saturday. Along with Montserrat Ripoll, the duo posted a 9-7 win in Delaware's number 1 spot.

Volleyball

The Hens won the Delaware invitational Saturday, defeating both Army and Rutgers to take the crown. Bonnie Kenney's squad was led by Jess Chason, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.



BY ELLEN CRAVEN
Assistant Sports Editor

About the Teams:

The Hens:

Delaware is coming off of a 35-0 victory against West Chester. In Friday's game, the Hens' most exciting transfer, quarterback Pat Devlin, and the Hens' defense had promising performances. Devlin threw for 227 yards and two touchdowns, and ran for another. The win marked Delaware's first home shut out since the 2000 season.

The Spiders:

The Spiders are coming off their best season ever. Last year, they put together nine straight victories to win a national championship and they have a lot of returning talent. Eighteen of those NCAA championship starters are back this year, including senior quarterback Eric Ward. Also returning is the entire defense backfield, which holds the school record after making 29 interceptions last year.

Richmond won its first game 24-16, on the road against Duke Saturday night.

Preseason expectations high for volleyball's Stephanie Barry

BY PAT GILLESPIE
Staff Reporter

Senior Stephanie Barry was awarded the Colonial Athletic Association Volleyball pre-season player of the year award on August 27. The team captain appreciated the award, but was most concerned about how her team played.

"Honestly, I want to make it to the NAAs," Barry said after her squad soundly defeated Princeton 3-0. "That's my goal."

She is also a two-time All-American, and considered one of the nation's best defensive specialists. Last year, she led the CAA in digs, which is a stat counted towards the first player to touch the ball after it is hit back to the team's side. She already has 46 digs this season.

"I think she's being a good leader on the floor," head coach Bonnie Kenny said. "She has a good, steady presence. She's put a lot of extra time in to making sure she's a leader and being ready for every possible situation."

Barry, along with senior co-captain Michelle LaLonde, hopes to lead her squad back to a third consecutive CAA title and NCAA tournament appearance. With big expectations, Barry believes the team can handle the pressure.

"I love it," she said. "Our team is really good this year. It's going to be fun."

Although she is clearly an outstanding player, Barry correlates her personal achievements to the team's winning history the last two years.

"If it wasn't for a whole team winning, we would not have had those chances," Barry said.

Barry's statistical achievements may earn her headlines, but her ability to lead and be a good teammate has helped carry the team to winning ways.

"She's helped me out a lot," sophomore Kim Stewart said, "She's been a great teammate. She's grown as a person to take over the team and help be one of our main captains."

Even Kenny agreed that Barry is a "coach on the court" so to speak. Kenny described her position as

similar to that of a shortstop in baseball or quarterback in football. She is literally and figuratively a leader on her team.

After a tough, two-loss season-opening weekend at the University of New Mexico, the volleyball squad bounced back this weekend to take down Princeton, Army and Rutgers. By sweeping all of their opponents, the volleyball squad won the Delaware Invitational.

Barry had twelve digs against Princeton, fifteen against Army, and fourteen against Rutgers. She led the game in digs in two of Delaware's three contests this weekend.

The CAA preseason poll also picked Delaware to win the conference this year. The team is off to a 4-2 start.

"From last weekend to now, it's a huge improvement," Stewart said. "The first couple games its kind of rough, but now its (the team play) nice and clean. We have a lot of confidence."

Kenny said Barry separates herself, in a talent perspective, from the rest of volleyball players because she's always on the court, and she's frequently the first person to make contact after a serve or spike.

Barry's coach has unwavering confidence in her ability to lead the team to victory.

"You can't ask anything more than to have somebody on the court that everyone on the floor trusts," Kenny said. "She runs the offense."

Barry had a similar answer to her coach's about what makes a great leader.

"You just got to be steady," she said.

Steadiness is major theme thus far in the team's success. Barry has had twelve or more digs in all of Delaware's wins, but has less than twelve digs in Delaware's two losses. Her performance has been a determining factor to a game's outcome.

Kenny has coached for twenty-five years now, and Barry ranks among her top players all-time.

"She's right up there with the best of them," Kenny said. "She's by far the best defender I have ever coached in twenty-five years."



THE REVIEW/Christine Fallabel

Stephanie Barry hopes to lead the Hens to another NCAA tournament.

Field hockey stays positive after two losses

BY CHRIS MEIDANIS

Staff Reporter

Despite several setbacks, the Delaware field hockey team emerged from the Duke Tournament in positive spirits and with confident attitudes. The tournament, held August 29-30 in Durham, North Carolina, was the Hens' opening action of the 2009 season.

The team was defeated by No. 8-ranked Michigan State 7-2 in the first round and No. 12-ranked Louisville 5-2 in the consolation game, but coaches and players were pleased with the team's performance.

"The fact that we were able to score on those opponents was very positive even though we took the losses," head coach Carol Miller said. "We knew they were going to be tough opponents, but we wanted to test ourselves against the top teams."

The Hens, who received votes in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association preseason poll, scored first on the Spartans before breaking down defensively and succumbing to Michigan State's offensive barrage.

The Spartans took a 2-1 lead into intermission and outscored the Hens 5-1 in the second stanza, with the Hens' only point coming in the final minutes with junior Amanda McCardell's first career goal.

Team communication and defense were the main culprits responsible for the breakdown.

"I think our defensive unit was a little startled by how aggressive they were in the circle," Miller said.

The consolation game was a similar story for the Hens as they started fast but could not keep up with the Cardinals.

Instead of faltering in the second stanza, the Hens had trouble closing the first against the Cardinals. Louisville took a 4-1 advantage into intermission after

scoring two goals just before the break. Despite the loss, players were still able to find positive aspects to take away from the tournament.

"We played much better than last year even though the score didn't show it," junior Missy Woodie said. "Our passing and movement was much improved."

Woodie was a preseason All-Colonial Athletic Association selection voted on by the league head coaches. She earned the honor after a 2008 season in which she played consistent standout defense.

Team captain Casey Howard scored twice in the tournament in her first game action after sitting out last season with a medical redshirt because of a foot injury. Howard was pleased with her team's performance but recognized an opportunity for improvement.

"It was an eye-opener to see what level we need to bring our game up to in order to be ranked in the top 20," the fifth-year senior said. "We need to be tenacious and intense for the entire game."

The tournament gave the Hens an opportunity to correct some of their mistakes heading into the rest of the season. Team communication, defense and goal-keeping are all marked areas for improvement.

In addition to learning from their mistakes, the field hockey team will take positive aspects from the tournament and build upon them for the rest of the season. Players cited constant and quick ball movement as well as decision making as a means to remain optimistic.

"We held Louisville for most of the game," Howard said. "We know that we can play with these teams, it's just a matter of putting it all together and producing on game day."



Courtesy of Anja Rullmann

Rachel Schexnayder (right) hopes to obtain a spot in the Hens lineup.

Blue Hen Babble

Based on Friday's performance (12-15, 227 yards, 2 TDs), do you think Pat Devlin can live up to the comparisons he's drawing to Joe Flacco?

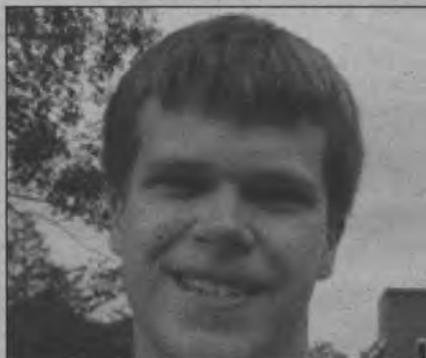


"Yeah, I was very impressed with his performance considering this was his first I-AA game. He was very accurate with most of his passes and the only two or three that I saw him miss, particularly, were a little over-powered. He's got a bomb of an arm and I'm excited to see what he can do this season."

-Kyle Macasevich
Senior

"I think he'll be capable. I think next week's game is going to really show his capability as quarterback. The last game was pretty easy but I think next week's game against the Spiders will put him to the test."

-Ryan Jones,
Freshman



Delaware: Still a lot to prove after win

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the ground this week, that trust started to flourish.

The defense looked great, but it's hard to say anything else in a shutout. They held WCU's starting quarterback to 40 percent completions, 59 yards, one interception and two sacks. Their starting running back got just 32 yards on 11 rushing attempts. Quite an exciting show by the defense, but again, this could be deceiving.

What isn't deceiving is how much of a beast Anthony Walters is. He watched that ball the whole time on his 33-yard interception and showed why he was given pre-season All-American honors. The passing game was under further attack from the front of the defense with Gilbeaux,

Higginson and Atunrase each with a sack.

Both teams go into the meeting 1-1. Richmond beat Duke last week 24-16, but Duke isn't much of a threat to anyone. It's bad timing that this matchup comes so early in the season for the Hens when they're still shaking the rust of a pretty bad season. Maybe Delaware will catch the Spiders in some championship hangover, but this game looks like it will be pretty even. Make sure you pick up your tickets for one of the most exciting games of the season.

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Transfers aplenty after Flacco

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He cited a number of reasons for his transfer, including family and personal reasons. He was also looking for a smaller school, and at Delaware found what he thought was a great program that he could assist in its rise up the rankings.

"I liked John Hayman, the head coach, and Rory Coleman, the assistant coach," Gillan said. "I wanted to go to a place where I could help a team rise up from a lower rank."

Elena DelleDonne, the former USA Today National Player of the Year for high school basketball, only spent a few days at the University of Connecticut before coming back to Delaware. Her reasons for transferring were based almost solely on family reasons and a burnout from basketball. She found herself missing basketball, and after a year hiatus playing volleyball at Delaware, decided to play basketball for the Hens.

"I am extremely excited to be competing in my home state and for Coach [Tina] Martin," said DelleDonne at a press conference in June. "Basketball has been an important part of my life and I realized that it is my first love and my passion."

Although her switch from Connecticut had less to do with the sport itself, and more for personal reasons, her presence alone could have a huge impact for the women's basketball program, and

higher-ranked recruits looking to play basketball.

As more talented athletes come along, competition will rise, and will perhaps attract more athletes who were looking to play at the I-A level, rather than mid-major.

Gillan believes this is true for the swimming program.

"When I was in high school, I personally wanted to go to a top school so I could be with the top competition," Gillan said. "So if [swimmers] see somebody performing as I am here, coming out of high school [they] would definitely be attracted."

Ultimately, the university strives for prominence across the entire NCAA. These athletes that choose to change schools, for whatever reason, will fuel Delaware's status in the athletic community. As the Blue Hen community continues to appeal to more transfer athletes, it will eventually appeal to larger numbers of elite high school athletes as well. The capacity in which Delaware competes will expand to great lengths.

If anything, Gillan already believes swimming is on the rise for Delaware.

"I think we have the potential to do extremely well. There will be a couple a teams at the top jockeying for a title this year," Gillan said. "It should be fun to watch."

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