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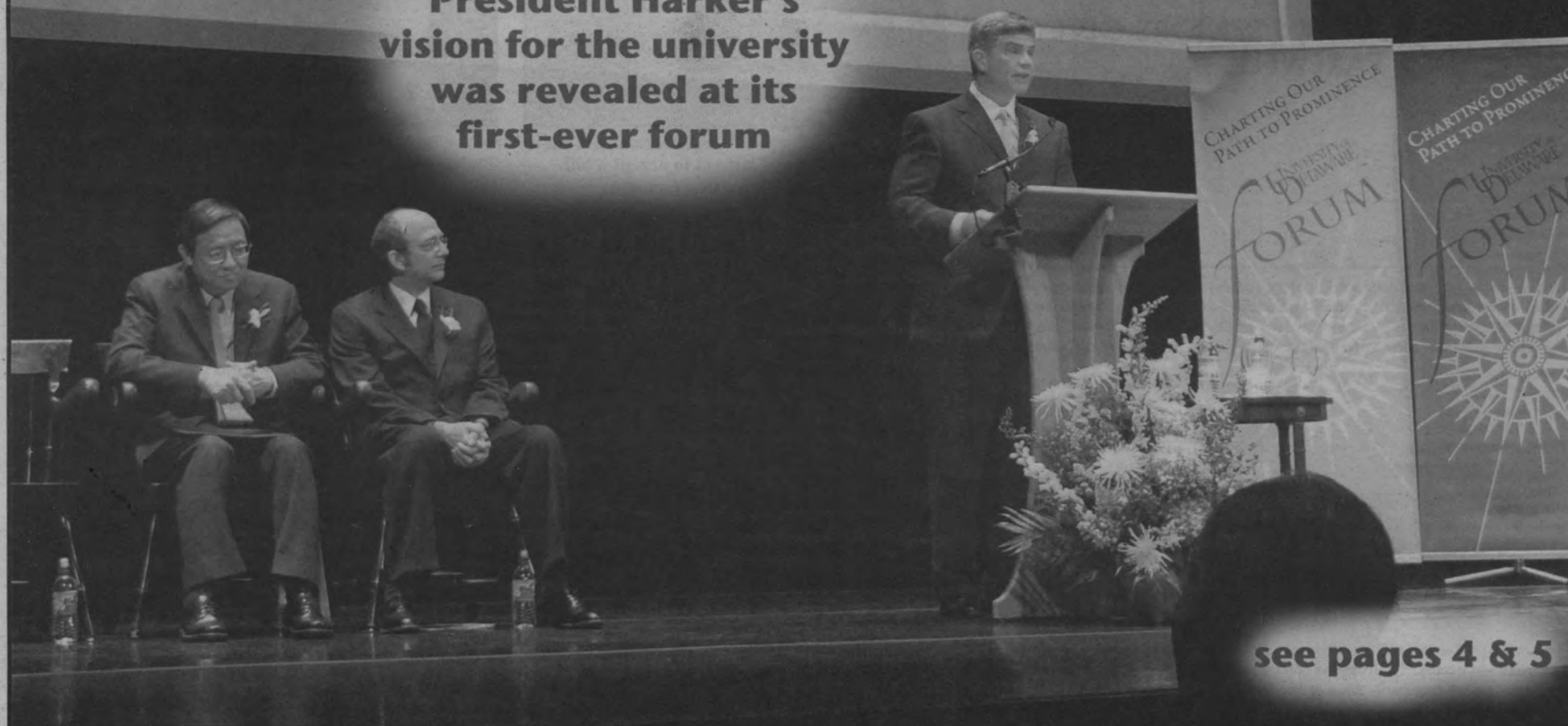
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Newark Police try to maintain order on Chapel Street Saturday at this year's Chapelfest.



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Newark City Council has yet to accept a bill placing rules on block parties, including Chapelfest.



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Lecture attendee protests Shell Oil president

Protester arrested by Public Safety; faces court date and fine

BY WALLACE MCKELVEY

Staff Reporter

For David Cole, the final straw came when John Hofmeister, the president of Shell Oil Co., said the world is not running out of oil during his presentation Wednesday at Mitchell Hall.

Cole, a former Delaware Technical and Community College student, rose from his seat in the front row, turned to face the audience and spread his legs apart to steady himself. He crossed his arms behind his back and stared, expressionless, away from the speaker.

When ushers approached and asked him to leave, he whispered a decline. Cole took one step back to sit on the edge of the stage.

He remained there for approximately 45 minutes.

Hofmeister concluded his lecture with a plea for an end to the "paralysis of partisanship" and the need to explore "cheap oil" on federal land, a reference to Shell's recent attempts to tap oil reserves in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in northern Alaska.

The protester returned to his seat and raised his hand throughout the question and answer session. After a half hour, Cole broke his silence to ask a question, although moderator and Global Agenda lecture series director Ralph Begleiter had not, and would not, call on him.

"You've had your moment in the sun," Begleiter said, before asking Public Safety to escort the protester from the building.

"I am passively resisting arrest," Cole said on his way up the aisle, flanked by officers. "I have done nothing wrong."

Cole said he had three questions for the president of Shell that went unanswered as he was arrested and charged with trespassing, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Begleiter, a professor of communication, said it is not a protester's job to walk the fine line between expressing his or her protest and respecting others' right to speak. That job falls to the moderator.

"I have a room full of people to whom I have a responsibility, not just me and the protester," he said. "My job is to keep the event on keel."

When Cole first stood in protest, Begleiter said he scanned the audience for cues about what was happening because he could not see the protester's face.

"If I saw the audience looking at him and interacting with him, I would've gotten a cue," he said. "I made a conscious decision. He's not doing anything, so I let it be."

It was also a conscious decision, Begleiter said, to ignore the protester during the question and answer session that proceeded Hofmeister's presentation.

"There were a lot of people with questions and none of them had had the chance to express their point of view," he said. "[The protester] had expressed himself for 45 minutes."

Begleiter said he likely would have called upon Cole if he had sat in his seat through the presentation and raised his hand at the end. By standing up while Hofmeister was speaking, he singled himself out.

There were two ways to treat Cole when he stood and began to ask his question without being acknowledged, he said.

"One way to do it is to appease the protester," Begleiter said. "In this case, my feeling was that wouldn't have diffused the situation."

The moderator said he feared others would do the same thing or that Cole would take over the presentation by taking the opportunity to lecture the invited speaker.

Begleiter said the audience came to hear the speaker, not the protester.

Walking from the scene of her boyfriend's arrest to Public Safety headquarters, Chelsea Zaldivar said Cole never wanted the spotlight, only answers.

"I kind of knew something would happen," Zaldivar said. "I knew he was depressed about the state of the world."

She said she did not foresee Cole's protest, but was proud he stood up for what he believed.

"If they just let him ask a question, none of this was going to happen," Zaldivar said.

She had remained seated and was one of the first to ask Hofmeister a question, though she said she was dissatisfied with the answer.

Cole said Hofmeister skirted the real issues, never addressing the root causes of global warming or rising oil prices.

"I stood up when he started telling bold-faced lies," he said.

Chief among Cole's concerns is that the oil company is not doing enough to solve a problem it helped create. He said the \$100 million Hofmeister said Shell spends each year researching alternative energy sources is a drop in the bucket.

According to Shell's investor reports, the company made \$7.8 billion in the first quarter of 2008 alone.

"He probably knows the year in which we won't have any more oil left," Cole said. "He's putting his energies into ensuring he'll control the supply of oil, and when it's gone, he'll control the alternative energies."

As for his protest Wednesday night, Cole said it was spur of the moment and unplanned.

"I recognize there were things I shouldn't have done," he said. "But that's what happens when you act without thinking about it carefully."

"One of the things that upset me most was when the officer was on top of me, wrestling my arm away from me, and he said, 'You know what the worst part is, man? I agree with you.'"

Sophomore Nate Wells said he has known Cole since high school and thought the police used excessive force in their arrest.

"Dave was obviously all fired up," Wells said. "But I thought they abused their power in cuffing him and running him outside the building."

The police also threatened to arrest a bystander, Conor Hughes-Lampros, who has known Cole since last year. He said he was held against the brick wall of Mitchell Hall, and said he received a scrape on his shoulder, but was not arrested.



THE REVIEW/Justin Bleiler

John Hofmeister, president of Shell Oil Co., spoke at Mitchell Hall on Wednesday night.

"I think as students we should have the right to question what's going on," Hughes-Lampros said. "It's our responsibility to stand up."

With a court date, fines and legal fees on the horizon, Cole said he is searching for a pro-bono lawyer. He said because of his low income, he is unable to take care of the costs of his protest.

"I don't want to incur more legal expenses," he said. "But I need to at least not go down without a fight."

Cole said it would be easier to let the courts do what they will with him. At this point, he believes his statement has been made, and he does not have any ambitions to argue for his First Amendment rights in the Supreme Court.

He said every day he is depressed about the state of the world because of his perception of self and the environment.

"I look at myself as an extension of the planet," Cole said. "That may sound crazy, but where do you think the atoms that make up your body came from? We think we're polluting the Earth, but we're only polluting ourselves."

Begleiter said there has not been a big student turnout to this year's Global Agenda lecture series, with much of the audience being professors and citizens of Newark.

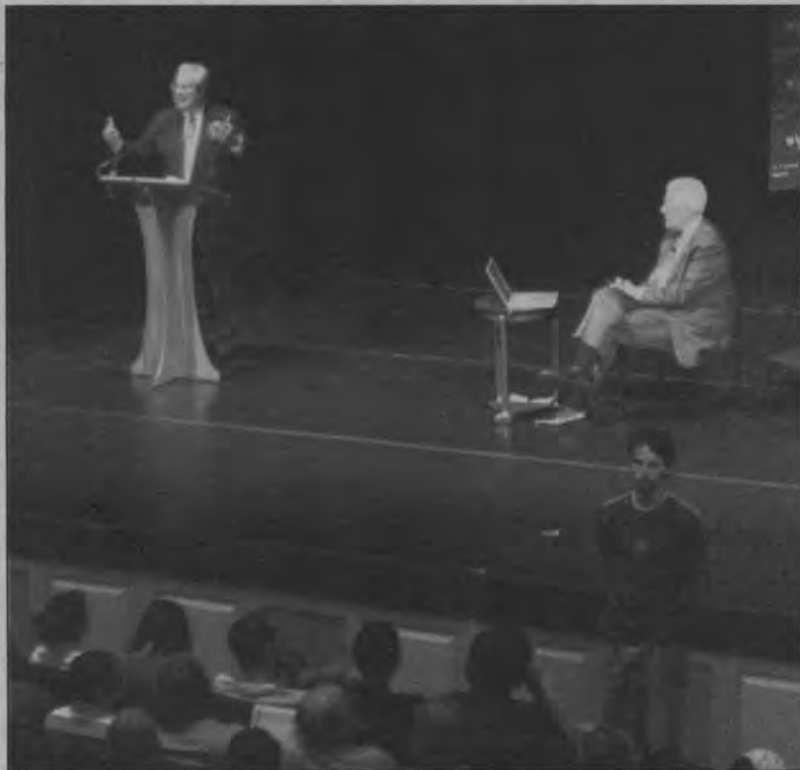
"This isn't some esoteric topic no one can understand, but students don't seem to be willing to devote a small part of their time to these issues," he said. "If they even think about it and say, 'Did he have a point there, or is he full of shit,' I'm happy."

After the lecture, Begleiter said Hofmeister told him he faced protesters many times before.

"He's a big boy," Begleiter said. "He didn't seem particularly fazed by it."

Cole said while there is not much he can do, citizens should not fear each other, but rather the handful of people in charge.

"You can't expect things to change by shouting at the Shell Oil man," he said.



THE REVIEW/Melanie Hardy

Protester David Cole stood with his back turned for Hofmeister's speech.

Charting the Path to Prominence

Chinese ambassador delivers keynote speech on globalization at UD

BY KELLY DURKIN

Copy Desk Chief

Zhou Wenzhong, the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the United States, emphasized the importance of globalization and strategic dialogue between the United States and China during the keynote opening address of the University of Delaware Forum.

Zhou spoke to a packed crowd in Mitchell Hall after being introduced to the audience by Alan Fox, associate professor of philosophy and president of the Faculty Senate.

He said both the United States and China have interdependent economies and in order to prosper, the two countries must recognize and strengthen that relationship. They must also realize domestic economic situations like the mortgage crisis have profound international impacts.

"In a globalized economy, China cannot develop in isolation from the rest of the world," Zhou said. "And the world needs China. China's future is increasingly associated with that of the world."

Zhou briefly mentioned other diplomatic issues, such as promoting democracy, ensuring the quality of exported Chinese products and holding dialogues with the United States about situations like Darfur. He said the one China policy involving the status of Taiwan is at the center of U.S.-China relations, and the United States should help to promote peace and stability in Taiwan by blocking paths to Taiwanese independence.

Gilad Skolnick, graduate student in the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy, said he thought Zhou was honest about China's views on Taiwan, but would have liked to have heard other issues, like that of Tibet, mentioned in the speech.

"When he talked about globalization, I would have liked to have heard more about Darfur because China has been an active supporter of the regime that is responsible for the genocide in Darfur," Skolnick said, "and that's something I would have liked to see his perspective of, but he ignored that issue."

Erin McGrath, graduate student in the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy, said she felt that the speech skirted many issues through carefully crafted language, as opposed to directly addressing topics like democracy and human rights. She said she thought the emphasis on Taiwan as the most important issue may not resonate with many Americans.

"I don't know if that's right, but I think the American people are more concerned with product safety probably more than anything," McGrath said.

Senior Tracey Louie, a sociology major who traveled to China during Winter Session 2006, said she thought the speech was insightful, and it showed her China wants to improve relations with the United States and the rest of the world.

"I really think they're trying," Louie said, "but of course a lot of people have the mentality of what they were 30 years ago,



THE REVIEW/Steven Gold

Zhou Wenzhong, ambassador from China, gave the keynote speech at the forum.

that they were trying to cut themselves off from the rest of the world and some people are still skeptical about our relations with them."

Jianguo Chen, assistant professor of Chinese, said the speech was impressive, especially in light of this year being the 30th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and China.

"I appreciated his candidness to talk about these things and the Chinese government's wish to cooperate with the United States government and continue to work on many essential issues that if not handled appropriately could endanger world peace," Chen said.

According to an e-mail sent by John Brennan, director of Public Relations, the original keynote speaker, President Abdoulaye Wade of the Republic of Senegal, was unable to attend the forum because of the global food crisis and its effect on his country. He was advised not to travel by the Department of State and his own cabinet members.

University President Patrick Harker said having a foreign official as the keynote speaker promotes the University of Delaware Forum's goal of a global initiative for the institution and highlights the steps already taken by the university to increase its presence on the global stage.

"This is not new to us; this is part of our DNA as an institution, so what we want to do is strengthen that," Harker said. "What we wanted to do is have an opening speaker that would highlight that global perspective that the university has had for a very long time."



THE REVIEW/Steven Gold

The university's first forum was open to students, faculty, alumni and the community.

University community reacts to day-long forum

BY JENNIFER HEINE

Senior News Reporter

Students, faculty, alumni, parents and community members all came out for Saturday's Path to Prominence. The day's events included a lunchtime International Food Fair and various panel sessions in the morning and afternoon.

The panel topics ranged from alternative energy to the future of public education to the university's Exelon Trading Center.

Meg Meiman, program coordinator for the Undergraduate Research Program, said she attended panel sessions to learn more about what other faculty and students are doing. She said she appreciates the direction University President Patrick Harker is taking the university.

"A lot of our programs are nationally competitive, but not a lot of people throughout the United States know that," Meiman said.

Michael Rubin, a parent of a university student, said he attended this weekend's events because he was interested in the Path to Prominence and in the panel discussions. He said he found the morning panel on alternative energy "absolutely excellent."

Rubin said he likes Harker's plan to make the university a better-recognized institution.

"I think Delaware's got a good story to tell, and I'd like more people to know about the university," Rubin said.

Freshman Marlene Yandrisevits, an art conservation major who attended the afternoon panel about 21st century arts and humanities education, said the session made her more aware of faculty and student activities and research throughout the university. The panel included humanities and arts professors' research, in addition to information about the Arts and Humanities Summer Institute, an initiative to enroll more diverse graduate students.

"I thought it was really interesting," Yandrisevits said. "I didn't even know this stuff was going on."

Sophomore Katie Andriotis said she attended Saturday's forum because of the international food fair, which included a buffet with various dishes from many countries throughout the world. She said her favorite dish was the spring rolls.

"I was excited because there was going to be food and it was right outside my building," Andriotis said.

Mayor Vance A. Funk III said he also would like to see the university become more

globally prominent.

"I think the university, they've got a very high level now," Funk said. "If you want to take it to the next level you have to become involved in the global economy. That's the future of our country."

He said he believes having a good university improves the reputation of its city.

"The more prestige the university has, the more prestige the city has," Funk said.

Junior Katie DiMichele said she went to Saturday's forum to learn more about what Harker's administration sees as the university's future. She said she is looking to see if the university follows through with its plan.

"I think that they're taking a step forward, and this is the first of things to come," DiMichele said.

Benjamin W. Remondi, a 1967 alumnus, said he attended the event because he wanted to learn more about the university. He said he thinks Harker is on the right track to make the university a better institution.

"I think he has a vision on how to do it," Remondi said. "Delaware is really an excellent, excellent school. I love it the way it is, but he feels it needs to go up one notch."

Michael Gallagher, a 2006 alumnus, said he appreciated Harker's administration's efforts to interact with all groups of people.

"What really struck me about it is that they're more engaging of the various constituencies than what [former university President David P. Roselle] was," Gallagher said. "Harker's really trying to reach out more than Roselle. Roselle reached out to people who were going to donate money."

He said he is pleased the university is making strides to become more environmentally conscious after having ineffective recycling programs for several years.

Lee Raymond, a 1979 alumna, current graduate student and faculty member, said she believes the initiatives Harker plans are feasible, and she has hopes for what she wants in his plan.

"I am looking forward to more collaboration — interdisciplinary collaboration," Raymond said. "I'm looking forward to increased alumni work."

Junior Christine Ingari said she finds the university administration's plan for the Path to Prominence important because the world is globalizing.

"They're realizing if we're stagnant these days, we're falling behind," Ingari said.



THE REVIEW/Steven Gold

YouDee mingles with attendees of the International Food Fair.



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More than 1,000 people came to the Path to Prominence forum.



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Delaware Gov. Ruth Ann Minner delivered a speech Saturday.

Harker addresses the 'State of the University'

BY JENNIFER HAYES

Administrative News Editor

More than 1,000 faculty, students, alumni and community members came together Saturday for the first-ever University of Delaware Forum, titled "Charting Our Path to Prominence," to celebrate the university's accomplishments of the past and its aspirations for the future.

The university organized several panels throughout the day with topics including alternative energy, the future of public education, corporate governance, climate change and arts and humanities education in the 21st century. These panels, as well as an international food fair, all led up to university President Patrick Harker's "State of the University" address, in which he revealed his plans for the university's future in response to the Strategic Planning Committee's report submitted in April.

In his opening statements Saturday morning, Alan Fox, philosophy professor and president of the Faculty Senate, told attendees the strategic planning report lists common commitments and initiatives which are intended to guide the university as it charts its course.

These commitments, which include diversity, partnership, engagement and visibility, represent the foundation of the strategic initiatives that will propel the university to prominence, Fox said.

"Being myself a scholar of Buddhism, it seems to me

there's always room for conscientious self-reflection," he said. "In this case, we're talking about a combination of our goals, our purpose and our identity as an institution."

Provost Dan Rich said the Path to Prominence includes the steps involved in making the university more well-known nationally and internationally and providing greater opportunities for students, faculty and the larger community.

"It's a specific plan that says in order to do that, we have to have a fair set of priorities that will guide us and move us forward, that we can't be everything to everyone at all times, but that we need to take advantage of our distinctive assets and set our course together," Rich said.

In his speech, Harker told guests he was attracted to the university because it is a "gem of an institution." The Path to Prominence includes the strategic plan to make "this gem shine even brighter."

He said he will present specific action steps to achieve this goal to the Board of Trustees at its May 19 meeting. Soon after, the official strategic plan will be shared with the entire university community.

Harker said there are six key initiatives or "milestones" that the university will focus on to define this path.

The first milestone is to create a diverse and stimulating undergraduate academic environment, he said. Included in this initiative is the plan to extend its commitment to

ensure that every qualified student from Delaware will have the resources to attend the university.

"Beginning in Fall 2009, the demonstrated financial need of every Delaware student admitted to the Newark campus will be met up to the full cost of tuition, fees, room and board and books," Harker said.

In an interview after the speech, Harker said unlike other institutions who have stated there are no loans for a family whose income is below a certain number, the university will offer loans but will cap the loan amount so they remain affordable for all Delawareans. He said the university will also meet the full financial needs of Delaware students through grant packets and work study.

He told attendees another portion of that initiative includes increasing the university's outreach to underrepresented groups by building partnerships with historically black colleges and universities.

In the initiative to achieve excellence in professional education, Harker said one area of immediate priority is legal studies, in which the university plans to develop a law institute.

"In establishing this institute, we will also continue to explore the broader step of creating a full law school at the university," he said.

Harker said, in an interview after the speech, the long-term desire to develop a law school came from a rigorous debate on campus and in the law community in Delaware.

"There are two approaches to starting a law school," he said. "Approach one is to hire a few faculty, bring in lots of students and, to put it bluntly, hope for the best. Our approach instead is to develop the law institute, hire significant faculty in the core areas who will contribute to our undergraduate programs as well as the graduate programs."

Harker said in his speech the initiative for the planet includes officially launching a university-wide Institute for Alternative Energy, which will expand the university's current energy programs.

"We will practice what we preach, reducing our own impact on campus to become a 'green university,'" he said. "We have already launched a sustainability initiative to drive our progress."

In the global initiative, Harker said the university will also create the University of Delaware Institute for Global Studies, which will expand on the current work of the Center for International Studies.

"On the Path to Prominence, we will foster knowledge and awareness of the economic, environmental, political, cultural and social issues that face the world, and nurture the skills that address them," he said.

Near the end of his speech, Harker told attendees he encourages the university community to continue the conversations of this plan.

"This dialogue does not stop now that we have committed these plans to paper," he said. "In a certain sense, it is just beginning as we work across the university to flesh out the implications of this plan for every part of our enterprise."



THE REVIEW/Steven Gold

University President Patrick Harker outlined six initiatives during his "Path to Prominence" speech.

who's who in Newark

Senior creates formula for gambling profit

BY ANTONIA DONATO

Staff Reporter

One student at the university has more than just a knack for business. He has created his own company — one that most people his age take years to develop.

Senior Victor Daniello, a double major in accounting and finance, created a formula for NFL betting and currently runs his own business, GoBustBookies.com. Clients pay for his advice on what teams to bet on, and so far, he said he has been extremely successful.

"I started working on it like five years ago," Daniello said. "It took two years for me to develop. I started using it with my family and friends and I did really well. Last year, I started opening it up to the public."

Daniello said one of the main reasons for starting GoBustBookies.com was because bookies in the NFL gambling industry are mainly trying to make money, and not statistically basing their numbers off mathematic relevance.

"Bookies want money," he said. "What they're really looking for is the top commission. Let's say you bet \$100 and you win, you will get \$100. But when you lose, you pay the bookie \$110."

"That's where the advantage is for them. They would get 10 percent off the team that loses."

Daniello said what makes his Web site different is he strategically looks at the numbers and decides what he wants to do with his point spread.

"There's a difference between statistical relevance and what they're doing," he said. "Their line is not as statistically relevant as the line that I'm setting. My spread is more accurate in results. The line moves from day to day. When I have a difference between my spread and their spread I place a bet."



Courtesy of Victor Daniello

Last year, senior Victor Daniello made roughly \$40,000 from his clients and gambling.

Daniello said he charges \$25 for a week or \$250 for a year and offers a money-back guarantee.

"If I don't give you profitable advice, I return the membership fee," he said. "If it turns out that they didn't win, which pretty much doesn't happen, I would return all of your money."

Daniello said one of his main motivations to start the business was realizing that not too many handicappers were specializing in a particular sport — most were just betting on different sports. He said he wanted to focus all his attention on the NFL.

"There is a gap in the industry," he said. "I was looking online at other people who were doing this, and I noticed that there are not many people who try to specialize in one particular sport."

"I thought if I could bring what I have to bring to the table with 70 percent winning average, there really is no competition with another handicapper. They are really producing average results in several different sports. I'm trying to produce above average in one."

The business has been successful and his clients are satisfied with what they are getting from GoBustBookies.com, Daniello said.

"Last year, my clients ended up winning 100 percent per game, they ended up winning over \$2,000," he said. "We were actually 8-1 in the playoffs — eight wins, one loss."

Daniello said his clients' and his own individual betting pay off significantly when it comes to profit.

"Last year, I made about \$10,000 from my clients and I earned about \$30,000 from my gambling, betting on my wagers," he said.

One of the reasons why Daniello said he believes he is so good at betting is because he created a successful formula based on what he studies from the game and his knowledge of the industry.

"I've always participated in different types of gambling," he said. "I approach it with a mathematical strategy. I don't bet like a lot of other people. I watch every football game there is to watch."

"I know every single thing there is to know about statistics. I focus all my attention on every detail that could possibly be relevant."

Michael Calabrese, one of Daniello's clients, said he is extremely happy with the way the Web site worked for him and how Daniello was able to be accurate in producing amazing results.

"I really like his method — just how he goes about it," Calabrese said. "The mathematics are really interesting to me; how he can take those numbers and come up with a consistent formula is extremely interesting."

He said he made a substantial amount of money from Daniello's advice, and the Web site was beneficial.

"It's been successful for me following the system. I made around \$2,000," Calabrese said. "If you follow his unit per betting, you win. I was a \$100 per unit better. I'm really happy for him."

Delaware ranks high in infant mortality rates

BY MADDIE THOMAS

Staff Reporter

Delaware has the sixth highest infant mortality rate in the country, with premature births being the leading cause of infant death, according to a report released by The Child Death, Near Death and Stillbirth Commission.

Anne Pedrick, the executive director of The Child Death, Near Death and Stillbirth Commission, said the commission has reported infant mortality rates since 1995, but statistics have not been released for the last five years.

The report stated 59 percent of all infant deaths in Delaware are caused by premature birth. Pedrick said the commission is unsure why premature birth rates are so high in Delaware, but hopes to learn more in its next report, which should be released this fall.

David Paul, neonatologist at Christiana Hospital and DuPont Hospital for Children, said the overall rate of premature births in Delaware is higher than the national average.

"About 14 percent out of all babies born in Delaware are born prematurely," Paul said. "That compares to about 12.7 percent nationally."

"Premature birth is a nation-

wide problem. It's an epidemic in this country."

The Fetal and Infant Mortality Review, a branch existing under the commission, was created in the mid-'90s when studies showed the rates of premature births in Delaware were increasing even though national rates were decreasing, according to the commission's Web site.

Paul said the small population of Delaware did not have any impact in increasing infant mortality rates. Any slight changes in reported deaths still reflect greatly in the overall statistics.

Pedrick accredits one possible reason for previous high rates of premature birth in the state to a lack of awareness on the issue and its connection to infant mortality.

"I think what happened is that some funding for programs and resources dried up," she said. "The focus just got away."

One goal of FIMR is to further understand the state's high rates of premature birth and to prevent the average number of premature births in the state from increasing, Pedrick said.

"FIMR was implicated because we wanted more insight into the ways these babies are dying," she said. "We wanted to get a better han-

dle as to what's really causing all this."

According to its Web site, the commission considers any child death to be preventable "if one or more interventions (medical, community, legal, and/or psychological) might reasonably have averted the child's death or near-death."

Pedrick said the commission's current report on infant mortality rates in the state is "more of a retrospective review" of all types of preventable deaths in children between the ages of 20 weeks gestation and 18 years old.

The commission uses up to three regional child death review panels and three FIMR teams to review child and near deaths caused by abuse, neglect, stillbirth and premature birth, the Web site stated.

Pedrick said the report increases awareness on possible measures that could be taken to prevent infant death.

"We can get a really strong picture about what are the preventions that need to be strengthened," she said.

Pedrick said she believes the best measures to prevent premature births are proper prenatal and preconception healthcare for women. Paul said premature birth is some-

thing that occurs daily at Christiana Hospital and DuPont Hospital for Children.

"We basically have an unhealthy population of mothers at a child-bearing age," he said.

Gail Wade, an associate professor of nursing, said preconception healthcare is an important concept focusing on the need for women to maintain a healthy lifestyle, long before even becoming pregnant.

"The idea is to make sure the body is well prepared for pregnancy," Wade said. "Sometimes women are already three months pregnant by the time they find out and at that point the baby is already pretty much formed. Preconception health care minimizes them from doing anything damaging to the fetus."

She said as part of a grant made possible by the March of Dimes, a nonprofit organization for pregnancy and baby health, the university is currently trying to reach out to women and educate them about "their reproductive health plan."

Patricia Drake, an instructor in the nursing school, said another preventative measure toward premature birth is prenatal care — care given to a woman once she finds out she is pregnant.

"The sooner a woman realizes

she's pregnant, the better it is for the health of the baby," Drake said.

Prenatal care involves regular visits to doctors such as midwives, gynecologists and obstetricians who measure and track the health of both the mother and the developing baby, she said.

Paul said although it is the individual responsibility of a mother to receive proper healthcare for herself and her baby, Paul said he believes health care providers and the state should make sure women are receiving proper treatments.

"It's not only the state's responsibility, but also a healthcare provider's responsibility to ensure women are receiving good health care," he said.

Drake said although there are many prenatal and preconception health care providers available in the state, many pregnant women may not be aware of health care providers in their area, potentially resulting in the neglect of their health.

"They're concentrated more in New Castle County but they are accessible to people with all levels of socioeconomic status," she said. "Some women just don't take advantage of them. Some women don't get into the health care system until they're eight months pregnant."



Wedded to the classroom and to each other

Married professors balance private and university lives

BY DIANE CIPRIANI

Staff Reporter

For many professors at the university, the divide between work and home life is not very distinct, especially when the paycheck sent to both husband and wife arrives signed by the same institution.

The university employs a significant number of professors who are married to other faculty or staff members within the school and their own departments.

Stephen Bernhardt, chairman of the English department, stated in an e-mail message that the university strives to be family-friendly and sensitive to the personal needs of faculty and staff.

"Generally, things work fine," Bernhardt said. "It's difficult for academics to sustain a career and a relationship if they have jobs that keep them in different locales, so spousal hires sometimes can work quite well."

He said the university works not only from within but also networks in government or businesses around the state to provide opportunities for faculty members and their spouses or partners.

Despite hiring both parties, Bernhardt said it is important to treat faculty as individuals, not as married couples or partners since generally the relationship and the work they perform is irrelevant.

"People have complicated lives and if we want them to be creative and productive and devoted to the university, then we need to find ways to help them have sane, reasonable, supportive relationships," he said.

Kathleen Duke and Harris Ross, both professors of English, said they did not plan to work in the same department at the same university. Ross and Duke met in college and were married in the late '70s.

Duke said she always wanted to be a college professor, while Ross was less certain about his career path.

"I couldn't think of anything else to do," Ross said.

Ross said the couple does not work together formally. They read one another's work and critique it — Ross never has anything negative to say about Duke's writing. They also collaborate closely on a study abroad trip to Australia and New Zealand.

Ross and Duke said they keep one another on task, especially when Duke makes sure that her husband gets out of class on time. The couple said they are close and while they are temperamentally different, students have said they are similar.

"We talk about each other constantly," Duke said. "We talk alike, we tell the same stories."

Ross said the only drawback of them both working at the university was that their daughter was bored by the time she enrolled, because they both talked about the university constantly.

"For us, it may have been interesting, but for our daughter and the rest of the world, it must have been boring," he said.

Ross said his daughter did not want to take classes with anyone she knew through her parents. Nevertheless, she received free tuition, a perk for any faculty member allowing dependents and family members to take classes.

The university does hold specific standards for faculty and family relations. The policy on academic freedom and standards of conduct in the faculty handbook states, "Members of the same immediate family and those whose personal situation constitutes a family or other intimate relationship may be employed, on a full-time or part-time basis, so long as neither member is responsible for the supervision, direction, evaluation or merit recommendation of the other."

Karen Rosenberg, chairwoman and professor of anthropology, and her husband Tom Rocek, also a professor of anthropology, celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary this past weekend.

As department chairwoman, she said by special arrangement she cannot complete her husband's performance evaluation, which influences decisions such as his pay raise.

Rosenberg said she and Rocek do not collaborate on research but they talk to one another about their work. She said they are fortunate to be able to work with several of the same students in the department.

"Students don't realize we're married," Rosenberg said. "Then they see us together and think that something's up and they discovered something."

She said she and Rocek met as students of anthropology in graduate school and now live a mile-and-a-half away from campus, making it possible for them to ride their bikes to work.

"We feel very fortunate to be in one place and so we are committed to the community and to the university," Rosenberg said.

Xiang Gao, associate professor of music, said he and his wife Renee Dong, a Chinese professor, are grateful they both work at the university. He started teaching approximately seven years ago and then the chairperson of the foreign languages and literature department asked his wife to help develop a Chinese language program.

"The university is growing so fast and we are lucky to be here to build such initiatives," Gao said.

In June, Gao and Dong will be leading the second-annual trip to China, allowing alumni, faculty, staff and friends of the university to see the country where they were both raised. He said they volunteer their time as directors of the trip in gratitude for what the university has done for both of them. The couple also directs the student study abroad trip to China.

"A lot of people think that working for the same business is a bad idea," Gao said. "If the business fails, both are out of a job. But working for the university is the complete opposite. It actually becomes a wonderful way to pursue our careers as teachers."

Susan Goodman and Carl Dawson, professors of English, said they have been able to pursue their common interest together by co-authoring two books and sharing in one another's talent for writing and research.

"Because we both do the same kind of work and read one another's work, it was a natural progression to work together," Goodman said.

"I think it is, at the beginning, a bit of a challenge," Dawson said. "My first question to Susan was, 'Who's going to be boss?' which is really a joke because there is no boss."

Goodman said the biography they wrote over a period of five years about William Dean Howell was released in 2005. Their next book on Mary Austin will come out this fall.

Dawson said they enjoy having a common topic to talk about and their work can get done faster and is better together.

"We have complementary talents, so to say," he said. "No one could tell who wrote each passage."

Dawson said they share similar values, which helps them come to a better understanding about what they are learning.

"It is less a challenge and more a pleasure," he said. "We know some friends who don't show their spouses their work and others who do and get blasted. People vary and we are fortunate enough to work well together."

Finishing one another's thoughts, Ross and Duke said working together has allowed them to share a greater part of one another's lives.

"It has worked out really well because it has given us a way to continue our common interest together," Ross said. "A lot of things haven't changed, which is another way to say we've been students all our lives."

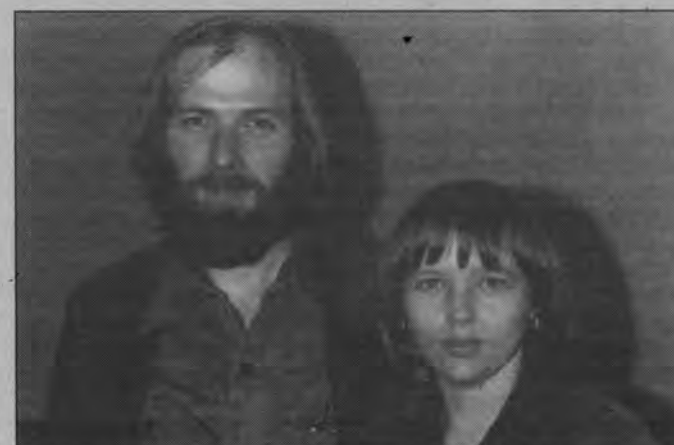
Besides having a child together, Duke said nothing much has changed since they met.

"We have a huge advantage over other couples because we have lived our whole lives together," she said. "Some couples may get on one another's nerves when they retire. We are used to being in one another's company."



Photos courtesy of Xiang Gao

Xiang Gao and Renee Dong run the study abroad trip to China.



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Harris Ross and Kathleen Duke both teach English.



Sigma Kappa, Pi Kap perform their way to Airband stardom

BY JENNIFER HEINE

Senior News Reporter

A life-size cardboard Killer Tofu carton danced around a few Doug Funnies and several Patti Mayonnaises. The carton of bean curd moved its mouth up and down, pretending to sing the lyrics to the song "Killer Tofu" by The Beets. Shortly after, Quailman jumped on stage to make his appearance.

Besides members of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity being characters from the Nickelodeon cartoon, "Doug," fraternity and sorority members participating in Airband, a lip-synching and dancing contest that is part of Greek Week, either created their own themes or were characters from movies, television shows and board games.

Members of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority chose to do their performance based on "The Flintstones." Fred, Wilma, Barney and Betty were all on stage, along with their foot-powered car.

The Kappa Alpha fraternity members did several stunts in their portion of the show. They allowed their bodies to be used as jump ropes and also crouched on the floor while one member walked across all of their backs.

Members of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity chose a theme based on the board game Monopoly. Different aspects of the game, such as the pieces and properties, were given their own song. Fraternity members danced to the "Electric Slide" to represent the Electric Company property.

Each fraternity or sorority's performance featured a music mix. The songs ranged from Hip-hop to rock to disco to pop. Greek members wore costumes, used props and painted backdrops to make the most of their minutes on stage.

The Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, whose members did a "Pirates of the Caribbean" theme, was the winning fraternity, and Sigma Kappa sorority, whose members danced to a "Cinderella" theme, was the winning sorority.

The Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity were the second and third-place fraternities while Alpha Xi Delta sorority and Alpha Phi sorority won second and third place for sororities.

Freshman Sarah Dodd said she thought Airband was enjoyable to

watch and found Sigma Pi fraternity's exposure of their gluteus maximus in an educational "Magic School Bus" theme the most surprising part of the show.

"The thongs," Dodd said. "Very unexpected."

Junior Carly Fleagle said she was surprised university students had "so much talent." Her favorite theme was "Cinderella."

"Tying in the themes with the dancing — I thought they were really neat," Fleagle said.

Matt Lenno, assistant director of Greek Life, said 3,108 tickets, more than 1,000 of which were for audience members not involved in Greek Life, were sold for the event.

The ticket sales raised approximately \$15,000, he said. The money will be split evenly between the Emmaus House, which provides homeless families with shelter and various services, and the Early Learning Center, which provides care and education to children up through age 12.

Lenno said he was pleased with the outcome of Airband.

"The chapters really stepped it up a notch," he said. "The men did an outstanding job."

Junior Howie Shen said he enjoyed the show and Sigma Pi fraternity's performance was his favorite. He said he preferred the fraternities and sororities' shows that had simple themes with less dialogue.

"For the most part, I liked the ones that had good beats," Shen said. "I liked the ones where they focused on dance moves."

Brittany Hessemer, a recent university graduate, said she thought Airband was entertaining and preferred the performances with well-thought-out ideas.


"I really only liked the fraternities and sororities that had strong themes," Hessemer said. "Otherwise, they lose me."

She said she was impressed fraternities and sororities put so much effort into their performances and then donated \$15,000 to charity.

"It's good Greek Life is coming together in a positive way," Hessemer said.

Lenno said other colleges and universities have similar events like Airband for Greek members.

"None of them are up to the size and magnitude of ours," Lenno said.


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Kappa Delta Rho fraternity chose a Monopoly theme for their Airband.

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Some U.S. citizens feel the presidential primaries are taking too long.

Reaction mixed on dwelling primaries

BY ASHLEE BRADBURY

Staff Reporter

After months of primary elections across the country, some voters are growing tired of the political campaigns.

While Republicans have all but settled on Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.), Democrats are torn between Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.) and Sen. Barack Obama (D-Ill.), resulting in a long primary and caucus process.

Jason Mycoff, a political science professor at the university, said the reason why the primaries are continuing is because a Democratic candidate has not been decided yet.

"The nomination process is taking so long because the candidates can run as long as they want," Mycoff said. "Both candidates have been given enough equal support to maintain their campaigns."

Typically, the process does not take this long, he said. Over the past few years, it has gotten shorter because the primaries were more compressed and earlier in the year.

"It wasn't until this election that the continuing fight between Clinton and Obama lengthened it," Mycoff said.

He said he thinks the longer the election goes, the more it shows a retooled initiative by the average American voter to care about current politics.

"I would imagine that there are millions of new voters that may have not registered if not for this lengthy campaign," Mycoff said.

Some states, such as Indiana, which usually hold late primaries, are finally able to have almost equal voice in the outcome of elections as those states with early primaries, he said.

Mycoff said the unusually long primary season is inspiring interest in states that hold their primaries when typically the nominees have already been decided.

"Indiana almost never has a competitive primary election

because by then it's limited down to one candidate," he said.

According to CNN.com, a candidate must acquire 2,025 delegates to claim the nomination. If neither candidate reaches that threshold, the Democratic presidential candidate will be decided at the Democratic National Convention held on August 25-28 in Denver, Colo.

Sophomore Bijan Maleki, a registered Democrat, said the convention may only be approximately three months away, but it seems like an eternity.

"I feel the longer the election process goes on, the more and more people are becoming tireless and uninterested," Maleki said. "The candidates have been scrutinized enough and both of their platforms are very similar no matter what. At this point, if this process goes on until the Democratic National Convention, the Democrats face losing all the momentum they gained with the 2006 congressional elections."

Junior Kevin Petrosino said he feels the more a candidate is in the news, the more likely a candidate will accumulate negative press.

"John McCain is basically sitting idly by at the moment, laying low and strategizing for the general election, watching the DNC almost self-destruct before one of the biggest elections in the history of the United States," Petrosino said.

Sophomore Kim Obusek said she sees the long primary season as a welcomed change of pace from the usual headline stories.

"I'd rather the American public be talking about the real issues that effect our daily lives than unimportant pop culture affairs we are constantly barraged with each day," Obusek said. "Americans need to take the spotlight off of Lindsay Lohan racking up DUI's and Britney Spears' ongoing custody battle and put it back on the War in Iraq and shine a new one on how we're going to survive the struggling economy problems."

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Sororities and fraternities at the university practice months in advance for the Airband competition.

Practice runs long for Greek Life's Airband

BY JENNIFER HEINE

Senior News Reporter

Members of the Sigma Kappa sorority started dancing at 6 a.m. every morning for a week to practice for their six minute-long performance, according to member Tanya Sandler, a junior. The sorority members practiced their routine for four hours per day prior to their exhibition at Airband, a dancing and lip-syncing contest that was part of the university's Greek Week.

Besides 6-to-8 a.m. practices, most of which took place in parking lots, members of Sigma Kappa practiced from 9 to 11 p.m. throughout the week prior to the show, Sandler said. For approximately a month prior to Airband, members practiced for two hours per day in Perkins Student Center. Matt Lenno, assistant director of Greek Life, said most fraternities and sororities wake up early and practice in various areas throughout campus to get ready for Airband.

"Months and months and months of practice," Lenno said. "Three times per week for the women."

Sandler said all of the dance practicing can be hard, but in the end, the results are worth the effort. Sigma Kappa was the winning sorority at Airband with its "Cinderella" theme.

"It's stressful and it's really, really time consuming, and we got really tired," Sandler said. "But it's worth it."

Junior Barney Fortunato, president of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, the winning fraternity of Airband with its "Pirates of the Caribbean" theme, said Greek members put so much effort into Airband because they enjoy the pride of winning.

"It's kind of a status thing to have won Airband," Fortunato said. "It feels good to win these kinds of competitions."

He said his fraternity's members practiced for approximately two hours per day in the week prior to their performance at Airband.

"The fraternities don't practice as much as the sororities," Fortunato said. "We were practicing several hours per week, two to three hours at a time."

"It's kind of a status thing to have won Airband. It feels good to win these kinds of competitions."

— Junior Barney

Fortunato, president of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity

When members of his Pi Kappa Phi fraternity had other commitments during practice times, it was not a problem, he said.

"In general, there were so many practices, if people missed one or two because they had a test the next day or a paper the next day, it was OK," Fortunato said.

Junior Carly Bergstein, president of Alpha Epsilon Phi sorority, said members of her sorority practiced for a month leading up to

Airband. She said several weeks ago, the members would practice two or three hours per day.

The week before the performance, members would practice six to eight hours per day, usually starting practice at 6 a.m. and then practicing again for several hours again in the afternoon, Bergstein said.

She said Alpha Epsilon Phi has Airband chairs who choreographed the sorority's dance, which was based on the '90s Dream Phone board game. Members devoted much of their time not just to practice the dance, but also to create the backdrop and a very large replica of a phone, she said.

"We have a banner that kind of represents the board game," Bergstein said. "It took weeks to put together. It's pretty big."

Lenno said most fraternities and sororities create a team of people to participate in Airband since the 36 feet by 50 feet stage at the Bob Carpenter Center cannot hold a very large number of students.

Since Airband's conception at the university in the mid-'90s, the show has featured a wide variety of music from rock, rap, country, jazz, dance, Broadway tunes and songs from the '70s, he said.

Lenno said fraternities and sororities accumulate points for winning various events, including Airband, throughout Greek Week. The fraternity and the sorority that earn the most points receive a three-foot-long trophy for their efforts.

"It's pride, it's chapter bonding, it's bragging rights, but really physically all they get is a trophy," he said. "It's like winning the Super Bowl and getting that prize at the end."

in the news

WIRETAPPING CONTINUES TO INCREASE SINCE SEPT. 11

The number of Americans being secretly wiretapped or having their financial and other records reviewed by the government has continued to increase as officials aggressively use powers approved after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. But the number of terrorism prosecutions ending up in court — one measure of the effectiveness of such sleuthing — has continued to decline, in some cases precipitously.

The trends, visible in new government data and a private analysis of Justice Department records, are worrisome to civil liberties groups

and some legal scholars. They say it is further evidence that the government has compromised the privacy rights of ordinary citizens without much to show for it.

The emphasis on spy programs is also starting to give pause to some members of Congress who fear the government is investing too much in anti-terror programs at the expense of traditional crime-fighting.

Other lawmakers are raising questions about how well the FBI is performing its counter-terrorism mission.

RELIEF TO CYCLONE VICTIMS IN MYANMAR ARRIVES

Relief supplies that were supposed to include the first U.S. aid flight reached Myanmar on Monday, but the sinking of a Red Cross barge underscored the logistical challenge of distributing food and shelter to survivors in the swampy aftermath of last week's cyclone.

The United Nations said its teams inside the battered Irrawaddy Delta region reported between 60,000 and 100,000 people dead or missing, and the Myanmar government increased its official death count to 28,458. The scale of the disaster means that relief efforts have been too feeble, U.N. officials said, warning that disease and hunger are stalking the roughly 1.5 million sur-

vivors.

Myanmar's military rulers have approved only a smattering of visas for foreign aid workers, although relief agencies reported that aid shipments were now receiving official clearances with greater ease. The U.N.'s World Food Program also said the Myanmar government had released 38 tons of high-energy biscuits that had been impounded at the airport and allowed the organization to begin distributing them.

Others saw encouraging signs in the junta's agreement to accept aid from the United States, an offer that had been rebuffed previously because of hostile relations between the two countries.

NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAMS A POSSIBILITY INTERNATIONALLY

At least 40 developing countries from the Persian Gulf region to Latin America have recently approached U.N. officials to signal interest in starting nuclear power programs, a trend that concerned proliferation experts say could provide the building blocks of nuclear arsenals in some of those nations.

At least half a dozen countries have also said in the past four years that they are specifically planning to conduct enrichment or reprocessing of nuclear fuel, a prospect that could dramatically expand the global supply of plutonium and enriched uranium,

according to U.S. and international nuclear officials and arms-control experts.

Much of the new interest is driven by economic considerations, particularly the soaring cost of fossil fuels. But for some Middle Eastern states with ready access to huge stocks of oil or natural gas, such as Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, the investment in nuclear power appears to be linked partly to concerns about a future regional arms race stoked in part by Iran's alleged interest in such an arsenal, the officials said.

—compiled from the L.A. Times and Washington Post wire reports

police reports

STUDENT ARRESTED FOR PROFANITY

A 21-year-old university student, Nicholas Salatino, was arrested Sunday at 1:02 a.m. at his residence on 219 West Park Place for disorderly conduct.

The charges stemmed from complaints that Salatino was allowing people to throw beer bottles from his roof onto the street and was yelling profanities into the public, Lt. Brian Henry of the Newark Police Department said.

Salatino was charged with disorderly conduct and disorderly premises, Henry said.

PURSE STOLEN FROM PARTY

A 20-year-old female university student reported having her purse stolen from a party on 130 New London Road on Sunday at 12:24 a.m., Henry said.

The student told police an unknown person removed her purse from the bedroom after the party began to disperse. The purse contained sunglasses, a debit card and a credit card.

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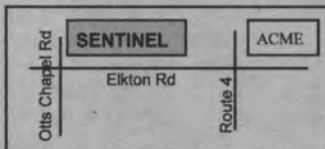
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If you have been arrested in the past--or are arrested this year--don't panic. Maybe you were arrested in the past, and would like to talk about expunging your arrest record. Maybe you have charges pending now. You have the right to legal representation. I served as Newark City Prosecutor for many years, and have since that time represented many students in the Delaware courts. If you have been arrested and have questions about your pending case, or your past arrest record--contact us. You, or your parents, or both, can consult with me by phone at no charge.

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Shell Oil lecturer challenged

Protester arrested after being disruptive during speech

Last Wednesday, David Cole protested the speech of Shell Oil Co. President John Hofmeister's speech during the Global Agenda lecture series. Cole, a former Delaware Technical and Community College student, sat on stage with his back toward Hofmeister for 45 minutes, spoke out of turn and resisted arrest from police.

While freedom of speech and expression of opinions should especially be encouraged in a university setting, it seems Cole went too far with his response to Hofmeister.

Rather than expressing his opinions as someone who was well-versed on the issue, Cole sat on stage to make a statement about how he felt. By overstepping Hofmeister's ground, he only presented himself in a threatening light.

It was clear Cole had a point to make, but it was not made clear.

If Cole had sat in the audience with everyone else and respectfully listened to the lecture, perhaps he would have been given more of an opportunity to speak. Moderator and communication

professor Ralph Begleiter refused to let Cole ask questions because of his inability to respect Hofmeister.

Cole's point also may have been taken more seriously if he had stuck with the general guidelines of a guest lecture. Instead of having others leave the lecture and think about why he disagrees with Shell Oil's policies, other attendees only remember him as 'that guy who got arrested.'

The university did the right thing by having Cole removed from the lecture.

He posed not only as a distraction to others who wanted to see the lecture, but also as a threat to the lecturer himself. It is better to be proactive if a protester begins to get out of hand.

There is no reason for Cole to have caused such dramatics during the speech.

He has every right to protest what he feels, but there is a line which should not be crossed.

Lecturers deserve a certain respect, whether or not you agree with their ideas.

Cole should be an example as to how not to peacefully protest.

Long election is good for country

More time allows American voters to form educated opinions

For the past few months, primary season has been in full swing as the Democratic and Republican nominees for president have done battle in debates and other public forums to determine a winner in one of the most exciting presidential races.

At this point in the race, some might say the amount of time and money that has been put into each candidate's campaign is overly excessive and the majority of the American public would rather see an end to the long electoral process rather than a continuation of the race that would never end.

While a long election can be taxing on the candidates, a longer campaign process is valuable and beneficial to the voters. The younger generation of this country is so often accused of being apathetic and uninterested in politics.

A longer election in which the candidates are given more opportunities to speak publicly about their issues and policies gives the American people more chances to get involved in the political process.

The competitiveness of this election has brought back the true

meaning of the American political system — to give each citizen a voice in who leads their country.

States with lower voter turnout or unimportant primary results in the past have now played an important role in deciding the democratic nominee. For the first time in decades, every citizen's vote really matters and one primary can mean the difference between the White House and nothing at all.

As a result, voter turnout is higher than it ever has been in nearly every state, despite the fact that it has been on the decline in recent years.

The longer campaigns have also brought important issues like the war in Iraq and the environment to the forefront. More people have had the chance to hear a wider variety of positions and opinions on important topics and will be able to make a better-informed decision come Election Day.

The 2008 election may be longer and more drawn out than others before it, but knowing who you are voting for and being able to play an actual role in the future of the country is well worth it.

The Review Seniors



Be sure to read the seniors' goodbyes on udreview.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SGA worked hard to plan event

I have a few responses to the comments in the editorial titled "First FestivALL event a success" in the May 6 edition of The Review.

First, "Or, possibly, have one of the local cover bands finish out the day on the Green and play for the students. This way the university could make FestivALL an all inclusive even[t] for everyone to enjoy."

This shows you were not there for all of FestivALL, considering you have made no mention of Henstock, which was put on by Phi Mu Alpha and started immediately after SGA's event. This event included five bands both local and out-of-state, which played from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., including The Mad

Sweet Pangs, Jared Weintraub, Murder by the Groove, The Blend and One-Armed Bandits.

I especially had a problem with the following quotes — "It was nice to see the university do something for the students and involve many Registered Student Organizations on campus to make it feel like everyone was welcome to join in on the day's festivities." and "The university should be excited with the way everything went and consider making this an annual event, if it hasn't already."

Once again, terrible reporting — the university had nothing to do with this event. The Student Government Association is an RSO. Furthermore, if you had interviewed any of the members of SGA you

would know they are planning on making this a yearly event, just like Phi Mu Alpha's "Henstock."

Advertising it earlier doesn't do anything. Making quarterfliers and posters a week before the event is what gets students to events. Advertising more than a week before is just a waste of time since most students' schedules are too busy to have them remember something that far in advance.

The SGA worked extremely hard on every aspect of the event, so please don't slight them on issues like planning because they went above and beyond in this aspect.

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Do you think the university should have alerted all students about the mock shooting?

72% Yes
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A student's reaction to a few awkward seconds



Getting to Lapointe

Jessica Lapointe

When passing others on campus, think before reacting

I am quickly approaching that dreaded moment — I have only seconds to decide my next course of action.

As she nears me — I think I recognize her from one of my English classes sophomore year, don't I?

I am racked with indecision — do I smile, say hi or maybe decide it's the perfect time to pull out my cell phone and send a text? I become terribly interested with a bird hopping around on the Green, and the girl and I pass each other without a word. Another awkward moment avoided — at least for the time being.

We have all been there. You know what I mean — that uncomfortable instant when you have to decide how to react to a person passing within feet of you on the path.

As I continued on my way to class in

Memorial Hall, I began to think of the number of different techniques one can use to deal with this situation. I have used them all while tromping around campus for the past four years.

I realized I am presented with this particular situation in so many different forms on a daily basis. The passerby-encounter is still served with a side of anxiety. In my case, this emotion comes in a slightly larger portion because, while I need glasses to see objects in the distance clearly, I refuse to wear them outside because my eyes are too sensitive to the sun. Thus, I have shorter time in which to identify the person walking toward me.

On more than one occasion, I have heightened the tension by accidentally staring at a stranger while waiting for the moment when they would enter into my sight.

It is this angst that causes me to take many precautions to ensure I will not be caught in such a position. I walk with friends whenever possible so I have someone to talk to and I never leave my house without darkly tinted sunglasses — if a passerby can't see my eyes, I don't have to worry about looking.

However, there are inevitably those days on which no one is to be found and my glasses are left on my shelf at home. Here is where the real hassle begins.

I have tried almost every possible option

to not look at the person walking by me, including completely ignoring them and talking on my phone. I have tried to act interested in something going on farther up the path, and once or twice I have decided to check my bag for something I may have forgotten. To avoid what I suspected may have been a particularly awkward encounter, I have even gone so far as to cross the street.

Not only is this type of behavior completely unnecessary, but it also takes quite a bit of energy and effort. There must be an easier way.

On my walk home after class, I curiously observed how other students handled these uncomfortable seconds. Perhaps they knew something I didn't.

I was so engaged in my thoughts by the time I entered my apartment building I didn't even notice a boy about to pass me on the stairs until he wrenched me back to reality with a friendly, "Hey there." I was so surprised I automatically greeted him in response, as a smile effortlessly appeared on my face.

I went about the rest of my day as usual — without thinking much more about my not-so-awkward encounter in the stairway. That is,

not until a few days later.

I had only just begun my morning stroll to class when I noticed a girl walking toward me. This was my chance; the moment of truth was quickly approaching and only one question had plastered itself across my mind's eye — how should I proceed?

This time, I knew how I would react. However, as I watched the girl take a left-hand turn into a house, I was once more left with my own thoughts.

Yes, there are a number of different options to choose from when deciding how to behave to someone walking by. I have decided, however, that I would rather not bog myself down with such useless, anxiety-causing thoughts when there seems to be such an uncomplicated solution.

The next time I find myself face-to-face with this potentially sticky situation, I won't look for the nearest alternate route, nor will I become engrossed in some imaginary spot three feet in front of my face.

Instead, I will smile. At the very least, it will brighten someone's day.

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State prison conditions cause for concern

Guest Commentary

Robin Cebula

Inmate health-care should be a priority within Delaware

Poor prison conditions is a top human rights issue in the United States, according to sources from the American Civil Liberties Union. It is another twisted bureaucratic system that leaves no room for human treatment, but plenty of room to deny medical attention to a contained overpopulation of people and restrict them from voting rights.

I had a conversation with a friend who I'll call "Alex," about his stay in the Delaware prison, Ganderhille.

After turning himself in to Delaware police, he was charged with burglary in the third degree and was put on probation. During a period of personal mental anguish, he checked himself in to a rehabilitation center and by doing this broke his probation.

I was astonished to hear how he was treated in the state prison. Alex was told he was only staying overnight in the infirmary unit, but ended up being there for a month. When he arrived, they stripped him naked and took his eyeglasses, making him almost blind.

The cell had nothing in it except concrete

flooring and his toilet — a hole in the floor. Twice per day he was given water, and once per day brought food without utensils. Today, Alex has completed the three levels of probation and has paid off all fines and restitutions. But if he wants to vote, he needs to expunge the felony from his record and wait seven years.

This is just one minor experience out of thousands which exist across the country. *The New York Times* recently cited a study that stated the population in prisons has grown by 25,000 since last year, coming to an estimated total of 1.6 million people in state and federal prisons.

This means one out of every 99.1 American adults are jailed and the numbers continue to increase.

It disgusts me more to learn about other events which have occurred in Delaware prisons. Drewery Fennell of the Delaware ACLU, spoke to my law class at the university this semester about such cases. The ACLU's general objective is to let citizens know their rights and to protect them.

One case mentioned was about poor health conditions, which were a result of over-population. A prisoner had called the ACLU saying they were sharing a cell with three to four other prisoners. One inmate had a severe case of diarrhea, and because they were all packed in, it would get on the other inmates.

According to the Prison Litigation Reform

Act, prisoners are not medically treated unless something actually affects or harms them, so nothing was done for these prisoners.

Prison doctors do not prevent harm, but will possibly react if someone is harmed.

I do not know how people could breathe in those cells with three other people, let alone deal with feces.

Another case dealt with two women who gave birth in prison, unattended. One woman reported having labor pains but received no response. The other gave birth in the prison bathroom into a toilet.

Despite whatever crimes those women committed that landed them in jail, it is inhumane to not properly care for their pregnancies and labor. Health care is not a privilege, but a responsibility humanity must share, especially when holding people captive.

A 2005 *News Journal* article titled, "Cruel & Unusual," was about Delaware prisoner Anthony Pierce who reported having a small lump on his head. It was first misdiagnosed and later revealed to be a tumor.

At his last examination, the medical director stabbed at it to withdraw blood, but threw the syringe away instead of saving it for analysis. The tumor became so large that other inmates called him "the brother with two heads."

The medical staff did nothing and Pierce died at the age of 21 from the tumor. His sentence was serving 14 months for a parole violation, not slowly dying from a neglected tumor.

Thankfully, this case was reported, but who knows how many are in the dark? The arti-

cle said, "Inmates in their 20s and 30s die from diseases that people outside prison routinely survive."

It is ironic because most states prohibit prisoners from voting, therefore they cannot vote for a candidate who may try to change unhealthy prison conditions. For Alex, there is a seven year waiting period because he is a Delaware resident. Most prisons are doing less to educate and encourage prisoners to become positive citizens. According to Fennell, Delaware spends more money on prisons than education, yet it is not showing.

Why is nothing being done about these situations? Is it because once a person goes to jail, even for a minor offense, it is the end for them? I strongly agree that punishment is needed for law breakers, especially murderers, rapists and similar criminals.

But the system puts every crime into one pot, instead of separating case by case. I have more compassion for Anthony Pierce's need for healthcare as oppose to a serial killer and rapist. The law should have guidelines and rules that are determined by the crime a person committed. It appears the real sentence for all prisoners is possibly dying from unsanitary conditions and health problems, and not having any hope to change it, by the right to vote.

America's system acts like it is more humane than other countries, when it is not.

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The Mosaic Interview: Carlos Alazraqui

The man of many voices discusses his rising career as comedian and actor

BY ADAM ASHER
Entertainment Editor

Carlos Alazraqui is not a racist — he just plays one on TV.

As Deputy James Garcia on Comedy Central's hit show "Reno 911!" Alazraqui patrols the streets of Reno, stops speeding cars, deals with domestic disputes — and that's pretty much it. Some fans of the faux-crime show may think this is their first taste of the fake-mustache-donning actor, but many may remember him as Rocko from Nickelodeon's "Rocko's Modern Life," the late Mr. Weed from "Family Guy" or the Taco Bell chihuahua.

Alazraqui recently took some time to talk to The Review about his past and present characters on the big and small screen, as well as the new season of "Reno 911!"

What inspired you to design your "Reno 911" character the way you did?

I think it originally came from an amalgam of all the characters that were always the pricks in your life, whether it be cops or security guards — just those guys with an attitude. Then you layer in a Napoleonic complex, a culturally self-denying kind of guy that doesn't get it. You add a tinge of Marty

Fife in there, a guy that thinks he's tough on the outside but on the inside is a sad, little scared man. So kind of a mixture of all of those things. Basically, when you put on that fake mustache and get a haircut and put on those aviators, it puts you halfway toward that type of character — for me it does.

How does the rest of the cast add to that character development process?

We literally all went home and created our own characters and on the first day they had 20 questions. They said, "Oh what's your name? Where are you from? Why do you like being a cop? What do you hate about being a cop? Who do you like on the force? Who do you hate on the force? What does a cop mean to you? What's your favorite pastry?" So they asked these questions and through improv, that helped shape our characters. It was a pretty smart idea.

What is your favorite quirk that Garcia has?

I think it's that he gets sad easily. He really wants a friendship with his partner Jones, who's black, and I'm racist, but I really would like him to be my best friend and I think he's not. So he can be very angry and

then at the drop of a hat he can be really sad. He's quick to anger — I like that too because it lets me use my natural rage in life and funnel it into my character. So I like those things about him. He's a pretty real-life character. He's sad, he's happy, he's angry, he's trying, he's proper, he's improper. But I think my favorite thing is that he's quick to sadness and anger.

How do you use your Latino heritage in your life as an entertainer?

When I came to L.A., I started to use more of my heritage. I basically grew up in a white suburb, in Concord, California. We assimilated, we were American.



Courtesy of Comedy Central

Alazraqui (second from right) currently plays the role of Deputy Garcia on "Reno 911!"

My mom still had her thick Argentinean accent, my dad didn't have his. He went to British school in Argentina. I grew up this all-American kid with characters around me and then the Latino part came when I moved to L.A. [someone said], "Hey your name is Carlos, want to do comedy?" and I said, "Yeah I've got some [stuff] on my mom. She's from Argentina — I'll put that into my act." So I started to embrace more of the Latino stuff when I moved to L.A., but I never really got Latino parts and that's what Garcia was all about. I did "Rocko's Modern Life" and all these cartoons before I ever got the Taco Bell chihuahua, and then it was like, "Oh, this guy can do Latin voiceovers, his name is Carlos." So I started getting all these Latino roles. So it all fell into place after I started to embrace the fact that I can do a Latino dialect.

How did you get into the voiceover work in the first place?

It came out of stand-up comedy. I had done some stuff on stage, there was a local audition in San Francisco and I didn't have an agent. I made a tape in a kitchen in Sacramento, I brought my eight-by-10 to the thing and I brought the tape and I happened to do the voice of Rocko. Originally, they didn't want an Australian or a Cockney, so they gave it to Nickelodeon. Nickelodeon liked it and we made this little pilot called "Rocko's Modern Life" and off I went. Opened up the flood gates.

Between stand-up, acting and voice work, what kind of work do you enjoy most?

There are some really fun days on "Reno" when you're kickin' it and doing great stuff or other days where you're not involved and you're just sitting in the trailer, just waiting for things to happen and it's hot and you're in a bad location. Otherwise, you could be working on a cartoon with great friends. I do like being on a set — that is fun. I have to say that that's the most excitement I get. When I get to ride around in a cop car with Kenny Rogers in the front seat and make up dialogue, it's hard to beat that. It's hard to beat that when Cedric and I are in the car and we've got some chemistry going and we're just cracking up and getting paid for it.

Shooting a fake gun, watching things blow up — that's also fun.

What was different about doing the film "Reno 911: Miami" vs. doing "Reno: 911!" the show?

Location, location, location. As opposed to being in Sun Valley in July, we were in Miami Beach. Our trailers literally had sand coming into them. We also had real mustaches instead of fake ones. It was a bigger, broader production. Different uniforms, Mustangs, high-definition cameras, we blew up a whale — the budget was bigger. Things on the set didn't change — we're on location for "Reno" anyway so it's like being on a movie set.

Do you prefer working with scripted or improv comedy?

The improv stuff gives you so much freedom. Ryan Stiles is going to be in the second half of Season 5. He plays a cop who is trying to teach us how to act so we can go under cover. Just working with him and making up dialogue with him was fantastic. It's so fun to improv.

The following answers are not from Carlos Alazraqui. For a brief period, The Review was able to speak to his character — Deputy Garcia himself.

Who are you going to vote for in the upcoming election?

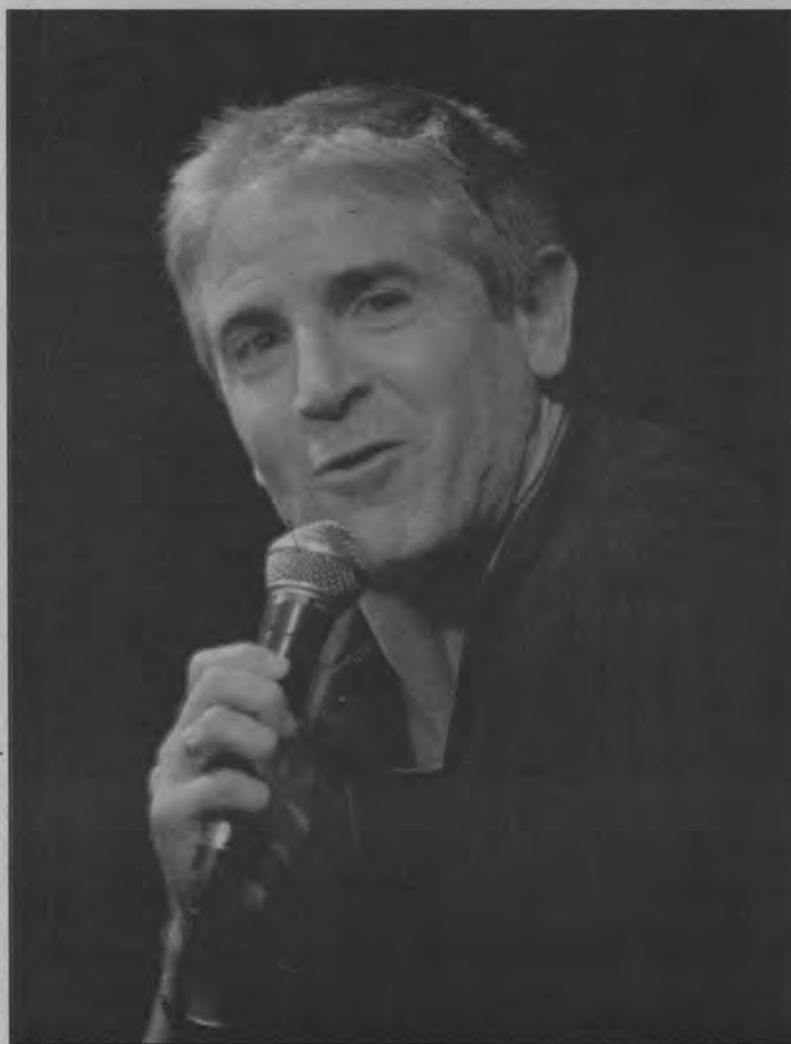
I like small men with power. I know John [McCain], he's been to hell and back. I know he went to the bad place over there in Viethurung, or whatever you call it. I go to the bad place every day in Reno so I know he shares my feelings. I'd definitely vote for John McCain.

How would you feel if Barack Obama won the election?

Well, he is half white so I'm OK with it, I guess.

And Hillary Clinton?

Hillary? Well, I'm used to women with power. Clementine Johnson, in bed, when we got together she always took the top so I don't really mind too much a woman with power.



Courtesy of Gettyimages

Carlos Alazraqui is known for his stand-up comedy, voiceover work and TV roles.

Building hope for students in war-torn northern Uganda

BY NICOLETTE LOTRIONTE

Staff Reporter

Students in Delaware and across the country are partnering with students and schools in northern Uganda to help pick up pieces of their lives — shattered, as a result of war.

The war between the rebel group the Lord's Resistance Army and the Ugandan government has torn apart northern Uganda for nearly 23 years. Now, with a final peace agreement in progress, the consequences of the war still take their toll on the Ugandan people, especially children.

The Schools for Schools program, created by the nonprofit organization Invisible Children, is designed to improve secondary education in northern Uganda.

Anna Schuck, a senior at the Charter School of Wilmington and founder of its community service club, is the leader of its Schools for Schools program, and recipient of "The Top Volunteer in Delaware" award. She says she believes education is the first step in teaching children to live a peaceful life.

"If we want strong leaders for tomorrow and for Uganda to be a peaceful place, then we have to educate the younger generation," Schuck says. "If we don't, how can we ever expect it to be better?"

According to Carolyn Sams, Invisible Children's director of communication, the Schools for Schools program began

less than two years ago and will re-launch its third "semester" in the fall. It has raised nearly \$3 million in the past year to re-develop war-torn schools in northern Uganda. The Charter School has raised \$30,000, which Schuck says is a result of the high attendance of the events the 50 club members hold.

"We do whatever fundraising we can," Schuck says.

Popular fundraising events include concerts, fashion shows, carnivals, bake sales, car washes, volunteering and covering Schuck in six gallons of chocolate.

Sams says even though they offer scholarships for children of war-affected areas, the actual schools are unsuccessful without aid.

"Schools themselves aren't doing well and teachers aren't getting paid enough to show up to classes," Sams says. "We wanted to develop this program to address this other side of the issue — the physical side of the classroom."

Invisible Children chose to improve 10 Ugandan secondary schools that were at the most risk but showed potential for success. One requirement ensured the school's administration was not corrupt.

"The Ugandan government provides tuition for students in primary schools, but when they get to secondary school they are left on their own," she says. "A lot of organizations focus on primary schools, but the real issue is making sure a lot of those students go from the fifth or sixth grade to graduating."

In the United States, there are 10 clusters, categorized by region, with up to 180 participating schools. Each cluster is connected to a school in Uganda. Delaware, in the East Coast cluster, is partnered with the Sir Samuel Baker Secondary School.

According to Sams, the money raised is divided into five areas: water and sanitation, buildings such as dorms and classrooms, books and resources, teacher training and technology.

According to Chris Sarette, the Schools for Schools director, the Sir Samuel Baker School was really affected by the first eruption of the "liberation war" in 1989. It was shut down, completely looted and served as a logistics center for the LRA.

"In 1996, 26 students were actually abducted by the LRA," Sarette says. "This was a real changing point for the school. Some of those students have



Courtesy of Chris Sarette

Of the 860 students at Sir Samuel Baker, 90 percent are orphans.

never come back."

Schuck says Sir Samuel Baker is an all-boys' boarding school, so the students are protected from the war and the risk of being kidnapped by the rebel army. Out of the 860 students enrolled, 90 percent are displaced or orphaned. Schuck has been able to follow the progress of the school online via a progress bar.

"When our school was first constructed, one quarter of the students didn't have beds," she says. "Three quarters were sleeping on the floor. We've raised enough money to make sure everyone has beds. We raised money to build one perimeter wall around the school and to build sanitation facilities, get clean water, buy some books and do general things within the school. For every single dollar we donate, we know exactly what we did for our partner school."

Although the university doesn't officially fundraise for Schools for Schools, Uganda Untold, a student organization for peace in Uganda, works to improve and contribute to education in northern Uganda. The organization works closely with the Upper Nile Institute for Appropriate Technology (UNIFAT), co-president Camille Stoudt says. The school's founder, Abitimo Odongkara, is a refugee of Uganda.

"If you can give people education and give them the future then you're guaranteeing peace for a country," Stoudt says.

The money raised by Uganda Untold goes directly to UNIFAT's school and pays for teacher salaries and construction. Its biggest fundraiser so far was Del Rock during Spring Semester 2007, an annual concert of campus a capella groups where the proceeds go toward a chosen charity. Last year Del Rock raised \$2,500 for UNIFAT.

Freshman Rebecca Centeno, Uganda Untold's representative for Invisible Children, says the most important areas to concentrate on are schools' infrastructures and administrations. She would like to fundraise for Schools for Schools in the future.

"My goal is getting the campus more involved and more aware of the situation, because it really needs a lot of support at the stage it is in right now," she says. "It's about raising support and awareness for the cause."



Courtesy of Chris Sarette

Sir Samuel Baker is an all-boys' boarding school that protects its students from the war in northern Uganda.

Providing long-time fame for the half-time heroes

BY ANDREW LYNCH

Staff Reporter

Generations of students have passed down the tradition of performing as the university's upbeat mascot YoUDee but few have made a career out of what they learned while suited up.

Chris Bruce says being a mascot has become his life's work and an extension of his character.

From 1998 to 2002, Bruce performed as YoUDee. In 2005, he and a fellow alumnus David Raymond, son of former university football coach Tubby Raymond, created The Mascot Hall of Fame, a virtual exhibit dedicated to the greatest collegiate and professional mascots in history resides solely online.

The Hall of Fame is currently managed by Raymond's character-branding company, Raymond Entertainment. Raymond says the idea spawned from their combined love of mascotting.

Raymond graduated from the university and began interning for the Philadelphia Phillies in 1976. The Phillies were looking for a character to represent their team — one that would be more than the typical mascot.

"They wanted a character that would embody the spirit of the Philadelphia fans and help provide value, added entertainment," Raymond says.

He volunteered for the position in 1978 and was the first Philly Phanatic, filling the role until 1993. After acquiring a great knowledge of mascotting, he transitioned into the field of character branding.

"Character branding means that I identify performers through auditions and then train them through Dave Raymond's Mascot Boot Camp," Raymond says.

He says the boot camp, held annually at the uni-

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Courtesy of Chris Bruce

The mascot Reggy is the official spokes character of the Mascot Hall of Fame, created by David Raymond and Chris Bruce.

A nauseating attempt at a '60s remake

"Speed Racer"

Warner Bros. Pictures

Rating: ☆ 1/2 (out of ☆☆☆☆)

Garish would only half describe the film adaptation of the 1960s Japanese anime "Speed Racer." Larry and Andy Wachowski, the creators of "The Matrix," have invested in an overwhelmingly plastic world, in which the bounds of reality are more than broken — they are entirely ignored.

The monotonous plot, excessively prolonged dialogue and extravagant car races seem to bewilder the film's target audience: videogaming teens. Beyond the film's reliance on a flashy color scheme and spacey, exotic sets, it lacks a sense of foundation. It seems to float aimlessly with a pricey clash between a Bollywood music video and "The Jetsons," resulting in a nauseating explosion of neon surrealism.

The film goes lengths to abandon resemblances to the original cartoon, and such unconventionality undermines the believability of the plot. The filmmakers' attempt to provide social commentary on corporate corruption and crime is futile in such a distracting, artificial atmosphere.

Emile Hirsch, who stepped into the limelight with "Into the Wild," is far from fitting for the role as Speed. During the first half of the film, he hardly says a word. Even after the engines begin to roar and the dialogue rolls into a heap, he delivers nothing more than a pretty face over a headache of eyesplitting visuals. The role could doom Hirsch to a series of mediocre roles — such as with Halle Berry trying to recover her career after playing "Catwoman."

The film is like a rollercoaster without

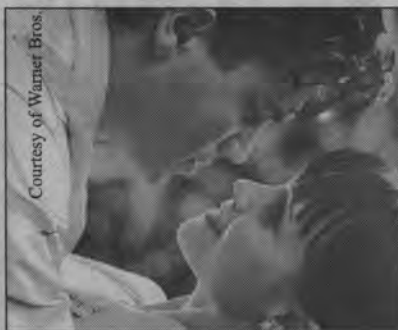
seatbelts, launching the audience into the air, blowing their eardrums with fireworks and violating every health code before reaching the grand finale, which resembles a fidgety 3-year-old screaming for more candy.

The problems have not resolved themselves even after launching through a cobweb of subplots. A linguist could not decode the motiveless complexity and rambling speeches, drawn out in attempt to intellectualize evidently commonplace ideas.

If "Speed Racer" is a marker for what is to be expected from big-budget animated features, then there will be a sad future of psychedelic acid trips with little real substance, outside of formulaic action sequences.

While "Iron Man" and "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" wrap up the spring season with satisfied audiences, "Speed Racer" took a wrong turn somewhere down the track. After the 135-minute campaign to lead the summer blockbuster, the film lost its brakes and coincidentally crashed into a high-budget junkyard. At least the explosion was colorful.

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Big names don't disguise bad movie

"What Happens in Vegas..."

21 Laps Entertainment

Rating: ☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

What happened in Vegas should have stayed there.

Instead, audiences are subjected to 99 minutes of far-fetched storylines, unattractive characters and unconvincing acting.

After encountering personal setbacks, Joy McNally (Cameron Diaz) and Jack Fuller (Ashton Kutcher) escape to Sin City to alleviate the pain. Uptight Joy has just been dumped by her fiancé and makes the trip with her friend Tipper to distract herself from the particularly humiliating break-up.

Childish Jack, who has just been fired from his father's company, makes the trip with half-witted Hater (Rob Corddry) in an attempt to win back some dignity.

Their paths cross when a hotel mix-up lands all four in the same room. From there, the plot becomes more and more outlandish.

Joy and Jack bond during a night of excessive drinking and whining, ending when Joy groggily awakes to find a fake gold ring with rhinestone-encrusted dice on her ring finger. Both Joy and Jack agree to annul their hasty marriage, but when Jack wins a \$3 million slot-machine jackpot with Joy's quarter, they fixate on securing the money they consider rightfully theirs.

Poorly developed characters, in combination with barely-there acting, make the movie unbearable at times.

Diaz and Kutcher seem to be riding on the names they have made for themselves, but even their well-established sex appeal cannot save this movie.

Kutcher overplays his "Punk'd" persona and Diaz confusingly jumps from the role of cold, greedy workaholic to selfless charmer. Admittedly, Diaz's acting has always been less-than-stellar and when she's not playing her doe-eyed, fun-loving token role, it's even more painfully unconvincing.

Furthermore, Diaz and Kutcher surprisingly have no chemistry, thus making the far-fetched plot even harder to grasp. Even the camera work and lighting are sloppy, making the normally gorgeous Diaz appear aged and overly tanned.

The only saving grace of this film is the comedy provided by Joy and Jack's sidekicks.

Tipper's biting humor and Hater's moral-free antics deliver a few scattered laughs throughout the film. Their personalities are clear-cut, thus making their characters more successful while the lead roles remain consistently unimpressive throughout the course of the movie.

In the end, the trite, semi-heartwarming message of "opposites attract" gets lost within the hodgepodge of shallow characters, crude production and even poorer script. The existence of this film is more sinful than the city it's about.

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No formula for success

Narrow Stairs

Death Cab for Cutie

Atlantic Records

Rating: ☆☆☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

To say that an album is all about sound might seem like an obvious statement, but for much of the music that graces the radiowaves, it's a rare find. With *Narrow Stairs*, Death Cab for Cutie's second album since its switch to Atlantic Records, the band truly places sound on a pedestal, leaving its audiences with a musically challenging listen.

For casual Death Cab fans, singles such as "I Will Follow You Into the Dark" (*Plans*, 2005) epitomize what the band is about — gorgeous melodies paired with Ben Gibbard's honest voice. While that aspect is still present, *Narrow Stairs* takes the spotlight off Gibbard, revealing the band's talent as a cohesive unit. Tracks such as "Talking Bird" allow the frontman to show off his goods, but it's the moments where he steps down that the album shines.

At this point in their career — the band is now in its 11th year — the members of Death Cab were able to rely on their success and create an album that pins mass appeal on the bottom of the priority list. While there are potential singles throughout, most notably "You Can Do Better Than Me" and "Cath..." the band's focus clearly lies elsewhere.

There is no standout track on *Narrow Stairs*, which is entirely the point. It's easy to get lost in the repetitive drones peppered throughout, such as on opener "Bixby Canyon Bridge" and "The Ice is Getting Thinner," especially with the attention paid to transitions. Many of the songs don't end — or start, for that matter — but rather blend together in a way that gives the whole product a sincere, live-performance feel.

The band cleverly plays with time through-



out, with tracks ranging from the eight-minute "I Will Possess Your Heart" to "You Can Do Better Than Me" (1:59). Straying from the three-minute intro, phrase, chorus, bridge, repeat formula that dominates the majority of pop music forces listeners to consider the album as a whole rather than the sum of its parts.

Narrow Stairs has just enough familiarity to attract new fans and more than enough experimentation to please long-time followers. While it wouldn't be surprising if some of these tracks reach top Billboard status, Death Cab has achieved another kind of success, one more appropriate and praise-worthy for a band in its mature stages.

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Blame It on Gravity

Old 97's

New West Records

Rating: ☆☆☆☆ (out of ☆☆☆☆)

When the Old 97's wanted to get back to their roots and find some energy, they went to a place that was familiar — home, back to Dallas. They recorded their seventh studio album and first in four years, *Blame It on Gravity*, and it's clear that going home was a great idea.

Blame It on Gravity is a mix of pop, alternative, country and rock that works surprisingly well. Add in Rhett Miller's talents as a songwriter and his surprisingly soothing voice and the album is a great listen through and through.

There isn't one standout song on the album, but each is worth more than one listen. No song should be skipped, which is a testament to the band's talent and maturity.

Blame It on Gravity is an impres-



sive new set of tracks from the band and fans of the Old 97's won't be disappointed with the effort.

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We Sing. We Dance. We Steal Things.

Jason Mraz

Atlantic Records

Rating: ☆☆☆ 1/2 (out of ☆☆☆☆)

With his silky smooth vocals, catchy lyrics and acoustic guitar, Jason Mraz has risen in the ranks from "geek in the pink" to "dynamo of volition." Since he broke onto the scene in 2002 with his first studio album, *Waiting for My Rocket to Come*, his unique blend of scat, jazz, pop, rap and folk has set him apart from others and continued to win over fans.

Now, with the release of his highly anticipated third studio album *We Sing. We Dance. We Steal Things.*, Mraz has had the chance to sit on his success and build on his already winning formula.

Although Mraz has been accused of arrogance

in the past, for the most part, *We Sing* isn't so much about Mraz boasting with clever words and overconfidence as it is proving his talent through the substance of his lyrics and the perfect pitch of his voice.

Mraz has managed to maintain the things fans have always loved about him — he's still rocking the trucker hat and each note he sings still sounds like a little drop of sunshine — but has honed his sound to fit a more versatile and refined mold.

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delawareUNdressed To call it quits



Sarah Niles
Columnist

It's an understatement to say goodbyes are tough. There's never an easy way to face the end of something good, but sometimes it's better to call it quits before things get stale.

Now that my last column is here, I have finally begun to accept I will no longer be pondering relationships and sex every week in an effort to entertain others. Instead, I will be forced to either keep my thoughts to myself or beg my friends to listen to me ramble for hours on end. Neither of these options excite me very much.

Although it was a difficult decision to make, my relationship with *delawareUNdressed* must come to an end. While I have had a blast writing my column, I know I have basically exhausted my topic ideas and that continuing to pump out sexy slogans and naughty body part nicknames could be nearly impossible. I fear that signing on for another year would be dangerous for both the column and for myself. In this situation, like in many real-life romantic relationships, it's better to quit while I'm ahead.

In seemingly

good campus relationships, it's often difficult to foresee the future successes and hardships the couple may face. Like my partnership with *UNdressed*, there are many duos who would be better off ending this school year on a good note rather than trying to do a long-distance deal over the summer, risking an ugly ending. Sure, you may think your relationship can last through 3 months of distance, but trust me — it's difficult to keep a flame burning if it's not strong from the start. Putting your pair on hold would

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next fall

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probably be better for your relationship and your friendship in the long run if you have any doubts at all about your ability to make it last.

The degree of doubt makes it easier to determine the proper course of action for your relationship. If you think you want to be with only this person for the rest of your life, and they feel the same about you, maybe breaking up for the summer isn't the right choice. By staying together you have to know that you both can handle the difficulties that come with a long-distance relationship. Jealousy, neediness and worrying all are magnified when you can't see your

loved one whenever you please. If you have any doubt, maybe it's time to consider flying solo for the summer.

Think back on your time together as a couple — if you've fought a lot already, thought about breaking up multiple times or had the temptation to cheat, then continuing your relationship this summer is a bad idea. It would be much better to leave each other now, on a happy note, than have a screaming fight over the phone and end it mid-July. By pressing the stop button, at least you know it's a circumstantial break up, and not something that is a total deal breaker forever. This leaves things on an even keel and you could even have hopes to restart it next fall.

In most cases, it's better to leave when things are pretty, rather than when there is no other choice because the situation has gotten so ugly.

In my case, I know leaving *The Review* is going to be sad. I have thoroughly enjoyed every aspect of writing my column and being on staff, but like many relationships, mine is also one that's better to leave while still on good terms. I know what *UNdressed* and I had together, but now it's time for someone else to have this experience.



fashionforward

Going out in style

For most of my life, people have always told me I have too many clothes.

Some say it as a simple observation. Some say it as an incredulous exclamation. Some say it as if it's a huge and shameful addiction worthy of shopping rehab, if there were such a facility.

Unsurprisingly, I tend to disagree with members of the last group.

I've never felt that I have too many clothes — in fact, I believe quite the opposite. I can barely keep up with the flood of new trends released every season, leaving my wardrobe in constant need of updating — and I can't begin to tell you how many instances I've thought I simply had nothing to wear.

However, there's a fine line between being trend-friendly and trend-obsessed. One rule is to not overload the latest crazes in an outfit, but instead add staples and classic pieces to the mix. There's nothing worse than following a trend merely because it's a trend — the point of fashion is to think for yourself and judge its stylish factor accordingly.

If fashion trends are easy to overdose on and frequently changing, why bother? Is there a purpose to them that goes beyond looking hip at the moment?

For me, fashion trends are a way to document the various phases of my life.

While some people read old diaries or stare at weathered photographs in order to reminisce and note the changes in their lives, I just look at my clothes.

By shuffling through my closet, I can recall the different sentimental occasions on which I've worn each piece of clothing — like that shrunken pale pink cardigan I wore while shopping at an outdoor marketplace in Hong Kong or that gray belted T-shirt dress I wore while fiercely singing to music in my best friend's convertible.

I consider my clothing to be more than reminders of money well-spent and bits of cotton, denim and, dare I say, polyester.

Fashion trends hold a certain context and uncover the nature of their time and place, whether they're influenced by music, politics or pop culture, proving they're not just a designer's latest whim. The transitions from one trend to another reveal significant movements through history and show the physical progress of my style maturity — eras when leg warmers were all the rage and flare jeans ruled my outfits.

As sappy or silly as this may sound, each of my garments are little pieces of my past and are therefore difficult to part with, regardless of how outworn or outdated they may be.

Nevertheless, one fashion trend in particular had me addicted from the very beginning and is nearly impossible to shake. It allowed me to express my loves and loathes concerning fashion and its industry through two semesters worth of writings and typing the word "fashion" superfluous amounts.

Although this will be the last time I occupy this designated spot on the right side of the page, I hope I've proven how fashion isn't about clothing for survival and who's wearing what. It's about letting your clothes speak louder than words and having a truly fabulous and individual sense of style. For the past year, I've imparted my own opinions about fashion and I think it's time to let you formulate your own.

I don't know what's in store for the future of the fashion world and its trends, but I do know that whatever it is will be what's in and I'll most certainly be what's out.



Larissa Cruz
Columnist

mediadarling 'Wizard' makes his job vanish

It all started with a toothpick. One tiny piece of lumber, one splinter of wood brought the Pasco County School District (Fla.) tumbling down last week.

What did the offending toothpick do? It disappeared, of course. Then reappeared. Then disappeared again, to compensate for both. It didn't act alone, though — toothpicks never do. It had the guidance of a steady hand at all times. The steadiest, in fact — that of a wizard.

If you're shocked, you needn't be. Toothpicks and wizards are coexisting in healthy relationships all over the world. Odds are you know a wizard masquerading as a typical human being — take a closer look at the kid sitting next to you — and that wizard has only been waiting for the appropriate toothpick to emerge before he reveals his powers to you.

That was obviously the situation in Pasco County. Jim Piculas, a substitute teacher at Rush Middle School in Land 'O

Lakes, Fla., found a toothpick with just the right recipe for magic. Piculas proceeded to perform magical wonders in which he made the toothpick vanish and reappear within the span of 30 seconds, all in front of a rapt audience of middle school students.

The Pasco County School District was not quite as enraptured by the trick, however. The supervisor of substitute teachers, according to Central Florida News 13, informed Piculas that he was being accused of wizardry and would not be hired back.

Before you say, "That's ludicrous," think back to your favorite substitute teacher in middle school — a nice guy, maybe a little too eager to pal around with the students, easily distracted from lesson plans, looks remarkably like Albus Dumbledore? We've all had the wizard substitute and just didn't realize it at the time. Pointy hats, like all other hats, are against public school dress code, after all.

And since these teachers exist, the Pasco County School District did exactly the right thing when it encountered one in its midst. Immediately after receiving a complaint from the parent of a student "traumatized" by Piculas' magic, the supervisors got rid of the wand-wielding substitute.

Except, Piculas wasn't exactly wielding a wand — how can anyone be entirely sure he's a wizard? I don't question the validity of the holy toothpick, but can it, say, direct a feather into the air if combined with the command "*Wingardium Leviosa*?" After all, that's a simple first-

year levitation charm at Hogwarts — I would expect a full-fledged wizard to be capable of the basics.

What if the Pasco County School District has made a horrible mistake? The chances are slim, but what if Piculas is not, in fact, a wizard? Not only will an innocent substitute have lost a job for no reason, but I'll have to write Piculas out of my newly completed chapter of "Harry Potter" fan fiction.

The consequences would be astronomical. Aside from the fact that I've already crafted an entire story line around wizard Piculas in "HP Fan Land" — the place where all my best fiction ideas go, of course — but a regular middle school substitute teacher with a knack for disappearing toothpicks will have been wrongfully elevated to the supreme status of wizardry.

That's simply unfair. There are many, robe-wearing, owl-carrying, charm-chanting, wand-brandishing characters out there trying desperately to convince themselves and each other of their wizard status. I myself once painted a scar on my forehead in an unsuccessful attempt to convince the world I was Harry Potter. The fact of the matter is, a guy who makes a toothpick disappear doesn't deserve the noble title of wizard unless he really is a wizard.

So until I see some serious "*Accio*" charms with said toothpick, sorry Pasco County, but I respectfully disagree. Jim Piculas isn't a wizard.

Although I'm willing to argue he's a squib. The man did vanish a toothpick, after all.

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Breaking out of the entry-level position

Local fashionistas create online site for trendy home shoppers

BY ASHLEY WAYNE

Staff Reporter

Amy Trelenberg studied accounting at Pennsylvania State University. After, like most college graduates, she settled for a desk job.

Megan Healy majored in merchandising management at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, but she, too, found herself in an entry-level medical sales position.

After succumbing to a routine they never imagined they would be living, the two decided they wanted to go into business by themselves.

"We have been best friends since the age of 14," Trelenberg says. "We never really had to decide to go in to business together — we both knew it was a perfect fit."

Trelenberg says since freshman year in high school the pair has been fashion conscious, feminine and trendy. They spent endless teenage hours dreaming of the fashion industry and their favorite designers — Carolina Herrera, Catherine Malandrino and Monique Lhuillier.

In March 2008, Trelenberg and Healy finally left their day jobs behind in an effort to fulfill their dreams of owning a trendy boutique.

The best friends turned entrepreneurs searched Wilmington for the perfect piece of real estate to house their business. After searching and not finding the right fit, aesthetically or financially, they decided to move their business online to Shopmami.com.

"Switching our whole idea from a storefront to an online store was huge," Trelenberg says. "We don't regret it."

The simple Web site is like a meticulously organized closet. Divided by category, it has tops, skirts, dresses, sweaters, outerwear and accessories from brands such as Tulle, LAmade, Kersh, By Boe, Miss Me and more. The pair says the brands mainly originate from the West Coast and Los Angeles area.

The site does not, however, sell an abundance of similar looks or a surplus of pages from which to search.

"We do not carry basics," Trelenberg says. "We buy careful-

ly at market and try to find items with unique accents."

Trelenberg says choosing a refreshingly modern Web page over a windowed storefront seemed to be the smartest way to make their products available to the public. Without having to worry about the cost of rent, Trelenberg and Healy can keep costs affordable for their customers.

"All of our merchandise is priced under \$100 and we strive to keep our prices as low as possible," Trelenberg says. "The concept of our store is to make great style available to all."

The two also emphasized their desire to keep it simple, which is reflected in their Web site. Each item is described in detail and paired with at least one picture to aid customers in their shopping.

Online shopping boutiques have become increasingly popular over the past decade for their convenience and ease. Yet in the past few years, another method of shopping has entered the race — at home purchasing parties. From jewelry parties to sex toy parties consumers of all ages now have the ability to host, entertain and shop from their living room.

Trelenberg and Healy, who say their educational backgrounds in accounting and merchandising management have proved useful in starting their business, were keenly aware of this concept when formulating their business plan.

"We offer fabulous trunk show parties available to all customers," Trelenberg says. "The host invites friends and family to view, try on and shop the Shopmami.com line in person."

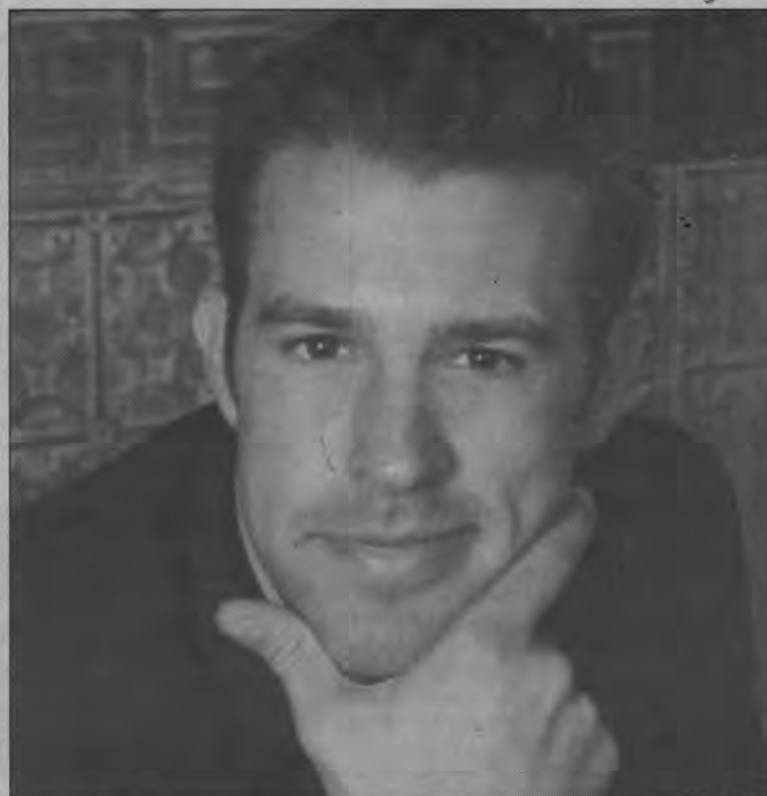
Trelenberg says they can set up a viewing in any space. They previously hosted a university party with the Alpha Phi sorority in which 10 percent of the profits were donated to the sorority's philanthropy.

While the girls may have left their desk jobs, they insist their new lifestyle still requires a lot of work.

"We still get up really early, like a normal nine-to-five job," Trelenberg says. "The first thing we do is pack our orders and get them ready because they have to be shipped out by two, then we spend a lot of time doing e-mails, booking parties and that kind of stuff."

After a rough start out of college, Trelenberg and Healy say they are now able to combine their love for fashion and their education into a successful business.

"We both feel so fortunate to be able to follow our dreams," Trelenberg says.



Courtesy of Chris Bruce

Chris Bruce performed as YoUDee from 1998 until 2002.

The Mascot Hall of Fame

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versity, has been going strong since 1994. Shannon Harris, the mascot coordinator for the university, is present at all camps.

"Camps offer an extensive view of mascotting," Harris says. "It covers how the costume is cleaned, the do's and don'ts of mascotting, and how to build up endurance."

Harris says YoUDee's reputation as a mascot is particularly impressive.

"For the past ten years, YoUDee has placed in the top 10 mascots in college sports," Harris says.

Raymond met Bruce while he was attending the boot camp as YoUDee in 1998.

He says Bruce stood out from the crowd and took Raymond up on an offer to go on the road with him.

"I learned a lot about mascotting on the road with Dave," Bruce says. "Then, when he started Raymond Entertainment in 2000, he pretty much handed the performing duties over to me."

Since 2000, Raymond has been managing the business while Bruce acts as one of his biggest performers. The company designs new characters on paper, turns the idea into a costume, finds and trains mascots and shows its clients how to market and brand them to gain the most profit.

He says his mascot boot camps are for those who wish to be scouted by private clients or those who wish to go out and look for work.

After Bruce graduated, he and Raymond created Reggy, a Phanatic-like character that currently tours the United States.

He says Reggy attends everything from sports games to birthday parties, as a way to excite people.

"Being a mascot is kind of who I am — being in the spotlight, entertaining people, making them laugh

and forgetting about the daily troubles," Bruce says.

He says the anonymity of the costume lets him go further when he's in front of a crowd. However, he says he does have to maintain some responsibility.

"When you're out performing," Bruce says, "you're not just recklessly running around."

Reggy is booked through reputation, much of which is built through the help of Raymond Entertainment. He has also been appointed the official mascot of the Mascot Hall of Fame.

Bruce says Reggy has a produced, choreographed show that is a different level of performance than most collegiate mascots.

"It's an act, it's a show," Bruce says. "We fill up our calendar and we go all over the country, even to colleges that already have their own mascots."

Eventually, Raymond Entertainment plans to construct an actual Mascot Hall of Fame exhibit in the Wilmington or Philadelphia area.

Raymond says it would offer tours and general insight to the world of mascotting. For now, it operates its office out of Newark.

"That's the genesis of this whole project, but it will require a lot of money and cooperation," Bruce says.

Harris says YoUDee and the Philly Phanatic were among the first to be inducted upon its creation.

Raymond Entertainment hosts a plethora of characters and mascots that currently tour the nation. Aside from Reggy, Raymond operates NCAA mascot J.J. Jumper, a project he created.

He says his business and marketing degree from the university has gone to good use.

"Obviously, I didn't go to school to be a professional idiot," Bruce says. "But it just fit me and my personality."



Courtesy of Amy Trelenberg

Amy Trelenberg and Megan Healy created Shopmami.com.

Teenage 'rodents' infest Christiana Mall

BY SABINA ELLAHI

Staff Reporter

As I walk into the food court of the Christiana Mall on a Friday night, my mind instantaneously flashes back to the 2004 film "Mean Girls." Lindsay Lohan's character, Cady, walks into the mall with the three girls dubbed "The Plastics." The mall-goers immediately transform into jungle creatures, fighting to survive or in reality, fighting to be noticed.

These unruly teens are right in front of me. Boys throw pieces of sesame chicken at each other, girls frantically pull on the arms of their girlfriends as they eye a "super-cute boy" on the other side of the court and tech-savvy teens with cell phones text furiously as if they had to close in on a merger.

"Aww, I'm out of ammo," 13-year-old Ryan Armswood says.

Armswood is the ringleader and original chicken thrower.

"It's cool, man. I got 20 bucks so we can get more," 13-year-old Shane Hoffman says. "I love that my mom raised my allowance, man."

Armswood and Hoffman run up to Suki Hana, the Chinese joint in the food court, with their other friend, 14-year-old Jimmy Roddick. All three are students at Shue-Medill Middle School in Newark. The trio is wearing almost identical outfits consisting of Etnies sneakers and cargo shorts.

These are the kids who dominate the food court, roaming in packs, all wearing virtually the same attire depending on the group to which they belong.

I'm lost in a world of stereotypes, begging for uniqueness and normalcy among people that seem like clones posing as the subject of a science-fiction novel. These packs of kids are mallrats.

Mallrats, the product of a suburban nation, are "nightmares in human form," according to junior Emily Needles. Needles has been working for Auntie Anne's Pretzels at the Christiana Mall for the past four years and says she avoids weekend shifts because of them.

"I actually don't work on Fridays for that exact reason, because that's when they come out in hoards," Needles says. "It's always high schoolers who try to define themselves, when they all wear the same clothing. From what I see, all they do is yell and scream at each other."

The Christiana Mall, Delaware's largest shopping mall, is a huge attraction for shoppers in the tri-state area. Since there's no sales tax in the state, out-of-state shoppers flock to this 1,083,000 square-foot destination for their shopping needs, many of whom are teenagers.

Last July, the mall had to be shut down when "1,000

youths began throwing food and fighting inside the food court," as reported by ABC's Channel 6 Action News. Needles, who was working the night of the food fight, says as a result, the mall made a policy that anyone under the age of 17 cannot be in groups larger than three as a result.

"The massive food fight made it a nightmare for mall employees," she says. "They obviously don't realize how much damage they caused and how much money was lost by the stores involved."

Armswood says since suburban culture lacks facilities for teens to go to, many of these kids, ranging from ages 13 to 18, retreat to the mall as a hangout place.

"Living in a small town kind of sucks," Armswood says. "I feel like there aren't many fun things to do for kids our age."

Armswood and his two friends come to the Christiana Mall every Friday night. The mid-pubescent boys let out an almost high-pitched laugh at the idea of shopping. Hoffman claims he hasn't gone to the mall to shop in months and when he does go to shop, he goes with his mother.

"The mall is a place to meet other kids and hang out," Hoffman says. "There's a lot of kids our age from different schools so it's nice to get out and meet new kids."

As I assimilate into the group, I feel a sense of awkwardness fall upon the boys, wondering what the night has in store for me. Armswood pipes up.

"You probably will think we're just really immature," he says.

He's right.

Throughout the evening, the boys run and weave through the walking crowd, popping in and out of stores. Their favorite store to "wreak havoc," as Hoffman would say, is Abercrombie & Fitch.

"The loud techno music, the clothes, the hot girls — why wouldn't you want to go screw around in there?" he says.

I'm curious as to why clothes are included in that factor, considering the boys have no intention of purchasing anything. Before I can rationalize it, the boys are already galavanting into the store, fist pumping and skipping to the beat of the head-aching bass. I'm embarrassed, but decide to embrace the situation. I walk in, nodding my head until I see a security guard chase them out of the store. The boys are all laughing hysterically, as the security guard, an old woman carrying a pack of Skittles, yells at the three boys.

As we walk out, Roddick pulls me aside. Roddick is the shy kid and has been relatively quiet all night.



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On weekend nights, the Christiana Mall is home to teenage "mallrats."

"How's college like?" he asks. I'm taken aback.

"Honestly, as much as the work sucks, it's been the best three years of my life so far," I reply.

"Shh, don't tell anyone," he says. "But I really want to go to med school and become a doctor."

I'm confused by his bashfulness and why Roddick, or any person with aspirations, would be embarrassed by a great ambition. Roddick, an honor-roll student at school, always garnered awards for academics and says he prefers reading over skateboarding or biking.

"I know it's silly," he says. "But being labeled as the nerd or the party pooper because I care about my grades gets really annoying. So I try to play it off like I don't care about school so the guys think I'm fun like all of them."

Suddenly, I have an epiphany. For Roddick, fitting in is the most important thing, not unlike his mischief-making friends. It also applied to me when I was a teenager.

A wave of sympathy falls over me. The kids are no longer "mallrats." Instead, I see them as teens in that awkward period of their life, struggling to fit into the right group of friends.

Ten o'clock rolls around. The boys look at their cell phones. Hoffman's mom is calling to say she's waiting outside to take them back to his house.

"Curfew," Hoffman mutters. He turns to me, "You're lucky you don't have to deal with curfew."

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COOL

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The hunt continues for future trends

BY CAITLIN WOLTERS

Copy Editor

Finding "cool" has become a bit harder than just opening up a pop-culture magazine or looking at window displays in the mall. For some, it's now a science.

Coolhunting is a way for everyone, from researchers to bloggers, to identify what they think is cool. The idea is to find not only what is popular now, but also what will be considered so in the future — whether it's the newest iPod or something that can't yet be imagined.

Peter Gloor, a research scientist at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and author of "Coolhunting: Chasing Down the Next Big Thing," says coolhunting is a way to research future trends and predict how these trends are going to affect people.

"It's trying to find cool trends through reading the minds of the crowd," Gloor says. "It's all based on how you find these people's innovations tie into the definition of cool."

He says cool is dependent on the group, meaning what is cool to one group might not be perceived as cool to another. It's only important to find what is considered cool to the target group.

Gloor says coolhunting begins with the study of innovation, which has a specific process. The first step is developing a "coin" — a group of people being researched to find the new ideas.

Bianca Bartz, editor and publicist for TrendHunter.com, says it's vital for trend hunting to occur.

"Trend hunting is a way of life," Bartz says. "It happens naturally for those who are open to discovering new things. It's the constant pursuit of discovering things that are exciting so that you can share them with others and pass

on the enthusiasm."

She says it's essential for people to trend hunt because ideas are always out there — it's just a matter of finding them and bringing them to mainstream society.

"Trend hunting is crucial to people looking to innovate," Bartz says. "Great ideas don't come from copying something that's already mainstream, they come from examining the more cutting edge things most people probably haven't heard of yet."

It's also a way to add positive light into a sometimes bleary world, she says. Coolhunting brings another type of story into repeatedly depressing newscasts.

"Looking for cool can be really beneficial to staying excited about life," Bartz says. "There is such a heavy focus by the media on negative news stories, so it's important to continue to look at the things that make life exciting and worth living."

There are others, however, that believe coolhunting cannot predict trends. Rather, only strong market research can show what has cool potential.

Noah Kerner, CEO of Noise, a marketing and design company based out of New York City, and co-author of "Chasing Cool: Standing Out in Today's Cluttered Marketplace," says coolhunting cannot be done, because if a product is considered cool, then it won't necessarily follow what the market has done in the past.

"It's a misguided approach to figuring out what to do," Kerner says. "You can't hunt something that pragmatically happens. It's not a science. It's not research-based methodology. The concept that you can buy it is flawed."

He says research is vital, and it's important to do market research rather than coolhunt. While market research looks at products and their success, coolhunting is about

using an individual's instincts of what might become a trend.

The idea of coolhunting being research-based is illogical, Kerner says.

"Coolhunting was established to define what cool means — it's not a science," he says. "Developing products in certain categories is very much a science — Apple, fashion, music — that's essential to appealing to young people."

Gloor says an important part of coolhunting is understanding social networking. Much of his coolhunting research has been done over the Internet, through blogs and MySpace, which has helped to predict future musical acts.

Bartz says coolhunting can be done at any time, as long as the hunter keeps an open mind and open eyes. She usually attends local events, art exhibits and fashion shows to see what trends will become popular in the future. Like Gloor, she also relies on hundreds of Web sites to give her insight as to what's cool.

She says coolhunting is a way to keep society wondering about what's next. It keeps people interested in the current ideas and always wanting to know what's coming next.

"Trend hunting is a continuous reminder that creativity is limitless and innovation has no boundaries," she says. "It shows that our world is an endless mecca of possibility. It is a powerful way to keep people inspired, in terms of coming up with new ideas themselves, as well as for acting as a positive reminder that life is truly amazing."

Gloor says it's important to research what is cool, and that coolhunting itself will never go out of style.

"It's just human nature," he says. "Everyone wants to know what's coming next. We don't like change. We want to know what's going to happen. If we can't predict, then we can't prepare."

Students revive the glory of the Renaissance days with Delaware organization

BY ELISA LALA

Copy Editor

Linda Brizendine, a Delaware resident and head of the Shire of Caer-Adamant, fostered a long-time fascination with the lives of those living during the Middle Ages and Renaissance period. When the opportunity to step into their shoes arose, she tried them on for size — literally.

"I've always been an absolute knowledge nut," Linda says. "So when I came across the group on the Internet, I quickly became immersed in it."

Linda is an active member of the Shire of Caer-Adamant, a Delaware group dedicated to reviving the Middle Ages by imitating the lives of people of the period.

The group, part of The Society of Creative Anachronism, a larger organization devoted to the same ideals, is a nonprofit historical reenactment group whose members not only embrace a profound interest in the Middle Age genre, but live that interest out.

"There are no spectators in SCA — we learn by living it," Linda says.

Members participate in events particular to the period, such as embroidery and archery, and dress in the clothing associated with the era.

Sophomore Amanda Brizendine, Linda's daughter and a member of the Shire since she was 11 years old, says she always had a fascination with the Middle Ages. The Shire of Caer-Adamant gave her an opportunity to foster that fascination through hands-on learning,

she says.

"I get to create all of my own garb," Amanda says. "I also participate in archery."

The organization presents an opportunity for members to appreciate and learn about the period by participating in as little or as many activities as they wish, she says.

"Some members are really, really involved, others aren't," Amanda says. "It's really up to you how you chose to partake."

She says the Shire of Caer-Adamant is just like any other extra-curricular activity, except in this group members get to dress up, shoot arrows and join friendly wars.

Amanda says by looking at her in everyday life, one would not know she is a part of the SCA.

"It's just something I'm involved in outside of school," she says. "It's just fun, service-based volunteering."

Senior Jen Hintz, also a member of the Shire of Caer-Adamant, says she became involved with the group through a lucky coincidence.

"In high school one day, my friends and I were bored so we dressed up in our Renaissance Faire clothes and went to the mall in them," she says. "While there, a voice from a store called me over and handed me a flyer for the society. And with that, my fate was sealed."

Hintz says others are not always aware of her involvement in the Shire but if they know her well enough they wouldn't be surprised to find out about it.

She also says when those who don't know her learn she's a member of the group they are usually interested and fascinated.

"They think it's really cool," Hintz says.

Amanda says when she is seen on the street in her Middle Age garb, people sometimes ask her if she's in a play.

"It's more like a long-term play," she says. "We actually live it."

Members of the society also are given the opportunity to deepen their association with those of the past by taking on a name and persona of the time period and wearing their clothing.

"Taking on a persona is just another way to connect more closely with the Middle Age world," Amanda says. "I've taken on an Indian persona with the name Amari," she says.

However, members are not obliged to do so.

"All membership asks is that you show an attempt to live like the period by wearing the garb," she says. "Otherwise, you can participate however you wish."

Amanda says the Shire of Caer-Adamant is open and available to anyone with an interest.

"We love newcomers," she says.

Linda says increasingly, more college-aged people are beginning to join and she's excited about this.

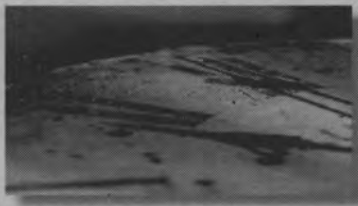
"It's fabulous to see that more college kids are getting involved," she says. "They are the future for the Society."



Courtesy of Jen Hintz

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107 Sharp Lab
12:30-1:45pm

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Nurse Staffing & Environments for
Care with Patient & Nurse
Outcomes" with Sean Clarke, RN,
University of Pennsylvania.
School of Nursing Lecture Series
114 McDowell Hall
2-3pm

Clarinet Ensemble
Loudis Recital Hall
Amy E. duPont Music Building
8pm
Free Admission

Wednesday, May 14

"Social Responsibility in the
Apparel Industry" with Marsha
Dickson, UD.
Research on Race, Ethnicity, &
Culture Lecture Series
116 Gore Hall
12:20-1:10pm

Thursday, May 15

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Gore Recital Hall
Roselle Center for the Arts
8pm Free Admission

CAMPUS EVENTS

Friday, May 16

UD Community Music School
Children's Choir
Loudis Recital Hall
Amy E. duPont Music Building
7pm
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Jose Canseco's All-Star Bash
hosted by the Rubber Chickens
Bacchus Theatre
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Hens' infielder Alex Buchholz once made 11 three-pointers in a basketball game at Old Mill High School in Maryland.

R sports

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Baseball & softball season wrapups

BY RYAN LANGSHAW

Staff Reporter

Most rollercoaster rides share common characteristics. They go too fast, have high and low points, but most of all, the ride keeps you off balance by never letting you know what comes next.

The baseball and softball teams endured their own rollercoaster rides this season, with both teams fighting .500 records throughout. Although the softball season ended without a playoff berth for the second-consecutive year, the baseball team fought to the very end for the final spot in the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament before being eliminated in their weekend series against Towson.

This season's softball team finished with an overall record of 22-26. However, conference play hurt the Hens, as they finished with a 4-17 record in the CAA, putting the team in a second-to-last place finish ahead of UNC-Wilmington.

The season started on a positive note, as the team went 9-6 as of March 15, but inconsistencies plagued the Hens throughout the rest of the season. Head coach B.J. Ferguson attributed Delaware's 1-7 finish to the squad's youth and its lack of preparation for each game.

"It took some of our kids some time to learn how to compete on this level," Ferguson said. "But I'm really proud of our kids and they played every game hard and did not give up."

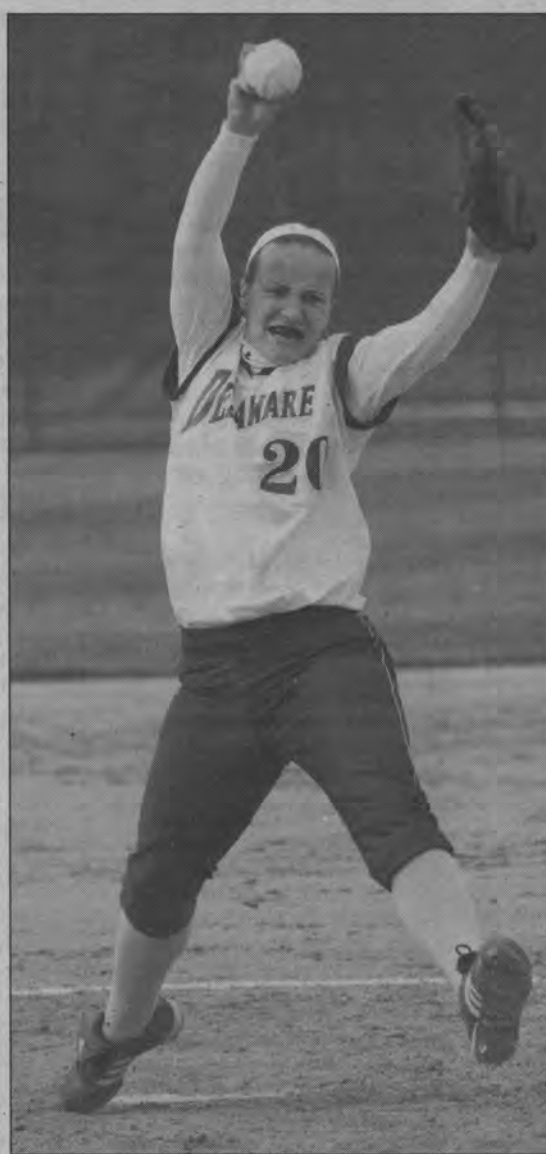
She said although the team did not finish the way the players had hoped, some positive highlights can be taken from the season.

"Everyone on the team had quality game experience, which will really help us come the fall to evaluate the players," Ferguson said. "We were young in some areas, but the playing time helped to make us better."

Arguably the team's best player and biggest leader this season was senior outfielder Katie Lee. A second-team All CAA selection, Lee led the Hens with a .365 batting average and 46 hits.

Ferguson said Lee's defense is what the team will miss the most.

"She really changes what teams do when she's in



Courtesy of Sports Information
Samantha Shawn posted a 3.41 ERA this season.

the outfield," Ferguson said. "She cuts off balls and other teams know she's out there."

Youth was perhaps the biggest obstacle for the team, which returned only three seniors for the 2008 season. Depth in the rotation was the area most affected by inexperience, as freshman pitcher Anne Marie Pagano and sophomore Samantha Shawn were counted on to anchor the rotation for the team.

The Hens saw key contributions from younger players such as junior third baseman Quinn Megargel, Pagano and sophomore Caitlin Smith, all of whom help to give the team a solid foundation entering next season.

Megargel, who finished second on the team in average (.323) and home runs (3), said one of her favorite moments of the past season was seeing the team gel and play much better toward the end of the year.

"We really started to work as a team and I'm proud of how we came together," she said. "I think we need to come back next year and continue working hard as a team and play less as individuals."

Pagano also provides hope for next season. As a freshman, she led the team in games started and posted a respectable 3.20 ERA to go along with a 13-10 record in her first year of play.

Catcher and shortstop Smith said along with hitting her first career home run, seeing her hard work meant a lot to her.

"I worked extremely hard in the offseason to prepare and I really think it paid off," Smith said.

Ferguson said she looks forward to next season and the team's strength will lie in the pitching staff and continued development of younger players.

"I think our pitching staff will be much better next year," she said. "If we can start to click on offense and defense and continue to get contributions from our younger players, we'll be right there."

Some things the team hopes to improve upon next season is hitting with runners in scoring position, as Delaware hit .243 this season while opponents hit .337 in the category, and also more offensive support for the team's young pitching staff.

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commentary



GREG ARENT

"Hey you guyyyyys!"

Some athletes simply love the limelight. Many players have tried to develop their excellence on the field into greatness on the big screen. For some it has failed; for others it has succeeded. Some have made us laugh with their humor and others have made us laugh (and almost cry) at their woeful acting.

"Hey you guyyyyyyys."

Any child growing up in the 80's and 90's remembers that call from the loveable hero Sloth in Richard Donner's hit, "The Goonies." What some people might not know is that Sloth was former Super Bowl champion defensive lineman John Matuszak.

In 1979 and 1981, Matuszak won Super Bowls with the Oakland Raiders and after retiring, explored the acting world. He had 28 acting roles before dying of heart failure in 1989.

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar was a superstar on the basketball court, winning six Most Valuable Player awards and leading the NBA in all-time points scored. His acting career includes many milestones as well.

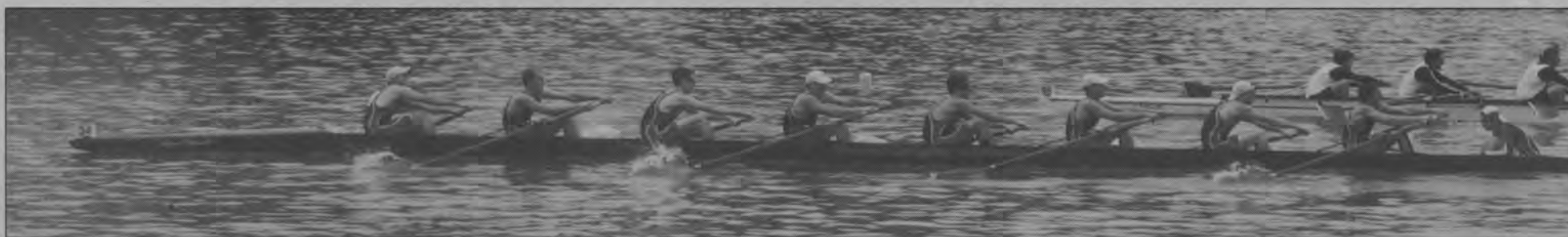
Kung Fu fans may remember Abdul-Jabbar from "Game of Death" in 1978. This Bruce Lee film showcased Abdul-Jabbar's Kung Fu talents even more than his acting. In his big scene, Abdul-Jabbar leaves a footprint on Bruce Lee's chest.

The other Abdul-Jabbar acting moment I will never forget is his role in "Airplane." He goofily plays copilot Roger Murdock only to be exposed as actually being Abdul-Jabbar by a young child on the airplane in this hilarious cameo.

The next field-to-film convert was the first NFL player to rush for more than 2,000 yards in a single season, the first pick in the 1969 NFL draft and rushed for more than 11,000 yards and 61 career touchdowns. This is not how most people remember him. Most remember him as the running back who was accused of killing his wife. "If the glove don't fit, you must acquit."

The way I like to remember O.J. Simpson is as the lovable Detective Nordberg in the "Naked Gun"

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Courtesy of Shawn Duff

Delaware rowers cross the finish line at Saturday's 70th annual Dad Vail Regatta. The Hens were the second-ever club rowing team to place first in the Philadelphia-based event.

Men's crew rows to a win at Dad Vail Regatta

BY NICOLETTE LOTRIONTE

Staff Reporter

The men's crew team made university history this weekend, winning the point trophy in the 70th annual Dad Vail Regatta. The Hens are only the second club crew team to win the men's title at the collegiate regatta.

"This is considered one of the largest and top-most competitive regattas in the country for colleges," head coach Chuck Crawford said. "[The regatta] is open for college varsity programs and club programs and they are all competing against one another."

Delaware dominated the regatta, which hosted more than 2,000 athletes representing approximately 100 colleges from across the United States and Canada. Delaware came in third for the overall point trophy and won the men's point trophy with 29 points, defeating defending champions Purdue by 11 points.

"This is our first time we've ever won this," team vice president and heavy weight rower Shawn Duff said. "Dad Vail's is

unique in the way varsity and club teams all compete side by side. Beating other varsity teams always makes us feel good about what we're doing."

The freshman heavyweight and lightweight eight won first place in their respective events. The freshman heavyweight eight placed first in the finals out of 28 entries. The freshman lightweight eight placed first in a fast heat of four boats.

"This was a freshman sweep for Delaware," freshman coach Joe Kleiman said. "I'm pretty proud of the whole year these guys have had. This was the No. 1 goal to win this race. To finally get to do that is good for the program, good for the guys in the race and good for the guys on the team that didn't get a chance to race in the event."

Delaware had eight boats competing this weekend. The junior varsity lightweight eight was the only lightweight crew to compete in the JV heavyweight event because there was no JV event for lightweight boats.

Five of the eight boats advanced to the finals, Crawford said. In addition to the

freshmen boat victories, the varsity lightweight eight placed second out of 11 crews — losing to Fordham by 6.8 seconds — the varsity heavyweight eight placed ninth out of 31 teams overall, battling with the "Dad Vail powerhouse" Purdue and the JV heavyweight eight placed fourth out of 19 boats.

"The varsity boats all did well, but didn't do as well as they wanted to," Kleiman said. "When you don't win you always want to do better."

Despite the results, Crawford is happy with the team's performance and hopes to see positive improvements in the upcoming races.

"It was the best performance the University of Delaware has ever had at the Dad Vail Regatta for the overall team," he said. "As far as freshman crew's performance being so good, it bodes extremely well for the future of our team over the next couple of years."

The team looks forward to the Eastern Sprints Regatta in Worcester, Mass. next weekend and the selective Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship Regatta

in June.

Only the Top-12 lightweight crews in the country receive bids to the IRA Regatta and Delaware hopes for an invitation, Crawford said. They have been ranked in the country's top 12 in recent years and he hopes this year they will be in the top ten.

Duff said he believes the win is a step in the right direction for the athletes.

"I don't think it's our pinnacle," he said. "We won it as a team, but really, the best is still yet to come. It's a young team that is getting used to winning. If they continue, they're going to be really good. It's something special."

Both coaches agree the club program is moving forward toward a promising future.

"We proved how deep the team is right now and how good we'll be for years to come," Kleiman said.

When asked if he expects to win the men's trophy at Dad Vail's next year, Crawford said there is no doubt in his mind.

"Oh yeah," he said. "We want to make that a habit."

Multiple injuries falter teams' successes

Both squads eliminated from playoff race

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The baseball team fared much better this season. Despite a slow start, more consistent pitching and hitting has led the team to a 6-4 record in its last 10 games.

Team captain Alex Buchholz said along with the playoff race, establishing chemistry and getting to know the new players was a key part of the season.

"There were so many new faces on the team this year, with freshman and transfers," he said. "Getting to play together has been really special."

Head coach Jim Sherman said establishing consistency has been a major focus for the Hens throughout the season.

"We always play better in the second half of the season and this year is no different," Sherman said. "The development of our pitching has been a key, along with some of our young players stepping up."

The team entered the season with a youthful staff, anchored by senior Mike McGuire. However, sophomores Brian Rorick and Brad Miller, along with freshman Corey Crispell, each started more than five times during the season and struggled early in the year. However, the pitching came together as the season progressed, highlighted by a solid five-inning outing by Crispell in the team's last game, a 22-2 win against Temple.

Delaware was forced to overcome a recent rash of injuries, which included two of the team's star players, outfielder Adam Tsakonas and shortstop Buchholz.

Sherman said although the injuries have been tough, the team responded well. In particular, junior Kyle Davis, who stepped in for the injured Buchholz, hit .295 with four home runs and 32 RBIs during his absence.

"Davis has really stepped up in Alex's absence and played very well for us," Sherman said.

The loss of Tsakonas and Buchholz could have been much worse for the team, considering how each has performed this season. Tsakonas was the team's leading hitter



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Delaware pitchers combined to post a 6.14 ERA this season.

with a .349 average at the time of his injury and Buchholz was hitting .331 to go along with a team-leading three

triples.

As the season continued, other young players stepped up, most notably sophomore first baseman Ryan Cuneo. Cuneo is currently in the midst of a 23-game hitting streak, which is tied for eighth longest in program history.

Cuneo said working with coaches to establish a new approach at the plate has helped him step up his play as the season has gone on.

"I really feel I've been taking a better approach at the plate," Cuneo said. "I've started looking for pitches in a certain zone."

Sherman said another key addition to the team came from catcher-turned-third baseman Bill Merkler, who returned to the team following a serious back injury.

"Bill has been a great addition to the team late in the season playing third base for us," Sherman said. "He's started swinging the bat better as of late."

The future looks bright for the Hens, as next season they will return three starters to the rotation and younger players such as Cuneo and Davis, who have gained valuable experience.

Sherman said much of next season's success is contingent upon the return of Buchholz, who may be selected in the upcoming MLB Draft.

Cuneo said the potential loss of both captains will be tough to overcome, but he believes the younger players will respond by successfully filling the role.

"Tsakonas and Buchholz will really be tough to lose," he said. "They both bring a lot of energy and presence to the game."

Buchholz and Sherman said they feel getting the team playoff experience is a great way to prepare to play next year.

"A conference tournament appearance this year would really help the young guys," Buchholz said. "Playoff baseball is a lot different from what you see in the regular season."

Ultimate frisbee catching on at UD

BY TOM BARRANCA

Staff Reporter

People often think of frisbee as the pastime of geriatrics and beach goers. Little do they know, this lazy hobby can be transformed into an exhilarating game known as ultimate frisbee.

University team president Maura Brady said the sport involves the physical endurance of soccer, with passing skills of football.

The game usually takes place on a football-sized field, which is not as wide with longer endzones. Players work their

way up the field by passing the disc to each other. A player holding the disc is not allowed to run but can pass the frisbee. To score, a player must catch the disc while standing in the endzone. Players cannot hold on to the disc for too long or it results in a turnover. A turnover also occurs when one team fails to complete a pass and the disc hits the ground or when a pass is intercepted in the air.

"You're pretty much always running," Brady said. "You're not strictly an offensive player and you're not strictly a defensive player, you're both."

The game is governed by a concept called the "spirit of the game," meaning there are no referees, so each individual is expected to be honest when calling fouls he said.

"I think that's what makes Ultimate so fun," Brady said. "It is the fact that you're not always worrying about the ref or stopping for a whistle."

Men's team president Pete Letteney said this year's team is extremely close with each other.

"Out of my four years on the team, this year the team gets along the best," Letteney said. "I think that since the team gets along so well, it is a major factor in our success this year."

However, it is not just the men's team getting along so well.

"I think what is really cool about ultimate is the men's and women's teams are all friends, and get along really well," Brady said. "I think that's what makes frisbee different than other clubs, because you don't really find that everywhere."

The players practice five times per week, except in the event of a tournament, which still counts as practice time. With nationals approaching, the men's team is practicing even more to prepare themselves, according to team members.

The team also goes through conditioning during Winter Session because there is no place for them to practice.

Team president Dan Cuoco said the team's success has come as a major surprise.

"This year was more of a surprise than the last couple years because we lost some of our top players to graduation and on top of that, more of our top players including myself were out for injuries," Cuoco said. "We thought this year was going to be more of a rebuilding year, so it was kind of a season of adversity."

Last year at nationals, Delaware was seeded No. 11 and was pitted to play No. 2 Florida in the first round, but defeated the favored Gators.

"That was a really big upset and I think this year we may wind up playing them again," Cuoco said. "I'm pretty sure



Courtesy of Pete Letteney

With Nationals approaching, the Ultimate Frisbee team prepares to stay competitive with the other teams involved.



Courtesy of Pete Letteney

In last year's nationals, the Hens upset No. 2 Florida.

they might be looking for some revenge."

The team claims the sport is about having fun, being friends and staying in shape. Cuoco said this year its about elevating the squad's game and getting to that next level. "Everyone thinks that Ultimate is for hippies in cutoffs," Brady said. "We play a real sport. Bring someone to watch a competitive game of frisbee. I promise you they will be impressed."

Leave the clubs home & pick up a disc

BY ALEX PORRO

Staff Reporter

Three friends approached the first tee early one morning in March. The wind was brisk as it rattled across the course, through the trees and crashed into the small group. It was a perfect spring morning to golf.

The first man stepped up and launched a frisbee from the tee box, down the fairway toward a large metal basket, complete with hanging chains to catch the shot. The chains rattle, sending a group of sparrows into the cloudless sky, as the disc finds its mark.

This is disc golf and the course is no pristine country club, complete with manicured greens, sand traps and clubhouses. Instead, the group plays at a special course, complete with 18 holes set up in White Clay Creek State Park.

Jeff Scott, who started playing disc golf when he was in high school, said the sport is not that much different than golf.

"It's played just like golf, except with frisbees," Scott said.

Scott, 23, goes disc golfing every couple of weeks.

"At first it sounded stupid," Scott said. "It's kind of awkward your first time."

One of the main attractions of disc golf is that it is relatively inexpensive. Most discs range between \$15 and \$25. A \$3 fee exists for playing at a state park. When disc golf is compared to course fees and golf clubs, it is far more affordable, especially for young enthusiasts on a budget.

According to Scott, players use different discs to help them in certain situations. There are driver discs, which are usually made of a harder, stiffer plastic, meant to cover long distances from the tee and can be curved according to how they are thrown. A driver weighs approximately 170 grams and can cover 300 to 400 feet when thrown.



THE REVIEW/Alex Porro

Frolic offers many varieties of discs that players can buy.

Mid-range and putter discs are also used, which are thrown when closer to the basket. These are heavier, sturdier discs, that allow the player better control over a toss.

The nature of the courses themselves provides obstacles for the golfers. Trees knock down errant throws, but bushes and tall grass are the most dangerous.

"Problem is, you lose discs," Scott said. "Then you either give up or you have to go find your disc."

Looking for a lost frisbee can involve trudging through the brush and nettle, often in summer clothes, in search of a lost disc.

"It's a commitment to look for your disc," Scott said. "Right now my hands are all cut up."

He had one piece of advice for anyone not wishing to spend hours scouring the weeds for lost equipment.

"Veterans know not to buy green, red, or brown discs," Scott said, laughing. "Otherwise, you're just asking to lose them."

Mother Nature has other hazards in store for potential disc golfers as well.

"At Bellevue State Park, north of Wilmington, there are these little birds that dive-bomb you," Scott said. "I guess we were too close to their nests, but they were on the fairway. It scared the hell out of me."

The eccentricities of disc golf have done nothing to hurt the sports growing popularity, Frolic manager Randy Neil said. Several stores on Main Street sell disc golfing supplies, including the Ski Bum and Frolic.

"I used to have to restock those shelves once, maybe twice a year, now it's more like four to five times a year," Neil said.

As the warm spring weather drives people outside and onto the course, demand for the discs has gone up.

"[Demand] is definitely going up," Neil said. "We're getting pretty thin. I'll have to order some more pretty soon."

Along one wall of the store hang many brightly colored discs. Neon greens, violent pinks and opaque whites draw visitors' attention when they walk through the door.

"It's a less uptight version of golf," he said. "I get about five or six people in here every day buying discs, and I'm not the only one who sells them around here."

Neil, who no longer plays disc golf, said he believes part of its attraction is in its relative simplicity.

"If you can throw a frisbee, you can play disc golf," he said. "It gets easy. Now I play real golf."

Don't quit your day job

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movies. Nordberg is one of Leslie Nielsen's cop buddies who gets into wacky shenanigans with his partner. He does a successful job playing the dumb cop. The officers who were investigating Simpson may have taken notes from their suspect's portrayal of Nordberg.

Michael Jordan is perhaps the greatest basketball player of all time. He is also perhaps the greatest actor of all time — OK, not really. He was almost as good as the cartoons he acted with in "Space Jam."

Some might remember the TV show, "I Dream of Jeannie," but the only genie I dream of is "Kazaam!"

Shaquille O'Neal makes one intimidating lamp-dweller. If he asked me to make a wish, I would have begged him not to eat me. The fact remains that "Kazaam!" and "Steel" came out in 1996 and 1997, respectively, and are two of the worst movies ever made. O'Neal is a great basketball player and a funny guy, but he should leave movies to the professionals.

The worst-ever athlete turned actor of all time, however, is coincidentally the one who has made the biggest name for himself as an actor, rather than an athlete — Arnold Schwarzenegger.

People sometimes forget that Schwarzenegger was an athlete. Bodybuilding certainly is a sport and at the age of 23, he won his first of seven Mr. Olympia bodybuilding titles in 1970.

In 1977, he made his big screen debut in the documentary "Pumping

Iron," which chronicled his rise to over-muscled stardom.

Schwarzenegger went on to become an A-list actor, making millions, all the while being completely inept onscreen. Never has a lack of talent been so openly embraced in Hollywood. It is a good thing he became governor, because for now we will not have to put up with his disgraceful acting.

The most impressive job of serious acting by an athlete over the past few years was basketball star Ray Allen as Jesus Shuttlesworth in the Spike Lee flick, "He Got Game."

Allen is one of few athletes who could jump to the movie screen and play a serious role. He was very believable as a young basketball superstar trying to decide whether to go to college or go to the NBA. His on screen acting with Denzel Washington was impressive.

Athletes want to showcase their talents in the movie industry. Most of them fail miserably, but even when they do it is usually good for a laugh. These athletes should realize that their talents are best utilized in sports, but as long as athletes try their luck as actors I will always go to watch them. At least to make fun of how terrible they were and get myself a few chuckles along the way.

Greg Arent is a sports editor for The Review. His viewpoints do not necessarily represent those of the Review staff. Send questions, comments and an autographed DVD of "Kazaam!" to garent@udel.edu.



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UNC-Wilmington	23-3-1	.870	39-11-1	.833
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William & Mary	16-10	.615	35-15	.700
George Mason	15-10	.600	25-23	.521
Old Dominion	13-12	.520	23-23	.500
Towson	12-15	.444	26-25	.510
Northeastern	11-15-1	.426	23-23-1	.500
Georgia State	11-15	.423	31-21	.596
Delaware	10-17	.370	21-30	.412
VCU	8-16	.333	15-28	.349
Hofstra	7-23	.233	19-36	.345

Softball

	Conf	Pct	All	Pct.
Hofstra	18-3	.857	43-11	.796
Georgia State	15-5	.750	37-18	.673
James Madison	14-6	.700	32-22	.593
Towson	12-8	.600	37-26	.587
Drexel	10-11	.476	27-20	.574
George Mason	6-14	.300	19-32	.373
Delaware	4-17	.190	22-26	.458
UNC-Wilmington	3-18	.143	12-33-1	.272

On behalf of the sports staff, we would like to thank you for all of your support this year.

Athletes of the Issue



Scott Shockley

Junior outfielder Scott Shockley, a Delaware native, helped swing the momentum of Saturday's game with his two run single in the fourth, putting the Hens ahead 7-2. His three run homer in the fifth inning only reaffirmed Delaware's path to victory.

His performance helped solidify his reputation as one of the Hens' most reliable starters.



Katie Lee

Senior centerfielder Katie Lee finished second in the league, with a team leading .365 batting average this year. She ended the season with 46 hits and 2 walks, while stealing 19 bases. In the final game of the season, she singled, stole two bases and scored Delaware's only run in a loss to James Madison.

Lee's 199 games started is the most in school history.



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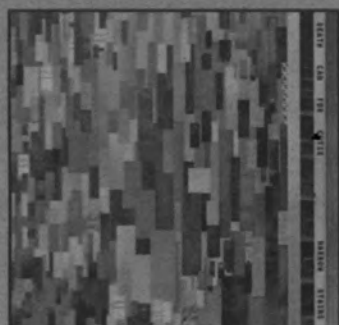
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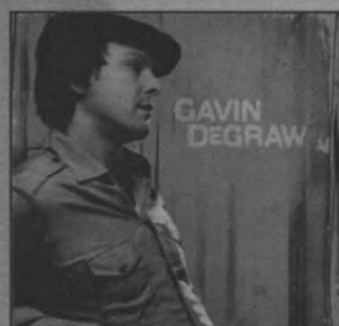
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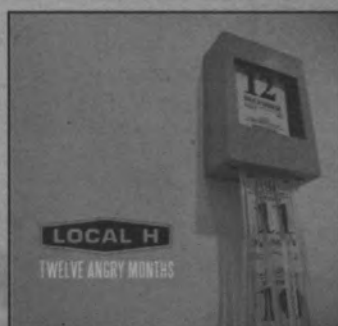
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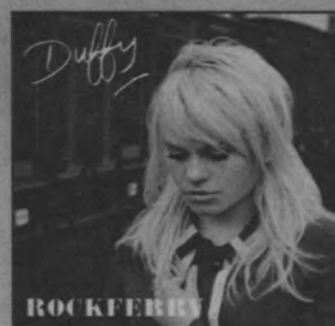
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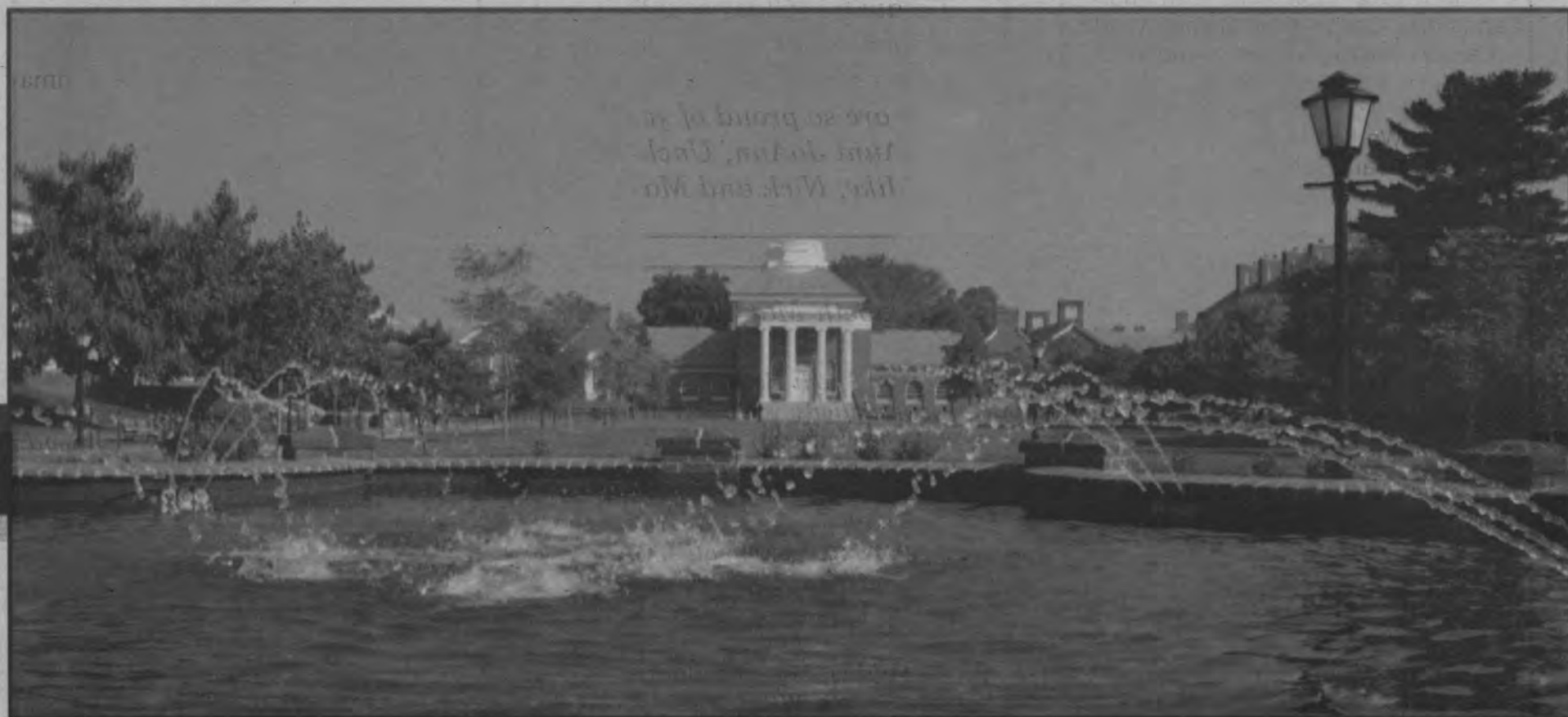
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Andrew Duncan Abbott

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*Love ,
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Ryan Frederic Auriana

Congratulations Ryan! We are all so very proud of you and all that you have accomplished throughout your four years at UD. Keep believing in yourself as we do. You are an awesome guy!

*We love you,
Dad, Mom, Jamie and Josie*

Christopher Michael Bednarski

Chris,
All of us are very proud of you but not surprised because anything you attempted, you accomplished. From early childhood to becoming an adult, we have seen you embrace challenges and defeat them in short order. No need to wish you luck but know we will support your choices always.

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Stacie and Grandma*

Molly Marie Bevans

Congratulations Molly Marie Bevans!
We are very proud of you!
You are an amazing young woman, mother, daughter, sister and fiancé!
What you have accomplished and balanced over the past 5 years is truly astonishing! You never cease to amaze us.

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Katie, Brett and Andrew!*

Victoria Balque-Burns

Hard work and determination got you this far. Remember that drive and reach for the stars. May you have continued success that makes you proud, enough work to keep you challenged, enough luck to make you smile.

Congratulations on your graduation. We are proud of your accomplishments.
Love, Mom and Dad

Deanna Maria Candeloro

Congratulations, Deanna!
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We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished. You've worked really hard (and played hard too) for this moment. Now it's off to Manhattan. We wish you much happiness and success.

*Love, Mom and Dad
(P.S. - Will visit often - ha, ha!)*

Deanna Maria Candeloro

Congrats, Deanna! We are so proud. Remembering Pop Carucci's pasta sauce, MM Carucci and The Price is Right, Easy Baking with MM Candeloro, Midway LL with Pop Candeloro, Ocean City, Disney World, Carucci pasta dinners, Candeloro BBQ's by the pool. Where has the time gone? Have fun in NYC.

We will miss you.
Love, Grandparents Carucci & Candeloro

Deanna Maria Candeloro

*Deanna,
Congratulations on your graduation from University of Delaware (Class of 2008).
Good luck in all you do and may God always Bless you!
We are so proud of you!!
Love, Aunt JoAnn, Uncle Mike, Mike, Nick and Max*

Colleen E. Conaty

Colleen,
Congratulations. We are proud of you. Good luck in the future.

*Love,
Mom & Dad, Cristin, Andy & Emma*

Ryan Francis Cuzme

Dear Son Ryan,
Remember the good times that brought you to this special day, your new friends and all your achievements. Look forward to your success in the future and most importantly, have fun along your journey! You made us proud!! We love you!

"Mom & Dad"

Elizabeth Mary Dauphin

Hi Beth,
Congratulations, you are graduating from the University with a B.S. in Nursing. We're all so proud of your accomplishments. You have been on the Dean's List all four years. Your ambition, compassion and determination will make you a wonderful nurse.

*Love,
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Stephen Michael DeLucia

Stephen, we are so proud of you. You have always been such a joy in our lives. Follow your dreams and keep a positive attitude. Success will follow behind! We wish you a lifetime full of good health, love, happiness and prosperity. We love you.

Mom, Dad, Andrea and Janine



Michael Ryan DeRienzo

Congratulations Mike on your graduation from UDel. Your past 4 years have been very successful and you have achieved so much. You have grown as a person, leader and mentor. Reach high and follow your dreams. They do come true! Forever proud, with Love, Mom, Dad & Matt

Alexandra Wende Devlin

*Ali:
To my loving daughter, sister and granddaughter--
CONGRATULATIONS on your graduation from the University of Delaware and all your accomplishments. We are so very proud of you. Love, Mom, Frank, Lindsey, Charlie, Nana and Papa*

Megan Lynne Elizabeth Devlin

Congratulations, Meggie, you did it! We are so happy for you and proud of you. Look out world, here she comes. Call when you find work.

*Love Always,
Dad & Mom*

Kelly Marie Mahn Durkin

*Dearest Kelly,
Everyone is so proud of you! Your grandparents, your aunt and uncle, your cousins, your stepdad, your friends, our friends and most especially your mom. We wish you all the joy and success that you so richly deserve. Your dad is smiling, too.*

We love you!

Garrett Matthew Fitzgerald

*Garrett, three quotes:
"Some men see things as they are and ask 'Why?' Others dream things that never were and ask 'Why not?'" - Shaw
"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." - Mandela
"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door." - Berle*

WE LOVE YOU!

Michael Joseph Follett

*Mike, Congratulations!
We wanted to let you know how very proud we are! We wish you nothing but the best at Widener Law!*

Love, Dad, Karen, Kaylee and CJ

Nicholas John Franceski

*Nick,
We are so proud of you. You have done an amazing job. Four years have flown by so fast. You have turned into a wonderful, caring man right before our eyes. Congratulations on your accomplishments, graduating and your new job. Love, Mom and Dad*

Stacey Anne Furtado

Congratulations to our fabulous daughter, and here's to your new beginning, and to the next life achievement you have on your "To Do" list. Your whole family congratulates you on your graduation with lots of love, hugs and kisses. Love, Mom, Dad, Paul and "The Family"

Jeffrey Michael Genery

*Congratulations!!
Jeff Genery, you did it!!*

*Love,
Mom, Cathy, Jim, Joe and Cindy*

Jeffrey Michael Genery

Congratulations, Jeff! Now get out there and get a job!

*Love,
Aunt Rose, Aunt Pat, Aunt Helen, Aunt Grace, Sister Mede, Aunt Mary and Uncle Bill*

Stephanie Rose Gifford

We are all very proud of you. Your dedication, hard work, and especially those long, early morning drives to clinical are a great accomplishment. Your sensitivity in patient care has been acknowledged and surely will continue. You are an asset to nursing. Congratulations and God bless you!

*Love,
Mom, Dad and Andrea*

Rachel Heather Goldberg

*Dear Rachel (alias Buffy to friends)
You continue to make us proud, and we love the intelligent, caring, compassionate and beautiful adult you have become. Always know we will be there to support, encourage and share your journey through life.*

*Love Always,
Mom, Dad, Ilana, David and Buddy*

Heather Robyn Greenberg

Heather Robyn
We are all so very proud of you!!!!
All of your hard work and
diligence paid off. What a great
job you have done!!!!
Now get out there and show the
world you are ready!
Love,
Mommy, Rickie, Mom-mom,
Pop-pop, Aunt Ellen, Lissa and
Kenzie xxoo

Daniel Patrick Hagelberg

*"Crew, Campaigning, PoliSci
Dancing; Delta Sigma Phi.
Apple, Lemon, Blueberry Pie.
A "Drinking Liberally" kind of guy
Making beer for friends to try.
Looking sharp in a suit and tie
...and now it's time to wave goodbye."*

Wishing you a future of pie,
politics and possibilities.
We love you so much.
Julia, Mom and Dad

Allison Leah Hammer

The world lies before you. What you do
depends on your willingness to work
toward your goal. The real key to success
is within yourself. No one can take it from
you. We are proud of your
accomplishments and know you have the
ability to be very successful.
Follow your dream!

Love,
Mom and Dad

Jason S. Hertz

*We are so proud and we always
knew that your undergraduate
years would be an unqualified
success. This is just the beginning
of your road to independence and
untold riches. (Remember, inch by
inch life's a cinch, yard by yard,
life is hard). We love you!
Mom, Poppy, Uncle Howie and
Maurice*

Jessica Mollie Hirsch

*You amaze us in your ability to get
this done according to the bench-
marks you set for yourself. Be
happy, work hard, always have
"the time of your life" and "dance".
Congratulations on this milestone.

We love you,
Mom & Dad*

Jessica Meredith Hudes

**Bubba...
BYTB**

Wynne M. Hydo

Wynne, We are so proud of you for
all of your accomplishments at UD
over the past 4 years. Your
determination and perserverance
are admirable and we know only
the best awaits you.
We love you so much!
Love, Mike, Melanie and Ella:
Geoff and Corinne: and Ben

Peter Harris Johnston, Jr.

P.J.
I always knew one day all that
"good work and remembering"
would pay off. Well, today it has!
Now you truly are "a man among
men". You did it Wizzie Woo! And
I couldn't be prouder!

XXOO Love, Mom

Erika Jordan

You're the starfish who has
made a difference in our
lives. With much love, we
congratulate you on your
accomplishments at U.D. and
wish you continued success
in graduate school.
Love,
Mary & Jerry Piccolino

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Kenney

*You are a young woman of
much strength and
determination. We are so proud
of you! "Shoot for the moon, even
if you miss you will land among
the stars!"

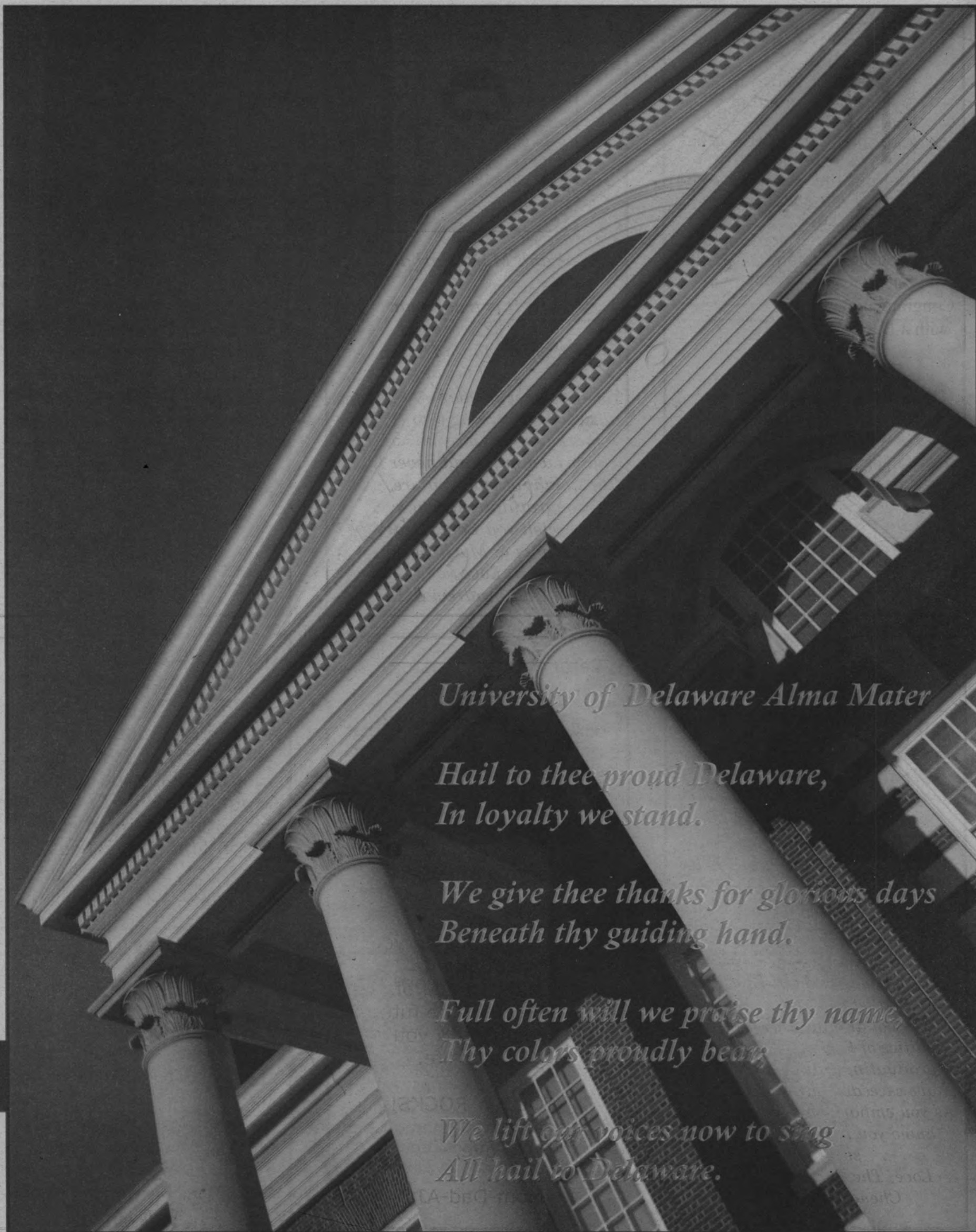
Love,
Mom & Dad*

Teresa M. Knag

To our Summergirl:
We are all so very proud of you
and all of your accomplishments.
We wish you only PEACE-
Happiness & Success in your
future endeavors. Congratulations
on your graduation!
Congrats to all Kappa Alpha Theta
grads!
Love,
Your family and Moe

Keith Edward Lambert

Keith, we are extremely proud of
your tremendous accomplishments at
the University of Delaware. We
know your worked hard, we know
you enjoyed your time as well! We
wish you the same success at Penn
State Law! We love you so much,
Dad, Mom, Melissa, Jessica and
Grandma



University of Delaware Alma Mater

*Hail to thee proud Delaware,
In loyalty we stand.*

*We give thee thanks for glorious days
Beneath thy guiding hand.*

*Full often will we praise thy name,
Thy colors proudly bear.*

*We lift our voices now to sing
All hail to Delaware.*



Shane Edward Baker

Congratulations on your graduation with a B.S. Electrical Engineering degree (2008). Good luck with your MBA program. You have completed a distinguished undergraduate career, both as a UD student as as President of the UD Club Tennis Team. Shane, we are very proud of you.

Love,
Mom & Pop



Frank Mark Barbato

Frankie, it is truly amazing how quickly 22 years have gone by. To say we are proud of you would be an understatement. You have grown into a man who is well respected & admired. Always be your own man and never lose sight of who you are. Congratulations Cheech!! We wish you Love, Health, Happiness & Much Success... Love, Mom, Dad, Andrew & Kristi



Lauren Elizabeth Brittingham

Congratulations to our "talented and beautiful" graduate! We are very proud of your poise, strength of character and depth of integrity. It's amazing to watch as you continually delight and surprise us with all your accomplishments.

*Much Love & Best Wishes!
Mom, Dad, Jody & Granner Britt*



Clarissa Rae Chenoweth

Clarissa, It has been such a joy watching you grow up. We are so proud of you and we love you very much. From Kindergarten and ballet to Episcopal High School and navigating the politics of Capital Hill to now graduating from college, you have exceeded our expectations. As you embark on your career we know you will continue to be successful. Love, The Portz, Willis, and Chenoweth Families



Cheryn Marie Clark

Cheryn - Congratulations on your graduation. We are all so proud of you. Best of luck in the future. Keep smiling & you'll go far in life.

GEOLOGY ROCKS!

Love,
Mom-Dad-AJ



Danielle Lauren Cocuzza

Danielle, All of your family is so proud of you in your graduation from the University of Delaware. We wish you health, happiness and much success in your life. Your decision to become a school teacher is one that you should be very proud of. The dedication to be a teacher for young children is such a wonderful gift to our society. Congratulations on this truly wonderful and fantastic day.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Andrew (UDEL 2011),
KD and Holly



Jessica Rose Cohn

*Jess,
You have made us so proud of
you. Graduating from college
is a tremendous
accomplishment especially
making the Dean's list each
semester while being in plays
and operas. We know that you
will achieve all your goals in
your career in English
education and go on to be a
fabulous teacher.
Love, Mom and Dad*



Maura Taylor Devaney

What lies behind us and what
lies before us are tiny matters
compared to what lies within
us. - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Congratulations, Maura!
Treasure the wonderful
memories of the past four
years, enjoy the new
experiences ahead and
realize all the success we
know you can.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ryan & Caralyn



Matthew James Fadale

Success isn't measured by the
number of gold medals hanging
around your neck, the stack of
perfect report cards littering the
fridge, or even striving to live up
to someone else's high standards.
Success is defined by those who
set the bar themselves.

Congratulations Matt for
all you have accomplished.
Keep raising the bar.



Beverly Melissa Leibowitz

*You seized the opportunities the
University of Delaware offered
with a wonderful education,
achieving academic success
and traveling far beyond
anyone's imagination.
We are so very proud of your
accomplishments and
the person you are,
wishing you the best of success,
we know you will go far.*

*Mazel tov on your
college graduation!
With love and hugs to you,
Mom, Dad, Andrew and Bubbie*



Allison Anne Lutz

"Big Al!" We always knew that
you were going places. You've
exceeded all expectations and did
it with class and grace.

Congratulations on your
outstanding performance at U.D.
We send our love, blessings and
wishes for great success in your
new career at Cresskill.

Mom & Dad
Jared & Amanda



Lauren Moraeth Marshall

Congratulations to our
"Golden Child"! You have
done us proud as we have
never doubted, but most of
all you have proven a lot to
yourself. Our "Butterball",
"Miss Priss", "Peanut" and
singing "Diva" has grown
and is ready to take on the
world. Just don't forget
about us when you tear it
up! Much love from your
family in Connecticut



Christina Lynn Martin

Tina,

We are proud of you for achieving your goals. You've worked hard to complete your degree in three years while holding part-time jobs. We wish you success and happiness as you prepare to begin your career. What a beautiful and responsible young woman you've become! Congratulations! Love, Mom and Dad



Colleen Marie O'Brien

Colleen, Congratulations to you on your college graduation! You had four wonderful years on cross country and track. You've grown as a student, as a leader and as a person. We are looking forward to the great things to come. Good memories and best wishes!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Pat, Kevin and Lauren



Glenn Thomas Owen

Congratulations Graduate! All of your hard work has paid off and we couldn't be more proud of what you've accomplished. Although you'll be leaving UD, we know you'll look back with fond memories of your college years. Just remember that we'll always be there when you need us.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Sis



Stephanie Lyn Parker

Steph (RB)...

We gave you roots; you've earned your wings..... Make the world a better place! We are so proud!

Love, Mom & Dad



Michael James Riisen

Mike!
Congratulations on your graduation! We are so proud of the loving and considerate man you have become. Nothing in this world can stop you from success in whatever you choose to do. Always remember we love you. You are the best!

Love always.....
Mom and Dad, Liz, Mary and Rob



Alyson Salonger

We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments in the past 16 years but especially at UDel, your "dream school". You have matured into a beautiful young woman with a bright future. We all wish you lots of love & success... Congrats! on your graduation from UDel. You DID IT!

*Love,
Mom, Phil, Mattie, Grandma and Pa, and Mimi*



Erin Colleen Sutera

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."
Thoreau

The passion you have for life and your compassion for others creates an energy that warms everyone's heart. The world is so much better for having Erin in it!!
I love you,
Mommy



Oscar Wdowiak

Since you were a young boy, your passion to learn and succeed has been inspiring to all family and friends. Take the experience of your past four years to help start a new life chapter. Remember to hold onto your kind heart and continue to laugh at everything. We are so proud. Congratulations.
Love,
Mom, Dad and Magdalena



Jayde Wiener

Congratulations on your Achievement!

Dear Jayde -
We are so proud of all your hard work and dedication. We wish you the very best in Law School and we are so pleased to be a part of this special time in your life.

We love you.
Mom, Dad, Ray and Lehr

Casey Louise Layton

With today's graduation comes the end of the fun.
Your life in the real world has officially begun.
Your accomplishments and hard work have filled your family with pride. No matter where you go, we'll always be by your side.

We love you, good luck!
Mom, Laura, Rachel

Gregory Oreste Lisi

Congratulations! You have made so many Great friends and memories in the past 4 years at U of D.
May the West Coast bring you continued Happiness and much Success.
We look forward to visiting you out there.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Angela and Chris

Caitlin Quinn Little

We are so proud of our "Nurse". We know that you will touch so many lives with your compassion, expertise and smile!
Congratulations on a job well done!
Love - Mom, Stew, Daniel, Patrick and Kristen

Cody Adam Lotrecchio

"Anything is possible. Dreams come true. Take the dream with you wherever you go."

We are very proud of you and look forward to watching where your dreams take you.
With much love, Mom, Dad and Doug

Mark W. Mastrandrea

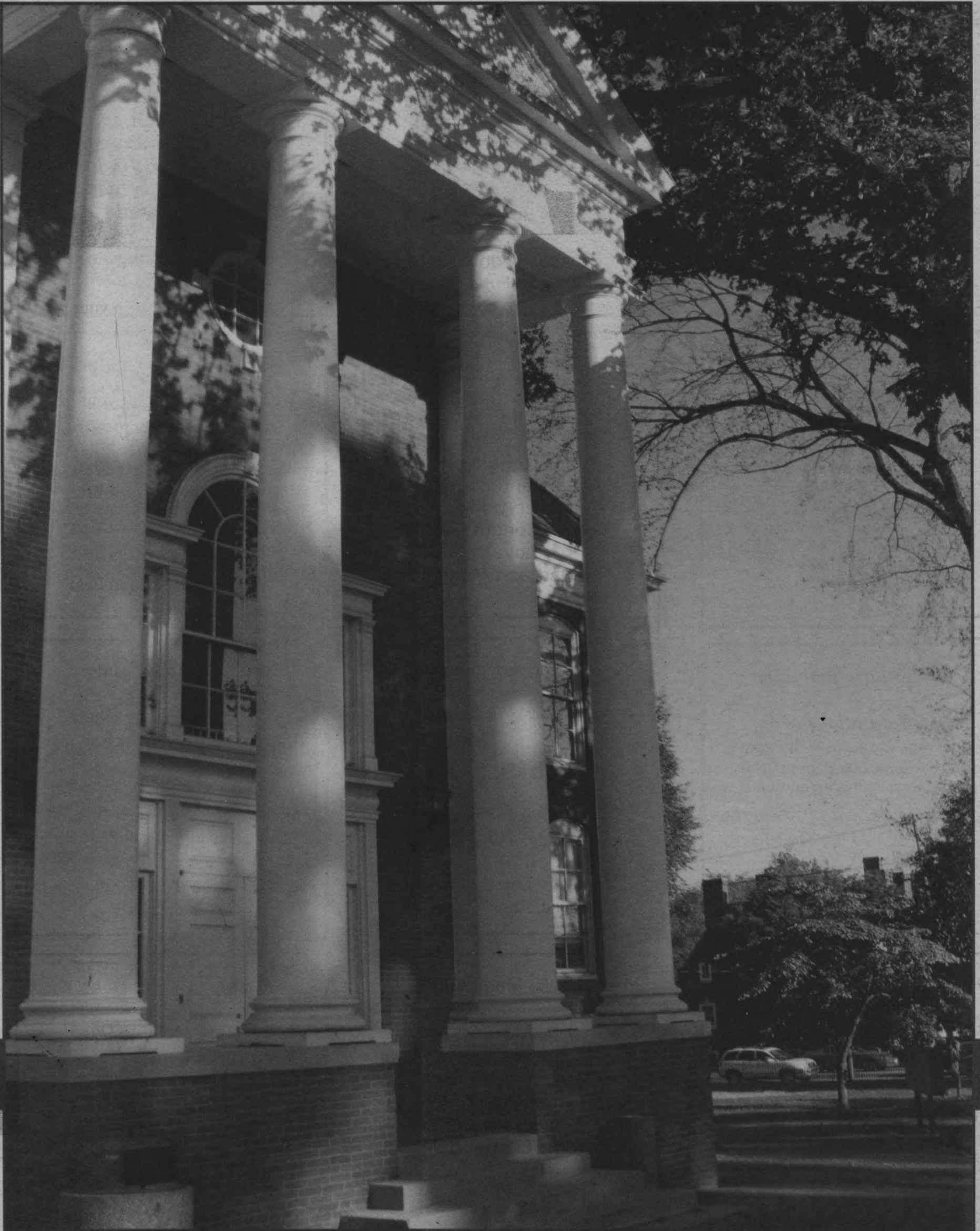
Ever so proud... as always!

With so much love from
Mom, Dad and Jill

David Allen Morton IV

Congratulations Davo!
You did it!
We love you
and we are so proud of you
and you success!

Your Family



Clifford Mulholland

Cliff, congratulations on your achievement. We are very proud of you. You have become a fine, upstanding young man. The world is now open before you and we wish you all the best in your adventures ahead.

Love always,
Mom, Dad and Markie

Steven Emmitt Newth

We are all so very proud of you and everything you have accomplished. We know the next phase of your life will lead to great success.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Amanda,
Mom-Mom Carter and
Mom-Mom and Pop-Pop Newth

Kristyn Janice Noren

Hey special "K"! You've made us two of the proudest parents.

You'll be a success in whatever you do in life.

Follow your dreams!

We all love you!

Dad, Mom, Matthew and Emily... Myla too!

Danielle Terese Norris

*Dani,
From PA to Miami to DE to Barbados to S. Africa, what an exciting journey you are on. You personify "Carpe Diem"! Take a deep breath and see what the world has to offer you. You worked hard and we are so very proud of you!*

CONGRATULATIONS!

*We love you very much,
Mom, Dad, Erica and Greg*

Shaun Holt O'Donnell

*Congratulations Shaun! We are very proud of you and your achievements as a student at UD. We are excited for your future although a little nostalgic for the past. You are truly an inspiration to many who have come to know you. Good Luck!
Love, Mom, Dad, Austin & Dillon*

Ashley Grace Olivieri

You did it and you did it well! Always be proud of your achievements and use them to fulfill your dreams. For all your successes behind you, we send congratulations. For all the challenges ahead, we send blessings. One last lesson as you prepare for the world: always be true to yourself.
Love 4-ever, Mom & Dad

Gina Marie Palladino

Congratulations to our Chemical Engineer! We are so proud of your roles as student of engineering, of Italian studies, and as President of AOE, the sorority of women engineers.

*Con amore, la famiglia
Palladino*

Katherine Christina Pandilidis

Katy, YAY! Congratulations on all your amazing accomplishments! We are so proud of you! You are a beautiful young woman with a bright future. We look forward to watching that future unfold! May God's blessings be with you!

*Love always,
Mom & Dad, Thea & Allie*

Arthur Peter Pelullo, Jr.

Dear Arthur,
Congratulations! You did such a great job all four years at UD! We are so proud of you! Now off to Grad School. Keep on reaching for the stars. You are definitely capable! We love you and will always be there for you.
Love, Mom & Dad

David Francis Piccolino

*"Man your ships and may the force be with you."
(Star Wars - George Lucas)*

May God bless you as you continue your studies at Palmer College of Chiropractic. We are extremely proud of you!

*Love,
Mom & Dad*

John-Paul Dominick Piser

Congratulations on your amazing accomplishment! We are so proud of you! You set your sights high and have achieved your goals. We know you will continue on this path of success! You are a one-of-a-kind son and we love you!

Dad, Mom and Nick

Sharon Stephanie Pozzo

*Dear Sharon,
We give thanks to God for your life. He has blessed you with wisdom, courage and has given you a purpose in life. You took your first step toward success and We're so proud of you!*

*Congratulations!
With all our love,
Mom, Dad, Paoli, Galo Jr, Christian,
- Aida*

Michael J. Prentice

Mike,
We are all so proud of you! Best wishes. Now go make some money!

Love,
Mom, Bill, MomMom, Nicole, Billy,
Amy, Justin and Alysia

Jennifer Puttress

Jen,
Your college experience has been all we could have hoped for. You will cherish your memories of UD. You worked hard, had fun, and made many friends. Congratulations on graduating with honors and good luck in Vet School. You deserve the best!

Love,
Dad, Mom, John, and your grandparents

Stephen Joseph Roettger

Stephen,
We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. Your future looks promising. You have made good life choices and have become a successful young man. Continue to keep your faith and follow your dreams wherever they lead.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Heather & Michael

Bianca E. Russano

Dear Bianca-

All your hard work paid off! We are very proud of your accomplishment.

Love
Mom-Dad-Gram-Jay

Mariah Doe Russell

Mariah Doe Russell - Student Extraordinaire!

Four short years - with highs and lows - you've learned, traveled, made new friends and enjoyed great academic success. As you graduate we know you are prepared for the next exciting phase of your life. We are very proud of you. Onward!
Love from Mom, Dad and Wil.

Sydney Schneir

Dear Syd,
After many academic achievements and much personal growth, it's now time for you to move on. We have watched you becoming a player in this rapidly changing world. One is to study history, another is to write about it. You have the ability to create it. Don't stop!
Love, Mom, Hallie and Dad

Elizabeth K. Seasholtz

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." - Eleanor Roosevelt

Congratulations Elizabeth

Love,
Mom, Dad & Becky

Jennifer Lynn Sebolka

Congratulations Jennifer,
We are so proud of you and of all you have accomplished. Please remember the future belongs to those who believe in their dreams! Reach for the stars and change the world!

We love you sweetie,
Mom & Christopher

Tionna Myesha Smith

We are so very proud of you. In the face of many difficult times, you never gave up - you kept overcoming, moving forward. You are a fine example of self-discipline, determination and a strong spirit. May you be blessed in all you endeavor to accomplish. Your family loves you so very, very much.

Mom, Dad, Grandmoms, Granddad

Ashley Joelle Sparano

Dearest Ashley,
Our youngest shall lead the rest. The roots we have given you have enabled you to soar beyond our wildest dreams. We love, admire, and congratulate you on your success. Your future is as bright as your lovely smile.

Love,
Mom, Dad, A.J., Kyle,
Meredith & K.C

William John Sutherland

Dear Bill,
Congratulations on your graduation! As you go out into the world, remember that we will always be proud of your accomplishments. Follow your heart and find your passion.

Love Mom, Dad & Christine

Lara M. Vandenberg

Lara-
Congratulations on a phenomenal accomplishment! Our feelings of pride and love are forever unwavering. We're so happy that the University of Delaware was such a wonderful and positive experience for you and, therefore, for us also.

All our love always,
Mom, Dad and Jesse



Gerard Francis Vitale

Everything you aspire to, you excel at! We marvel at your spirit! You have made us so very proud. Your journey at University of Delaware is ending, and a new one is unfolding. God bless you and guide you always. Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Lindsay and Brandon

Erin Leigh Walder

Erin,
You've worked so hard and have now come to another turning point in your life. Follow your dreams and happiness will be yours. We love you so much and are very proud of you.

From, Mommy, Daddy,
Mom, Dana, and Cole

Jason Warren Weingarten

Jason,
We are all very proud of you and all of your wonderful accomplishments. Graduation is a time to reflect on the past and plan for the future. Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Explore... Experience... Discover... and Love Long and Prosper!
With all our love,
Mom, Dad and Simone

Justin Michael Wehrenberg

Congratulations, Justin.
We are very proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad and Jason

Kristopher Stieven Weidner

Kris- Congratulations on your graduation with a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. You've done an outstanding job, and we want to wish you great success as you continue on to Graduate School at UD. We are so proud of your many achievements, and of the man that you've become!
We love you very much!
Mom & Dad

Megan Victoria Welch

What a ride! We are so proud of all your achievements both academically and athletically. Our wish for you is to follow your dreams, as we know with your University of Delaware education behind you, success will follow. Congratulations and GO BLUE HENS! Love, Mom, Dad, Kris, Kari and Jessica

Timothy Scott Wolfe

Congratulations Timothy on receiving your Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology. Our hearts are bursting with love and pride for the wonderful young man you've become. May your life be filled with happiness & success.
Love, Mom, Abby, Mom-mom, Pop-pop, Uncle Kevin, Aunt Jen, Berkeley, Kiley, Aunt Minnie, Uncle Tim, Nick and Sarah

Megan Elizabeth Lyons

Megan:
We are very proud of what you have accomplished. Remember that to teach is to learn again and that imagination is more important than knowledge. Your excellence was not an accident but due to your hard work and pride. We love you very much.
Dad, Mom and David

The Review

The Review is honored to congratulate our graduating seniors.

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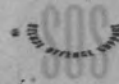
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