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Memorial Hall was dedicated to those University of Delaware students that gave their lives in battle for their country. The book on this podium bares the names of these individuals. Every day a page is turned and a new name is displayed.

As centerpiece of the Mall, every student and most visitors are awed at the beauty of Memorial Hall. This building has served many purposes throughout the years, once housing the university's library.

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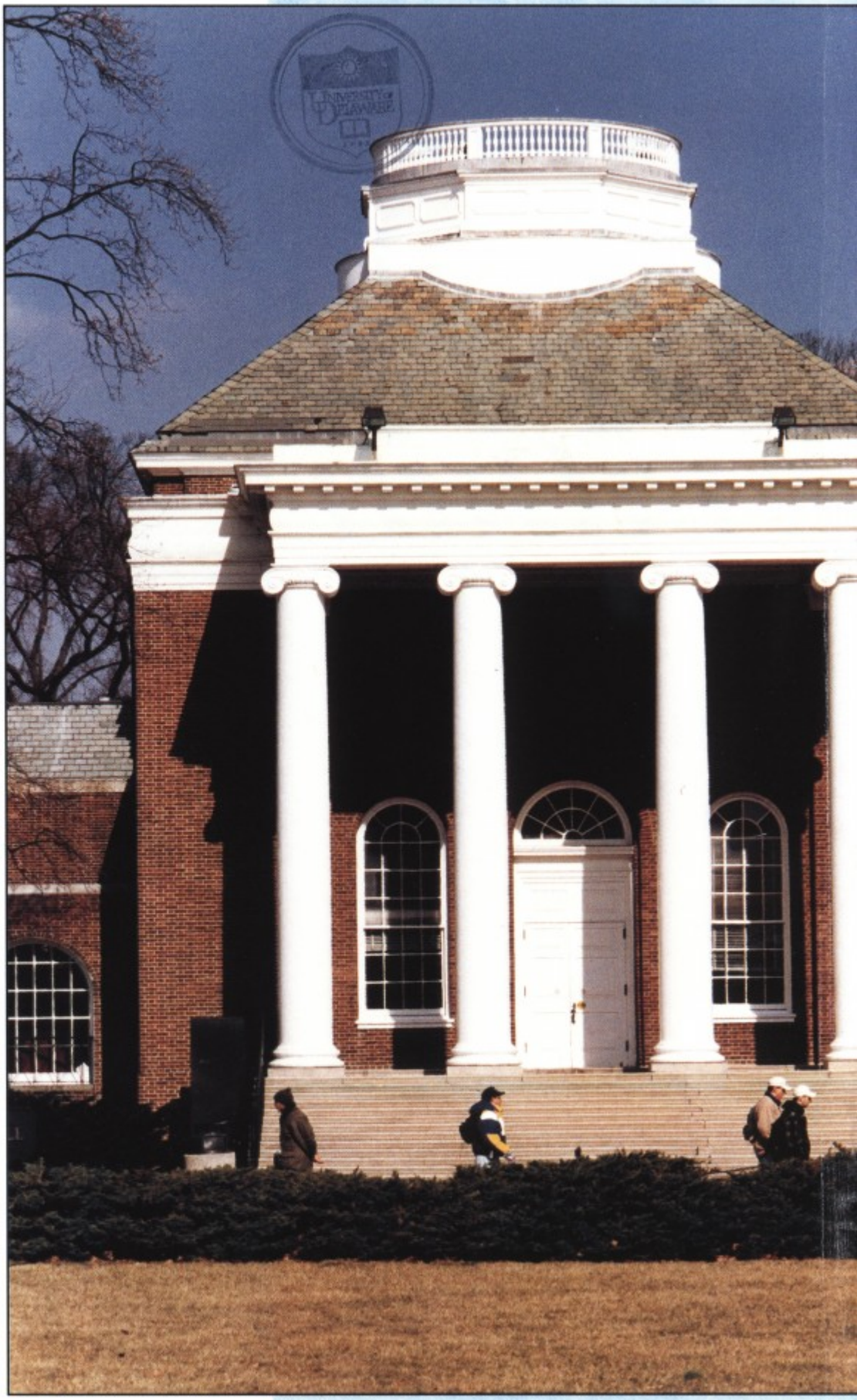

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"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us." — *Oliver Wendell Holmes*

Just as we could not define ourselves solely by the clothes we wore, or the color of our hair, we could not define our years at the Unversity of Delaware simply as time spent working towards our degrees. For everyone who attended the university, life at college meant much more than just classes and exams. Friendships were forged, opinions formed, and ideas exchanged. Some people claimed they had found themselves, others that they had lost themselves. No one could deny that they weren't changed, both inside and outside. All of this, and more, happened in a small city, in a small state, in just one of many countries on the planet. And yet, this tiny point on the globe contained a world within, and this world, our world, shaped us into new people.

PHOTO BY DAVOR

For some, this world meant obtaining the education necessary for a high salary later. Others took joy in simply learning, understanding the most arcane subjects in preparation for a specialty "off the beaten path". Still others viewed

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PHOTO BY GRAYLON WILLIAMS

A visitor to the university for the past few years, this red-tailed hawk dazzled nature lovers by catching some food or just hanging out on the mall on a regular basis.

PHOTO BY SHELLEY STRAIGHT

Spring is one of the most beautiful times to be on the mall. These students are enjoying the warm weather and the blooming flowers brought by the change of season.

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their education at Delaware as one more step in a long road towards a professional degree.

The means of learning were as varied as the majors offered at the university. Some students studied abroad in order to obtain a different perspective on their own little worlds. However, the world within the University of Delaware provided plenty of opportunities to broaden horizons as well. Hands on experience could be found on the University farm, in the laboratories, the computer labs, or the preschool on campus.

PHOTO BY TOM WEBB

Of course, our world also contained experiences outside of our education. We walked Main Street, took advantages of its eateries, coffee shops, and bars, and explored the new stores which cropped up during the year. We stayed up late at night in our dorm rooms and apartments, talking with friends until the wee hours of the morning. We took part in the Homecoming carnival, the Halloween Loop, and Skidfest. We took "road trips" to Philadelphia, or Ocean City, or Baltimore. We attended concerts, plays, musicals, and lectures. We cheered on our sports teams as they vied for

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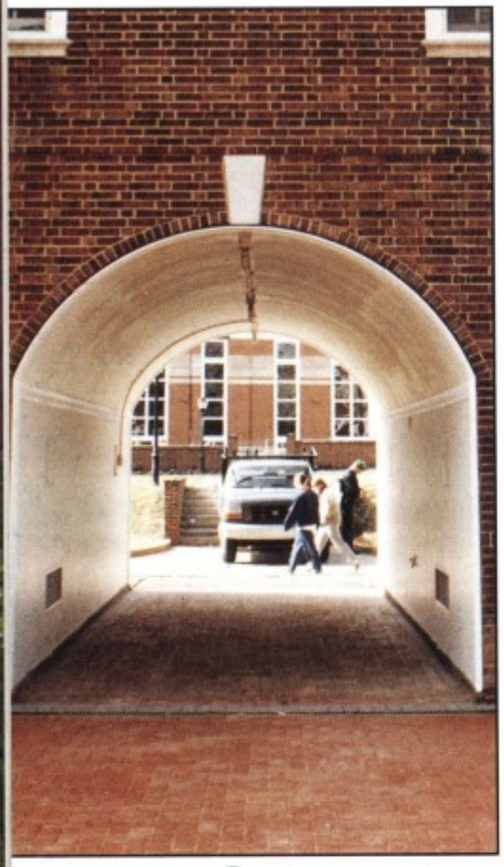
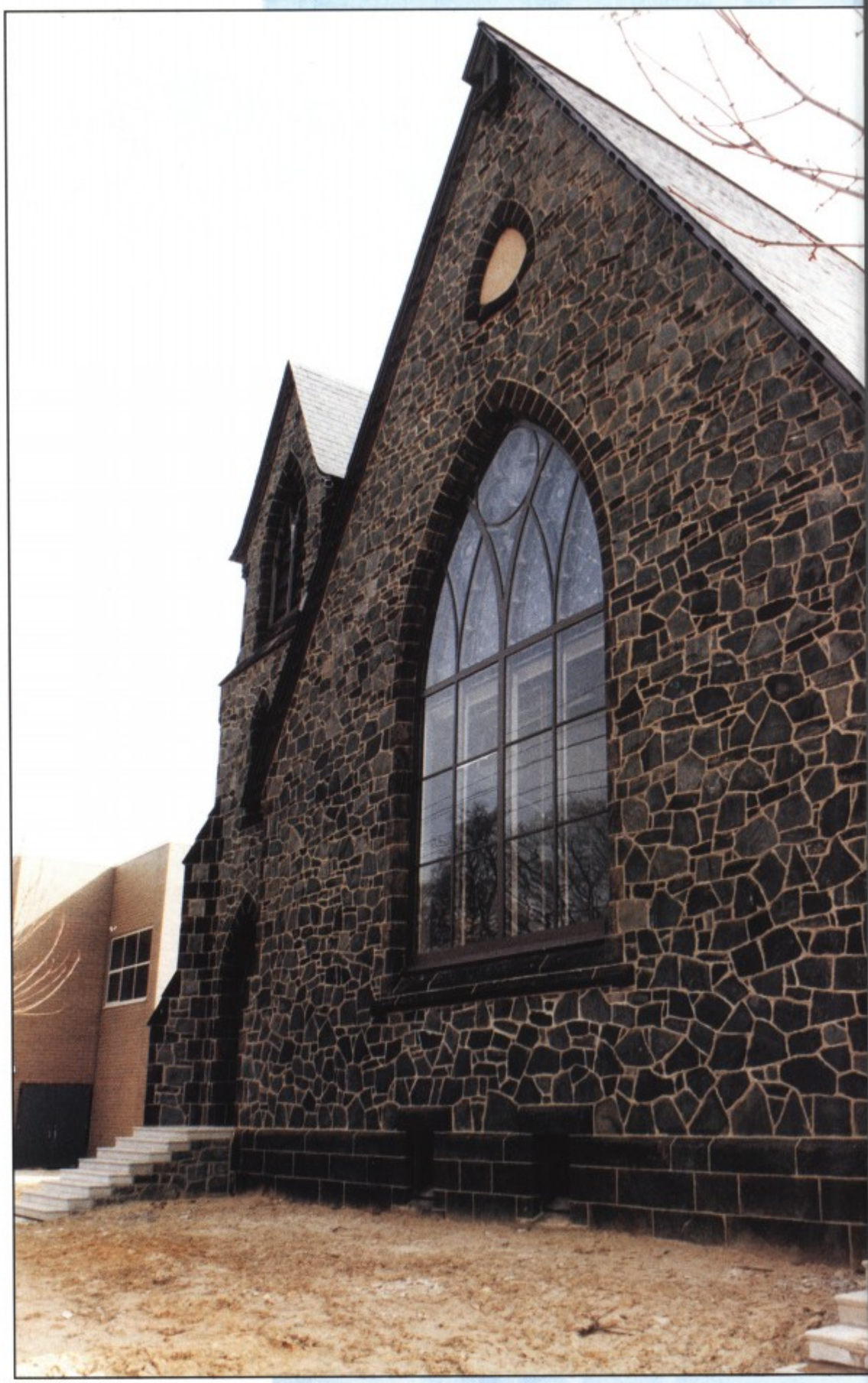


Construction around campus was far and wide including major and minor repairs to the dorms on the central part of campus.

The construction of a new student center on Main St. created much debate over the past few years concerning the fate of the "Abby". Included into the design of the new student center, the "Abby" was renovated into a beautiful study lounge that will double as a wedding chapel.



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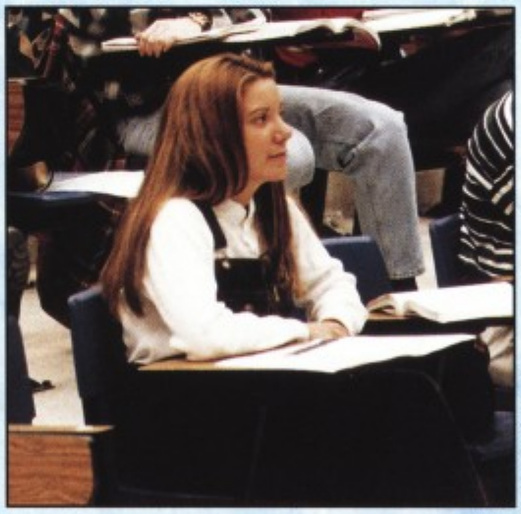
championships.

Finally, the world within the University of Delaware contained both triumph and tragedy. The new student center opened to great acclaim, the University continued to rise in national rankings, and several students received national recognition for their academic and volunteer work. We had the chance to see the Philadelphia 76ers practice in our arena, and watch the baseball team shatter several NAC records. However, nearly all of us were shocked by continuing controversy over a racial incident at Rodney, as well as our mascot's disregard for the traditions of the Naval Academy at a football game. The whole campus listened in horror as eyewitnesses recounted the fall of a student from the 13th floor of the Christiana East Tower. Some found themselves homeless for the end of the school year when a fire ripped through several Cleveland Avenue row homes.



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Despite the varied aspects within the University of Delaware, it was evident that we shaped a world within it together. That world, the world we created, left memories that cannot be erased.

— *Keri Csencsits*