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Computer science major dies in hospital after heart failure

By Paul Kane
Assistant News Editor

A 23-year-old university student died of heart failure Saturday at Christiana Hospital after a week-long hospitalization.

Steven G. Geracimos (AS 91) was an honor student and a computer science major, said Timothy F. Brooks, dean of students.

Georgiann Vouras, Geracimos' mother, said doctors will not know the cause of his heart failure until an autopsy report is released in several weeks.

Geracimos was a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society and the Omicron Delta Kappa National Honor Society.

"Steven was a phenomenal person and a brilliant student," Brooks said.

"He was extremely well liked by the faculty."

Geracimos ran his own computer consulting business in Wilmington and at the university. His consulting projects included work with the software system for the department of life and health sciences.

Dr. Jacques J. Pene, associate professor of life and health sciences, instructed Geracimos in several independent study courses, said Geracimos liked to help people and was generous with his time.

"Steven was unusually nice and a gifted person. Those are not common characteristics," he said.

Geracimos' family has established a memorial fund in his name at the university.

Jacquelyn L. Goodwin, senior secretary for the Office of Development, said the fund beneficiary has not been determined, but her office has begun receiving donations through the mail.

Geracimos attended the university on several scholarships, including the 1989 Unisys Corporation Merit, the Milton and Hattie Kutz Foundation, the University of Delaware Merit and Joseph C. Rodgers Computer Science scholarships.

He was also a member of the Pre-Med and Pre-Professional Club, the Association of Computer Machinery and the Ski Club.

Geracimos graduated from Trinity High School, Mechanicsburg, Pa., in 1984.

He was a salutatorian, National Merit Scholar, Presidential Scholar and member of Trinity's basketball and track teams. He was also a member of several other clubs.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Doherty Funeral Home in Wilmington.

Skaters glide to national contest

By Stacey Covert
Staff Reporter

About 2,000 well-wishers and figure skating enthusiasts crowded into the Blue Ice Arena Sunday for an exhibition of skaters who will take their hard work and aspirations to Minneapolis next week in national competition.

The 1991 U.S. Figure Skating Championships, held from Feb. 11 to 17, will choose representatives for the World Figure Skating Championships to be held in Germany in March.

Jack O'Neill, director of recreation and intramural programs, said the university's number of contenders from the figure skating club is probably the largest contingent one program has ever sponsored at the national competition.

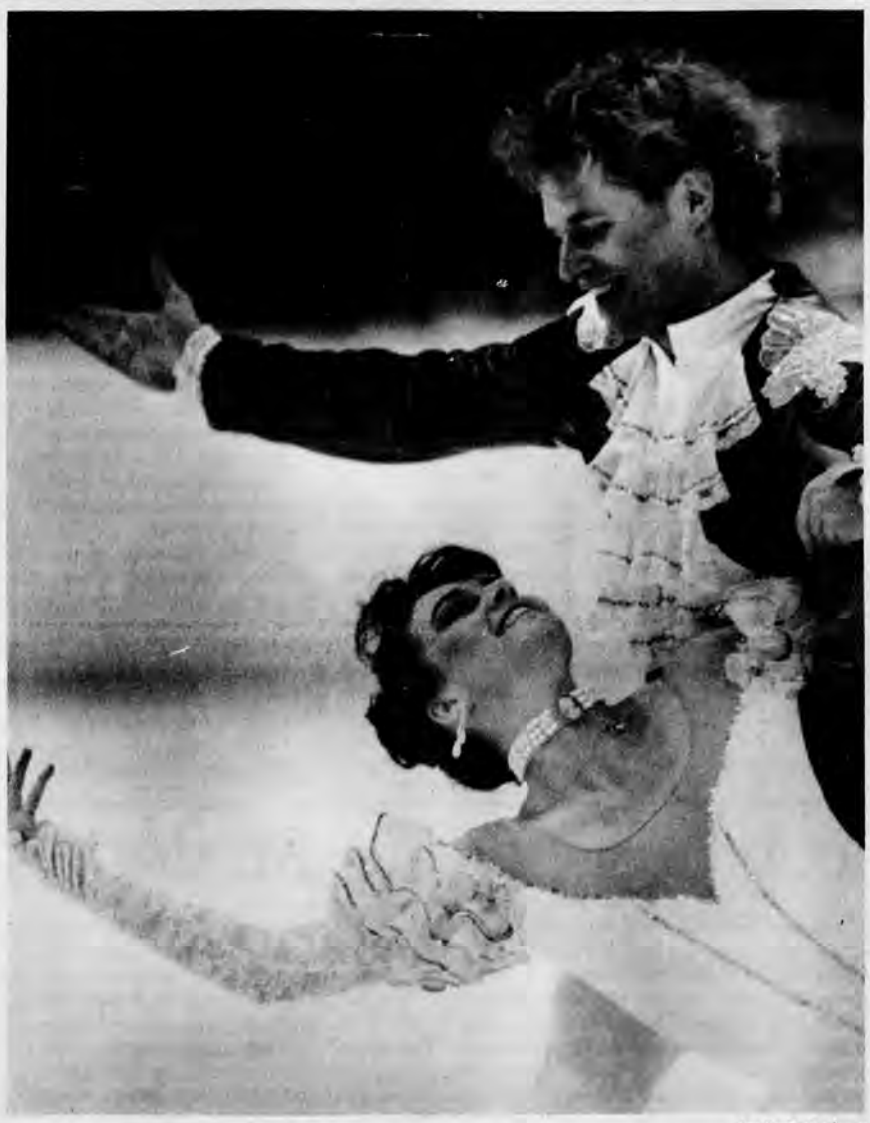
This figure is unofficial, O'Neill added, because the U.S. Figure Skating Association does not keep track of such statistics.

Ice Arena Director Ron Ludington said the university ice-skating program is sending more skaters to nationals than previous years because the team now has more competitors in the singles categories.

This year, the coaches have made a greater effort to recruit young skaters and concentrate them in the singles program, he said.

"I hate to make predictions," Ludington said. "But I think we have an extremely strong team as compared to the past."

Forty percent of the school-aged skaters going to the nationals are university students, Ludington said, and the rest are in high school.



Leslie D. Barbaro

April Sargent and Rusty Witherby perform at the Blue Ice Arena before a crowd of 2,000 spectators Sunday before heading off to the national figure skating championships next week.

John Frederiksen (AS 94) is doubling in the national competition as a singles contender and a pairs contender with partner Jennifer Heurlin, Ludington said.

Frederiksen said, "Doubling in singles and pairs is difficult because having two routines to work on doubles my workload."

He said his daily routine consists of taking classes until 10:45 a.m., skating until 4:00 p.m., studying, then sleeping.

Senior dance pair April Sargent and Rusty Witherby, who placed second in last year's competition, are contenders to win the national title this year.

Witherby said, "Lately, we have kept our minds set on what we have to accomplish, by not thinking about the title of national champions, and just trying to improve ourselves."

Eastern Senior Dance Champions in 1991 and national contenders Beth McLean and Ron Kravette have only been training together since October 1990, because McLean has been recuperating from a severely broken leg this past year.

Kravette asked her to be his partner the day after the accident happened, McLean said.

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Students, faculty, staff serve in gulf

By Stephen Steenkamer
Staff Reporter

Thirty-two military reservists from the university community have been activated for Operation Desert Storm, including students, faculty and staff, administrative officials said.

At least 27 students, two professors and three staff members have notified university officials that they have been activated for duty.

Since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, 17 full-time undergraduate students have contacted the Dean of Students Office about obtaining academic leaves of absence and tuition refunds, according to Dean of Students Timothy F. Brooks.

Currently, academic leaves of absence are valid for one to two semesters, but the university may extend the leave if the length of time reservists are ordered to serve increases, Brooks said.

According to university policy, devised during fall semester because of the Persian Gulf situation, any student ordered to active duty will receive a full tuition rebate for all courses for which academic credit is not received, he said.

The university is withholding the names of activated student-reservists, Brooks said.

As of Wednesday, two faculty members, Brent W. Thompson, an assistant professor of nursing, and Charles E. Mason, an associate professor of entomology and applied ecology, had also taken leaves of absence after being activated for military duty, according to representatives in their departments.

Several officials said they expect additional faculty to be activated soon.

At least seven continuing education students have also been activated, Brooks said. A spokeswoman in the Division of Continuing Education said Wednesday that until her office could compile their its data she

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Charles E. Mason

Entomology professor goes to war

By Stephen Steenkamer
Staff Reporter

As a 15-year veteran of the university, professor Charles E. Mason has faced lectures, research expectations and all of the poor excuses students know, but he's never faced war.

On Jan. 27, Mason, an associate professor of entomology and applied ecology and member of the 2076th Army Reserve Forces School, was activated from his position as the director of enlisted courses.

On Monday he left for Fort Dix, N.J., where he was to receive the "in-processing" that he says goes with every reservist's activation.

In a telephone interview from his Newark home Saturday, he said his role in Operation Desert Storm was still unclear.

Mason is an expert in biological control, which is the use of "organisms to control other organisms," such as using certain parasites to kill an overpopulated area of caterpillars.

He said he is likely to trade his civilian teaching attire for military fatigues to educate soldiers about the perils of

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Basketball players arrested

Trio involved in fight at Connecticut restaurant; sophomore center breaks hand

By Tara Finnegan
Sports Editor

Three university basketball players were arrested Saturday night for their involvement in a fight outside a McDonald's restaurant in Southington, Conn.

In a Monday arraignment at Bristol Superior Court, Spencer Dunkley (AS 93) was charged with third-degree assault and Ricky Deadwyler (PE 93) and Andre Buck (BE 93) were both charged with breach of peace.

Dunkley, Deadwyler, and Buck each pleaded innocent and requested a jury trial, set for March 11.

The three were later released on their own recognizance.

Although Southington Police made just three arrests at the scene, officials said arrest warrants for four Connecticut residents also involved in the fight were issued.

Dunkley suffered a broken left hand in the fight.

Capt. James Porter of the Southington Police Department refused to disclose details of the incident because the matter is still under police investigation. "We are looking into what started it," Porter said.

He added, however, that "a preliminary investigation shows that the players had been taunted." He declined to elaborate in what manner.

Athletic Director Edgar N. Johnson said: "After interviews with the three Delaware student-athletes involved and other members of the team, we have determined that the incident was one of self defense and that the three were victims of a racially-oriented crime."

Johnson declined to elaborate on the details of the incident which were discussed in his interviews with the involved players.

Dean of Students Timothy F. Brooks said Wednesday the university will not take legal action on the students' behalf.

"What happened Saturday is an unfortunate incident for all involved," said men's basketball coach Steve Steinwedel in a written statement Monday.

"We are of the belief that our players acted in self-defense, he said."

Steinwedel declined to comment further on the details of the incident.

The Hens were in Connecticut for a two-game road trip with games against Central Connecticut State University on Saturday and the University of Hartford Monday.

Spencer Dunkley

The three players were suspended from the Hartford game. Johnson lifted their suspension Tuesday after meeting with the players.

"The three will continue to follow the appropriate legal channels," Johnson said.

Around Campus

Interest group ties ribbons for support

Alpha Sigma Phi interest group members tied yellow ribbons around trees on Harrington Beach and Academy Street to show their support for Persian Gulf troops, said group member Otto Medinilla (AS 91).

Instead of staging protests for or against the Persian Gulf War, Medinilla said, the students wanted to convey a single message — the troops' safe return.

Marc Clymer (AS 92), who devised the idea two weeks ago, said he hopes this will convey the American support to troops in the Middle East.

"Protest isn't going to help now," Clymer said. "Hopefully it'll get back to the troops."

"We are hoping to get more support," Medinilla said.

Local club donates records to library

A local volunteer group donated all of its records to the Morris Library in December, officials said.

The New Century Club of Newark was founded in 1893 as a reading club, said Alice Schreyer, assistant director of libraries for special collections.

The club later developed into a community service volunteer group, Schreyer said, which worked to establish the Newark Free Library.

Susan Brynteson, director of libraries, said, "The records of the Newark New Century Club will be of value to researchers working on women's clubs, the social and cultural history of Newark and the history of volunteer groups."

The club helped found the Women's College of Delaware in 1914, which merged with Delaware College in 1921 to become the University of Delaware.

The records of the club date back to 1893 and include minute books, financial records, scrapbooks and printed materials.

The records will not be available in the Special Collections section of the library until the end of 1991, Schreyer said, because they have to be organized so they can be put into the library's computing system.

Officials propose new fitness center

Overcrowding at the Carpenter Sports Complex Fitness Center has prompted a proposal to build a fitness station in the Perkins Student Center, university officials said.

The proposed site of the center is in the basement of the Perkins Student Center, said Jack O'Neill, director of Recreation and Intramurals.

The goal is to build fitness stations around campus that are accessible to all students, said Loreto Jackson, coordinator of Recreation and Intramurals.

According to O'Neill the proposal does not specify when construction will begin since cost and funding are undetermined.

The proposal has been sent to the president, vice president of Student Affairs, provost and senior vice president of Administration, O'Neill said.

"We would like to offer more options for the students," said President David P. Roselle.

"There is a need to do something," Roselle said, "since the response to the fitness center in Carpenter has been so strong."

The president approached the Delaware Parent's Association this fall and asked the group to consider adding the fitness station to its annual solicitation campaign, said Raymond O. Eddy, board member of the association.

—Compiled by Paul Kane, Jennifer Picone and Joe Pinto

Dining halls to stay open for break

By Jennifer Beck
Staff Reporter

Prompted by dozens of complaints and a letter from the Delaware Undergraduate Student Congress (DUSC), Dining Services officials said they will open two dining halls for students remaining on campus this weekend.

The Center Court in the Perkins Student Center will be open today and Saturday, and Russell Dining Hall will open for Sunday brunch, said Jeanette Collins, associate director of Dining Services.

All dining facilities except The Scrounge had been scheduled to close for the three-day break between Winter Session and Spring Semester.

"After the complaints from students, we decided to leave a dining hall open," Collins said. "We had not realized how many students would be staying on campus."

DUSC President Mike DiFebbo (BE 91) said he received several phone calls from angry students, prompting DUSC to write a letter criticizing the decision.

"The attempted closing of the dining halls is an example of a total disservice to students who bought Winter Session meal plans expecting the dining halls to be open," DiFebbo said.

Fred Leonard (AS 92) , a resident assistant in Harrington D Residence Hall said, "A lot of students are staying over the break and we all feel it would have been pretty cheap to close the dining halls."

Because students have three days off between terms this year, Collins said Dining Services officials assumed most students would leave campus.

"Also, we haven't had a break between semesters since 1986 and that year dorms and dining halls were closed," she said.

Collins said Dining Services officials based their decision on past practices and they thought The Scrounge would accommodate the students who stay.

Only students with Winter Session meal plans will be admitted to the dining halls, Collins said. Spring semester meal plans begin Sunday night.

Groups praise Israel, troops

By Audra Becker
Staff Reporter

Waving Israeli and U.S. flags to show unity between the two nations, about 40 students marched through the Mall Sunday in support of Israel and the U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf War.

The march, sponsored by Hillel, Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity and Delaware Israel Public Affairs Committee (DIPAC), specifically supported Israel's peaceful stance after Iraq fired several Scud missiles at Tel Aviv in the weeks since the war began.

Suzanne Borden (HR 93) president of DIPAC, a newly-formed campus interest group said, "The rally was organized not only to show support, but also to create a more positive feeling towards Israel."

"When Israel was attacked I felt something needed to be done," she said.

The march began on North Central Campus where participants sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and proceeded to Harrington Beach where Israeli folk songs played from a recording in the background.

At Harrington Beach, the demonstrators, each holding a white candle, formed a circle of light to symbolize the Israeli struggle for peace in the gulf region, said Hillary Verter (HR 91), president of Hillel.

"Although there's not a lot we can do to help Israel and the troops, we can keep these candles as a reminder of how fragile the light really is," Verter said.

"Whether or not you support the war, no Jew wants to see the idea of the Israeli state destroyed," she said.

Ruth Kershner, director of Hillel, said the goal of the demonstration was not to say if the gulf war is good or bad, but only to show support.

She told the marchers about the hostilities against Israel in the gulf region, explaining that Jewish-American soldiers are told to remove the word 'Jewish' from their dog tags in case they are captured.

"The soldiers would get a worse punishment if the enemy knew he was Jewish," she said.

Incidents such as the swastikas printed around campus earlier this year went virtually unnoticed, Borden said, and also prompted her to help organize the march.

"Israel is doing us a favor by not fighting back," said Jon Hornik (BE 92), president of Alpha Epsilon Pi.

"All Americans should support Israel's actions, not just the Jews."

Leslie D.Barbaro
Members of Hillel, Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity and Delaware Israel Public Action Committee (DIPAC) march to show their support for Israel's restraint in not retaliating to Iraqi missile attacks.

Cigarette tax funds used for budget

Lawmakers say money should finance health care

By Gretchen Wahl
Staff Reporter

Revenues from newly implemented cigarette taxes will be used to balance the state budget, instead of funding health care programs as originally planned, a state official said.

State Rep. William A. Oberle Jr., R-Scottfield, contends that Gov. Michael N. Castle's administration broke a moral commitment to the Delaware General Assembly and to the public by not using the money for its original purpose.

Muriel Rusten, deputy secretary of the Department of Health and Social Services, said the money collected from the tax increase was not designated to be used for a specific project.

State Rep. Jane Maroney, R-Talleyville, said both Oberle and the state are correct to some degree. The cigarette tax is not a specifically designated tax, she said, but it was slated for health care initiatives.

A five-cent per pack tax was imposed Aug. 1, 1990 and an additional five-cent tax was implemented Jan. 1, Maroney said.

A tax examiner in the state Revenue Division estimates $5.5 million will be collected from the tax increase in fiscal year 1991, from July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991.

That amount is expected to increase to $8 million in fiscal year 1992, he said.

Revenues from the tax came in before the health programs were ready to be enacted, Rusten said.

She said she believes the money would not have been spent on indigent health care even without state budget problems.

Oberle said, "[Castle's administration] never intended to spend the money this fiscal year.

"I trusted the Governor to do what he said he was going to do.

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Officials select groups for Ray St. dorms

By Joe Pinto
Assistant News Editor

Five new student groups have been approved to live in the new Special Interest residence halls on Laird Campus, said David Butler, director of the Office of Housing and Residence Life.

Barbara Rexwinkel, assistant director for the Office of Housing and Residence Life, said six new programs applied for the housing and five were accepted.

These included groups with interests in Russian, technology, nursing, Hebrew language and culture and elementary education.

Rexwinkel said the declining physical conditions of the Special Interest houses coupled with the need for a new home for the community prompted the university to construct the new residence halls.

"We feel the housing situation will create an opportunity for the students to focus on their own special interest as well as look at a broad range of other experiences," she said.

Eight of the current special interest houses also opted to move into the Ray Street complex, completion is expected by Aug. 1, Butler said.

Students in the College Town Apartments Education building were the only group which was "not interested in moving," he said.

The new residence halls will "allow people sharing common interests to feel like more of a community ," Butler said.

Some of the old Special Interest houses, some of which are located on West Main Street, will become offices or graduate student housing, Butler said, "but all plans aren't nailed down yet."

Interested groups submitted proposals in December stating the purpose and goals of their group and were reviewed by a committee and approved by Butler, Rexwinkel said.

Butler said some advantages of the new housing area will include air conditioning, lounges with cable television, large opening windows, specially constructed handicapped rooms and possibly a fiber optic cable hookup that would allow for computer communication.

"After about a year or so," Butler said, "a real strong sense of recognition and community should be the result."

POLICE REPORT

Property destroyed during break-in

The front door of a Farnsworth Road home was kicked in during an attempted robbery Wednesday, Newark Police said.

The suspect smashed a Sylvania television and an electric heater, Newark Police said.

The cost of the door is estimated at $100 and all the damages total about $700, police said.

Man exposes himself on South Mall

A man in his mid 20s was seen exposing himself and fondling his genitals last Friday night on the South Mall, university police said.

No arrests have been made and there are no suspects, police said.

Atrium broken in Harrigton Dining Hall

A 2 foot by 4 foot window in the atrium of Harrington dining hall was broken Monday night with an unknown object, university police said.

The cost of fixing the window is estimated at $300, police said. There are no suspects.

Vending machine damaged by vandal

The glass was smashed on the front of a vending machine Thursday morning in Memorial Hall , university police said.

No property or money was reported missing and the cost of damages is about $150, university police said.

— Compiled by Jennifer Beck

Leslie D. Barbaro

From left: Malik Sekou (AS GM), Charles Johnson-Bey, Sharon Stanley (AS 91), Marvin Olds (EG 92) and Jennifer Peebles (AS DC) say minorities are overrepresented in gulf forces because recruiters lead blacks to believe the GI Bill is the only way to finance college.

Panel discusses blacks and war

Military recruiters target low-income and minority families, students say

By Julie Creech
Staff Reporter

Many of the blacks now serving in the Persian Gulf enlisted because of the military's offers to pay for their college educations and the lack of other job opportunities, a student panel said Friday night in Purnell Hall.

The panel, which consisted of seven black university students who spoke before an audience of 50, said that military recruiters use the G.I. Bill to target blacks from low-income families.

John Savage (AS 92), the host of the discussion, said the event was organized by a group of "concerned students," but not sanctioned by any student organization.

The G.I. Bill gives young men and women the opportunity to earn money for an education in exchange for military service.

"I come right from that group — a single-parent household," said panel member Charles Johnson-Bey, a graduate student in electrical engineering.

"They (recruiters) talk at us and say, 'You're really not going to make it anyway. How are you going to pay for college? Why don't you join the service and let us pay for you?' " he said.

Recruiters may lead young black people to believe that the G.I. Bill is the only way they can finance a college education, Johnson-Bey said.

"You have to be aware that anything can happen overnight," Stanley said. "A war could start or troops could be sent anyway."

Not all the blacks serving in the gulf enlisted because of the G.I. Bill, however.

Some black single mothers who enlisted for the money and benefits are now being called to active duty and have to leave their children to go to war, Savage said.

Fifty percent of the women serving in the Persian Gulf are black and about fifty percent of the black families in the United States are headed by single mothers, he said.

Jennifer Peebles (AS DC) said, "They're going to take the women from their children, so how are they going to be raised properly?"

"They're already setting the children up to be conditioned to either go out and steal or to turn to drugs," she said.

The panel said the media has ignored or overlooked minority troops in the gulf.

"You notice on the news when they interview people, all of the people that they interview are white," Johnson-Bey said.

"Why is this when there are so many of us over there?"

Stanley said, "Not only should we be protesting the war, we should be protesting the lack of information."

The panel members and the majority of the audience said although they are against the Persian Gulf War, they support the U.S. troops stationed in the Middle East.

The panel also discussed the lives of blacks after they return home from the gulf, including possible unemployment, homelessness and no government aid.

Germany expands cultural horizons

Famed scholar says effect will increase European creativity

By Jennifer Picone
Copy Editor

As the fall of the Berlin Wall broadened the boundaries of East and West Germany, it also opened doors to others cultures and expanded opportunities for Germans and Europeans for artistic experimentation and creativity, a German director said Thursday afternoon in Purnell Hall.

Heinz-Uwe Haus, an internationally acclaimed theater artist and East German scholar, said reconstruction of Germany is "binded together" with the cultural and social future of the European Community.

"The shared cultural and intellectual traditions fragmented for decades are a very specific source of energy for the shaping of a new Europe and global organization for peace," Haus told an audience of about 50 people.

Haus' speech "Awakening in Germany Towards Europe: Social and Cultural Change" was sponsored by the university's Professional Theatre Training Program (PTTP).

Haus is currently directing Bertolt Brecht's "The Caucasian Chalk Circle" to be presented by PTTP in spring 1992.

The ability to expand ideas beyond one society makes for a new view which can be "fresh and

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South African president moves to end apartheid

By Richard Jones
Administrative News Editor

World in REVIEW

Continuing a series of sweeping socio-political changes begun a year ago, South African President F.W. de Klerk last week proposed major reforms that would shake the foundations of his nation's apartheid system.

However, many opponents of apartheid, including South African political leader Nelson Mandela, believe that South Africa will remain an oppressive state until blacks can vote and take part in the government.

"We still have no vote. The state organs are still dominated by whites," Mandela said, who asked for continued economic sanctions against South Africa.

Apartheid, which is derived from an Afrikaans word that means "separateness," is a policy that segregates South Africa by mandating where non-whites can live and work. It denies the native black African population a political voice.

De Klerk's proposal calls for the abolition of the Lands Act, the Group Areas Act and the Population Registration Act, the cornerstones of apartheid.

The Population Registration Act specifies that every citizen of South Africa must register according to race as either white, colored, Indian or African.

The Lands Act and the Group Areas Act restrict where blacks can live, and reserve more than four-fifths of the land for the white population.

Although they outnumber whites five to one, blacks are forced to occupy specified areas, bantustans or homelands, in the remaining territory.

Apartheid policies were begun in 1948 by the National Party, composed of white Afrikaners, descendants of the Dutch immigrants who settled in South Africa in the late 17th century.

About a year ago, de Klerk stunned critics around the world by beginning a series of apartheid reforms by legalizing the African National Congress (ANC), an anti-apartheid organization whose deputy leader Mandela, lived as a political prisoner in South Africa for 27 years.

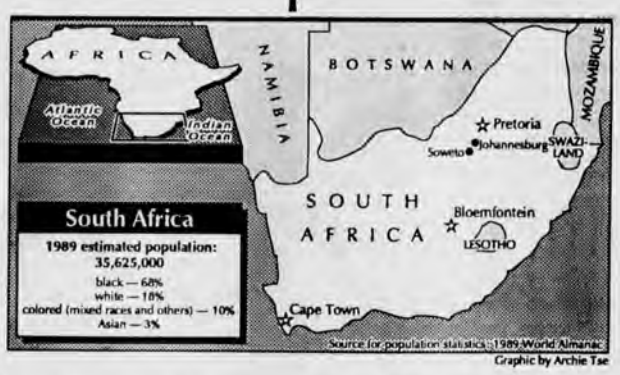
Anne Griffin, legislative director of TransAfrica, a Washington-based anti-apartheid group, said: "We're glad to see de Klerk is moving forward. But there's a difference between rhetoric and actual progress."

De Klerk has urged many bold changes but "still has some way to go," Griffin said.

"We don't want the administration to stop sanctions until there is a non-racial democracy built in South Africa," Griffin said. "Pressure still needs to be put on the government."

The United States government instituted a series of economic sanctions against the South African government in the mid-1980s to make public its condemnation of the apartheid system.

Many anti-apartheid groups also urged businesses to divest, or remove all financial investments, from businesses with investments in South Africa.



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David L. Colton, chairman of the Faculty Senate's Committee for Divestment, declined to comment whether the announcement would affect the committee's actions.

The university owns about $35 million in common stock in seven companies that invest in South Africa, including Du Pont, Bristol-Myers, Squibb and International Paper.

In 1988, the board of trustees acknowledged the university's anti-apartheid stance, but refused to totally withdraw its investments, saying it would lead to worse conditions for blacks in South Africa.

De Klerk does not have the ability to disband apartheid himself, but his National Party controls the Parliament and the proposal will probably pass by June.

However, Griffin said, de Klerk's proposals will not likely be implemented by June.

"I think we're all anxious to see how de Klerk plans to implement his proposal," she said. "We're anxious to see his vision of a new South Africa."

Cigarette tax revenues

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Now I don't trust him," he said.

Oberle introduced a bill to the state legislature yesterday which would set up a fund to designate the cigarette tax revenues for indigent health care.

Members of the state Health Care Commission have been working to prepare the programs for implementation since November, Maroney said.

The programs will concentrate on providing health care to those unable to afford it on their own.

Emphasis will be put on prenatal care and education for pregnant women, staffing medical clinics with more professionals, and providing care for young children and people who do not qualify for Medicaid and are too young to receive Social Security benefits.

The Health Care Commission is currently recruiting individuals to fill necessary medical care positions needed once the programs begin, Maroney said, but this process could take up to one year.

UPDATE
Persian Gulf War

Coalition forces capture Khafji

Coalition forces defeated Iraqi military aggressions and retained control of the Saudi town of Khafji, near the Kuwaiti border, last week after the most intense ground fighting of the war.

U.S. military officials said Iraqi troops suffered "heavy casualties" and 11 U.S. Marines were killed in the battle, eight by "friendly fire."

The friendly fire deaths were caused by the shrapnel and bomb spray from a U.S. cluster bomb. This brings the total of American casualties since the beginning of Operation Desert Storm to 33 dead and 29 missing in action.

More Iraqi planes touch down in Iran

U.S. military officials said Wednesday that 20 more Iraqi planes have landed in Iran, bringing the total to 120.

Iranian spokesmen have said the planes, 95 top-of-the-line fighters and 25 transports, will stay grounded until after the war has ended.

U.S. military advisers have said they are confused by the mass evacuations of Saddam Hussein's air force. One White House official has speculated the reason is that "we were kicking the crap out of [Saddam's] air force, and he didn't want to lose everything."

Iran offers to help negotiate peace

Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani said Tuesday his country would help construct a peaceful solution to end current hostilities in the Persian Gulf.

The Iraqi government had no comment about the Iranian offer and Bush administration officials said no cease-fire will be made unless Iraq begins a total withdrawal from Kuwait.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said: "We would be pleased, obviously, if anyone could get Saddam Hussein to fully comply with these U.N. resolutions. The only mediation in our opinion that would be appropriate would be for the people who communicate with Saddam Hussein to convince him to comply with the 12 United Nations resolutions."

Cheney, Powell to visit Mideast

In a press conference Tuesday, President George Bush said Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell will visit Saudi Arabia this week to assess the status of U.S. troops "firsthand."

Bush said the Cheney-Powell visit does not signal the beginning of a ground offensive, but he did say air power alone would not drive Iraq from Kuwait.

The president said that when the order is given to commit troops to a ground battle he has "total confidence that this decision will not be recommended unless [Cheney and Powell] know that it's the right thing to do."

When asked if he could give a 100 percent guarantee that the draft will not be reinstated, Bush replied, "I have absolutely no intention of reinstating the draft."

Students, faculty activated for military service

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could not confirm figures.

Three graduate students, two in the department of nursing and one in the department of communication, have been activated, said Mary Martin, administrator for Graduate Student Academic Affairs. She said the students, all of whom were pursuing masters degrees, have been granted one-year extensions on their timetable for graduating.

"The sad thing for students at the graduate level is that some of them are on graduate fellowships or have some other specific funding, which is good only for this year, and they're going to lose the funding," Martin said.

Brooks said he is concerned that there are more students who have been called to active duty, but who failed to contact the university to arrange leaves of absence.

"It's very possible someone left after fall [semester] and did not notify us. The problem is that individual will have to go through the readmission process," he said.

But, Brooks said, if any such student, or his or her family, contacts the university soon, an academic leave of absence could still be granted.

Rebates for housing, the student health fee and the comprehensive student fee will be pro-rated on the basis of the beginning of the student's academic leave, he added.

According to Richard B. Murray, acting provost and vice president for Academic Affairs, no spring semester courses or sections will be cancelled because faculty are called to military duty. Other faculty members will be assigned additional sections and temporary faculty may be hired to teach courses left open, he said.

However, Donald F. Crossan, dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences, said it is unlikely that anyone can be found to teach the course Mason was scheduled to teach this spring.

The department of Public Safety has also been affected by the Persian Gulf War.

Three police officers, two from the Newark campus and one from the Lewes campus, as well as a bus driver from the Newark campus, have been activated, according to Douglas F. Tuttle, director of Public Safety.

No Spring Semester courses or sections will be cancelled because faculty are called to military duty.

A request has been sent to the university's budget council to hire one police officer, Tuttle said. The council must approve any new hires because a university-wide hiring freeze was instituted Oct. 10.

"We do have two other full-time staff who are in the reserves, both of whom are police officers," Tuttle said. If the remaining officers who are in the reserves are activated, he said, Public Safety would definitely need to hire additional officers.

Murray, who is chairman of the budget council, said that exceptions to the hiring freeze are being handled on a case by case basis. "There will be a few exceptions," he said, "with the emphasis on few."

According to Vice President for Employee Relations Maxine R. Colm, any of the university's salaried and professional staff who are called to active duty in the military will receive a leave of absence without pay.

The positions of such salaried and professional staff are protected for 90 days, Colm said. After 90 days, the university may fill their position and offer returning staff "comparable jobs with no diminution in pay," she said.

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scorpions, lice, fleas and some of the flies that inhabit the Arabian Desert. Mason said some desert insects are dangerous because they carry diseases such as dysentery and sand fly fever.

Mason speculated that in a teaching role, he might be stationed at a base in Houston before leaving and on Wednesday his family confirmed that "Dad" had indeed gone there.

He noted, however, that he might not be assigned a teacher's role.

Instead, he could be used as a manager in medical specialists' training, which would mean field training medics in how to do their jobs.

Mason has had some connection with the U.S. military, which recently promoted him to the rank of lieutenant colonel, since he was an undergraduate at Colorado State University.

During the 20 years following his graduation, he served in the Kansas National Guard and a now-defunct civil affairs unit in Wilmington.

In 1978 he joined the 2076th Army Reserve Forces School on Kirkwood Highway in Wilmington, where he's been since.

His position at the reservists' school has also prepared him to teach basic courses in radio communication, military police operations, cooking and supply handling.

Speculating on the war's duration, Mason said, "I would think six to 12 months would be a short war, with enough time to get things done and cleaned up.

"A long war probably would be a year to two years," he said. "Beyond that people will wonder why it's taking so long."

Mason likened Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait to Hitler's ravaging of Czechoslovakia.

"Of course, [Hitler] took over Czechoslovakia with some objections, but it wasn't until he took four countries before the U.S. got involved," he said. "As I see it, maybe it's better that we're getting in this thing now."

Before he left, Mason said his orders are to serve up to one year, but he said that could change just as quickly as events in the gulf do.

German scholar speaks

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surprising," he said.

United Germany, Haus said, "will face demands from their allies and neighbors to prove themselves democratic and peace-loving while fulfilling the international obligation that comes with the status of a major power."

He said the international obligation calls for "a continuing push for European integration" and a major contribution to the world security.

Internally, Germany must now confront a rising unemployment rate and bankruptcy in the eastern region, Haus said.

"Now the time is over where we could excuse ourselves because of the divided nation," he said.

History is offering us an opportunity, a rare case where something can be changed for the better."

Dr. Heinz-Uwe Haus

Skaters go to contest

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"The hope for my dream [to skate with Ron in the nationals] to come true helped my leg to heal," McLean said.

Joel McKeever and Elaine Asanakis qualified for the nationals by finishing first in the 1991 Midwestern sectional competition.

"I knew that there was a chance to win the Midwesterns this year," McKeever said, "so we put the routine together with a little aggressiveness, and it really paid off."

At this time of year, Sargent said, the skaters are under a lot of pressure to keep healthy and physically fit, and need support from each other.

"I have never experienced a camaraderie like the one at Delaware," Sargent said. "We receive a lot of encouragement from each other, and that's important."

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

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OPINION

Time to divest

Last week, the need for the university to divest from South Africa became more urgent than ever before.

F.W. de Klerk, president of South Africa, has proposed reforms that would further break down the walls of apartheid.

The European Community has decided to lift economic sanctions against South Africa in light of de Klerk's announcements.

But this will only allow South Africa's apartheid to fester under the guise of surface changes.

De Klerk has not enacted the reforms, ecomonic pressure has.

Blacks still cannot vote. Apartheid oppresses non-whites, and until every vestige of the system is destroyed, sanctions cannot be lifted. New ones must be imposed.

And that means the university must divest.

The decision is moral. Investing money in an oppressive system is wrong.

The decision is political. Publicly endorsing the system encourages it to grow.

Last year, reforms in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe changed the face of international politics. Soviet president Mikhail Gorbachev was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for heading reforms that allowed unprecedented freedoms.

Today, that same man praised for perestroika and his committment to human rights faces charges that he ordered an army crackdown on Lithuania.

At least 15 defenseless people died

The lesson is simple.

Reform is a slow and arduous process that in the hands of any leader faces challenges from societies that reject change.

The Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Divestment must confront the evils of apartheid and do something to combat them rather than sticking its head in the sand.

Divestment is the only answer.

Clouding the issue

The United States government neared the line of admitting the danger of global warming Monday but failed to cross it.

At the opening day of the international global climate conference, the Bush administration issued its first policy paper recognizing that man-made pollutants contribute to global warming

But officials did not call for regulating emissions that cause the greenhouse effect.

This looks like just another case in which Bush says one thing and means another.

Money must be appropriated for research into cutting emissions.

This nation produces an estimated 57 percent of all the carbon dioxide emitted into the atmosphere and acknowledges the effects of releasing this and other gasses into the atmosphere.

And this nation also refuses to do a thing about it.

Virtually every industrialized nation in the world plans to cut carbon dioxide emissions, but the United States turns a big-business blind eye to it.

Some scientists say their reports deny that global warming even exists. But when the future of the planet is at stake, there is little to lose but the world itself.

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Keep pressure on South Africa

Kathleen Graham

Startling developments in South African politics have led many people and governments to advocate lifting economic sanctions, but that would be a hasty move.

Apartheid, the system that separates South African blacks and other races from the ruling white minority, is losing its strangiehold on the nation.

In a speech to Parliament last Friday, President F.W. de Klerk announced his intention to eliminate apartheid laws that force all citizens to register according to their races, set racial patterns for communities and regulate land ownership by race.

Although de Klerk's bold and surprising moves to end apartheid deserve praise, the country is still far from an ideal democratic republic.

Blacks, who comprise about 70 percent of the population, still cannot vote, and the whites still control the legislature.

De Klerk did not promise to free the political prisoners, which number between 600 and 3,000, or allow the 40,000 exiles to return.

He did not say he would repeal the security laws that give the police power to detain prisoners as long as they like without granting them a trial.

Moreover, de Klerk tied most of his initiatives to passage of "interim legislation" that would keep the laws' provisions in effect and his government in power.

African National Congress (ANC) leader Nelson Mandela says sanctions should continue.

He's right.

The recent changes occurred mostly because of international pressure from economic sanctions and divestment by private companies.

Foreign ministers from the 12 nations of the European Community already voted to lift remaining economic sanctions because they decided de Klerk's initiatives will lead to the complete end of apartheid and make South Africa a non-racial political system.

Maybe they're right, but governments should wait until South Africa has universal suffrage, and all groups are represented in Parliament before Pretoria can reap the benefits of increased trade.

Economic and political pressure should not end until every South African is granted the right to vote and a new constitution is written.

The constitution now in use provides some minority groups — colored (or those with mixed racial origins) and Indians — with their own, if basically inferior, parliamentary assemblies.

Without a new constitution that protects every citizen's civil rights and the right to vote and gives all groups a voice in Parliament, vestiges of apartheid will permit continued repression of certain groups.

The ANC, one organization that represents black South Africans, demands a one man, one vote election to form a constitutional assembly.

But de Klerk rejects this idea and advocates a multiparty conference.

If he refuses to bend on this matter, it may prove the pivotal stumbling block to constitutional reform.

Divestment and economic sanctions are working, but the job is not yet finished.

Unless the international community continues its push for reform, racial war may erupt and black South Africans may never be free.

Kathleen Graham is an associate news editor of The Review.

LETTERS

Heartfelt support

I am writing in response to the Feb. 1 editorial "Shallow Support" by Paul Kane.

My cousin's husband is a member of the United States Marine Corps and is stationed over in Saudi Arabia as a member of the Desert Storm Task Force.

In an act of support for him, my roommates and I tied a yellow ribbon to our balcony and car antennas. We do not feel that this is as Kane put it, "a nice, cute meaningless gesture."

To us, this is a way to show him that he has our full support and prayers that he and all the troops will return home safely.

Also, these ribbons and flags make people remember and be aware of the troops serving in Saudi Arabia.

As my cousin has expressed to me, these gestures really do help the troops — it makes them feel proud and thanked for the job they are doing in Saudi Arabia.

They appreciate the gestures immensely.

I take offense to Kane judging me for this gesture and implying that I, and the rest of the people supporting the war, would not be willing to do their part.

Right now, the only troops serving in the Middle East are volunteers. They chose to be a member of the U.S. military services. If this conflict continues and a draft is reinstated, I would be proud and honored to serve my duty for this country.

And I believe there are many other people that feel the same way.

Too many people are walking around the campus protesting the war without realizing the true issues attached to this war and the consequences of Saddam Hussein's actions.

Sharon P. Davis
(AS 92)

Story supports radicals

On Feb. 1, *The Review* informed me that a new campus group formed, Students Mobilized Against Saddam Hussein (SMASH).

WhileI am reluctant to endorse the war that has been estimated to cost the U.S. $500 million everyday and will leave hundreds if not thousands dead, I fully support the rights of SMASH members to do so.

Diversity of opinions is important in any academic setting, and I am pleased to see some of my peers engaging in nonviolent political activism.

What disappoints me about about the article, however, is that it presents SMASH and its hawkish platform as the most popular, if not only, opinion on campus.

Front-page coverage in a newspaper usually denotes a major event or popular movement. Does SMASH, an extremist band of war-mongers and campus GOP veterans, really qualify?

To me they seem less than newsworthy, the sale and manufacture of their own T-shirts notwithstanding.

As the only student-run newspaper, *The Review* has an extraordinary responsibility to its readers. That includes covering, not glorifying, singular viewpoints that exist on campus. Please stop functioning as a publicity document for any and all extremists.

The university and its student body have enough image problems as it is.

Joe Testa
(AS 92)

Josh Putterman

Cloaking death

President Bush, when gazing into his bathroom mirror every morning, may be eyeballing the image of another famous Texan, Lyndon Baines Johnson.

If he looks too long, however, he may find himself following LBJ's footsteps out of the White House.

After being elected president in 1964, Johnson increased the number of Americans in Vietnam, something he said he wouldn't do during the campaign. He paid the price four years later, and so did his Democratic Party.

In 1991, by not allowing the media to cover the arrival at Dover Air Force Base of coffins filled with service personnel killed during Operation Desert Storm, Bush is still spoon-feeding the United States with a "kinder, gentler nation" promise that has about as much taste as a jar of Gerber's applesauce.

This is war, Mr. President, not an election campaign. *We are not babies.* Tell us the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Death is inevitable — that is especially the case during a war — and it is just not like our government to not let the reporters and cameras in to cover events at Dover.

Without the media watching the unloading of bodies, death becomes impersonal. It isn't a soldier dying anymore — it becomes the addition of another statistic to an ever-increasing pile of digits announced on the nightly news.

Under Bush's leadership, the Department of Defense is saying that our soldiers are dying in combat, but it really doesn't want to show the public the flag-draped coffins being taken out of a C-5.

The policy taints Operation Desert Storm by not allowing the nation, as a whole, to honor its war dead. Such disrespect is upon what the anti-war movement thrives.

Dover is one of two U.S. military bases that serves as a mortuary for those killed in the line of duty. The base receives bodies from the Atlantic Ocean east to Pakistan and it will get practically all the casualties that occur during the liberation of Kuwait.

Any sort of ceremony for the fatalities of Operation Desert Storm, said the spokesman for the Department of Defense, will be held on an individual "box-by-box" basis.

Could it be that the federal government, one that honored the fallen Marines from Beirut and the Challenger astronauts with highly publicized services on the Dover tarmac, is trying to pull the wool over the public's eyes by not letting them see a brand new clip of a coffin on the 6:00 news?

In some nations it is the highest honor to die for your country. Locking out media at Dover makes the United States look like a third-rate nation.

Bush's orders make the death of an American soldier seem like nothing was ever done to honor the person in a public ceremony.

If Bush wants to deceive the public in this manner, he might want to know more about how Johnson basically lied to the public.

After all, Bush keeps insisting that the liberation of Kuwait will not be another Vietnam.

Josh Putterman is a managing editor of The Review.

vivant

Have you heard the one about...

By Darin Powell
Executive Editor

I've got a great story.

It's true, I swear. It happened to a friend of my roommate's mother:

Two ministers were driving in Washington D.C. when they saw a long-haired hitchhiker on the side of the road.

The one who was driving didn't usually pick up hitchhikers, but for some reason he felt compelled to give this guy a lift. He stopped the car, and the hitchhiker got in the back seat.

The two ministers started talking about the Persian Gulf War, and then the guy in the back suddenly said, "It's later than you think."

The two ministers turned around, and the hitchhiker was gone.

Shaken, they drove to the nearest phone to call the police. The police told them they had received 18 similar reports that day.

If you think you've heard this one before, you probably have.

Like the spider eggs in Bubble Yum and the killer with a hook for a hand, the story of the vanishing hitchhiker is an urban legend — a popular tale passed from person to person, often masquerading as truth.

The vanishing hitchhiker legend dates back to the turn of the century. In the original tale, a driver picks up a young woman dressed in white, who turns out to be a ghost and disappears from the car upon reaching her destination.

During the 1960s, the story changed and the hitchhiker became a hippie who looked like Jesus and prophesied about the second coming of Christ.

Now, with a war in the Middle East and protests at home, the story has been adapted yet again.

"These stories, a lot of them tend to get recycled. There's something both timely and timeless about them," says university professor Dr. Robert Bethke, whose folklore class examines urban legends.

"The issues now have certain parallels to the past," Bethke says. "The circumstances themselves are rather archetypal and timeless."

Urban legends are ubiquitous. People tell them at parties, at bars,

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Three men and a ghost???

By Darin Powell
Executive Editor

He's not listed in the credits, he's only on screen for a second and he's dead.

Despite these obstacles, the ghost that allegedly haunts the film "Three Men and a Baby" has become one of the nation's hottest movie stars.

And he's not even a ghost.

The face in the window during one brief scene is just a reflection of a cardboard cutout of actor Ted Danson.

Nevertheless, the tale has become one of this year's hottest urban legends, says urban legend expert Jan Harold Brunvand.

According to the legend, the ghastly face is the ghost of a young boy who either died or was murdered in the apartment where the scene was shot.

During the scene, Ted Danson's character shows off his baby to his mother, and the visage briefly appears in a window. Some viewers also claim to see a shotgun.

But no ghost could haunt the apartment because the apartment doesn't exist.

"It's not an apartment. It's a set, so there isn't any family that ever lived there," Brunvand says.

In Newark, the "haunting" has led to a run on video stores, as eager viewers rush to glimpse the ghost.

"It's a popular rental because of the story," says Kristin Schurr (AS

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Neil Young blends feedback and politics at Garden

By Jay Cooke
Managing Editor

NEW YORK — Madison Square Garden mutated into a gigantic garage Monday night as perennial rocker Neil Young and prized backing band Crazy Horse collaborated with apprentice Sonic Youth for a three hour celebration of electric guitar grunge.

Feedback whined, solos soared and Young's voice rang out with its trademark crack during the show, which featured choice musical selections spanning Young's career.

Young has such an enormous wealth of material that he has joined the ranks of the Grateful Dead and Bob Dylan as an artist with so many songs to choose from, the audience has no clue as to what he will play at a particular concert.

The fans in the crowd hoping to see Young wield a harmonica and an acoustic guitar and sing his mellow material proabably ran screaming from the Garden during Sonic Youth's opening act, which was a wonderful assortment of grinding guitars, booming bass and frantic drumming.

Sonic Youth, which usually plays small clubs and bars, never seemed dwarfed in the Garden. Rather, the band responded enthusiastically with a variety of songs including "Eric's Trip," "The Crucifixion of Sean Penn" and "Disappeared," the newest single.

CONCERT REVIEW
Neil Young and Crazy Horse
Madison Square Garden, New York
Monday February 4

Young and Crazy Horse picked up where Sonic Youth left off, with a set featuring several 10 minute anthems and jams, all of which were *very* loud.

Young, never bashful about shifting musical gears during his 25-year career, reaffirmed his love and respect for the basic garage band — lead and rhythm guitarists, bassist and drummer — on his acclaimed 1990 album "Ragged Glory," after which this tour is named.

Songs from "Ragged Glory" dominated the set list and provided some of the evening's finest moments. "Love to Burn" and "F*!#in' Up" stood out especially, as Young used both numbers to launch into some of his more intricate soloing and chordplay.

Young and Crazy Horse often stopped between songs to tune their instruments, creating a sense of nervous anticipation among the crowd, with people yelling out favorite song titles and other requests.

The highlights of the show, "Cortez the Killer," "Cinnamon Girl," "Powderfinger" and encore "Tonight's the Night" to name a few, had one common element — improvisational freedom for Young and his bandmates to solo at will. In other words, pure garage band magic.

The concert also assumed an overriding political tone, as Young teased the audience with a see-saw ride of overtly pro- and anti-American musical and visual images.

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Pumpin' it up at fitness center

By Laura Lallone
Staff Reporter

Sweatbands and Walkmans are dawned on bodies dripping with perspiration. In the background, Paula Abdul belts out her lyrics as the room heats with activity.

Since its opening last March, the Student Fitness Center has enticed more than 3,000 students to engage in its aerobic benefits.

Students can climb the height of Mt. Everest, row the distance of the English Channel and cycle the length of the Tour de France.

And they can achieve all of this in a converted racquetball court in the back of Carpenter Sports Building.

But the center cannot meet everyone's fitness needs as M. Loreto Jackson, the center's coordinator, openly admits.

"Our goal is to offer a place for students to work out on state-of-the-art equipment without feeling intimidated," Jackson says.

The center differs from a gym. It emphasizes health and fitness through cardiovascular training —not free-weight power lifting.

Members can schedule up to three 20-minute intervals per day, depending on their fitness needs.

No barbell-lifting muscle men take the run of the place. And Hans and Frans are not around "to pump you up."

One of the center's greatest assets, according to Jackson and student members, is the well-trained, all-student staff.

"If you have money you can have good equipment," Jackson says, "but a trained staff makes a great difference."

Staff members give a brief orientation of the center's 24 pieces of equipment to students before they can hold a membership.

The equipment includes an upper body machine, stationary bicycles, rowers, cross-country ski machines, treadmills and Stairmasters.

According to the staff supervisor Eric Luque (PE 91), only about 20 percent of the center's members actually use it three to four times a week. But reserving machines is still difficult and the more popular machines require a day's notice.

And the demand for equipment is increasing, as 600 students joined in January alone.

Charlie Chatterton, the center's fitness specialist, says the membership "skyrocketed" during Winter Session because students had more time to concentrate on fitness, and the weather stayed cold.

"We know that we need a whole lot more equipment," says Jackson. She says the center is lucky to have the support of the administration, as it was not affected by the recent budget cuts.

"The administration recognizes the importance of the center," she says. "We know that we are playing a major role in people's lives."

Leslie D. Barbaro
Mike Posner (AS 94) rides the Student Fitness Center's Liferower.

Buy a bag, and throw up in it

By Johanna Murphy
Entertainment Editor

MOVIE REVIEW
Popcorn (R)
Studio Three
Director..... Mark Herrier
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What's a movie without popcorn? Popcorn always has enhanced the movie-going experience.

This was true until Studio Three Film Corporation released its latest attempt at horror, "Popcorn." This one is enough to make Orville Redenbacher cringe.

Watching a three-hour marathon of Jiffy-Pop commercials would be more enjoyable than 10 minutes of "Popcorn."

This film is more than bad. It's awful. Writers Mitchell Smith and Tod Hackett deserve most of the blame for this disaster. The dialogue is predictably trite.

Expect nothing original here. Take a low-budget "Nightmare on Elm Street," add a 10-ton mosquito, and you've got "Popcorn."

The redundant plot centers around an all-night horror film festival planned by film students and their professor. While cleaning a theater in preparation for the "Horrorthon" they stumble across "Possessor," a lost cult film.

After viewing it, strange things begin to happen, especially to Maggie (Jill Schoelen), one of the students. She soon discovers that her recurring nightmare, in which she witnesses a human sacrifice and runs through fire, is actually a flashback from her childhood.

A very angry man with a burned body and pins in his face then starts killing the moviegoers in retribution for his deformity. After he kills, he uses his victim's faces to make casts for rubber masks.

Gee, how terrifying.

This Freddy Krueger-wanna-be, Toby (Tom Villard), looks like the Scarecrow from the "Wizard of Oz" and is about as terrifying as the Pillsbury Doughboy.

"Popcorn" also fails at its attempts at symbolism. While the "Horrorthon's" audience is watching ridiculous horror films, Toby murders his victims in ways being shown on the screen. Reality is supposed to reflect the screen actions.

The only symbolism achieved, however, is the parallel between the stupidity being shown to the

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Young and Youth

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A black tapestry adorned with a giant white peace sign served as the sole backdrop for the stage, which was devoid of much else besides the band's instruments.

When the lights dimmed and turned the Garden black, signaling the start of Young's show, a stagehand clad in overalls and workboots wandered onstage, erected a tall pole and strung a long yellow ribbon from it, eliciting whistles and "U.S.A." chants from the crowd.

This patriotic fervor multiplied when an unseen guitar began wailing "The Star-Spangled Banner," Jimi Hendrix style, to open the show.

When the entire band hit the stage and jumped into "Hey, Hey, My, My," the Garden shuddered from the overwhelming audience applause of singing and shouting.

Young responded by reversing the political focus of the show with an charged version of "Crime in the City," a scathing song lamenting the decay of the American infrastructure and the corrosion of family morals, from 1989's "Freedom" LP.

The passion and anger in Young's voice quelled the patriotic atmosphere and reassured the crowd that Neil Young retains a critical eye aimed at political and social injustices.

Any doubt about Young's political feelings was erased when he closed the show with "Rockin' in the Free World." Although some in the audience assumed this to be a pro-American song, it is instead a biting commentary, with definitely anti-President Bush lyrics ("We got a kinder, gentler machine gun hand").

Neil Young and Crazy Horse

Lights shaped like peace signs bathed the Garden, further recalling that Neil Young, the man who penned "Ohio" and helped organize Farm Aid, remained politically astute.

And the music proved he still loves to plug it in and get loud.

'Popcorn'

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"Horrorthon" audience and that being shown to the "Popcorn" audience.

This film was doomed from the day the script was completed. The special effects include a huge killer mosquito and a light show that rivals that of any lava lamp. Special, however, can't be used to describe any aspect of this film.

The best thing about this disaster is it is only 93 minutes long.

Don't even wait for this to come out on video. It wouldn't be worth adjusting the tracking on the VCR.

Unless cheese is your favorite variety, avoid "Popcorn" at all costs.

A ghost in the window?

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93), an employee of Newark Video on Elkton Road. "People want to know exactly what scene it was in."

Greg Aftomis, another Newark Video employee, claims to be an expert on the ghost.

"I've seen it every possible way. I've seen it slowed down to one-hundreth of a second. It's a cardboard cutout of Ted Danson with a hat on," Aftomis says.

"If you slow it down with good equipment, you can see it clearly."

At Blockbuster Video in the College Square Shopping Center, employee Beth Weber says their customers are also renting the movie "because they want to look for the ghost."

Blockbuster employees played the video on the in-store VCR so everyone could see the ghost. "It gave me chills when I saw it," Weber says.

Brunvand says he has heard several explanations. One claims the face belonged to a boy working on the set; another contends director Leonard Nimoy had allowed a relative to appear in the movie by letting him stand behind the window curtain.

The legend has a long history. Stories of ghostly faces appearing in photographs or mirrors are widespread in American folklore.

Despite the explanations, people still discuss the spirit and rent the film to find it.

"It did indeed spur rentals of the video," Brunvand says. "That's urban legends at work, I guess."

Urban legends flourish... but don't believe 'em

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in dining halls, dorms and offices.

Almost everyone has heard them. They range from the tale of Life cereal spokesman "Mikey" dying after eating Pop Rocks candy and drinking soda to the legend of alligators breeding in the New York City sewer and the Mickey Mouse stickers laced with LSD.

Some legends, like the mouse found floating in a bottle of soda, or the extra-crispy rat in the box of fried chicken, may have a basis in fact. Others are modern equivalents of the tall tale.

"A lot of these stories, if you think about them, have an implausibility factor," Bethke says. "Someone who is familiar with the pattern should take them with a grain of salt."

The legends are often told as true accounts, but lack specifics. Often the teller will say they know the person involved, or claim they read it in a newspaper.

Dr. Jan Harold Brunvand, a noted folklorist and author, debunks many urban legends, both in his books and a twice-weekly newspaper column.

"They have an appeal of suspense, humor or horror, and they sound plausible. People who repeat them as true think they really happened to someone."

Brunvand is not surprised the Persian Gulf War is generating new legends.

Before the war, widespread rumors circulated about the government manufacturing large numbers of coffins.

Now, he says, stories have surfaced about muggers and rapists who target homes with yellow ribbons, thinking that the man of the house has gone to the Middle East.

"It's an idiotic idea because almost everyone has a yellow ribbon, and women are going to war as well as men," Brunvand says.

Although urban legends pop up everywhere, universities provide an ideal breeding ground.

"A college campus is the perfect place for spreading these stories," Bethke says. "There is a lot of face to face interaction."

Brunvand identifies several urban legends that often appear on campuses. One of the most common is students collecting soda can pull tabs to help kidney patients receive dialysis treatment.

Groups that collect the tabs still question Brunvand about whether the story is true. But he adds that.a little common sense is all that's necessary to disprove it. "Why bother with the little tabs when you can collect the whole can," Brunvand says.

Another popular college fable includes the sinking library. In this story, the architects of the campus library forgot to account for the weight of all the books. As a result, the building is sinking into the ground.

Bethke says many urban legends are cautionary tales, warning about dangerous behavior or embarrassing situations. They relay fears or anxieties about modern life.

Tales such as the cat in the microwave, the baby sitter who cooks the infant or the man who shows up nude to his surprise party reflect these kinds of concerns.

The stories also spread simply because they're fun to tell.

"I think partly it's a literary appeal — telling a good story," Brunvand says. "They also tend to reflect the world the way you think it is."

SPORTS

Leslie D. Barbaro

Steve Trombetta (above) of St. Joseph's University won the high jump, while Delaware's Steve Argentiero (right) set a school freshman record in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 4:04.50.

Record-setters sparkle indoors

By Paul Kane
Assistant News Editor

Several school and meet records were broken this weekend at the Delaware Invitational indoor track and field meet.

Delaware men's and women's track and field coaches Jim Fischer and Sue McGrath-Powell were pleased with their team's performances.

Sophomore Jill Riblett led the women with a first-place finish and a school record in the 800-meter run with a time of 2 minutes, 20.02 seconds.

"I didn't even know what the school record was," Riblett said. "Somebody had to tell me the next day that I broke the record."

McGrath-Powell said Riblett had been close to breaking the record all season, "and that it was just a matter of time before she actually broke it.

"Jill hasn't reached her full potential yet," McGrath-Powell said. "She will go faster this season."

Michele Curcio placed first in the 20-pound weight throw with a toss of 47 feet, 1 1/2 inches.

Curcio did not have enough competition to push her to throw farther than she could have thrown, McGrath-Powell said.

Donna Crumety of St. Joseph's University broke her own Field House and meet record in the triple jump with a leap of 41-3.

In the men's competition, Wade Coleman and Rob Graham led the Hens with first place finishes.

Coleman, who has already qualified for the NCAA championships in the 35-pound weight throw, threw it 60-10 3/4.

Graham jumped 23-3 1/4 in the long jump. He was followed by Randy Lambert, who finished second with a jump of 22-9 3/4.

Fischer said freshmen Steve Argentiero and Bryan Denbrock had spotlight performances for the men's team.

Argentiero set a freshman school record in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 4:04.50.

Denbrock was clocked at 15:35.9 in the 5,000-meter run for another freshman record.

In the shot put, Rob Sehnert of the U.S. Naval Academy threw for 58-8, both a Delaware Field House and a meet record.

Both the men's and women's teams race today at the Field House against Catholic University, Columbia, Lehigh and La Salle beginning at 5:30.

Shorthanded men tumble in Hartford

By Tara Finnegan
Sports Editor

The Delaware men's basketball team found that seven players does not make a team in its 82-68 defeat to the University of Hartford.

The Hens were understaffed due to the loss of center Spencer Dunkley and guards Ricky Deadwyler and Andre Buck (suspensions resulting from an altercation Saturday night in Southington, Conn.) and guard Brad Bell (ankle injury).

"We could have used Dunkley's defense," said Delaware coach Steve Steinwedel.

Dunkley, the team's leading rebounder at 10.3 per game, was missed inside as the Hens (8-12 overall, 3-4 in the East Coast Conference, not counting last night's game) were outrebounded, 42-38.

"We didn't play well in segments in the first half, especially in the late going," Steinwedel said. "We let them get a run in the second half, but we answered and got back under control.

"We had some opportunities after that, but we just couldn't pull it out."

Hartford (9-11) jumped out to a 44-34 lead at the half. But with 2 minutes, 30 seconds left to play, Hens' guard Kevin Blackhurst hit a three-pointer to pull the Hens within five.

"We got to within five and we just couldn't get any easy baskets near the end," Blackhurst said.

And the Hens would get no closer. The Hawks' Larry Griffith sunk two foul shots and a layup Vin Baker (game-high 23 points) extended Hartford's lead to 10.

Blackhurst hit another three-pointer with 1:15 left, but Hartford scored the final eight points of the game to close out the game.

On Saturday, it was the Hens closing out the contest with a 63-59 victory over ECC opponent Central Connecticut State University (3-17, 1-5 ECC, not including last night's game).

Junior center Denard Montgomery led the Hens with 14 points and Mark Murray added 12.

Blackhurst hit three foul shots in the final 28 seconds to put the Hens ahead 63-59 and clinch the win.

"Towards the end we started rebounding better," Blackhurst said.

The Hens will face Rider College tomorrow at 3:15 at the Delaware Field House in an ECC contest.

Men — Monday
Hartford 82, Delaware 68

DELAWARE—Wright 4-11 4-5 12, Coles 5-12 0-1 10, Montgomery 2-2 4-6 8, Blackhurst 4-13 2-2 13, Murray 4-9 8-9 16, Haughton 2-9 0-0 5, Benton 2-8 0-0 4. Totals 23-64 18-23 68.

HARTFORD—Griffiths 6-7 4-4 16, Matthews 0-0 0-0 0, Baker 8-15 7-9 23, Moye 8-16 0-0 22, Spence 1-3 0-0 2, Diggs 1-6 2-2 4, Kusmirek 1-2 0-0 2, Ayer 4-8 0-0 9, Pritikin 0-4 2-2 2, Roderick 0-1 2-2 2, Daniel 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-62 17-19 82.

Halftime—Hartford, 44-34. Three-point goals—Delaware 4-14 (Coles 0-1, Blackhurst 3-5, Murray 0-2, Haughton 1-3, Benton 0-3), Hartford 7-14 (Moye 6-10, Spence 0-1, Ayer 1-2, Pritikin 0-1). Fouled out—Murray, Haughton. Rebounds—Delaware 38 (Montgomery 10), Hartford 42 (Griffiths 11). Assists—Delaware 11 (Montgomery 3), Hartford 17 (Moye 5). Total fouls—Delaware 18, Hartford 20. A—1,571.

Saturday, Feb. 2
Delaware 63, Cent. Conn. St. 59

McCarthy makes pass at assist mark

By Josh Putterman
Managing Editor

The Delaware women's basketball team won its first East Coast Conference championship in 1989. Bridget McCarthy was on the court as a sophomore starter.

When the Hens repeated their title season last year, McCarthy was on the court again as a starter.

Now that the team is looking for an unprecedented third straight ECC crown, take a wild guess at who might be on the court starting for Delaware.

"I'm a self-pronounced unsung hero," said the 5-foot-4 spark plug. "I feel like I do all the little things that maybe people wouldn't notice.

"But I'll be the first to let everyone know on the team [that] 'I 'D'ed that girl up, that's why I got that steal.'"

As the team's point guard she has racked up 345 career assists (entering last night's game), 13 shy of the school record currently held by Sue Whitfield (1984-88).

Most of those have come in a stretch where Bridget has started 58 of 59 games since Feb. 3, 1989.

The last 19 games — the 1990-91 season, so far — haven't been like the days of old for her. "I didn't realize how well I had it when I had Debbie [Eaves] and Sharon [Wisler]," McCarthy said of the Hens' No. 1 and No. 3 career scoring leaders who finished their careers last year.

With the top three scorers (Eaves, Wisler and Robin Stoffel) from last year's team graduating, Bridget was tabbed by the ECC coaches as a second team all-conference preseason pick, but the honor doesn't pressure her.

Leslie D. Barbaro

Senior guard Bridget McCarthy holds a school record with eight steals in one game.

"I feel like I do whatever the team needs me to do," said the Archbishop Carroll High School graduate from Ardmore, Pa.

Her layup with three seconds to play was needed to break a 56-56 tie earlier this year to beat ECC preseason favorite Central Connecticut State. "That never happens to me," she said.

"Those kinds of things don't happen," said Joyce Perry, Delaware head coach, in agreement. "But I think a lot of good things have happened."

"Usually, when it's close, I'm not even in the game," Bridget said. "That tends to get me really down.

"Of course, I think I want to be in there to win. It just proves that I can't do [everything] if they can win even with me not in there.

"I think I just have to look at it differently ... like breaking the assist mark — probably the only time in my career I'll get recognized."

Swimming pays for Lynn Trelease

Delaware, Drexel highlight race for conference title

By Alain C. Nana-Sinkam
Assistant Sports Editor

Some people just don't care about money.

As strange as it may seem, Lynn Trelease decided to come swim at the University of Delaware because she *wasn't* offered an athletic scholarship.

"Some of my friends had gone to other schools to swim on scholarships," said the senior from Longmeadow, Mass. "It was tough for them because they couldn't stop swimming because of the money."

"I knew the swimmers here were swimming because they wanted to, not because they had to."

Delaware swimming coach John Hayman said Trelease, the Hens' top swimmer in the 200-yard freestyle, will be a key performer at the East Coast Conference Swimming Championships today and tomorrow at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

"She has an excellent work ethic," said the second-year coach.

Michael A. Cherubini

Senior Lynn Trelease and the rest of the women's swimming team are looking for the Hens' second ECC title in the last three years.

The Hens will have to outswim favored Drexel University in order to capture their second title in the last three years.

In her four years at the university, Trelease set the 500-yard freestyle record with a time of 5 minutes, 11.49 seconds, and was a member of the record-setting 800-yard relay team with a time of 7:58.37.

She also endured countless 6 a.m. practices and even a coaching change during her junior year, when Hayman replaced Christopher Ip in November 1989.

"That was tough," she said. "It took some time to get used to, but we had a lot of confidence in Coach Hayman's workouts."

Hayman is very excited about Trelease's potential at the championships. "She knows what she wants to accomplish," he said.

Trelease said she is hoping to close out her career at Delaware with a strong individual and team showing at ECCs.

"They [Drexel] have a lot of excellent swimmers at their top spots," she said. "but I think we have better swimmers at the second and third spots. Hopefully we can use our depth against them."

Hayman echoed Trelease's sentiments. "We have nothing to lose. The kids are really psyched about this weekend."

Trelease said keys to her success include the support of her teammates, but she also realizes that all of that support disappears when she dives into the pool.

"You can only hear so much when you're swimming," she said. "That desire has to be inside of you."

And, as far as Lynn Trelease is concerned, it is the type of desire that you can't buy.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 2
Delaware 81, Cent. Conn. St. 71 (OT)

WRESTLING
Tuesday, Feb. 5
American 23, Delaware 19

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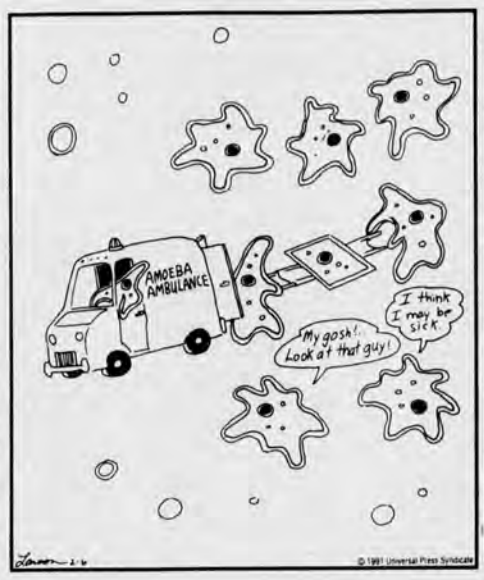

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