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Delayed construction of Lang Development Group apartments leaves students stranded in hotels

JACOB ORLEDGE and KATHERINE NAILS

Investigative News Editor and Assistant Mosaic Editor

The Review approximates that Lang Development Group has siphoned 133 students into hotel rooms around campus due to slowed construction.

Although students initially expected to be able to move into their new apartments on Aug. 25, a series of delays has kept them stranded in hotels across campus as inconveniences pile up three weeks into the semester.

In the previous year, students signed leases with the Lang Development Group to live in brand-new apartment complexes that were slated for completion in August.



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The Mill Townhomes, a Lang Development Group property, remain unfinished as of Tuesday.

including weather. As a result, Lang Development Group is paying for students to live in several hotels situated around campus.

The Homewood Suites across from the football stadium on South Campus.

The Review conducted interviews with nine of the stranded tenants and analyzed a series of emails that Lang

Development Group sent notifying tenants of construction progress and, inevitably, a delayed move-in date.

Sophomore Madeline Kelly was planning on living in The Lofts at Center Street, but instead, she

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SGA cabinet on decision not to hold fall elections, year's plans

CALEB OWENS Managing News Editor

Oftentimes, inheritances are good things. Whether it's a great aunt's will that pays the tuition, or an 18th century monocle from your grandpa's grandpa.

On the website, numerous sections are left blank, and one will find SGA's 2014 senate schedule. If a student seeks the names of their current representatives, they will find the cabinet member profiles from 2013.

According to SGA President Natalie Criscenzo, these problems,

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"We want action, we want change": University students protest DACA repeal

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On Monday, students congregated outside Memorial Hall in support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

HOLA, the largest on-campus gender-inclusive Hispanic community and a Registered Student Organization (RSO), partnered with the university in condemning the actions of President Donald J. Trump.

On the south side of Memorial Hall, crowds listened to Dean of Students Jose-Luis Riera and members of HOLA's executive board speak in favor of DACA.

According to Nicole Mejia, HOLA's president, the RSO channelled the rally's efforts against the impending DACA repeal to denounce the federal government's actions towards "dreamers."

This protest comes just two weeks after President Trump called for the repeal of DACA. Nearly 800,000 dreamers are protected under the Obama-era immigration program.

In light of the repeal of DACA, university President Dennis Assanis, through an email to the university community, offered his support of DACA students.

"We're not condemning the university yet, at least, because they have been making the effort to support students," Mejia said.

In contrast, a collective, called No Blue Hen is Illegal, which originally surfaced last May as a petition, took to the north side of Memorial Hall to vocally condemn the university.

"We were in full support of the DACA rally that HOLA organized," Stefanie Hamill, a representative of No Blue Hen is Illegal, said.

The petition demanded the university "provide security and equal educational opportunities for undocumented/ DACA students" and "provide help, such as legal services or emergency funds, should an immigrant student face detention or deportation proceedings" among other requests.

President Assanis did not agree to fulfill the petition's 10 requests, and instead issued a response, claiming that the university will "protect DACA students to the full extent of the law."

"They've completely ignored us," Hamill said.

In addition, No Blue Hen is Illegal was told that they would not be able to present their own stories or offer constructive critiques for the university.

"We're not against them," Hamill said. "We're standing for the same thing, we're just saying that we have to push this further."

However, Mejia said that the university is doing "underground work" to help undocumented students.

At HOLA's rally, members of the executive board encouraged attendees to contact their local representatives in order to take further action in condemning the repeal of DACA.

Senior Joaquin Martinez, draped in a Chilean flag, quietly stood in solidarity with undocumented university students.

"I find it horrible that they don't get any kind of protection or kind of amnesty, because it really isn't their fault," Martinez said.

A march around the South Green followed the rally, with participants chanting phrases such as "immigrants are welcome here" and "our dreams are not illegal."

Casey Fallon, who is a representative of No Blue Hen is Illegal, acknowledged the legitimacy of HOLA's rally, but questioned its effectiveness.

"While the other rally that was held today was extremely important in raising visibility for the issues that undocumented and documented students face



XANDER OPIYO/THE REVIEW

Students from HOLA march on the South Green on Monday.

on this campus, it isn't going to incite any change that will actually support that community," Fallon said.

While condemning the university response to the repeal of DACA, Fallon and approximately 50 other students voiced their concerns with university treatment of marginalized groups.

"We want our university president to take action," senior Keenan Faison said.

As bands of students left class, Faison and other student activists spoke through a megaphone to display their disapproval of university administration.

"No Blue Hen is Illegal, No human is illegal," the students shouted.

Maria Jose Riera, the program coordinator of the English Language Institute (ELI), also attended the rally.

"I work mostly with international students and I support that every student on this campus has equal access and

opportunity to feeling safe and feeling supported on the campus and I wanted to hear what the students were looking for," Riera said.

Riera applauded the students for developing an action plan and encouraged them to speak with administration.

Faison, on the other hand, feels that the administration has not been receptive to No Blue Hen is Illegal's mission.

"Back in the '70s here at this very school, there was a sit-in and a protest and they got change happening on this campus because over 300-something students sat in various academic buildings and they did not move," Faison said.

HOLA's rally concluded without any specific call to action, while No Blue Hen is Illegal initiated discussion on a peaceful sit-in.

"I am ready to see radical change on this campus," Faison said. "I am ready to do what it takes. We have more power than you guys think. We can sit in a building, we can sit on steps, we can refuse to go to classes, we can do what it takes."

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# No justice at all: A Blue Hen's account of the Venezuela crisis

MITCHELL PATTERSON  
Staff Reporter

Daily life in Venezuela is fraught with danger: rioters flood the streets and force citizens to hide in their homes, food and medicine are difficult to procure, the police brutalize and arrest innocents and the courts are corrupt. This description of the South American humanitarian crisis is not only a newsreel of a far away country. To some, like 17-year-old Victor Ramirez Delgado, it is a terrifying reality.

"I just can't go out, day or night ... I was insecure," Delgado explained. "I had to stay home because the level of crime was so high that anyone could kill you in the street and there would be no punishment at all."

Delgado is a freshman at the university. He recently fled Venezuela with his family and has lived in the United States for about a month. His account of daily life in his poverty-stricken country is authentic and alarming. It portrays a chaotic nation drowning in violence, corruption and extreme scarcity.

"We were just looking for a normal life, for opportunity, for a life that could be prosperous," Delgado said. "In Venezuela, neither I nor my parents could ever achieve something like that."

In 2013, following the death of Hugo Chávez, President Nicolás Maduro assumed the presidency. Crime and poverty have risen dramatically as a result of President Maduro's economic policies, most of which are a continuation of former President Chavez's agenda. Caracas, Venezuela's capital, has been ranked the world's most dangerous city, with a murder rate of approximately 120 homicides for every 100,000 residents, according to the Citizens' Council for Public Security and Criminal Justice in Mexico. In 2014, mass protests began in 2014 following declining nationwide living standards, leading to the election of an opposition party controlling the National Assembly.

"It's full of violence. I was, for my life, imprisoned or isolated inside of my house, or in my school," Delgado said. "I could not go into the street and feel safe at all. You have to stay locked inside your house because of how difficult it is to go out, with all the risks, to go out and do any of the things that you can do anywhere else in the world."

Many Venezuelans are starving due to food shortages and most citizens have difficulty buying basic necessities.

"Homicides happen so often, and there's no kind of punishment. There's no kind of justice at all! There's no one who can actually punish the criminals," Delgado said.

In 2016, Transparency International, a coalition whose mission statement is to reduce global corruption, named Venezuela a "highly corrupt" country.

"So basically, either you wait in a very long line to get the regulated products that the government sells for a very cheap price, but you have to wait in a line for hours, and hours and hours, or you have to go to the black market to buy anything else," Delgado said. "So you live, trapped in a weird reality, where you just try to survive with some basic needs."

Delgado worries that the humanitarian crisis in his country is being overlooked by the American media, and that many injustices are not receiving adequate international attention.

"We have political prisoners. We have a shortage of food. The poverty is increasing exponentially," Delgado said. "Also, the government is committing all these crimes against humanity, and nobody knows it, nobody denounces it. It has to be shown. It has to be shown that our people are actually suffering and that we do need a lot of help."

When asked what he thought the U.S. government should do, Delgado said any military solution would not fully address the problem.

"It's not like the U.S. will send troops and that's it, everything's done, no," Delgado said. "It's our problem. We have to get [the government officials] out... because all of them have a criminal record: a deep criminal record for human rights violations, drug trafficking, all kind of illegal actions."

In 2016, a popular movement aiming to remove President Maduro from the presidency arose with support from the National Assembly. President Maduro promptly suspended all recall efforts. Many nations have condemned President Maduro as a dictator, and the U.S. imposed high economic sanctions on the Venezuelan government, which controls all industry.

In 2016, President Maduro used his broad support in the judiciary and the military to give all legislative authority to the Supreme Court, a branch of government known to be loyal to him.

"I mean, we're in this situation because we made a mistake. I think that what lead us to this moment in history is falling into the populist movement. [Hugo Chavez] used the poor people as his support," Delgado said. "The government just did what they wanted with our institutions because we were not politically smart enough to stop them."

Delgado hopes that the Venezuelan government's descent from a republic into a despotic regime will stand as an example for other democratic nations.

"After all these struggles, and all this pain, there will be a lesson: that we don't make the same mistake again, that we start over, and this time we get it right," Delgado said.

Anyone interested in donating to the University of Delaware International Relations Club's Venezuela fundraiser can contact Julia Tedesco at [jtedesco@udel.edu](mailto:jtedesco@udel.edu). All proceeds will be sent to Venezuelans in need.

# Post-hoc review of Smyrna prison exposes years of corruption

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At approximately 5 a.m. on Feb. 1, Delaware's largest state prison erupted into a 20-hour period of disarray. Inmates residing in Building C overpowered the guards and gained control of the facility. Several inmates then called in on the tip line for The News Journal, Wilmington's largest newspaper publication, to exact a list of demands for better treatment and an end to the "oppression towards inmates."

Control of the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center (JTVCC) was later restored when the Department of Corrections (DOC) broke down the prisoners' crude barricade with a battering ram. Several non-participating members and two of the hostages had been discovered seriously injured and Lt. Steven Floyd Sr. — a correctional officer on duty — was found dead on arrival.

Governor John Carney later ordered a full, independently conducted review of the state prison to evaluate the riot's contributing factors. The report, titled "Independent Review of Security Issues at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center," exposes the years of internal corruption that eventually led to the chaotic, nationally covered standoff.

In the weeks following, JTVCC's prison warden failed to keep the facility's status away from the press and public. Speculations then began to pile up, setting off a domino effect of public protests and inmate altercations. An anonymous source of The News Journal said the prison had yet to acknowledge, let alone treat, Building C inmates of their injuries from the February siege.

This situation later brought on a lawsuit when Mahkieb Booker,

founder of the Delaware chapter of Black Lives Matter, managed to make contact with his son, a current inmate of Building C.

Booker's son was locked in his cell in the days following the events, and was denied medical care for a fracture he endured on his hand during the riot.

His claims, like those of many others, were not filed. Inmates were then asked to resubmit the form the following week. Meanwhile, the Department of Correction continued to claim that all residents of the state's prisons had continuous access to healthcare throughout.

Above all else, the report illustrated the longstanding corruption existing within the prison's concrete walls. The building was overpopulated and understaffed. The majority of its officers were overworked, underpaid and undertrained. Forced overtime was a common practice, and the prisoners, on the other hand, were found to be on edge and paranoid in their presence.

In addition, approximately 90 percent of the 2,500 prisoners were court-ordered to attend educational or recovery groups, a resource the prison is expected to provide. This includes community service activities, General Education Diploma (GED) classes and Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous meetings.

However, because there was insufficient room to accommodate these services, all groups had an extensive waiting list and were capped at a certain amount of members. The officers responsible for operating these groups were also found to be improperly trained.

The training was conducted through a series of videos that left most guards unsure about approved practices and therefore more likely to make problematic

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among others, are all too evident to this year's executive cabinet.

"We've come from a year where, luckily, we have two people returning from last year's cabinet," Natalie Criscenzo said. "We can look back and see where we made some mistakes last year and acknowledge what we weren't so happy about."

Criscenzo said that many of these misfortunes stem from structural defects. Previously, finances were scattered across three different positions. Without any visible updates to the constitution since 2012, procedural matters have gone unattended, and, according to Chief Justice Haley LaMontagne, previous chief justices have not actively updated the constitution in accordance with SGA activity.

The most glaring, and immediately relevant, of these omissions involves fall semester elections. According to its constitution, the SGA must hold elections each fall, which are "open to all full-time undergraduate students." The constitution specifies that these elections are to take place on the third week of October, but, due to technological difficulties, there will be no elections next month.

While taking full blame for the mishap, Criscenzo said that coordinating the elections requires the efforts of the university's Information Technology (IT) department, the registrar's office and SGA's own IT, and that each area encountered obstacles this year.

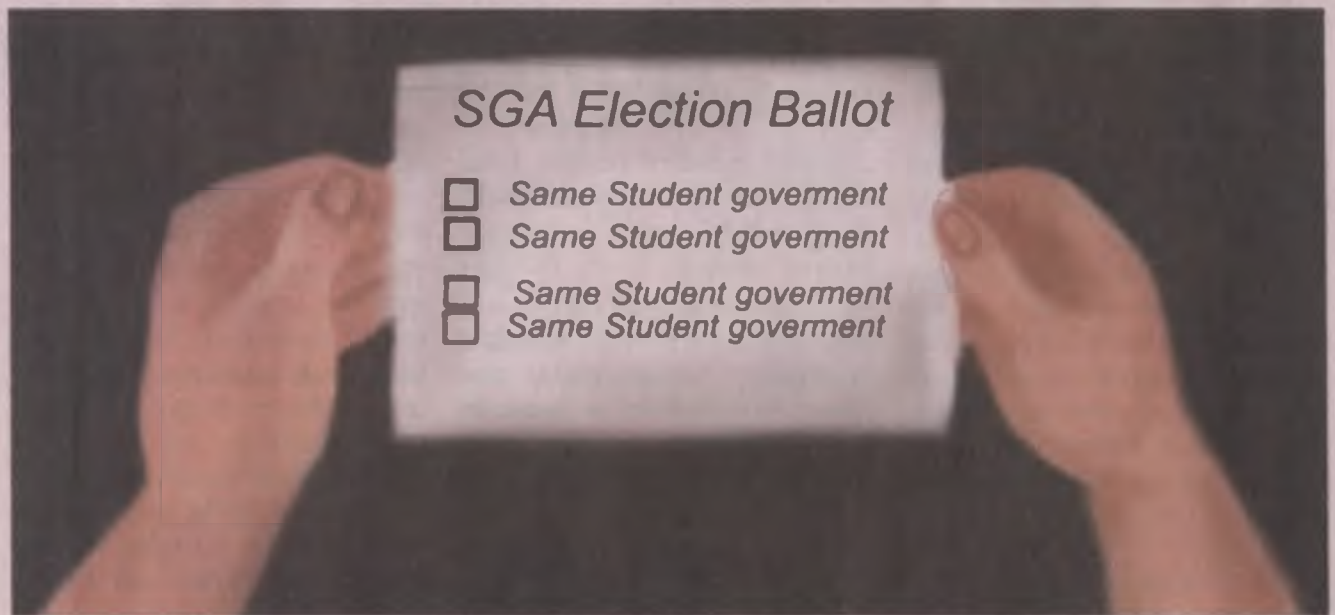
"When we were trying to put together the elections, we realized that it just couldn't physically happen in time," Criscenzo said. "Our constitution doesn't really have any information about what we're supposed to do in a situation like that."

Criscenzo said that the cabinet consulted SGA's advisors, who, after years of experience with SGA, recommended an in-senate vote, with current senate members voting on candidates for open positions. Given the circumstances, Criscenzo said, the cabinet decided that this was the most democratic way to proceed.

Revising the process will require SGA's judicial branch to amend its bylaws, as the event is unprecedented and has no explicit constitutional basis.

Hearings took place on Wednesday, open to the public and allowing candidates to present themselves to the senate.

## SGA



CASEY ORLEDGE /THE REVIEW

SGA will not be holding elections this year due to technological complications, facing other infrastructural challenges as the year begins.

The process, however, was not widely publicized. Traditionally, only students signed up for SGA on its StUDent Central page have received emails, and SGA has had previous difficulty obtaining email lists for larger portions of the student body. Combined with the website's predicament, outreach proved challenging.

"Our website is still currently under renovation, due to unfortunate circumstances," Kevin Peterson, SGA's executive

vice president, said. "We weren't able to get it up and ready by the beginning of the school year, so trying to reach out has been an issue."

The website will likely be completed by the end of the semester, with a new IT senator supervising the project.

According to LaMontagne, many of these difficulties illuminate a problem pervasive in SGA for years — namely, the lack of communication and guidance

during transitions.

"Even though Natalie was on the cabinet last year, there's so much that you don't know about other people's roles," LaMontagne said. "It's vitally important that when the president of one year transitions, all of the necessary documents and agenda items are communicated properly."

Without an official transition layout in the constitution, fall semesters have historically gone to waste, with new cabinets

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currently shares a room with three other students at the Homewood Suites.

"It's really annoying and frustrating," Kelly said of the construction delays.

Emails reveal that, even as late as Aug. 1, Lang Development Group continued to project a move-in date of Aug. 25 to tenants renting apartments in The Mill Townhomes. It was not until Aug. 10 — a mere 15 days away from the previously projected move-in date — that Lang Development Group first notified tenants that they would be unable to move into the apartments until Sept. 8, two whole weeks into the semester.

On Aug. 31, three days after the students had been situated into their hotel rooms, expecting to be there for two weeks, Lang Development Group sent an email notifying tenants renting apartments in The Mill Townhomes that the projected move-in date had been revised to Sept. 15.

Then again on Sept. 13, two days before students expected to move in after a series of delays, Lang Development Group gave notice of a third change. The apartments would no longer be ready for move-in until Sept. 22 — a full week later.

"The only problem I really have is that they weren't being upfront," senior Nick Davis said. "It's just Lang keeping us in the dark."

Sophomore Michelle Barnes, who currently resides at the Courtyard Marriott and intends to move into the Annabelle Street apartment complex, signed her lease in the early fall of 2016. But upon arriving back on campus in February 2017 after winter vacation, she noticed that the planned location of her future apartment was still a "pile of dirt".

"It took them a while to get started and I think that's why they are having so many delays right now," Barnes speculated.

The three weeks the students have been residing at the hotels have been riddled with a variety of obstacles, inconveniences and monetary challenges.

For many, the first concern



The Mill Townhomes remain unfinished, as of Tuesday.

was food.

In both complexes, the apartments would be equipped with both a kitchen and cooking instruments, including an oven, stove, full-sized refrigerator and a microwave. Owen Bartolotta, a sophomore staying at the Courtyard Marriott, does not even have access to a microwave. He lamented over his lack of ability to cook and prepare his own food — an aspect of living in an apartment that he was particularly excited for.

"I planned on making mostly every single meal. I like to cook and it's cheaper," Bartolotta said. "Now I'm buying every single meal."

Lang Development Group is covering the bill for the students' hotel rooms. Tenants are also not responsible for paying rent for the time being. Lang Development Group has recommended, to at least one student, that tenants use the money they are saving on rent to pay for food.

"They say the money we are saving not paying rent, we should spend on food, but they don't realize it's not our money," Davis said. "Parents pay rent, I pay for everything else."

Davis is not the only one who is not able to take Lang's advice.

"The school's kind of paying for mine. I've got a grad assistantship so they kind of pay for my rent as well," Anyelo Almonte, Davis' roommate, said. "So the money I am spending is money I barely have saved."

But food is not the only concern.

According to Google Maps it is a 29 minute walk from The Homewood Suites to Gore Hall. The Homewood Suites confirmed that Lang Development Group is currently renting eight rooms in their hotel, with each room potentially housing as many as four students. The Embassy Suites on the other hand informed The Review that they are presently renting 21 rooms to Lang Development Group, with each room potentially housing up to three students. Based on the numbers provided by the two hotels, roughly 95 students are staying on South Campus.

Kelly and Emily Pawloski, roommates staying at the Homewood Suites together, find the walk from the Homewood Suites to Gore Hall unacceptable and instead opt to drive to class every single day. They pay metered parking or park in Trabant University Center Garage.

"I can tell you I have spent at least thirty dollars in quarters," Kelly said.

This weekend the number of students isolated in hotels on South Campus will likely increase, as students living at the Courtyard Marriott have urgently been notified to vacate their rooms by Sept. 16.

Due to the booking schedule at the Courtyard Marriott, several of the 38 students currently residing at the hotel have been told they must vacate their room by Sept. 16, with no clear destination or sense of security.

In an email, Lang Development Group presented a few options on a first-come, first-serve basis. For the night of Sept. 16, they offered three options: Find your own lodging and receive a \$50 credit toward rent, share a queen bed at the Candlewood Suites with a roommate or receive separate beds for roommates at the Red Roof Inn.

The options Lang offers for Sept. 17 through Sept. 22 are similar: You can find your own housing and receive a \$50 credit per night that can be applied toward rent, a hotel room with two queen beds at the Candlewood Suites, a king-sized bed and sleeper sofa for two people or two queen

beds and a sleeper sofa for three people at the Embassy Suites.

According to Google Maps, the Red Roof Inn and Candlewood Suites are a 42-minute walk from Gore Hall, which is 13 minutes longer than the walk from the Embassy Suites.

Lang Development Group gave tenants 27 hours to make a decision.

Almonte is spending Saturday night at the Candlewood Suites before making the move to the Embassy Suites for the rest of the week, but he is unsure of how he will move his belongings from North Campus to South Campus without a car.

"I don't have a car so I will have to find a way to move all my stuff to the Candlewood on Saturday morning," Almonte said. "Then all the way from the Candlewood to the Embassy Suites on Sunday morning."

But the housing delays go beyond just affecting tenants, with the parents of out-of-state students being hit the hardest. Out-of-state students, like Bartolotta, often rely on their parents to help move them in at the beginning of the school year; the incremental delays have resulted in Bartolotta's parents having to reschedule hotel and U-Haul reservations three times already.

"They work two full-time jobs," Bartolotta said. "This isn't really what they were expecting."

Some students, however, have appreciated the hotel accommodations as a break from the ordinary.

"When they told us we were going to be put up in a hotel, I'm like, alright well I will treat it like a vacation," Nick Davis said. "There's also the time I found out we had a pool and a jacuzzi."

But others, like Munzer Suliman, a sophomore who is set to move into the Center Street complex on Sept. 29, are furious at the amount of delays and inconveniences caused.

"I think this is ridiculous," Suliman said. "I want some sort of compensation for this."

## The ins and outs of fraternity rush week

HANNAH MCKENZIE  
Senior Reporter

With summer in the rearview, campus has come back to life. One of the hallmarks of a new semester is the beginning of fraternity rush week. During this time, prospective members have an opportunity to go out and attempt to join one of the 18 national fraternities on campus.

Rush occurs for on-campus fraternities twice a year, at the beginning of the fall and spring academic semesters. Recruitment for on-campus sororities occurs only once per school year in the spring following students' return from winter vacation.

Jennifer Tomasetti, the assistant director for Fraternity & Sorority Life at the University Student Centers, stated in an email that the Interfraternity Council (IFC) recruitment process for full membership is a large time commitment.

In recent years, the presence of Greek life on campus has become increasingly prominent. As of spring 2017, 29 percent of university undergraduates were members of a fraternity or a sorority. This year, Tomasetti stated that she anticipates 600-700 men to register and participate in the rush process.

Fall rush began late last week, and will conclude on Sept. 22 as potential members, typically lower division students, are introduced to the lifestyles and missions of fraternities and their brothers.

Tomasetti stated that men looking to pledge must have at least a 2.5 GPA. Meeting this academic standard renders them eligible to attend a general kickoff event, which works to expose them to fraternity life. In the days following the kickoff event, each chapter hosts a rotating schedule of informal events which give prospective members a chance to interact with men who are already affiliated.

The latter part of the rush process requires fraternity chapters to submit a bid list, Tomasetti stated. This list contains the names of students who a particular fraternity see as being a good fit for their organization. According to Tomasetti, it is possible for men to receive multiple bids, but they are only able to accept one.

Spencer Hanggodo, a sophomore chemical engineering major, pledged Sigma Phi Delta (commonly referred to as SPD) as a first year student. It was the appeal and promise of bettering himself both socially and professionally that motivated Hanggodo to rush.

"[It] provides me with something to do on the weekends," Hanggodo said, "and also boosts my networking capabilities for the future when I am looking for a job."

This year, Hanggodo is an IFC representative for SPD, giving him a direct role in the rush week process. Hanggodo explained that his position as the IFC representative tasks him with the responsible of communicating with the heads of both SPD and the IFC. He works in his position to share goals between organizations in an effort to reach their fullest potential.

For those going through the rush process, it has a tendency to be overwhelming at times. As both a fraternity brother and an IFC rep., Hanggodo looks for young men who seem comfortable and willing to ask questions.

"We try to make sure that prospective members share our ideals, we want young men who can bring something strong to the table," Hanggodo said.

Reflecting on his Greek life experience thus far, Hanggodo said that before Greek life, he did not interact with many people aside from the ones who lived on his floor. He said that becoming involved with SPD has helped to boost his confidence, and provide

him with a good group of friends to go to class and study with.

The Special Interest Greek Council (SIGC) has a total of six chapters at the university, all of which are professionally focused.

According to the President of SIGC, senior international business major Joshua Clarke, one of the main differences between IFC and SIGC fraternities is the rush process itself. As a member and new member orientation chair for the SIGC fraternity, Alpha Kappa Psi, Clarke indicated that SIGC fraternities are able to customize their recruitment procedures, determining the number of rounds and whether or not individuals are eliminated after each one.

"Each [SIGC] fraternity is so different," Clarke said. "When you rush a professionally focused SIGC organization, you only rush one."

In the coming weeks, Clarke's role of new member orientation chair tasks him with the job of welcoming this semester's Alpha Kappa Psi pledge class, aiding student transition into panhellenic life.

Across campus, whether students are rushing IFC or SIGC fraternities, hundreds will soon begin their initiation into greek life, just as Hanggodo and many others did last fall. If taken

advantage of, these multifaceted organizations have the ability to leave students with much more than a diploma at the conclusion of their four years.

While many bids will be given out at the end of the rush process from different types of fraternities, not all who receive one will accept. In the case of Thomas Hull, a sophomore history education major who went through the process last year, his academic life took priority.

"My grades weren't where I wanted them to be," Hull said. "I wasn't sure what I wanted out of my college experience but after a couple of semesters here, I have realized what I'm looking for and want to give the process another shot."

Hull's attraction to the prospect of finding a strong brotherhood, like many other students rushing, has inspired a desire in him to rush for a second time.

"I already consider myself to have a good group of friends that I have met through housing and club sports, but I want to expand my social circle," Hull said.

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decisions regarding inmate treatment, according to the independent review ordered by Gov. Carney.

"In those rare instances that training is provided to officers and supervisors, it is one dimensional, static, and overly elementary," states the independent review.

While these alarming conditions offer an explanation as to why the prison was unable to prevent the uprising, it also predicted probable backlash from the inmates.

While these events occurred over seven months ago, ongoing conflict remains between prior governors Jack Markell and Ruth Ann Minner, and the public who are determined to avenge the 12 years of exposed prison corruption. The family of victim Lt. Floyd continue to fight for a lawsuit against both individuals. The family, backed by large portions of the public, believe the two individuals ignored critical warning signs within the prison and allocated its funds towards more self-benefiting causes.

However, Delaware has mostly shut down the basis of the lawsuit under the idea of "justified immunity." Technically, the constitution does not context workplace safety, and rerouting public based funds is not a topic of deliberation for a jury.

The technicality seems to have only enraged the public further, as more protests emerge in the aftermath. However, the odds are not likely that either former governors will go to trial.

## Newark Day

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# University faculty engage in "Dialogues on Diversity" workshop

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In today's world, it can seem difficult to foster healthy dialogues between individuals with differing opinions. To help soften these divides, the university's Office of Equity and Inclusion (OEI) offered a workshop, "Dialogues on Diversity," which was hosted by Jennifer Daniels, the associate director of the OEI on Monday.

The goal in facilitating healthy dialogues is in "understanding who you are and who I am," Daniels said. This includes recognizing identities that people may have and understanding how these shape their worldview and, by extension, their behavior.

Daniels supplied worksheets for those in attendance, prompting participants to determine their identities and its role in their life. These identities can vary greatly from person to person, ranging from gender to religion. Some important identities were not found on the list, like spouse or parent, which Daniels encouraged the faculty to think of.

According to Daniels, recognizing that individuals possess different identities, which create unique world views, is crucial to fostering healthier dialogues. There are some identities, like physical ability, that may not be typically thought of. It is in realizing these identities that dialogue and understanding can be strengthened, Daniels said.

Marie Seymour-Green, electronic resources librarian in the Collection Management and Licensed Electronic Content Department, is conscious of the need for diverse literature in the library to validate the many identities people hold.

"I am always acutely aware of sometimes how difficult it is to find diverse material," Seymour-Green said. "There's a big drive in the library where we need more diverse books, but this is focused on children, and you can find a lot of books focused on children, but I'm not trying to find children's books."

But Daniels noted that dialogues can turn into debates, which are not reflective or based

on understanding the other person. Instead, dialogue is more focused on open expression, respect and learning.

"It's not useful to argue about a hierarchy of oppression," Daniels said. "If people are sharing experiences it is about that experience right there."

During the workshop, Daniels mentioned that mistakes can happen when trying to engage in dialogue with others. Sometimes something offensive can be said without even realizing it. Daniels feels it is important to recognize these mistakes and how they affected the other person.

"We have to be responsible for our impact, not our intentions," Daniels said. "We have to take responsibility for one another, and that makes our communication better."

Daniels explained that dialogue helps to bridge divides, to break down assumptions and misunderstandings, to foster relationships and to empathize. Dialogue requires the participants to confront their assumptions, suspend judgment, listen and reflect. But

these conversations are worth nothing if they are not respectful.

"It's never okay to attack someone's character," Daniels said.

The workshop also included a segment on oppression. Simply put, the workshop defined oppression as the result of power and prejudice. Oppression can target people on individual, institutional, or cultural levels and is extremely damaging.

Targets of oppression are typically those on the lower end of the social ladder who are victimized, and agents are typically those in a dominant social group with greater access, but both groups are capable of prejudice, violence, abuse, hatred, etc. The difference is that only agent groups have the institutional and cultural power to back up their prejudices.

Andrew Novocin, assistant professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, recognized that his students have different abilities, and certain groups might face oppression that can create roadblocks in their learning or future professional ca-

reers.

"I have more access to opportunities and the ability to make mistakes than some of my students, and I don't want those students to miss out on the opportunity to make impactful change on the planet or humanity because they don't hear the recipe the right way," he said.

According to Daniels, oppression can be supported unconsciously — from internalized oppression to being passed down through generations — but ethical dialogues effectively work to end it. The support and honesty shown in a respectful dialogue, partnered with the understanding of intentions versus impact, and the validation of others' feelings in the key.

If the conversation is not open, and the participants are not present or authentic, the dialogue ceases to exist as a powerful tool to bring equality and compassion into our communities.

"Silence is complicity," Daniels said.

# Students react to Betsy DeVos' Title IX announcement

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On Sept. 7, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos announced that the laws put forth during Obama's administration are going to be reviewed as they fail to bring due process to the people who are accused of sexual misconduct.

The Obama administration brought sexual assault on college campuses to the forefront of discussion. Former Vice President Joe Biden and former Secretary of Education Arne Duncan worked to provide guidelines for universities when dealing with sexual assault by making universities aware of their responsibility to protect students under Title IX.

On April 4, 2011 the "Dear Colleague" letter was sent out by the Office for Civil Rights instructing more than 7,000

colleges receiving federal funds on how they should handle sexual assault on campuses.

DeVos did not specify how the Obama-era policies will be changed, and instead said that she will listen to feedback from multiple groups of people in order to create a system that works for everyone.

DeVos' announcement was widely criticized by many, including politicians and student groups. Junior political science major Tanvi Walia said that, in her experience, she has seen a lot of sexual assault cases go unreported.

Walia, who also works as a domestic violence advocate at the family court house in Dover, feels that victims are afraid that no one will believe them. They are commonly asked by others about what they were wearing and how

much they drank, she said.

"What happened [at Stanford] was so shocking to people but for me it was like this happens probably on a regular basis but no one really hears about it just because victims are scared," Walia said.

According to the Clery Act data, in 2015, 89 percent of colleges reported zero incidents of rape on campus.

Walia is a strong advocate for Title IX. While she acknowledges that sexual assault on campus still is not handled perfectly, she thinks that getting rid of Title IX will make things worse for everyone.

Danielle Rufus, a junior Public Policy and Environmental Studies major, said that, from the perspective of an athlete, Title IX helps women gain athletic scholarships and it fosters more

equality within athletics. Rufus also said that as a woman she does not understand how the rights laid out in Title IX could be taken away.

Susan Groff, the University Title IX Coordinator, ensures that the university adheres to Title IX. Making sure that students are in a learning environment free from sexual misconduct and discrimination is also a major part of her job.

Groff could not comment on DeVos' announcement due to a lack of information.

"It is too soon to speculate on the announcement and what it might mean, as no specifics have been given regarding changes to existing policies," Groff stated in an e-mail message.

## SGA

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struggling to get up-to-date. To smooth out the process for future years, the cabinet intends to organize all important matters in files that successive cabinets can pass down.

Another impediment to SGA's campus presence often involves its role in administrative affairs at the university. While SGA sometimes receives invites to participate in administrative decision-making, other times SGA has to force itself into discussions, according to Criscenzo.

In regards to policy developments, Criscenzo said that she applauds the university's recent updating efforts, but that, as with all matters, room exists for improvement, which can occur with student voices involved.

"It's really important for us to be involved in policy matters to give them [the administration] the student perspective," Criscenzo said. "I think sometimes that's missing, and sometimes they get a lot of student backlash because of it."

Despite the setbacks, however, the cabinet has optimism for the upcoming year. Chief of Staff Perry Spiegel, who ran against Criscenzo in the SGA campaign last spring, revealed a new "political forum" initiative, designed to heighten student involvement and discussion across campus. The events will have bipartisan representation, inviting political figures to speak and engage in dialogue with students.

While not yet formally announced, Spiegel alluded that a "very important person" will make an appearance for the first forum.

SGA also plans to co-sponsor more events with other Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) across campus, intending to better establish its role on campus.

"We're trying to be realistic in being self-aware of where our shortfalls are," Criscenzo said. "We're very aware that there are issues and we want to change them, but at the same time we do have optimism. Large scale, we're trying to do a lot more with sexual misconduct and getting students politically involved. On the smaller scale, we have senators involved in projects involving recycling and bike safety."

# University partners with medical center for new nursing degree

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Senior Reporter

The university's new partnership with Beebe Medical Center, or Beebe Healthcare, in Sussex County now allows in-state students to complete multiple degrees in just four years. The university has paired with the Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing at Beebe Healthcare to create a way for Delaware citizens to complete their education while staying and working in the state.

Alison Watson, admissions chair at the Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing, said that this program is a great pathway for students interested in pursuing an Registered Nurse (RN) degree.

"The benefit of this is that they are able to be awarded Student Excellence Equals Degree (SEED) money so, a free college education while getting a University of Delaware associate in arts degree," she said.

The SEED scholarship is a financial based grant awarded to

students from Delaware.

As a result of this partnership, students will now be able to utilize the multiple campuses available in Delaware, including the Beebe campus.

"Students, typically, will enroll in the University of Delaware's Associate in Arts Program, they'll go there for two years, do a lot of their general education courses," Watson said.

For this new program, students will be able to do one year of the Associate in Arts Program while working on their nursing degree.

"These students are either taking their general education classes at Georgetown or at Dover and then a few of their science courses are actually taught by University of Delaware professors or held at our Beebe campus," she said.

David Satran, director of the Associate in Arts Program, said that they have around 820 students enrolled in the program.

"We have our inaugural cohort this fall of 22 Delawareans who

are UD students," he said, "they'll earn an RN at the same time that they pursue an Associate's degree."

Satran said that after these students get their associate's degrees, they become qualified to work as nurses.

"The hope is that students will take jobs in Sussex County where they have been studying and then they will study remotely through the University of Delaware to complete their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree," he said.

Although the Beebe school partnership is new, the school has been around since 1921. Formerly the Beebe School of Nursing, its new name, the Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing, came about just a few years ago.

"In 2015 we opened our brand new school with state of the art simulation labs [and] interactive classrooms and were right on the campus of the hospital," said Watson.

Watson said that the main reason for this partnership is to

allow students who graduate to have a seamless progression into bachelor studies.

This partnership hopes to provide benefit to both the university and the Delaware community as a whole. The Beebe school students have the highest pass rate when testing for the RN board exams, a necessary step in receiving a nursing license.

"It provides a pathway for students to complete a four year BSN while living in Sussex county," said Satran.

The program has already received many applicants, and with its immediate success, plans to expand are likely to come.

"This does well to demonstrate some of UD's commitment to students in Sussex County and that were really delighted by the size of the cohort, it shows the demand from students for opportunities to study nursing and to become nurses who are going to be employed in the state of Delaware," Satran said.

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# EDITORIAL

## DACA rally censors voices of DACA recipients

"Everyone has the freedom of movement" Article 15 of the 1948 UN Declaration of Human Rights

We are DACA recipients and UD students.

DACA recipients and undocumented people have diverse identities and experiences. As such, we aim to address the topic of immigration in a comprehensive, intersectional, and inclusive manner. Often in the national narrative, there is a heavy focus on exceptional immigrants that achieve great things. While the celebration of immigrants' achievements is worthy of recognition, it is also imperative that we don't erase other immigrants' stories and experiences that are just as valid. We want to take a moment to acknowledge that black undocumented immigrants exist, that Asian undocumented immigrants exist, that Afro-Latinx undocumented immigrants exist. Undocumented immigrants are also people with disabilities. Undocumented immigrants are also queer, trans, and gender non-conforming.

Parents who bring their children into this country for better opportunities and a chance at life are NOT criminals. Undocumented immigrants are bright youth and wise elders. Indigenous people have been labeled as illegally occupying space in this country, when in actuality they nurtured the land and cultivated thriving communities before white settlers committed the genocide of indigenous communities. Undocumented immigrants, regardless of identity, are owed the same protections, respect, dignity and rights granted to citizens of the United States.

For one of us, the decision to cross the Mexico/U.S. border came out of collective family decision. Although I was young, my mother explained what it meant to cross a border and the opportunities and risks that migrating would entail. It was immediately apparent to me that moving would enable my family and me to have a better standard of living. However, I would have never imagined the consequences moving would have on my well being, future, and just overall livelihood. Growing up, I was instilled this idea that I needed to work ten times harder than everyone else. It was necessary that I push myself beyond breaking points to ensure my



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On Monday, students and faculty gathered on the green in support of undocumented students.

academic success. Failing was not an option. Not because my family was obsessed with being the best, but because we understood that if I had any chance of remaining in this country I would need to be "perfect." This concern over perfection is exhausting and emotionally draining. Simple mistakes that most young people make are dangerous for an undocumented person like me. Whereas any other person is simply inconvenienced by receiving a ticket for a traffic violation, we undocumented people fear police because they have the power to detain us. And they have detained us for instances like this. They have detained undocumented immigrants for speeding trying to get to their second job.

For another one of us, living in the shadows has been traumatizing. To live in the shadows is all about assimilation and not being truthful to yourself. It is constant paranoia. Living as an undocumented immigrant means that your whole livelihood could be taken away from you at any moment. It's holding a burden that gets heavier as you start to grow, as you start to truly understand the injustice as well as constant imminent danger your family and you are in. Living in the shadows means coming home with your mom frantically throwing trash-bags at your face telling you to put every single important belonging you had in it. A trash-bag because we did not have suitcases. A trash-bag

because your mom got a phone call saying that ICE was making raids. That ICE was taking people straight from their work. When my classmates in fourth grade would say "ice" I felt overwhelmed with anxiety because to me, ice was not frozen water you put in your drinks. No, to me ICE is what threatened to take my family away from me. ICE meant seeing the fear in my mom's eyes. I knew that I would never not fear hearing that word ever again for it has threatened our peace. ICE being the sole barrier that stood between my family's peace and dreams.

To come out of the shadows means to live your truth, to be honest with yourself and others in the situation you are in. To know you are valid and your voice has power. It means you understand that your story, your reality is valid and deserving of recognition. It means that you refuse to stay silent about the injustice that your community and you have been perpetually facing. It is changing the narrative and the taking the immigrant movement to a new, more inclusive direction.

Not going back to the shadows means that you understand that it's going to be a long journey and acknowledging the fear you feel but not letting it keep you from living the best life you can. Making the decision to remain in the light allows us to live our lives on our own terms. Out of the shadows, we have finally found our voice, reclaimed our

dignity and are defining who we are. We are real people. Your neighbors, your roommates, your classmates, and your friends. We cannot be reduced to statistics because our community is much too rich in identities, life, and culture to be oversimplified by a single narrative of just one kind of immigrant.

The national immigrant rights movement is raising awareness about the unjust treatment of all immigrants, and the legal protections they deserve for making significant contributions to this country. Even though these are positives, the national movement creates an exceptional immigrant narrative because it highlights the struggles of Dreamers, but it minimizes the lived experiences of other undocumented immigrants. We need to remember that there aren't just the 800,000 DACA recipients -- there are also 11 million or more undocumented people in this country. The national movement is uplifting the voices of Dreamers and creating an legitimacy narrative, where only DACA recipients are given attention on this issue.

In the university and educational context, being an undocumented immigrant or a DACA recipient directly impedes upon students' ability to have equal access to education. Many students have had parents detained and undergo removal proceedings while in school. Though this is obviously traumatizing, there is

no set policy at the University of Delaware that provides reasonable accommodations to these students so that their education is not negatively affected by such experiences. We desperately need a centralization of concrete resources that address a variety of issues. Furthermore, it is necessary for the University to create a specific, independent position for an Undocumented Student Resource coordinator that has been appropriately trained to deal with issues relevant to undocumented immigrants.

You don't have to be a DACA recipient or an undocumented immigrant to take a clear position on and speak about the dehumanization, violence, trauma and deep injustice perpetrated by this government's policies. You can advocate for the rights of DACA recipients and undocumented people here on our campus too. So many undocumented students are understandably afraid of demanding the upholding of their rights, which is why it is so crucial for fellow Blue Hens to become allies. Fellow Blue Hens should demand that a Coordinator be established for DACA/Undocumented students and develop policies to establish reasonable accommodations. The NoBlueHensIllegal Collective has even created a list of policies and guidances we feel would be immensely helpful to undocumented students, that the University of Delaware should establish on our campus and push for in the state. UD students and faculty should review such policy suggestions and urge the University to implement them. In the wider national context, we need students like you to contact your legislators and let them know that you support bills to protect DACA students.

If you are interested in demonstrating that you stand with us, on October 12 from 5-8 we, with NoBlueHensIllegal Collective, are organizing a discussion with DACA recipients featured in the documentary film, "The Risers". Look out for the flier which will be circulating next week.

For more information on NoBlueHensIllegalCollective, or to find out how to be more involved, please email [nobluehensillegal@protonmail.com](mailto:nobluehensillegal@protonmail.com).

## Student government disappoints with their decision to not host fall elections

Student Government Association will not be holding fall elections to fill its vacant representative positions. Instead, they will be appointing candidates who will then be either approved or disapproved by the existing senators who were either elected or appointed last Spring.

This choice to not hold elections is decidedly undemocratic and will result in large portions of the campus community losing voice in the decision making process. This year's class of first year students in particular were not on campus to participate in the Spring elections. Unless the cabinet appoints a freshman they will effectively be shut out of student government

this year.

The decision to not hold elections was the result of technological difficulties between the Student Government IT department, the university IT department and the university registrar's office. It is unknown exactly what these technological difficulties are.

Although some positions in the organization are regularly appointed, students elect the majority of senate seats in order to best provide representation from the student body. Administrators frequently work with and ask the opinion of the Student Government on issues of crucial importance, like the revised student conduct

policy.

It is true that the transition from one year's cabinet to the next, which occurs every Summer, is rife with difficulty and uncertainty. The most senior and knowledgeable members of the organization graduate, leaving the next generation of leaders to figure the little existing infrastructure on their own.

However, this lack of fall elections marks the newest chapter in Student Government's long streak of incompetence and invisibility on campus. Elections are the most visible Student Government enterprise undertaken on campus every year. It is a period where their existence

on campus becomes known to large numbers of students, especially freshmen who often have no idea we even have a student government to represent their interests to begin with.

It is surprising that at a university with over 20,000 students, most of them either do not know that a student government exists, or chooses to ignore it. One might expect that the student government of such a university might have more clout and presence.

Adding to these difficulties is the fact that past Presidents Rojas, Jaeger and Page-Gil have left little to no mark on the university and have squandered their leadership

potential on campus. Instead of seizing the pulpit and being the voice of the students that we desperately need, they have left SGA in a state of irrelevance.

It was and is still the hope of The Review that current SGA President Natalie Criscenzo will be able to break the cycle of incompetence and shape SGA into a student government that is actively involved in the lives of the students they represent.

But this is not a promising start to the year. In order for our Student Government to effectively represent students, they must first have been elected by those very same men and women.

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# Bridging The Divide

On the topic of immigration, our country is facing a decisive moment. Will we continue to appease those who unlawfully immigrate into our country? Or rather, will this be the moment in which our government takes a

firmer stance on immigration and reinforces the rule of law that has so steadily guided us to where we are today? For better or worse, President Trump has chosen the latter.

Disclaimer: Due to the political

divide haunting our nation, we seek to provide prospective for our audience on pertinent issues. With over-crowded media and lack of understanding for other viewpoints, this column functions as an educational vehicle for

students to bridge this divide; while conformity is scarce right now, knowledge must remain. It is crucial that we be subjected to differing positions if we, as a generation, hope to live in a unified nation. These articles are

presented in hopes that students will begin to appreciate multiple perspectives, thus coming to an independent conclusion. Basic left and right wing values will be shown, but neither are indicative of any particular party.

The following articles were contributed by Jesse Alba and Stephen DuBois on behalf of The Working Politics Association. The viewpoints presented are not sponsored or endorsed by The Review and its staff.

## A Left Wing Perspective

Divide has defined our country's political landscape as we enter a new era of social debate. At the forefront of this dialogue is immigration. Currently, the Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program presents a statement that the new administration will not tolerate laid back immigration orders that the United States has come to know.

Immigration creates a pool of innovative and diverse thinkers from around the world that offer unique perspectives to the difficulties the U.S faces each day. With diversity, comes enhanced problem-solving capability. The executive amnesty granted to these children equipped them with the confidence to pursue higher learning and contribute to society without fear of deportation. Now, panic troubles the mind of the young individuals who have called the U.S home for part of their childhood.

This fear is justified due to the government knowing the location of participants in the program. While some so-called "dreamers" will be granted new legal status on a case-by-case basis, the uncertainty of the future is extremely concerning due to possible deportation. According to the Department of Homeland Security, there were roughly 100,000 requests for DACA registration and renewal as of August 20, 2017, showing the immense displacement that can disrupt the lives of these immigrants.

Additionally, the language used by President Trump highlights the misconceptions that many people believe. In a statement released on September 5, Trump stated that "only by the reliable enforcement of immigration law can we produce safe communities, a robust middle class, and economic fairness for all Americans." But, it is believed

that immigration, particularly DACA, accomplishes of the stated goals. In fact, most economists believe that immigration is beneficial to the economy as one immigrant creates 1.2 jobs, according to Gihoon Hong and John McLaren.

As for concerns about safety, DACA produces upstanding citizens. Some of the previous guidelines for the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to grants DACA included enrollment in school, completion of high school, not be convicted of a felony or pose a threat to national security or public safety, or be an honorably discharged veteran of the Coast Guard or Armed Services of the U.S.

Another crucial factor to look at is the age of these participants. DACA registrants must have been under the age of 31 as of June 15, 2012 which is when it was implemented. Since younger people pay more into the tax system than they take out, DACA is a program that entices hard working young adults to make America better, instead of taking advantage of our social programs.

In recent days, Trump has shown the ability to work with people outside of his party which further solidifies his independent thought. This is good news for the program as government officials are working to protect dreamers by implementing a potential pathway to citizenship. We still do not know what to expect from these negotiations, but it is a bright spot that may give some hope to those that have and will continue to contribute to society. Progressive values understand that many of the immigrants in the program did not have say in their journey to America, and despite obstacles which few of us comprehend, have advanced our country.

## A Right Wing Perspective

Though a seemingly unpopular decision among those that sympathize with the hundreds of thousands of "Dreamers" that did not have a say in the chain of events that brought them to the United States, President Trump is drawing a line on illegal immigration by threatening to phase out the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. President Trump is justified in doing so for a few reasons.

The DACA program, enacted by President Obama in 2012, clearly overstepped the president's constitutional rights. President Obama originally asked Congress to pass immigration reform that would protect the same immigrants that are protected by DACA. When Congress did not do so, President Obama took it upon himself by issuing an executive order that would enact DACA. This is not what executive orders were intended for, and is a clear abuse of power. Stanford law professor Michael McConnell summed up the issue well. McConnell stated "The Constitution gives Congress, not the President, the power to make and to amend the laws. If President Trump called on Congress to change the environmental laws and Congress refused, this would not give Trump power to dispense with enforcement of the laws by executive action." In phasing out DACA, President Trump is essentially righting a past wrong that should have never occurred under the past administration, though President Trump's actions are being made out to seem malicious.

Furthermore, there is a fundamental disagreement between the left and right on immigration that is making this decision all the more controversial. The left likes to paint the right as cruel and xenophobic.

Here lies the disconnect. Conservative values place an emphasis on the rule of law, and put justice over tolerance, contrary to most liberals. Although in situations such as this one, it is easy to portray conservatism as cold hearted and unsympathetic, it is not that conservatives have no heart or are unable to express empathy, but rather, they ascribe to a strong set of principles in which they believe this nation was built upon, and will continue to be best served by if we wish to see our country prosper well beyond our lifetime.

Nonetheless, hope should not be lost for those with "Dreamer" status, protected by the DACA program. The president is working to protect those with Dreamer status by providing an easier path to citizenship, a sign that the President too shares the sympathetic views of those with a more tolerant view on the matter. Trump has allotted Congress 6 months to come up with a legislative plan to permanently replace the DACA program, just as our legislative process is supposed to work. President Trump is taking matters into his own hands, to send a message not only to citizens of this great nation, but to those that desire to enjoy the sort of life we sometimes take for granted. It is naive to assume that in a nation as advanced as ours, it is acceptable to reside in the United States and take advantage of all the benefits that those who, as descendants of legal immigrants, have earned the right to enjoy.

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## Defying gravity: Student joins the circus



COURTESY OF SIGGI SCHORR

Senior Siggie Schorr teaches and trains for the circus.

**HOLLY CLAYTOR**  
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Tumbling through the air across trapeze bars, tangling up in silk ropes and swallowing burning flames is all part of Sydney "Siggie" Schorr's typical Sunday afternoon. When work, school and extracurricular activities become just a little too much to handle, Schorr - quite literally - runs away to the circus.

"For me, it's kind of like my reprieve," the senior psychology major says. "I kind of just forget about everything else for a good two and a half hours and just work on my circus. You really can't think about anything else when you're trying to balance and use all of your strength up in the air. It really exhausts you

physically and mentally, but in a good way."

Schorr first became involved in circus activity in 2004 when attending summer camp. Her love for theater and dance drew her to the eccentric acts of circus. After spending six summers at Camp Chipinaw, Schorr moved her talents to French Woods Festival of the Performing Arts in upstate New York, where she still currently spends her summers teaching campers ages seven to 18 the ins and outs of circus skills.

"I cannot tell you how much foot gunk has fallen onto my face, how many times I've been farted on, hit, slapped and kicked," Schorr says. "It just becomes part of the routine."

French Woods Festival of the Performing Arts has an

international staff, allowing Schorr to work alongside people from all over the world.

"I love being able to do these things that is kind of niche but there's also such a worldwide community of it," she says. "You don't need to speak the same language to do the same things."

However, Schorr's circus training does not stop with the summer months. She is able to practice and master her wide array of circus talents during the school year as well at Ascend Aerial Arts in Wilmington. Schorr says she specializes in several areas of circus in order to teach her students the skills.

Her main ground act is fire - specifically fire eating, dancing and twirling. She is also skilled at the static trapeze.

"It's the basis to all aerials,

in my opinion," Schorr says. "It really helps you train and strengthen the muscles needed for other aerials."

Apart from those tricks, Schorr has mastered the aerial net and aerial skills.

"If you drop the wrong way you could be done for," she says. "If you work the wrong part of your body it's really easy to pull something or to fall. You have to put a lot of trust in your own body and strength and you really have to work for it."

Most college students her age wouldn't want to pay additional money to take a class outside of school, she says. Within her studio, Schorr is the youngest of her group.

"We might have different interests outside of the studio but when we get in studio we

help each other out and teach each other tips and tricks that may be helpful," Schorr says. "It's really cool to see the different dynamic."

While most people think of the circus as a Barnum & Bailey show, Schorr says, it's truly more of a Cirque du Soleil performance.

"To me [Barnum and Bailey] is just a spectacular of them trying to show people off," she says. "Cirque is really showing the fierceness and training of the circus. It is a lot of hard work but it's also a lot of fun where it doesn't feel like work. When you love what you do it's not work."

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Condoms, ice cream, Plan B and everything in between.

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The premise is simple. Lock and accumulate.

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## Psychedelic weirdo Ariel Pink releases first solo album in three years

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Staff Reporter

"Dedicated to Bobby Jameson," Ariel Pink's first solo release since 2014's "Pom Pom," finds its namesake in a creator almost as strange as Pink himself.

After a brief stint of stardom in the early '60s, Jameson faded out of the spotlight until releasing the psych-pop magnum opus "Songs Of Protest and Anti-Protest" under the pseudonym Chris Lucey. The album, which achieved little commercial success but eventually garnered a cult following, combines "Venus in Furs," style Velvet Underground string arrangements, passionate vocals and dark, enigmatic lyrics. After its release, Jameson once again disappeared from the public eye until 2007, when he started a blog and released a series of music videos on YouTube before his death in 2015.

Looking at Pink's previous work, especially that with famed recluse Stevie R. Moore, it's no mystery why he would look to a man such as Jameson for inspiration. Pink has stated on many occasions that he makes "weirdo music," and the peculiarity extends past the songs themselves. Google searches for "Ariel Pink" return hundreds of photos of the singer-songwriter in '80s glam-rock outfits and pink hair.

From the opening track, "Time To Meet Your God," which begins with a chant that blurs the line between campy silliness and a cult initiation, it's made clear that "Dedicated" doesn't have any intentions of fitting into the mainstream. It clearly draws inspiration from pop music of the '70s and '80s, but remains way too eclectic and strange to

garner any orthodox radio play. The closing track, "Revenge of the Iceman," is a classic punk track delivered entirely in what sounds like a pirate impression.

"Another Weekend," the standout debut single from "Dedicated," is an ode to lost time that sounds like Mac Demarco listened to a bunch of Daniel Johnston and discovered synthesizers. The track's melancholic, reflective melody is periodically separated by a jarring electronic bridge, jumping from section to section of the song in a way that feels like time travel. The noisy, unconventionally composed "Time To Live," continues the motif of passing time by burying the anthemic repetition of the line "time to live, time for life" underneath a thick layer of hazy guitar and electronic rhythms. Pink will turn 40 next year, and although his music hasn't lost any of its usual playfulness, it seems his themes are maturing to reflect his age.

"Dedicated" is perhaps Pink's most polished album yet — it both breaks new ground and digs into the history of, and reinterprets, psychedelic music. Longstanding fans will find much to appreciate, and those new to Pink's music will enjoy it as a starting point into his deep catalog of experimental music that doesn't take itself too seriously.

Tracks to listen to:  
"Another Weekend"  
"Time To Live"  
"Bubblegum Dreams"  
"Acting (feat. Dâm-Funk)"



COURTESY OF SPOTIFY

"Dedicated to Bobby Jameson" sees Ariel Pink at his musical peak.

## Delivery app goPuff finds success in Newark

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In college, Yakir Gola, Rafael Ilishayev and three of their friends had one car between the five of them. Whenever one of them needed food or other necessities, Gola would have to run to the store for the entire group.

Wishing there was a more efficient way to get necessities, the duo's company, goPuff, was born.

Since its founding in 2013, goPuff has expanded to 24 markets, including Newark at the end of last school year.

"goPuff is the future, we will take over this campus," Oliver Runco, a junior at the university and Team Lead for Delaware's goPuff campus representatives, says.

Runco became involved in the company after goPuff representatives gave a presentation to his fraternity.

"It's an on-campus, on-demand delivery service," he says. "Anything you can think of, we'll bring it to you." goPuff users download the company's app to create an account. From there, they can begin choosing from goPuff's wide variety of items. The app offers food and drinks, household items, electronics, pet food and more.

The company also sells items that students may be embarrassed to go out and buy, like condoms, Plan B and feminine products. Runco expressed that the employees are discreet about such orders.

"We don't judge, we just deliver," he says.

Once an order gets sent through



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goPuff, food ordering app is sweeping the campus.

the app, it is received by workers at goPuff's local warehouse.

"There's a guy on his phone, and he's actually on rollerblades, and he rollerblades to the different sections, puts everything in your bag and gives it to the driver," Runco says.

The company's goal is to reach the customer in 30 minutes or less once the order gets sent to the warehouse. The delivery service can be used from noon until 4:30 a.m., and users can earn puff points that they can later redeem for rewards such as shot glasses, t-shirts and headphones.

Since it was introduced, goPuff has become increasingly popular amongst university students.

Jake Levin, the director of marketing says that "Newark, Delaware is one of [their] most successful college markets"

Senior Spencer Kisberg learned of the service through a flyer last year, so he decided to try it.

"It's so easy and so practical that

they bring it right to your door," he says. "My favorite part is the speed of delivery."

Kisberg also noted that he wished he had goPuff at home, which may happen sooner than he realizes.

Levin says that the company is working to expand to as many cities as possible. He hopes to lower delivery times and prices, potentially even removing the delivery fee. goPuff, Levin adds, is always looking to add products to their catalogue, as well as possibly selling alcohol.

In the future, Levin hopes that goPuff will become integrated into people's daily lives around the country.

"When you want to get somewhere you take an Uber, it [has] become a verb. When someone thinks of something they need, we want them to goPuff it," he says. "We want them to automatically think of us."

## Lock your phone and earn rewards

RACHEL MILBERG  
Senior Reporter

Most college students use their phones in class more than they would like to admit. A recent study conducted by two psychology researchers at Wilkes University, Deborah Tindell and Robert W. Bohlander, shows that 92 percent of college students use their phones to text during class time. The new app popping up around campus, Pocket Points, aims to combat the everyday problems of distraction and disengagement by rewarding students with points for staying off their phones during class time.

The app recognizes when a phone is in an academic building and starts to accumulate points once the phone is locked. Points can then be used to redeem discounts and free items at participating stores and restaurants on Main Street, as well as select online stores.

At the moment, the participating locations on Main Street include California Tortilla, Cheeburger Cheeburger, Margherita's Pizza, Buddy's Burgers, Insomnia Cookies, Dairy Queen/Orange Julius, Wings to Go and Brewed Awakenings. Points can also be used for discounts with clothing brands like Lulus and Levis.

"It's great because we want to get our name out there," Shannon Bailey, the shift supervisor at California Tortilla, says. "[Students] can come in here and try our food and hopefully recommend it to their friends, or buy other stuff."



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Students rack up points by keeping their phone locked during class.

With the growing market for Mexican food on Main Street, Bailey explains that Pocket Points has really helped to expand the company's brand on campus.

"The goal in the college market is to keep students off their phones in class and really help increase the student engagement in a classroom," Olivia Gattis, the marketing director at Pocket Points, says. The app was developed in 2014, and although it just launched in Newark, 10 percent of the university campus is already using it, according to Gattis.

In a Pocket Points press release, the company states that the "mobile app will help thousands of local students

this academic year be more productive at local schools and help area businesses attract new customers."

"Delaware's a really great market for us," Gattis says, "And we're always doing our best to add new businesses for you guys." According to Gattis, as long as the app continues to be utilized, Pocket Points will continue to grow and expand with new businesses in the Newark area.

"I think it's smart because it enables the idea of turning off your phone to focus," junior Kiera Meighan says, "We're kind of distracted by technology when we study."

## Pure Romance parties: a new wave of female empowerment

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From college students to nuns and nurses, Janel Carey is teaching women of all types how to love their bodies with \$10,000 worth of sex toys.

Carey never imagined her career would be as a Pure Romance consultant until she attended her first sex-positive party after having three children in four years.

"There's nothing else in the world I could do where I would go to work and have this much fun," she says. "I get emails and text messages where people will say, 'you saved my marriage.' It's a very rewarding job."

Pure Romance parties are for any female identifying person aged 18 or older. They are an educational evening where women are given the chance to learn about their bodies and ways to enhance their sexual experience. A consultant is contacted by someone looking to a host a party. The Pure Romance consultant will pick a date with the host, who then invites their friends over for an informative girls' night out.

In this case, the consultant is Carey. Carey brings her merchandise with her such as bath products, lotions, sex toys and lubricants. She gives a wish list to all of the attendees, and then presents all of the products. The women mark off on their wish list what they hope to buy before the evening ends.

Pure Romance parties are an evening dedicated to sex-positivity which is defined as, "having an open, tolerant or progressive attitude towards sex and sexuality."

The 40-year-old Middletown, Del. native started her journey

as a pure romance consultant by selling a few products to friends. Struggling monetarily at the time, Carey used her small profit to pay for groceries. After being encouraged to consult at a pure romance party, Carey never returned to a nine-to-five job again. She now has parties 10 times a month, covering the mid-atlantic region.

When planning a pure romance party, the host is in charge of making a Facebook event and inviting friends. Carey takes care of the rest.

"I try to take all of the work off my hostesses because I realize that 95 percent of them are working full time, they're going to school full-time, they're raising families," Carey says.

Senior Alaina Johansson attended her first pure romance party with Carey as the party's consultant. Johansson is a part of the university's organization, V-Day, a club that advocates for gender equality and works to end gender-based violence.

After closing V-Day's, "The Vagina Monologues," the student organization hosted a pure romance party for the cast. That is how Johansson got in contact with Carey. Since then, the biological science and spanish double major has hosted her own party, as well as encouraged friends to join in on the dialogue of women's empowerment.

"College is a time of self-discovery," Johansson says. "We grow up with such heteronormativity and pure romance parties provide different avenues to express female sexuality."

Morgan Gizzi, a senior biomedical engineering major at the university, was first introduced to pure romance parties by Johansson. She and her



COURTESY OF JANEL CAREY

Janel Carey teaches female empowerment through selling sex toys.

roommate found the experience fun and empowering. They hosted their own party on Wednesday, Sept. 6.

Gizzi said beginner parties feature bath products and lotions while more advanced parties focus solely on toys. The host sets up a private room where party attendees sit down one-on-one with Carey to make purchases.

On the university's campus, pure romance parties are a

growing phenomenon. Johansson, Gizzi and Carey all attribute this to a new generation of women creating a dialogue about female sexuality.

"Young women are breaking out of their shell," Carey says. "They're gaining independence and they don't feel like they have to take a back seat in the bedroom anymore."

Each advocate stressed how the parties enable women to feel

safer when being intimate with someone. Through these sex-positive parties, Gizzi believes she has gained the power to say no in a sexual situation she is uncomfortable with.

"Women are expected to be sexy and coy," Johansson says, "You're supposed to be an object of a man's affection and not give into your own sexual desires and pure romance parties take away from that narrative."

## Small-screen sound off: American Vandal

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"American Vandal," a documentary-style, eight-episode Netflix series, is artfully shot and well edited. The show tells the story of a crime and the controversy that surrounds it. Its voice-overs are methodical, crisp and compelling; they draw viewers into the story, inviting them to be part of the investigation, too.

With maps, crime-scene recreations and interviews with key players, the documentary would be a fantastic piece of journalism — except that it's a mockumentary, a work of fiction, a satire.

"American Vandal," details a peculiar crime: someone entered a high school parking lot on the day of a teacher in-service and spray-painted penises on every car in the parking lot. A student, Dylan, is accused of the crime, charged with a felony and potentially faces expulsion.

Dylan's the epitome of a stereotype everyone remembers from high school — the disruptive bro who thinks drawing penises wherever he can is the height of comedy. His alleged actions are juvenile, and the school's response is way overboard. These two factors make the situation ripe for satire of America's current true crime obsession.

As a true crime fan, I reveled

in the way that "American Vandal" poked fun at acclaimed true crime features like documentaries and podcasts — I love a good spoof.

"American Vandal" appears to be the product of one of Dylan's coworker's from the student news station, who decides to make a documentary about Dylan's case. As he investigates both sides of the story, there's a crucial voicemail that the documentarian believes could either confirm or disprove Dylan's innocence.

There's also a timed reenactment of the crime, used to test Dylan's alibi. All the show needs is to have someone say "Maikimp" to complete the chain of references to This American Life's hit murder mystery podcast, "Serial."

I all but applauded as moody images flashed across the screen and an equally atmospheric song played — it looked like the title sequence from "The Jinx," HBO's acclaimed documentary in which filmmakers interviewed an accused murderer about his crimes.

Still, Dylan is neither as multifaceted as Adnan Syed from "Serial" nor as evil as Robert Durst from "The Jinx." He's not the sharpest tool in the shed and hardly a sympathetic character. He says he could not have committed the vandalism because he was with friends at the time, pranking an elderly neighbor. Boys will be boys, right?



COURTESY OF NETFLIX

"American Vandal" satirizes the "whodunit" crime show trend.

Still, Dylan might be innocent, and we watch the fictional documentarian in "American Vandal" grapple with telling both sides of the story, of deciding whether or not he can trust his subject — something we also see in "Serial" and "The Jinx."

That's where the show rises from satire to a reflection of our culture. Why are we so obsessed with mysteries, with whodunits? Why do we want to hear from alleged criminals and try to

judge their guilt or innocence for ourselves?

It would be easy to say it's because we, as humans, cannot look away from gory crime or horrible tragedies. But when the crime being investigated is about a cartoonish drawing of a penis — something bound to elicit nothing more than an eye-roll from anyone who's been through middle and high school — we don't keep watching out of morbid fascination. We keep watching out

of pure curiosity, because we enjoy the way our fascination spikes with every new twist and turn.

"American Vandal" teases journalists and their audiences because the show's serious tone gives it a dry humor. It's never mock-serious though — it's always earnest, making the joke hit that much harder. The show is not often laugh-out-loud funny, but still hits the spot if you're looking for an engaging, ultimately light-hearted weekend binge.

# For the university, envisioning a future of VR

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Senior Reporter

Medical breakthroughs, employee and military training, global exploration and vivid entertainment — the uses for Virtual Reality (VR) technology and devices are growing and the university has taken notice.

Faculty members like Student Multimedia Design Center (SMDC) coordinator, Nico Carver, are helping to drive new VR initiatives on campus.

Located in the basement of the Morris Library at the SMDC, the VR Studio is a fully-built lab of sorts, equipped with a new HTC Vive VR system, a large monitoring screen and padded walls for a safe, immersive experience.

"The [Center] has always been about a space for everyone on campus," Carver says. "So while we're very open to working with particular departments if they want to see something on our VR system, our focus is making it available to anyone who wants to try it out."

The VR Studio was originally built for students and faculty who want an accessible way to develop programs, games and experiences for VR, particularly on Vive's platform.

"We had a number of students request this because they were interested in developing for VR, and had an interest in that as a potential career," Carter says. "So I think there is already some demand."

The VR Studio can be used by either making a reservation or by checking in at the SMDC for a walk-in appointment. The Studio already hosts a wide range of programs, such as Google Earth, a 3D painting room called Tilt Brush and VR

Funhouse, a game with a series of carnival activities.

Even for casual fun, The VR Studio offers students a chance to explore and enjoy the technology.

"I was pretty skeptical of VR technologies in the past, but since trying the games on them, seeing how fun they are, my perception of them has completely changed," senior and long-time tech enthusiast, Matthew Saggese, says. "I even have my own Oculus Rift gear at home, but I would definitely check-out the VR Studio to explore some new programs."

Elsewhere at the university, STAR Campus has taken their own, more research-based approach to VR.

With the new Virtual Reality and Orthotics Gait lab, STAR Campus faculty and researchers aim to conduct critical biomedical research with the technology. Students and faculty have the opportunity to use the technology for academic, professional and recreational purposes. Interest in the technology stands to grow as a result.

"I think it could work, having it here now. People can try it out and see the potential, then maybe get excited about it," Carver says. "I was skeptical at first until I tried it, and I was like, 'I can actually see a lot of potential here, and I can see, once the headsets become more comfortable, people spending a lot of time in VR.'"



Students have access to the university's VR Studio, home to an HTC Vive system.

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## Satire: Assanis still pouting after ranking drop

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Presidential Mansion Correspondent

President Dennis Assanis has been pouting all weekend. Presidential mansion aides report he has been shutting himself in his room for several consecutive days.

The pouting fit follows the university's recent drop in the U.S. News and World Report college rankings, with the university moving from 79th to 81st place. Assanis reportedly did not take the drop well, spilling his cereal everywhere when aides broke the news.

Although he has not left his bedroom all weekend, Assanis has been active, with aides reporting thumping noises against the bedroom wall. Assanis has several posters of Joe Biden in his bedroom, and aides fear that he is punching them.

Assanis has also been heard muttering things like "you were supposed to fix this," likely in reference to Joe Biden and his recent arrival to campus. A student also reported that

Assanis was on his Biden Institute viewing balcony on Saturday night, trembling in anger and staring at the Institute.

According to U.S. News and World Report, Assanis has spent the entire weekend submitting furious complaints, degrading the organization and its "bad rankings." He has also been active in the comment sections of U.S. News and World Report articles, and the organization is taking measures to ban Assanis from its website.

Aides fear that the ranking decrease and the president's reaction will catalyze his STAR Campus imperial conquest efforts, feeling a need to take matters into his own hands. Reports also allege that Assanis will be terminating all non-STEM departments, who he feels are responsible for the university's failure.



Assanis wines about the university's rank dropping.

MINJI KONG/THE REVIEW

# New World Scholars destination opens in New Zealand

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Senior Reporter

Starting in the fall of 2018, the new class of World Scholars can study halfway across the world at the University of Auckland in New Zealand.

World Scholars began in the fall of 2015 when 38 students were sent to Rome, Italy to begin their studies as first-semester freshmen. Since then, students have had the option to study in Italy or Madrid, Spain — but now, a whole new continent is in the works.

Every year, students and parents of World Scholars fill out surveys regarding locations they would like to visit. Of the locations, Auckland was the top voted choice.

Amy Greenwald Foley, associate director for Global Outreach at the Institute for Global Studies (IGS) and one of the program coordinators for the World Scholars, says that New Zealand could be a fun but fast transition.

"The semester will begin in July and it will finish in November, which was a concern of ours," Foley says. "But students said the ability to study in New Zealand outweighs whatever challenges might arrive from a slightly different calendar."

Any incoming World Scholar who chooses this location will graduate from high school having already decided the courses they are going to take in their first semester.

Kiersten Harris, a sophomore

and international relations, triple language double major, believes that the location will best suit students interested in environmental studies. She also says this trip is perfect for students looking to get as far away from home as possible.

Like Harris, Joe DeMarco, a sophomore scholar studying political science, thinks Auckland will be a great location for those studying nature.

"New Zealand was where they shot Lord of the Rings, so it's a great place for nature, but it is a little westernized so I think it would be better if we had a location more off the beaten path," DeMarco says.

Harris also says that New Zealand will be a tricky place to go to. The time difference is extreme - 15 hours from the east coast. The semester schedule, July to November, is also a big adjustment. In the Southern Hemisphere, most schools begin their first semester in January. At the end of the semester, they have a month-long break before resuming for the second semester in July.

Because of these differences, Foley believes this will attract a different kind of student than those that have typically joined the program.

"Because of the natural landscape, the high concentration of geothermal activity and incredible marine life, students with an interest in natural sciences could truly enjoy studying there," Foley says.



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World Scholars have the opportunity to go to a new destination.

Chicken  
Scratch

Join The Review as a weekly cartoonist for our comic strip "Chicken Scratch." Go to [udreview.com/join](http://udreview.com/join) to apply.

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## DELAWARE 41, CORNELL 14

### DELAWARE DOMINATES CORNELL; ROCCO'S "EXPECTATIONS ARE HIGHER"

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Senior Reporter

In their first ever meeting, the Blue Hens dominated the Cornell Big Red, 41-14, Saturday afternoon, moving to 2-1 on the season.

"My expectations are higher than that," Head Coach Danny Rocco said. "If we really would have played a clean game and a complete game, we could have dominated that scoreboard."

Saturday's matchup marked Cornell's first game on the season after going 4-6 last year. The Big Red went 2-5 in Ivy League play a year ago and was picked to finish eighth in the Ivy League's annual preseason poll. Despite the 41 points scored for the Hens, Rocco expressed his concern with the offense.

"Too many misfires on offense, too many miscues, too many negative plays, too many drives that we were unable to complete," Rocco said. "We left a lot of points out there on the field."

The 41 points scored is Delaware's highest total for a single game since last season's opener. On the first play from scrimmage, junior linebacker Troy Reeder forced a fumble that was recovered by senior defensive lineman Bilal Nichols to put the Hens in the redzone. Moments later, junior running back Kani Kane rushed into the endzone for a touchdown.

Kane scored three short-yardage touchdowns during the first half for the Hens. He has the ability to be the

Hens go-to running back in red zone situations because of his 240-pound build and his six-foot height.

"Kani is a big back with really good feet," Rocco said. "He just fits us right now."

Delaware then scored on four more takeaways to go into halftime with a 27-point lead. The Blue Hens defense recorded four interceptions and a fumble recovery in the first half.

"Anytime you take the ball away like that, that's just crushing to an offense," Rocco said. "It's very difficult for me to be critical of our defensive performance."

The Blue Hens started the second half with an eight-play, 81-yard drive ending with Joe Walker's 12-yard touchdown pass to junior wide receiver Jamie Jarmon, his first ever college touchdown. Jarmon also had eight catches for 84 yards on the day, both career highs.

"I have been saying since the start of camp that Jamie has just come on," Rocco said. "He is a very explosive athlete. There are some things happening with Jamie right now: strength, confidence, speed and explosion that are making him a very complete receiver."

Walker threw the ball for 202 yards, a career high, and running back Kareem Williams ran the ball for 124 yards — highlighted by two breakout runs. Rocco was upset with his offense and the special team's performance that included two blocked field goals — a 49-yarder and a 43-yarder. He



OLIVIA SMITH / THE REVIEW

Delaware picked up its second win of the season with a 41-point performance Saturday versus Cornell.

was pleased to see his team at the very least, win the game and get some opportunities to extend the lead.

"I'm very happy with the score and the outcome," Rocco said. "We certainly needed to come in today and win the game and extend the lead against a football team that would compete really hard."

Once again the defense proved itself as the team's most dominant unit. They were able to get off the field, produce turnovers and completely

shut down the Big Red running game, resulting in only 46 rushing yards for Cornell.

But Rocco again expressed disappointment in the progress of his offense.

"I have been spending so much time here that I'm not really advancing my agenda," Rocco said. There are just some things that I just feel that we need to do a better job of."

The Blue Hens are off the next two weeks and then the team takes

on the defending NCAA champions James Madison, at home on Sept. 30. JMU picked up another win this weekend, now sitting with a 3-0 record while outscoring their opponents 161-38 through the first three games. They also outscored Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) opponent East Carolina 34-14.

"We owe them one," defensive back Nasir Adderley said. "We are ready to take that W."

## DELAWARE'S OFFENSE STARTS TO GET ON TRACK

**HANNAH TRADER**  
Senior Reporter

As the open date approaches for first-year Head Coach Danny Rocco, it is time for the team to take a "big step back and assess everything."

After the first three games, some questions remain about the team and how it will function ahead. The Blue Hens defense has been stout, placing third in the CAA in scoring defense and rushing defense. If there were any questions on either side of the ball, it was whether the offense had the system and pieces to be successful.

"My plan from the very beginning was three weeks into this, we'd take a big step back and assess everything we're doing with our entire program," Rocco said. "I think we're making progress, I think the area of most concern has been our red zone offense, our ability to finish our drives."

There have been ten times when the Hens were within 35 yards of the end zone, but only walked away with 20 points. Against Cornell, the Blue Hens' offense fared better in the red zone, converting on 78 percent of their opportunities. However, twice they settled for field goals and one drive ended in a Joe Walker interception.

There were two big questions among Blue Hens fans when camp broke: who would be Delaware's starting quarterback and would returning passer Joe Walker and Appalachian State transfer J.P. Caruso be splitting game time? Since starting opening night against Delaware State, Walker has solidified his hold on the starting position.

Caruso's lone snap Saturday was the final knee.

"When we finished up camp we felt that Joe made a push," Rocco said. "Joe made a push late in camp, I think the support that he got from his teammates as far as being voted captain was something that I think generated some momentum and I really felt like the logical and common sense thing to do was to kind of play that card first and see how it plays out."

Walker is quietly having his best season yet. In two of their first three games Walker has had two career highs in passing. In their opening game against Del State, Walker passed 13 for 26 with a career-high of 192 yards. Then Walker went on to beat his own record, completing 202 yards against Cornell. Rocco feels that among the strides Walker is making, leadership is becoming a strength.

"To me and for everyone else on the offense, these wouldn't be my best games as far as what I know I can do and what we know we can do," Walker said. "So there's a lot more to see coming from us and a lot of progress to make."

Among the elements that Rocco will reevaluate in the open week is the vertical passing offense and how to better utilize his personnel.

"I think the passing game has progressed," senior wide receiver Diante Cherry said. "We've shown flashes here and there of who we can be and how great we can be. I think we just need to focus and put it all together so we can be the team we know we can be."

In his first two games this season Cherry had seven



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Quarterback Joe Walker has thrown for a career-high in passing yards in two of Delaware's three games this season.

catches for 124 yards and both a receiving and rushing touchdown. On Saturday against Cornell, he was held catchless.

The Blue Hens have yet to see a CAA opponent thus far. However, while the offense has made obvious strides in the season's early stages,

there is still much room for improvement.

"We haven't seen conference play yet so everything that is really important is out in front of us," Rocco said. "I'm gonna say in this moment we remain on track. How we perform in our first CAA game will really lead

our discussions the rest of the season."

The Hens open up CAA play against the James Madison Dukes on Sept. 30 at Delaware Stadium.

# DE KONING MAKES HER MARK WITH DEFENDING NATIONAL CHAMPION FIELD HOCKEY TEAM

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In her first career home game on Sept. 1, Lotte de Koning made sure the record crowd -- on site to watch the unveiling of the 2016 National Champion banner -- knew who she was.

The freshman scored just a few minutes into the game, but the goal was waived off for being too high. Minutes later, she smacked home her first career goal, a Greta Nauck-esque backhand that whistled past the Dartmouth goalie. De Koning would go on to record three goals in the game, becoming the sixth-ever Blue Hen to tally a hat trick as a freshman.

Against Penn and Liberty on Sept. 8 and 10, respectively, the Swiss native collected three more goals, earning her CAA rookie of the week accolades. Her six goals on the season place her just one behind defending national player of the year Greta Nauck for the team lead through six games. Delaware sits at 5-1, ranked No. 6 in the top 25 poll.

"It's awesome," Nauck said. "She's a tremendous player ... she knows when to shoot the ball, she has a really good shot, knows when to pass the ball, to assist, knows when to hit, so that's really effective as a forward and helps us a lot in terms of scoring."

De Koning's addition is much needed for a team that returns only two of its top five goal scorers from a year ago -- Nauck and senior Taylor Lister.

Head Coach Rolf van de Kerkhof said the freshman class -- including starters de Koning, Joosje van Weperen and Femke Strien, along with Emily Kresho, Ellie Schepens, Emma Velez and



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Lotte de Koning was named CAA Rookie of the Week on Sept. 12. The week prior, fellow first-year Femke Strien won the award.

Conner Allen -- came into the season as fit as he's ever seen a freshman class come in.

"You need about three, four weeks, so actually six weeks including preseason to get a feel for who is where and what they are going to do together and they've done a phenomenal job," van de Kerkhof said. "It's really nice to see that some of the freshman start to play more and we're only four weeks into the season, so I'm happy with where we are right now."

Van de Kerkhof, who consistently recruits top-notch international talent, brings in three international players in this year's class: de Koning, van Weperen and Strien, which makes Delaware's roster 32 percent international players, the second-highest percentage of any team currently ranked in the top 10 of the field hockey top 25 poll.

De Koning -- much like other

international players seeking to play field hockey at an American university -- created a video of her hockey skills. The video, then sent through an international organization dedicated to helping international-born players find potential American universities, found its way to van de Kerkhof.

"At first, you don't know what universities there are and you're not familiar with how the process goes, so seeking help from such an organization can really help with the process," de Koning said.

De Koning, who began playing field hockey at age six, traveled to Amsterdam in her early adolescent years to play on a national level. Upon recruitment by van de Kerkhof, she visited Delaware in late 2016, spending time with junior forward and fellow Dutch player Lisa Giezeman.

Last year's championship roster contained six international players, all starters who played

integral roles in the team's run. While the team loses two of them to graduation -- midfielders Marjelle Scheffers and Esmee Peet -- the immediate impact provided by de Koning is a necessary boost.

Listed as playing both defense and midfield, de Koning said she prefers midfield -- it's a position she's excelled at so far this season, tallying 13 total points and 24 shots on goal, only second to Nauck.

"She can do it all," van de Kerkhof said. "If she keeps things simple, she can do everything and from a personal perspective, I think she could be a player for Rookie of the Year in the conference ... she could be a great All-American caliber player and maybe one day it's time for her to say 'Greta, move over, I won that as well.'"

## DELAWARE CRUISES PAST COMPETITION IN DELAWARE INVITATIONAL

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The Blue Hens women's cross country team dominated in the Delaware Invitational on Saturday morning, with nine runners finish in the top 10 and fifteen in the top 20.

Senior Liz McGroarty led the way with an average mile time of 6 minutes, 11.6 seconds, and a final time of 23 minutes, 5.39 seconds. Her final time was a minute faster than the second place runner, teammate Roxanne Ramirez.

"It feels really good to test my fitness right now," McGroarty said. We've been working really hard, but just to come out here and see it and have everyone in one spot and to put it all together, it feels really good."

Head Coach Wendy McFarlane-Smith expressed high praise for her team and for McGroarty on the first place finish.

"She's doing all the right things and it shows that she is just disciplined in the sport," McFarlane-Smith said. "I look for really big things from Liz this year, and from the team

in general. I'm excited for what they are bringing to the table this year."

The Hens finished with 18 total points with an average time of 24 minutes, 9.51 seconds, and a total time of 2 hours, 47.51 seconds. Covering all this distance in a manageable time can be largely attributed to the work of Distance Coach Ryan Waite.

"We put our focus entirely on the Championship meets. The training that we're doing right now, we train straight through all the races," Waite said. "Right now it's a lot of long miles and a lot of intervals, but as we go forward in the season we will start doing some hills and some speed so that they're sharp and ready to go for those championships."

Last year, during this same race, McGroarty had a tough time with the blistering heat and could not finish the race. This year, she redeemed herself and took first place in the race in a lopsided victory.

"There's always an omen with this course. I think I always have a chip on my shoulder about it," McGroarty said. "I think I came in last year putting a lot of pressure on myself



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Liz McGroarty paced the Blue Hens to a first place finish at the Delaware Invitational.

and it was really hot and things just didn't work out the way I wanted it to."

Delaware will return to

Bethlehem, Pa., where they went for the first meet of the season, to compete in the Paul Short Invitational on Sept. 29.

## Blue Hen Of the Week



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Junior wide receiver Jamie Jarmon hauled in a career-high eight receptions for 84 yards and a touchdown in Delaware's 41-14 win over Cornell last Saturday. The touchdown was the first of Jarmon's career.



Looking ahead at Delaware's non-conference schedule

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The University of Richmond opened their season with a 48-34 loss against perennial playoff contender Sam Houston State, while Villanova University opened their non-conference slate with a 38-35 victory over Lehigh University, the defending Patriot League champions, in an intriguing intrastate matchup.

The Wildcats then went on to lose 16-13 in week two to Philadelphia rival Temple University. James Madison University, the defending Football Championship Subdivision champs, opened up with an impressive 34-14 road victory over East Carolina University of the Football Bowl Subdivision's American Athletic Conference.

As Delaware and its Colonial Athletic Association counterparts finished their non-conference slate for the 2017 season Saturday afternoon, it is critical to analyze the Blue Hens recent scheduling and the steps the program can take to improve it in the coming years.

The Blue Hens have opened against Delaware State the past two seasons, both resulting in healthy UD victories. Billed as "Delaware Day," the First State rivalry fails to provide an exciting brand of football, as the Hornets finished 0-11 last season.

After the four-year series with DSU ends in 2019, Delaware should actively seek out a new East Coast rival to begin the season against. Potential suitors can be found up north in the Patriot League, where Lehigh and Fordham University finished a combined 17-6 last season.

While both these potential matchups lack local flair, they would be more competitive alternatives to the Hornets. A close opening day matchup would generate fan interest and show what the team is made of early on in the year.

With that being said, the Blue Hens ought to keep one cupcake game on their non-conference schedule. They shouldn't just play it on the opening day of the season.

A week two shutout loss to then 18 ranked FBS Virginia Tech is hardly a stain on the Blue Hens resume for the year. Delaware players gained experience playing in front of a packed house of 62,536 fans while the school received a healthy payout from the Hokies.

The Blue Hens will continue to travel to play against ACC opponents in the coming years as the squad faces Pittsburgh University in 2019 and North Carolina State in 2020.

Delaware also has intriguing back-to-back matchups with FCS powerhouse North Dakota State on the horizon. The Bison, who won five straight national championships from 2011 to 2015, will travel to Delaware Stadium in 2019.

"I'm excited for our team and our fans to see a new opponent from a strong conference in the CAA," fourth-year NDSU head coach Chris Klieman said in a 2016 press release. "The return trip to Delaware is going to be a great test for us. They're a Top 10 team in attendance and it is one of the best environments in the FCS."

While the NDSU and ACC matchups are tough to start the season, they will test the Blue Hens and have them ready for December football.

The ideal Delaware schedule should then include one FBS Power Five opponent, a competitive local FCS team with rivalry potential, and one weaker FCS squad. It is the ideal way to cultivate excitement for CAA play while also guaranteeing an early victory for the program.

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