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Resident Assistants Lauren Fischetti, right, and Tori Pickett, both juniors, enjoy a day of exercises and strike poses during RA training in August.

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Enjoy college life getting involved

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It may feel like you just finished signing your best friend's high school yearbook or you're just putting away your cap and gown, but it's time to kiss those high school days goodbye.

Though it can be a nervous and even frustrating time in your life, there is no need to fret because on the Hill you can hop right into the mix of things and easily become disquised as an overclassman or at least a knowledgeable freshman.

How to succeed in this awkward transition stage of your life? The equation is actually fairly

simple and easier than any of the SAT questions you answered to get into this school. You + Getting involved in McDaniel Clubs/Organizations = Success!

Although McDaniel may be smaller than many colleges, it's huge in the opportunities it provides to be an involved student. You can join some of the following areas of activities: Greek life, College Republicans/Democrats, Intramural sports, media groups, cultural or ethnic groups, academic clubs, or religious and musical groups, just to name a few areas that may be of interest.

Joining any of these organizations will automatically introduce you to some students in your class and even upperclassmen. If you can't decide whether you want to join the College Democrats

or Terror TV, go to both meetings. You might find that you're really interested in both or that you're not interested in either. In any case you gave it a shot, probably were introduced to some people, and can always try a new club the following week.

As far as the social scene goes for freshman, one word instantly comes to mind and that is Glar. You may have ten minutes to grab a quick bite or have all day to lounge around five bowls of cereal and a plate of chicken tenders. Whether the case is, Glar is the social arena where you are a freshman, senior, athletic coach, or faculty member.

The second place you need to familiarize yourself with is Hoover Library. Of course, in

high school you wouldn't be caught dead in the library but once the semester kicks into gear the library becomes a hot spot for all college students. Sure the main reason you should go to the library is to study and get work done and not to see if you can run into that hot kid from your biology class, I assure you your chances of running into him or her in the library is much greater than if you lock yourself in your dorm room all night.

Good luck young newbies at McDaniel College. Your time here will be full of lasting memories and lifelong friends. Make sure you stop and take a look around every once and a while because you know it'll be starting your senior year.

First year team offers advice

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Dean Violanti, Dean Johnson-Ross, and Dean Towle comprise the first year team. These women organize first year programs to make the transition to college life as smooth as possible for freshmen students.

These women begin meeting in the spring to begin planning for the upcoming year. Although they work together closely to coordinate programs, every woman has her own focus. Violanti offers support and guidance to first year students, and oversees the peer mentor program. Johnson-Ross selects the summer reading and oversees the first year seminars, while Towle organizes the august freshmen orientation.

The first program freshmen encounter is the august orientation. Towle organizes every aspect of these first few days from the activities to the entertainment. Violanti said these first days are hugely important because they help students connect to campus and to each other. However, orientation is only the beginning.

A unique freshman program are the first year seminars. These classes differ from regular academic classes in several ways. The teachers of first year seminars serve as first year advisors to the students, and the peer mentors attend the seminars. According to Johnson-Ross they're meant to help the students adjust to academic life at McDaniel.

These classes are designed to help students learn important skills such as how to study and how to write in a more sophisticated manner. Johnson-Ross said the flex hour in first year seminars are especially important because professors can use this time to teach students academic skills, or to introduce them to academic resources on campus.

Peer mentors are an important resource for freshmen students. In addition to attending first year seminars with freshmen, they offer guidance to them. Johnson-Ross described them as a liaison between the student and the college, while Towle describes peer mentors as "walking student handbooks."

According to Towle, peer mentors have five intensive training days where they learn about resources, the McDaniel Plan, and assisting in a classroom. These "handbooks" are trained to answer any questions freshmen students have.

However, peer mentors aren't the only place to turn to if freshmen need guidance. Johnson-Ross said academic advisors are also a good person to turn to for academic guidance or for any questions. In addition, she suggested using the website or the intranet to find answers, while Violanti recommended coming to her office at Academic Affairs. She said if Academic Affairs couldn't answer any questions, they'd know who could answer them.

A final piece of advice Towle wanted freshmen to know is "the best thing they can do is ask for help when they need it," and to know that "everyone is so willing to help students be successful."

MEET YOUR CLASS, 2013! Incoming freshmen are diverse, accomplished

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Congratulations are in order for members of the class of 2013. You are one of 2,006 first year students who made it through orientation by dutifully following around your peer mentors whose job it was to safely and effectively transport you from event to event throughout the week.

As one of these 2,006 incoming freshmen, you are simultaneously feeling excitement and dread for this semester; you chose to be here, but unfortunately, being here means work.

But while you're here, you might as well get to know your class. Your class is comprised of students from 26 different states including DC and six different countries outside of the U.S.

Eighteen percent of your class

are multicultural students, a higher percentage than the past six incoming classes.

Sixty-two percent of you are from Maryland, and 17 percent of you are from good-ole Carroll County.

A whopping seven percent of you are "legends" on the Hill which means that a relative of yours either went here or currently is still here.

The male to female ratio is 50/50, a perfect equilibrium between the sexes. In the previous six years' incoming classes, there have been less men than women this once upon a time benefit for males no longer exists.

In a speech to the faculty, Florence Hines, Vice President and Enrollment Management, and Dean of Admissions reported on your class, giving a summary on the kind of people you are.

Hines described your class as

having a "different kind of profile."

Slight. Many of you have traveled all over the world, but not just for the sake of traveling, but to learn or volunteer, helping with tsunami relief in Sri Lanka or in medical clinics in Peru or El Salvador.

Others of you served communities in the U.S., spending time at animal shelters and youth programs or raising money for the hungry and homeless.

Still, more of you are just plain interesting. You have started working towards your careers early, learned more about culture, and explored nature. You have worked, you have played, you have done what you love.

Welcome to McDaniel. Class of 2013, you will spend the next four years here meeting new and interesting people with at least one thing in common: you chose to go to college on the Hill.

Greeks positive, fun on campus

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Features Editor

If socials, community service, and a close group of friends sound appealing, a fraternity or sorority is something to seriously consider for anyone new to campus. While student participation in Greek life is not pervasive on campus, surmising 13-14% student body involvement, McDaniel College still has some vibrant Greek letter organizations for those interested.

The sororities to consider are Alpha Nu Omega, Phi Alpha Mu, Phi Mu, and Phi Sigma Sigma. The social fraternities are Alpha Sigma Phi, Kappa Delta Rho, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma and Alpha Gamma Tau (Bachelors).

One feature of Greek life is giving back to the community. For example, Casey Crough, president of Phi Mu, explains that Phi Mu is "a social sorority and also participate[s] in community service. As a national organization, we raise money for our national philanthropy, Children's Miracle Network."

Lindsay Anderson, president of Phi Sigma Sigma, says that "Philanthropic efforts for us range from soup kitchens, Relay for Life, St. Jude Children's Hospital, to making stockings and cards for Carroll Lutheran Village, Rock-a-don, Alcohol Awareness Month Luncheon, etc. It's an important aspect we never forget."

Rushing is not the right decision for everyone. There are countless other activities to take part in on campus such as athletics, the paper, honor societies, and more. However, if becoming involved in Greek life seems appealing, the next decision is

which organization to choose. While all fraternities and sororities participate in philanthropy, another important aspect is the bonds of friendship and the positive effect of the organization on the members' lives. The rushing process will be enlightening as to which specific group is the best fit, but in reference to the Greek life experience many students had positive remarks to make which might enlighten prospective pledges beforehand.

Kaiti Reynolds, president of Alpha Nu Omega, says "The way I always describe why someone should consider joining Alpha Nu Omega is because we are a very diverse group of girls that know how to have fun with each other, but also know how to get down to business when need be. We aren't the stereotypical sorority from the movies; we are just a fun group of girls."

Anderson comments that "I see our chapter's mission as to not only set a good example in our community, but to be the positive change in it." She continues "Someone should consider rushing Phi Sig because we are nice and classy women. We take time to be immersed in the activities as well as taking the time to hang out and make everlasting memories." Crough says that her sorority that "Phi Mu provided me with a strong group of women who I am proud to be my sisters."

Nick Bender, president of Phi Delta Theta, says "Phi Delta Theta is a social fraternity, and will enrich an individual's social experience here at McDaniel College, as well as provide a great way to network with alumni post-graduation." He continues "To me it means having the power to host [charitable] events, to meet new people, and grow with experi-

ences that a non-Greek student will graduate without."

Fernando Gomes, a member of Phi Kappa Sigma, remarks that "Joining Phi Kap gave me a connection to an awesome group of guys that I know I can always depend on, whether I need someone to talk to about a personal problem, or simply just someone to sit with in Glar."

Ashlee Baker, president of Alpha Sigma Phi, says "We are interested in helping young men... find a major, getting them involved in community service... supporting them if they are struggling academically, or helping them bud socially." He continues, "I know it has had a profound impact on my life."

In regards to choosing a fraternity, Baker adds that "Part of this... is finding the right fraternity to fit the interested individual." While the members of all Greek organizations will espouse the benefits of joining up in the end it comes down to discovering individually whether that group is a comfortable fit.

While McDaniel does have a policy requiring freshman to wait until second semester to be a member, it is certainly something to consider in the near future. A common theme amongst those involved is the incredibly positive influence, with Anderson, Reynolds and Baker all referring to joining as, "the best decision" they've made on campus. So consider that Greek organizations offer an opportunity to perform charitable acts, get involved on campus, and meet a new and possibly lifelong group of people. Either way, remember that whether a fraternity or sorority is in your future or not, your experience on the hill is sure to be memorable!

Become a Student Ambassador!

Would you like the opportunity to share your love for McDaniel College with Prospective Students and their families?

The Office of Admissions is looking to hire Student Ambassadors. These students truly love McDaniel, and want to help prospective students make one of the most important decisions of their lives Student Ambassadors help the Office of Admissions in numerous ways. Based on their interests and schedules their duties include:

- take a prospective student to a class with them
- eat lunch with Prospective Students in Glar
- email or call prospective students to answer any questions or concerns they might have
- blog about their experience on the web
- lead campus tours

As a student ambassador you'll gain valuable life experiences, help your college, and earn some serious money. Ask any of the current Student Ambassadors and they'll tell you "It is the best job on campus".

If you'd like more information please contact Betsy Beveridge at bbeveridge@mcDaniel.edu or ext 2558.

'OUTLIERS: THE STORY OF SUCCESS'?

Freshman reading selection offers debate, commentary on stereotypes

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Commentary Editor

As a Peer Mentor this year, I recently read a book entitled *Outliers: The Story of Success* by Malcolm Gladwell which the incoming freshmen are required to read as part of their Orientation. I'm sure we all remember the experience: boring book, boring discussion, the increasingly frequent glances at our watches as we wonder why Fate has decided to punish us by slowing time to a seeming standstill. But it was worth it right?

I don't care. I don't have a problem with the system, I have a problem with the system's choice. The first half of this book discusses how hard work, determination, and seizing opportunities presented to you can make you an "outlier," a success story, someone like Bill Gates or the Beatles. That's all fine. In fact, that's exactly what the fresh meat on campus should be told. Perfect. Great. Wonderful as the German warriors would exclaim.

In the best of all possible worlds, the book would have ended after the first half. Unfortunately, it does not. Instead, it was almost as if the first half suddenly discovered it had an evil, racist twin. That evil racist twin is the second half.

Did you know Asians are good at math? What about that Jewish people

make good lawyers? Even worse, did you know Koreans are bad pilots? In his book, Malcolm Gladwell attempted to confirm nearly every stereotype we've ever heard (especially the popular ones). He might as well have said that black people are good workshorses. Now, I know, I'm just a middle class white kid, and I know that there is a place in this society for cultural content. Even more, I'm frankly sick and tired of everyone who can jump on the bandwagon and crying discrimination every time someone says anything even remotely off-color. Some of the points Gladwell made were valid. For instance, one of the reasons he cited for Asia's excellence at mathematics was that the numbering system in their language was more logically organized. I can buy that. I can even buy that there are a lot of successful Jewish lawyers at this time because when they started out they weren't accepted by powerful firms run by powerful Christians and so were forced to practice law in unconventional ways that eventually became the popular norm. And maybe Koreans aren't good pilots because they have societal issues with clear communication. Maybe.

The problem is, Gladwell proposed that these characteristics carry beyond that first generation. Wrong. I might think of myself as a middle class kid, but ninety years ago my Irish and Scottish and German ancestors all had their own cultural characteristics. They're gone now. I don't wear a kilt, I don't have a brogue, and I wouldn't be caught dead in lederhosen.

I'm part Jewish too, but I don't want to be a lawyer and fifth generation Asians who have become part of American society won't necessarily be good at math. Malcolm Gladwell is doing exactly what other people are doing when they say that black people like fried chicken and watermelon. I know, plenty of people find the African American dinner at Glax offensive because that's exactly what they eat. Many, many years ago that was part of African American culture. But that was at a time when African Americans were unfortunately not allowed to be a part of the American culture as a whole. Now that that is frequently easier and easier to do, it's just not. Cultures blend together here, this is America, the great melting pot, remember?

So when Gladwell talks about Asian math geniuses and Jewish lawyers, he's promulgating a stereotype, and there is no such thing as a good stereotype. Stereotypes force people into a role and, if they don't want to be part of that role or they simply can't, everyone else believes there is something wrong with them. Even more dangerous, there will always be people who twist stereotypes into whatever they want to make them. Gladwell says Koreans make bad pilots, someone else deduces that they must make bad drivers as well. Gladwell's stereotyping leads to racism, just like everyone else's stereotyping does.

So for those of you who were offended by this book, don't worry. I was too, and I didn't even have a personal reason to be.

Make the college experience count!

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Contributor
SGA Executive Vice President

During Freshman Orientation, I met hundreds of new incoming freshmen energized about this year. Some asked if I had to give any piece of advice to freshman what would it be. My response: this experience will only be what you make it, so make the most of it.

There are many avenues on this campus to pursue in order to make the most of your experience here. SGA as an organization is unique from other organizations as it is a central coordinating body on campus for other groups. With over 110 groups on campus and over 30 athletic sports teams and intramurals, it is easy to join a niche and stay there. However, it is often those who join more than a few groups that truly establish a foundation for community, develop relationships, and bridge gaps unforeseen before. My hope is that freshmen understand this important concept now rather than later, in order to make the most of their time here. This year SGA has three priorities that are reflective of this spirit.

In accordance with our mission, we must create plenty of opportunities for students to be engaged. Our priorities are mindful of a community atmosphere and a spirit of collaboration from all campus organizations. Firstly, implement a long-awaited campus-wide master calendar. Secondly, collaborate with the College Activities Office and CAP Board in order to ensure campus programming is truly the best it can be and reflective of what students want. Lastly, increase the presence of Student Government on campus by engaging with students in activities, elections, and campus groups.

At Orientation dozens of students signed up to join a committee of SGA that interests them and dozens more took applications to run for a senate position in their residence hall. Join SGA and check out what the buzz is all about for the Class of 2013.

You owe it to yourself, to make this experience count!

Meet the Press... 2009 edition

Co Editors in Chief



Kate Delenick
Year: Senior
Major: Journalism
Minor: Journalism
Favorite place on campus and why: Glax because I love spending way too much time there catching up with my friends. I dream that someday McDaniel will hold an actual class in there!



Juliann Guiffre
Year: Senior
Major: Communication
Minor: Journalism
Favorite place on campus and why: Glax! Eating, people watching, hanging out with friends...



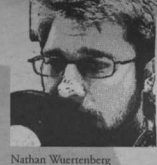
Roxanne Fleischer
Year: Senior
Major: English
Minors: Journalism, Writing
Favorite place on campus and why: The Writing Center! I love my fellow writing tutors, Lisa, and procrastinating on my homework in the lab!
Alt position: Web Manager



Megan Robinson
Year: Sophomore
Major: English
Minor: Spanish
Favorite place on campus and why: Red Square, because it's beautiful and it's the heart of the campus. There's always something going on there.



Kim Williams
Year: Junior
Major: English
Favorite place on campus and why: Red Square because it's a great place to sit and study. Plus more often than not there is something interesting going on there!



Nathan Wuertenberg
Year: Sophomore
Major: History and Spanish
Favorite place on campus: The patio beside Hoover Library with the Pising Stone.
Alt position: Blog Editor

Co Chief Photographers



Evan Ticknor
Year: Senior
Major: Sociology/Communication
Minor: Art
Favorite place on campus and why: where ever there is free and open thought, because that's why I went to college



Sam Segal
Year: Junior
Major: Graphic Design
Minor: Business
Favorite place on campus and why: Gazebos because I spend a lot of time there with friends, especially around finals!



Nick Brunner
Year: Junior
Major: Business and Economics
Favorite place on campus: Gardenden Apartment 155



Caitlin Flynn
Year: Junior
Major: Communication
Minor: Journalism
Favorite place on campus and why: The library, because it's a good place to get focused



Ashleigh Smith
Year: Senior
Major: Graphic Design
Minors: Writing, Journalism
Favorite place on campus and why: I love two places: a) the gazebo, because it's a great place to watch people, and b) the golf course, because it's a great place for a walk.



Angela Baldwin
Year: Senior
Major: English
Minors: Writing, Psych., History
Favorite place on campus and why: I like the pub the best because you get good coffee, a good place to hang out with friends and it's nice to do homework in the comfy recliners.

Co Sports Editors

Art Director

Copy Editor

This issue of The McDaniel Free Press is a mini-issue created to welcome new and returning students. We hope to peak your intrigue, inspire you to pick up future issues of the paper, and to even get involved in the paper's production. The first 'official' copy of The McDaniel Free Press will hit campus on Thursday, Sept. 17. Some of the news in this issue will include: Search for new president begins, Words To Remember Ira By, College readiness for the winter flu, Sex on The Hill, and The Lighter Side of the campus safety blotter. If you like what you read, or can't believe what you read, if you

think The McDaniel Free Press is the new crew.
Free Press staff meetings are held every Monday night in Room 101 in Hill Hall, starting at 7:30 p.m. If you can't make it to the meetings, but you want to know more, email Julie (jdg100@mcndaniel.edu).
or Kate (kld008@mcndaniel.edu). We welcome the storytellers, the artists, the eye openers, and the world changers. Help us inform, educate, entertain, anger. Thrive on the edge.
Welcome to, and welcome back to, life on The Hill.

The Free Press Editors

Upcoming sports season promises excitement

NICK BRUNNER AND
CAITLIN FLYNN
Co Sports Editors

While most of us were relaxing on the beach and enjoying the last few weeks of summer vacation, McDaniel's field athletes were out sweating in the August heat on The Hill vigorously preparing for their upcoming seasons.

This year's upcoming events will not only bring a lot of new faces to McDaniel, but also plenty of excitement for the students. The women's soccer team, led by coach Bryan Schumaker, will kick off this season's home games in their match on September 1 against St. Mary's College of Maryland at 3:30. The men's soccer team will follow, their game against Wesley being at 5:30 the same day.

Coach Jim Reigel of the men's team had many positive words to say about their team, consisting mostly of incoming players and a few key upperclassmen returning who are expected to give plenty of guidance on their first year players.

"Although we are picked to finish 9th in the conference, I feel we are in the position to surprise many schools in our conference," says Reigel.

The men's team has hopes of ultimately qualifying for the conference tournament, which will consist of the top five teams in the conference.

Green Terror Volleyball also has potential in succeeding this season, beginning with their home opener against Stevenson on September 3 at 7 p.m.

Coach Carole Molloy believes that the many new faces along with the returning veteran players will create a team that could certainly win the conference title. There are eight girls in the class of 2013 trying out for the team, including a setter from a state championship high school team as well as players with some height whom will assist with blocking, ultimately making their defense more effective.

"A good mixture of talent and experience will add a bit of competition amongst ourselves which will only make us better against our competitors," states Molloy.

There are a good number of McDaniel volleyball games to look out for this season other than their home opener. Big rivals include Franklin and Marshall as well as Gettysburg. These games will take place on September 23 and October 21 respectively. McDaniel will also be hosting Haverford, the defending

conference champion, on October 31. Students: Come to your Halloween costume to this game and get a surprise!

Being in a brutally competitive field hockey conference, Coach Jones of the McDaniel field hockey team has high expectations for her players this season. After graduating seven seniors, all of which were starters, and losing three other players for various reasons, the team is left with eight new members, two who will be transferring in. According to Coach Jones and Coach Ramey, many of the new members are expected to have a significant amount of playing time.

"Everyone will be underestimating us since we lost so many players, but our incoming players are very talented, and our returning players are very strong. We have the ability to pull out a great season," says rising junior Kaitlin Boeman.

"What separates this year compared to the last few is that the new incoming players have a golden opportunity to really step up and make an immediate impact," says Jones. Field hockey's home opener will be on September 5 against Catholic at 5 p.m.

Coach Renner of McDaniel cross country speaks on both the men and

women's team when he says every member has great potential if they can stay healthy. For the women's team, rising junior Lindsey Wilson has a great chance to qualify for nationals this year after earning second team all conference honors as well as all Midwest region honors a year ago.

Also, senior Roxanne Fleischer and junior Emily Peoples ran number two and three for the team last year. They too are also very promising members of talented women's cross country team.

When it comes to the men's team however, Coach Renner feels that one of the biggest keys to the season will be depth. Graduate Kevin Bowman and senior Rob Kevy are two leaders of the men's cross country team. The key to this season, however, will be finding dependable 5.7 men, says Renner. If leaders like Bowman and Kevy are able to set a tone of hard work from the top, it will go a long way in helping the rest of the team. With strong leadership and dedication the terror men have to live their chances of finishing with a great season.

Last but not least is the Green Terror Football team. The team in the past few years has been in a bit of a recession if you will, finishing last year with a re-

cord of 2-8. However, there has been a positive aura amongst the team throughout the off season which has carried through camp. Coach Keating feels that this year's senior class is full of quality young men on and off the field who are dedicated to reestablishing McDaniel as a force to be reckoned with in the Centennial Conference.

Added to its strong core of returning players and coaches will be a slew of promising new faces, including defensible coordinator Mike Daily. Coach Daily brings with him not only professional coaching experience but also an "armor" that the team has adopted.

When the Green Terror step on the field this year they want to be smarter, tougher, and fiercely more competitive than any opponent they line up against. The first test of the year will come at home on Saturday, September 5 as the team will take on St. Vincent at 1:00 p.m.

Fall 2009 is shaping up to be a very exciting time on The Hill. The Green Terror sports teams are raring to kick the season off with a bang and we here at the Free Press are ready to keep you up to date with all the latest action. Get out there, have a good time, and show your support for the McDaniel's fine student athletes.

New, visiting professors add expertise to classes on the Hill

JULIANN GUIFFRE
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Professor wields 36 years of TV transformation

This year, Communication students will have the opportunity to learn from someone who has been an eyewitness to every major development in television over the past several decades, from the introduction of color and video tape to how he was a boy to the many technical improvements of the digital age.

For Frank Batavick, becoming a Visiting Professor at McDaniel will allow him to share these 36 years of experience, from "writing and producing to program acquisition and sales." However, he hopes to gain as much as he gives.

"I have also been a life-long student of the media and its history and effects and hope I learn as much from the students as they will learn from me," he said.

Until June 2008, Batavick worked with Films Media Group as its Chief Content Officer and Vice President. The group is the largest provider of videos to schools, libraries, colleges, and universities. While there he managed film acquisition accounts with providers such as BBC, Discovery, and ABC News. He also established international co-production relationships with producers in Spain, UK and Argentina.

Prior to this, Batavick was the Director of Product Development for the Agency for Instructional Technology, a provider of instructional TV programs to PBS stations. He was also Executive Producer/Producer for the Maryland State Department

of Education and Maryland Public TV.

His 600 productions—videos, laser discs, CD-ROMs, and DVDs—have won 65 national and international awards, including a Peabody and a World Gold Medal—US Festivals. However, he decided to call it quits after "a very enjoyable and productive career in television on both the non-profit and for profit sides."

Most recently he worked as the executive producer for a one-hour documentary on filmed literary critic, Harold Bloom, and a 2-part DVD series on Spain's Generation of '27 writers.

Batavick was offered this position based on his previous adjacent teaching experience here at McDaniel, where he taught one of the first media courses 19 years ago. He accepted because he knew McDaniel to be "a warm and inviting place for students where the emphasis is always on instruction, personal growth, and opening career opportunities."

Batavick would like to use his first hand experience with technological change to educate his students, especially since he was an active player in developments such as videocassettes, video discs, DVDs, and video streaming. His teaching style also includes humor and contemporary cultural references to "create an unthreatening context for discussion."

During the fall semester, Batavick will be teaching Intro to Communication—both the Interpersonal and Media classes, as well as Film Analysis.

He feels that one of the most important aspects about a liberal arts education is to have students thinking critically about the world around them, "to see their time here as part of a much larger tapestry—and to understand that they have important roles to play in our society if they develop the right skill set."

New psych professor tackles topic of memory

A pilot is interrupted while preparing the plane for take off, a procedure he performs the same way day after day. A short while into the flight, he realized he has forgotten to appropriately adjust the flaps. The plane crashes.

A father is taking his son to daycare, a job usually handled solely by the mother. He forgets to stop at the daycare center, leaving his child in the car all day. The child dies from the heat.

Both of these devastating incidents were because of ordinary lapses in prospective memory, something that Dr. Jack Arnal knows quite a bit about through his studies in cognitive psychology, which deals with how the mind works.

"At a basic level, we're trying to figure out how memory works. With that information, we could help people retrieve the appropriate memory at appropriate times," he said.

Arnal is continuing his research here at McDaniel as an Assistant Professor in the Psychology department. He completed his graduate degree in 2008 at the University of Arkansas, a five-year program that allowed him to actually teach seven courses for undergraduate students.

"McDaniel seemed very similar to the school I went to for undergrad, with the interaction between student and teacher. I didn't want to teach a lecture to 500 students and not know who any of the students," he said.

Another attraction for Arnal was the many resources at McDaniel's disposal, as he'd like to continue his research in prospective memory, and

apply it to both forensic and legal settings (i.e. eyewitnesses of a crime).

Originally from Ohio, Arnal received his undergraduate degree from Baldwin Wallace College in Cleveland. From there, he researched schools where professors were conducting the same type of research that he was interested in, prospective memory, or remembering to do something in the future.

Arnal found the research he was looking for at the University of Arkansas, with a professor named James Lampinen. While there, he also studied false memory research.

Arnal has several publications concerning both prospective and false memory. One discusses the effectiveness of supermarket posters in helping to find missing children.

"We noticed that the posters were in a place where people really didn't look at them," he said. They placed a selection of pictures up, and then stopped people on the way out of the store and asked them to pick the pictures out of a line-up. Many were unsuccessful.

Arnal then worked on methods to help improve this, including placing the pictures of missing children directly on the conveyor belt at the cash register, at the "point of purchase."

Other publications include a model of prospective memory and one on content borrowing and vivid false memory. This semester at McDaniel, Arnal will teach Introduction to Psychology, Cognitive Psychology, and Psychological Methods & Statistics.

J.P. Kennedy Fellow Becomes SASS Director

Free Press: What schools did you attend and where were you employed before coming to McDaniel?

Thomas Webb: I spent the last 18 months as a J.P. Kennedy Fellow working in the area of disability policy. I worked for the US House of Representatives' Committee on Education and Labor (Majority) for a year. I ended my fellowship working in government relations for the Disability Policy Collaboration in DC. Prior to working in disability policy I served as the Director of Student Support Services at Chesapeake College in Maryland. I attended Washington College for a BA in political science and a MA in psychology. I am currently finishing my doctoral dissertation at Wilmington University in Educational Leadership.

FP: What were the factors in your decision to join the faculty here?

TW: My undergraduate experience was profoundly positive and I sense that the same individualized open learning environment existed here at McDaniel. I was drawn to the sense of community between the faculty, staff and students here at McDaniel.

I enjoy working with students with different learning styles and abilities and McDaniel's Student Academic Support Services program offers a nice variety of options to assist students with a wide range of



learning abilities.

FP: What are you hoping your experience to be like at McDaniel? What kind of impression do you wish to leave upon students and other faculty?

TW: Considering I live directly across from the campus, I plan to fully involve myself in the College community both inside and outside of work. I am hoping to build lasting relationships with the staff, faculty and students I work with and hope to follow my students' success as parents and lives after they graduate from McDaniel. I also plan to teach graduate classes in the evening and look forward to my time in the classroom working with special education professionals.

FP: What do you feel are the most important things about education - or more specifically a liberal arts education?

TW: To me the most important thing about a liberal arts education involves the flexibility in learning which leads to the development of strong critical thinking skills and a well rounded student.

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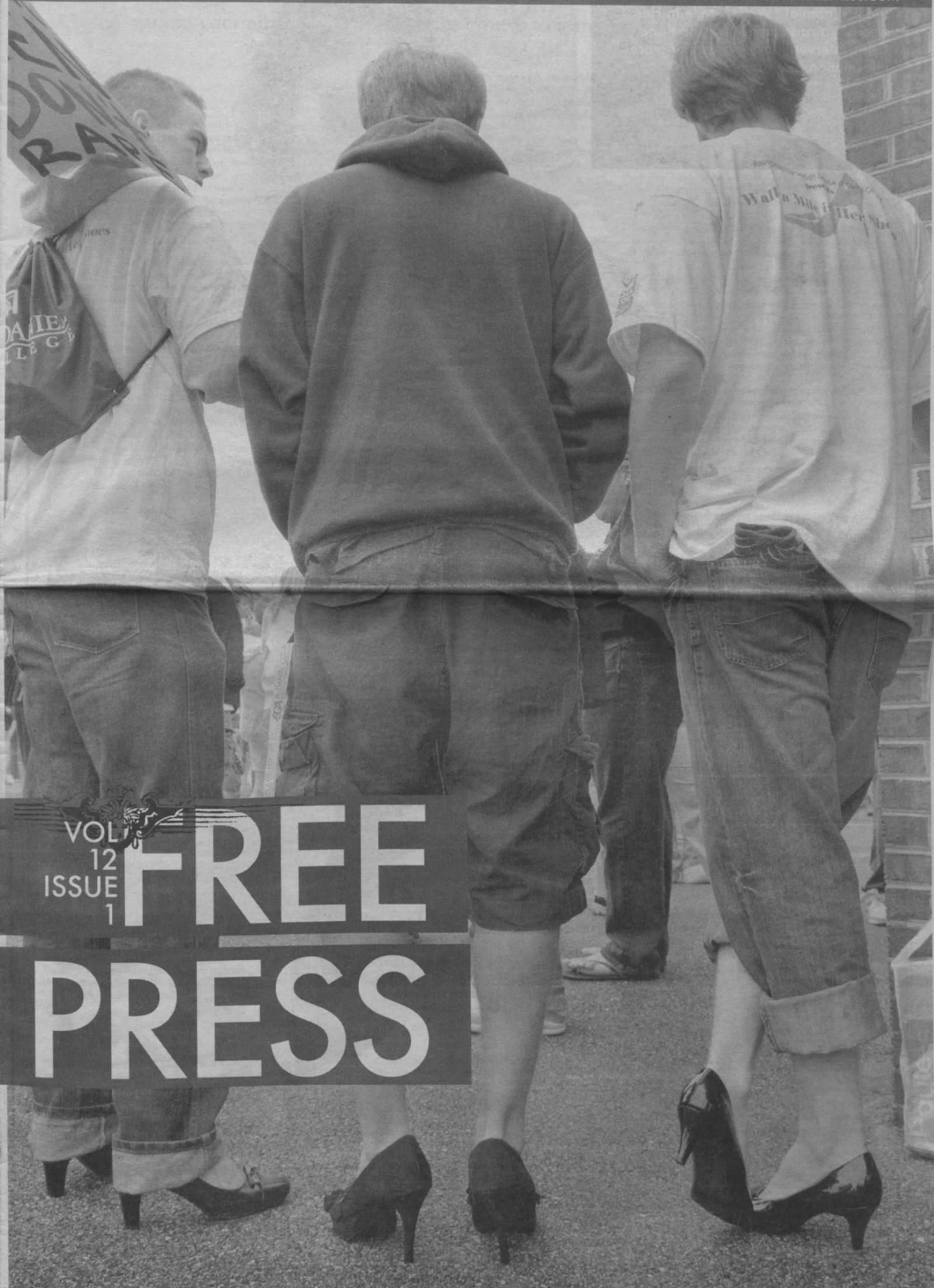
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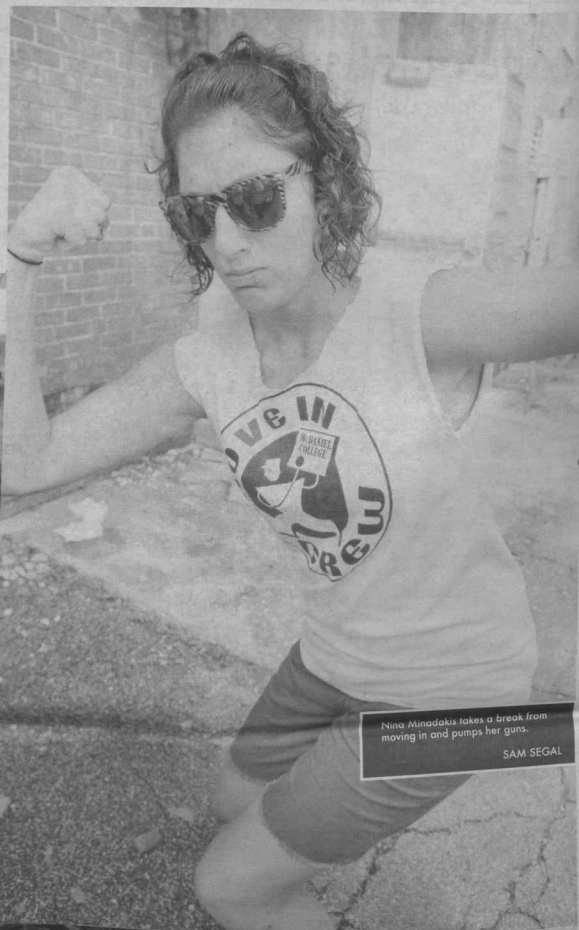
McDaniel students don women's high heels and walk downtown at the first annual "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" to raise money for the Rape Crisis Intervention Services. For more information, see page 10.

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Resident Assistants check freshmen into their dorm rooms during orientation.

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Nina Minadakis takes a break from moving in and pumps her guns.

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Mike Monaco plugs WMCR radio.

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TWO WEEKS IN PHOTOGRAPHS

McDaniel searches for its ninth president

College gathers committee, consultant, focus groups to learn what to look for in next leader

JULIANN GUIFFE
Co-Editor-in-Chief

On April 18, 2009, President Joan Develin Coley announced her plans to retire after ten years in service to McDaniel College.

Immediately after her announcement, seven trustees—including Board Member and committee chair Mary Lynn Durham—gathered together to answer one question: how would they find the ninth President of McDaniel College?

This "transition committee" formulated a plan including soliciting proposals from various consulting firms around the country. Most were firms specializing in higher education and by June the committee had over 500 pages of proposals to read.

After on-campus interviews, Myers McRae was hired in a unanimous decision, with their Senior Vice President, Dr. David M. Gring as the main liaison to the school.

"Our role is multi-faceted," said Gring. "We created materials for the website and went forward with advertising—we wanted a national search that was not limited by any specific region." There is a big emphasis on the web because, unlike past years, more people can obtain information and follow the search on the internet.

A new committee of 12 was put together by President Coley and Martin K.P. Hill, chairman of the Board of Trustees. Chaired once again by Durham, the committee includes six other trustees: Phillip G. Enstice '71, Ralph O. Frith '84, James I. Melhorn, Julie Mercer, Albert J. Mezzanotte, Jr. '78, and Caryl Ensor Peterson '58; three faculty: Dr. Deborah Johnson-Ross, Dr. Reanna Ursin, and Dr. Francis Fennell; one from the administration: Joyce D. Muller; and one student: Ben Cowman '10. The committee also includes Hill, but he will not have a vote in the final election.

Their next undertaking was to meet with Jim Lightener, who put the past eight Presidents in perspective. "He made clear that each person was different and right for the school at that time," said Gring. "We're not looking for a clone of past Presidents."

Within weeks after the advertisements, phone calls, and over 15,000 emails went out, the campaign was known across the country. "Word has gotten out," said Durham. "My son in California heard about it. The response has just been overwhelming."

"It's an indication of the regard with which McDaniel is held," said Gring. "We've been involved in searches where the response wasn't as strong."

From the beginning, the committee planned to conduct focus group meetings as soon as everyone returned to campus. Starting on August 31, six meetings were held—two for faculty, one for alumni, one for students, one for community leaders, and one for staff members.

With the students, talks focused on clubrooms, less strict alcohol policies, a better reputation for Greek Life, increased diversity, and the campus becoming more environmentally conscious. There were also large discussions on more resources to keep students on campus over the weekend, and whether freshman dorms should be co-ed or not.

"The student focus group was more fun than I've had in a long time," said Durham.

The overall consensus, according to the Gring, was that the students want the new President to be engaged—"and accessible," added Durham. "They really want someone who cares for the community in a personal way."

SGA President David Castle concurred, saying, "as much as our school is going to love them, they are going to love us."

According to Durham, the first half of the faculty meeting focused on Ira Zepp and the deep feelings that he brought

out in this campus. "They talked about him as the paradigm for what the best of this community had always been," she said. "There is a missing spiritual presence in his absence."

Also discussed were the McDaniel Plan and financial constraints about implementing it, more student-faculty research opportunities, and the need for the new President to fully support student-faculty relationships.

"The alumni session was a love fest," said Gring. "They think there has been no better influence in their life, and they are interested in the reputation of the college and doing what we can to market the college."

Durham said during the community leaders meeting, the Chief of Police, William Spaulding, said that he is happy with the mutual understanding and cooperation with he campus, and wants that to continue.

The staff focus group talked about honoring the community feel, developing the athletic programs to keep up with competitor's upgrades, putting more resources into the Graduate program, retention, fundraising, studying abroad, and the role of the staff at McDaniel.

Some members claimed that it's important to preserve the ideal of "personal touch and human contact" over electronics and technology. However, others wanted a President "who realizes the importance that students place on technology."

Both Gring and Durham emphasize that this search should be all-inclusive and a participatory process.

"Our company only works on one search at a time, and McDaniel has my full and unfettered attention for the next few months," said Gring. "The search is on. And we are looking for the next President of McDaniel College."

Additional reporting was done by Kaitlyn Vadenais and Samantha Lambert.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE'S SEARCH

Washington College is also holding a search for their new president. Their current president, Bair Tipson, is retiring after five years with the school. In a letter to the students and colleagues, Tipson said "I will be nearly 67 when I step down, ready to enjoy reading, writing, and perhaps volunteering in some area of higher education, in addition to spending time with my new grandson."

The college has hired Storbeck and Pimental as a consultant to their search—a minority and female owned executive search firm. Like McDaniel, a website is dedicated to their search, and a committee was put together to work with the consultant firm.

According to Alisha George, editor-in-chief of The Elm student newspaper, the search committee has not yet met this school year. George, in her editorial to the school and committee, wants to "convey my belief that my school should highly consider a woman or minority, both of which none of our past presidents have been," she said.



David Gring, senior vice president of Myers McRae, the consulting firm McDaniel has hired to facilitate the search.
COURTESY OF MYERS MCRAE

"Changes I would like to see are things that build more community among students. Even though we are a small school I still feel like we could use more community events that are just fun and relaxing for everybody. Also we need a president who can really utilize all of McDaniel's resources more so than I think has been attempted in the past."

- Emma Barbato, '12

"My top priority for the new incoming president is he/she must be an effective leader for the campus. The president must have a high degree of integrity in hopes of establishing an ethical standard at McDaniel. This will demonstrate loyalty to the students, as well as the rest of the McDaniel community. The McDaniel community will then in turn, be loyal to the President. The President must make the students feel good about themselves, rather than trying to make the students feel good about the President. After all, we students will judge the president by his/her actions, not by his/her intentions."

- Lars Ravnholt Hankin, '10

"I want the president to come in with a fresh set of eyes and take a step back and reevaluate the campus. Take feedback from different authorities and students and look at a number of issues: leaving less of a carbon footprint, ways to save money without hindering our education, why so many students leave on weekends, etc."

- Colin Miller, '11

"The president has to keep the activities going for the students. It would be really sweet if McDaniel got even a semi-popular band to come to campus. Other than that, just make sure the campus doesn't lose its look and small school feel, that's what I really liked about McDaniel."

- Dan White, '09



Ira Zepp: Words We Will Remember Him By

ANGELA BALDWIN
Copy Editor

Verses from the Bible.
The Lord's Prayer.
The Qur'an - in both English and Arabic.
The rousing sound of an African-American spiritual.
And a Muscogee Creek Blessing played on a flute.

All of these diverse cultural and religious elements marked the Memorial Service of Ira G. Zepp, Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies, which took place in Big Baker on August 29.

The service was a celebration of Zepp's life—a life which many speakers and attendees noted was packed to the brim with family, friends, former students and former colleagues.

"He wove threads of compassion and integrity into our lives," said former student Charles Moore in his memorial speech.

President Joan Devlin Coley told the crowd that filled every inch of space in the chapel that Zepp was also an influence on her life. She joked that she keeps Ira in her top drawer in the form of mementos, emailed advice, and words of inspiration that he shared with her.

Ira's daughter, Jody Zepp, remembered her father as being an advocate. Pam Zappardino said in her speech, Ira "lived and breathed non-violence." David Carrasco talked about how Ira loved the word "liberation," and how he made a commitment to it. Carrasco also pointed out how Ira often used words such as "love," and "grace," in his vocabulary.

Even students who might not have known Ira Zepp can hear his lessons, his advice, through the words others remember him by as well as the words he left behind in his novels and other written works.

Even though Ira has passed away, his teachings still impact all of those who knew him.

Mahlia Joyce, Acting Director in the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, can attest to this.

"In many ways, I credit Ira's teachings, wisdom, encouragement, questions and commitment to justice, with shaping me to become ready to take on my current position," Joyce said.

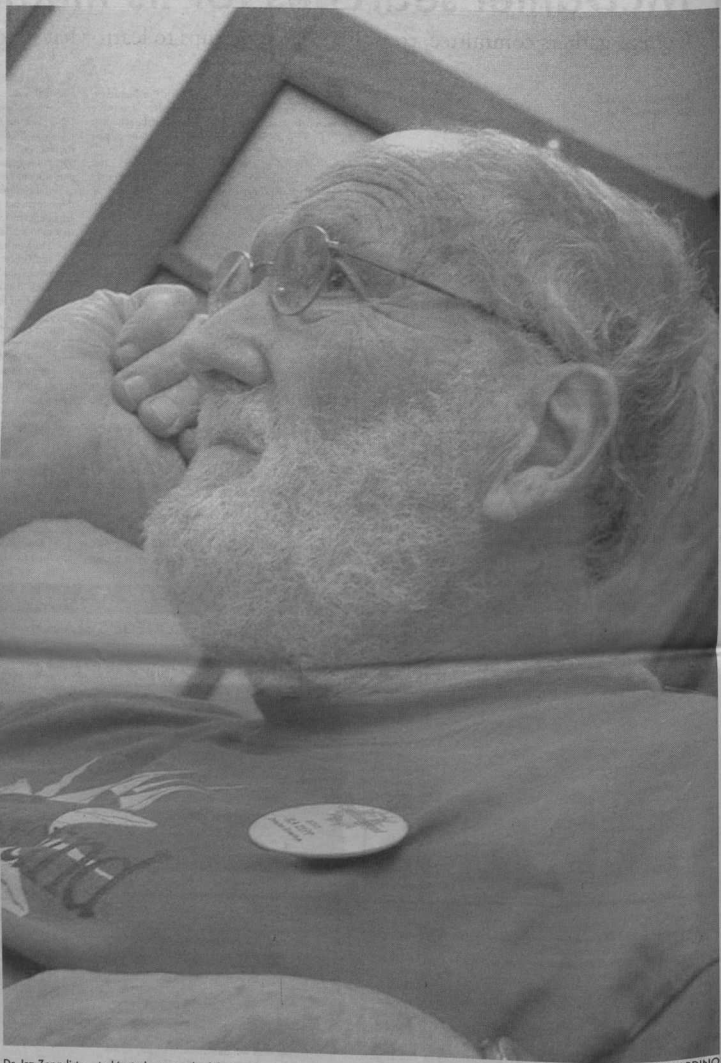
"I learned from Ira the importance of being both educator and student and to not only question the world as it is, but also to work on behalf of what it can be. Ira lived diversity. He didn't just teach about it."

Ira's impact on Joyce's life did begin when she was first a student of his in 1993. Joyce emphasized that Ira was willing to understand where students were coming from and encouraged further development and exploration of their beliefs.

In addition, Joyce said that Ira and his classes caused for her a "huge shift in thinking," by encouraging her to not only stand up for her beliefs, but to also reflect deeper on their origins.

For all the current students who never had the pleasure of knowing Ira, the one word that Joyce would use when referring to him is "healer."

Joyce said, "Ira wasn't afraid of questions and seeking truth. He taught us about how powerful questions can be to unite us, to facilitate dialogue and to bridge our differences. He said that, 'teaching is about repairing the world, mending the world, restoring the world, perfecting the world.' I can't think of many things that are more healing than that."



Dr. Ira Zepp listens to his students speak while teaching in Hill Hall

PAMELA ZAPPARDINO

Here are some of Ira's words as seen in his final book, *The Pedagogy of the Heart*, and read at the memorial service.

Pedagogy of the Heart:

"Embrace love, learning, and hope all you who enter here."

"Answers divide us. Questions, intellectual quest, inquiry and curiosity can both unite and create a community of scholars."

"What transpires in the next 60-90 minute exchange is a source of human hope and renewal and will forever alter the world."

"I'm in recovery from ignorance and I need your support for my intellectual and personal journey toward a healthy heart and mind."

"Students are angels unaware. I see divinity in them and I am their servant not their master."

"I leave my office door open and it is expected that my body language and the tone of my voice will reveal an open heart and mind."

Additional Echoes of the Memorial Service:

"Real teaching is all about relationships."

"I love students as myself."

Advice to new faculty:

"Be content with who you are, identity is sufficient."

"Watch a sunset at the top of the hill."

"Check your soul into Little Baker from time to time."

"Education is the process of waking up to life."

College installs sanitizers to prepare for flu

SCOTT WELKOS
Staff Reporter

"Think of everything that you touch," urges dean of Student Affairs Beth Gerl. Indeed, if one does consider all that they touch throughout the day, then the thought of germs isn't too far behind. Well, not anymore.

As of Tuesday, September 1, students and faculty alike may have noticed McDaniel College's latest investment: 17 brand new hand sanitizer dispensers. They have been scattered throughout common areas campus wide. It's an attempt to "encourage people to keep their hands clean," said Gerl. "Something people take for granted," she added.

Prior to their installment, McDaniel College had approximately 45 of the sanitizing units. However, based on a recommendation from the Wellness Center, the school decided to make them even more readily available. George Brenton, McDaniel College's director of Maintenance, explained, "It's something we've been doing, the

latest recommendation just sped up the process." Gerl added, "With new H1N1 information, the Center for Disease Control is communicating that preventative measures are the most important piece of preventing the spread."

According to Brenton, the sanitizers cost about eight dollars apiece. However, he explained that the real cost lies in keeping the units functioning: 50 dollars to replace the cartridges which contain the sanitizer. And with 62 of them on campus, that can really add up.

In addition to the mounted sanitizing units, McDaniel has also purchased 2 new self-standing units in addition to the 4 that the school already had. Gerl explained that these can be easily moved to different events as needed, even if they're outside, in order to "provide different locations to continually cleanse."

So keep your eyes open and your hands clean. New hand sanitizing units can be located in the fitness center, gymnasium locker rooms, Decker Center, the library, as well as various computer labs and common areas throughout campus. "Spread the love," said Gerl. "Just don't share the germs."

"Spread the love. Just don't share the germs."
DEAN GERL



This map shows just a few locations of the new Purell hand sanitizers. The school installed a total of 17 new dispensers on campus.

Swine flu fears approach campus

ADMINISTRATION URGES STUDENTS TO STAY SMART, PRACTICE HEALTHY HABITS

KATELYNN MCGINLEY
Co Web Manager

As the H1N1 virus – commonly referred to as the swine flu – continues to spread, colleges and universities across the country are doing their best to prepare students and faculty. Similar to as of press time, there were no reported cases of swine flu in Carroll County or at McDaniel, there have been documented cases at nearby universities like Towson, Johns Hopkins, and University of Maryland, Baltimore County. The Baltimore Sun reports that the University of Maryland, College Park, is dealing with 172 flu cases that according to campus officials, is "probably" the H1N1 virus.

With a vaccination at least a month away from being distributed, schools are dealing with the issue of H1N1 in different ways. The University of Florida has set aside "sick rooms" for students infected with H1N1, while others, like Loyola College in Baltimore, are strongly advocating flu vaccination shots for all students and faculty members. Sick students are being advised to return home if possible, or otherwise isolate themselves in their dorms or apartments until they have gone 24 hours symptom free.

Despite the widespread panic the spread of H1N1 is causing, many people still have ques-

tions about the virus, its effects, and what can be done to prevent it. So here, in a nutshell, is everything you as a student need to know about the H1N1 virus, as stated by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Mayo Clinic.

First of all, What is swine flu?

Swine flu is a respiratory infection caused by Influenza A viruses. Like people, pigs can get influenza (the flu). Usually, cases of swine flu do not infect humans, and in the past the infection was usually limited to people who had direct contact with pigs. The current strain of swine flu is globally widespread, and the chain of person-to-person transmission is no longer clear in most areas. In other words, just because you have not fed a pig in the last three months does not mean you're safe from H1N1.

Can I get swine flu from eating pork?

Nope! H1N1 cannot be spread through food. Food cooked to an internal temperature of 160 F (71 C) will kill the virus, so eating properly cooked pork is still perfectly safe.

Why all the fuss?

The World Health Organization (WHO) has issued a level 6 pandemic alert for H1N1 – the

highest alert level of its kind. This relates more to how widespread the virus is, and is not a reflection of its severity.

What are the symptoms?

Basically, the same as the regular flu. Symptoms include nausea, vomiting, fever, coughing, sore throat, muscle aches, chills, and fatigue. Note: people who have the plain old flu exhibit at least two of these symptoms, so the only way to know for sure that you have H1N1 is to have a series of lab tests done. Like seasonal flu, swine flu has been known to cause neurological symptoms in young children. All of these symptoms will be more intense in people of advanced age, smokers, and people with weakened immune systems.

So, you've got swine flu...

Say you do have a lo and behold, you actually do have swine flu. The good news is that most people infected with swine flu recover without needing any special medical attention beyond that which you would normally treat the regular flu with. So, get mom (or your roommate) to make you some chicken noodle soup, notify your professors that you'll be out of class for a few days, drink plenty of fluids, take some Tylenol, and get lots of rest.

Be Wise: Get Immunized Flu Clinic Dates

- September 29, 2009: Klitzberg Pavilion (Gill Center) 3 - 5pm
- September 30, 2009: Ensor Lounge 11am - 1pm
- October 1, 2009: Ensor Lounge 11am - 1pm
- October 5, 2009: Kriel Lounge 4 - 6pm
- \$20.00 per vaccine

If you wish to be seen at McDaniel's Health and Wellness Center, call ahead (410-857-2243) so that the clinic can be prepared to treat you.

Keep reading The Free Press for more updates on the swine flu story as it develops.

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This map shows the geographic spread of reports of the swine flu as of September 5, COURTESY THE CDC

The Forgotten Mania

RECYCLEMANIA COMPETITION AIMS TO INCREASE RECYCLING ON CAMPUSES

EMMA BARBATO
Staff Reporter

Recycling is such a waste of time. They don't really recycle at McDaniel College. Students have seen groundskeepers mix trash and recycling then send them both off to landfills.

It's not like McDaniel students should be concerned with recycling when it's a fad that's already so over done. There are far more important things to think about right now, for example, the economy and the college's switch from Coca-Cola products to Pepsi.

Recycling is just a lot of hassle for very little gain; let's not waste our time. Recycle Mania can't say anything that hasn't been heard before ad nauseam.

It's thoughts like those that make campaigns like Recycle Mania so important to not only colleges, but every community. A ten-week competition, Recycle Mania begins January 17, 2010 and runs through March 27. During this time college communities, including McDaniel, will post flyers and host activities. They promote a "gotta catch em' all" attitude in regard to anything that can be put in a blue bin. As junior Colin Miller so eloquently puts it, "only three types of mania are acceptable, dance mania, drinking mania and recycle mania. People just forget the third one too often, so we have to remind them."

The problem is that no matter how many flyers you put up or trash piles you

build there will always be the idea that recycling is for your neighbor, or maybe just the Environmental Action Club. This year students are trying to build awareness not just that recycling is important, but that recycling is for everybody. To kick the year off Garden Apartments plans to have a recycling competition among its three buildings throughout the month of October, aptly named "Kick It to the Can."

The EAC is perhaps the most active group concerned with promoting Recycle Mania. They plan on making recycling bins to distribute in academic buildings, which up until now have been fairly neglected. Their main goal is to make recycling more accessible and if possible, ridiculously easy. The college itself has helped with this goal by streamlining recycling, meaning paper, plastic, glass, cardboard, everything except actual garbage can be put in one recycling bin to be sorted later. Do not be deceived by the recycling bins that are still behind the times, despite what is said on the bin, it can all go together.

"The thing is we all know recycling is important, we just don't realize how important or how easy it is. It's really worth the effort," said Liz Eiler, vice president of the EAC.

So next time there is a McDaniel student dressed as a tree in Memorial Square, remember, recycling is still important and will always be everybody's responsibility, not just hippies on the Quad.



A recycling can overflowing with beer cans is shown.

COURTESY EMMA BARBATO

Coke or Pepsi? College chooses vending contract

JENNA LITTLE
Staff Reporter

On the first day of classes, many students walked into the dining room, got into the beverage line and were about to fill their cups with a refreshing Coca-Cola when they were met with an array of Pepsi products instead. What happened?

McDaniel College's five-year contract with Coke ended, and the college decided to switch to a Pepsi contract, according to Eshan Seidel, vice president of Administration & Finance.

The college made the switch soon after graduation to avoid as much disruption as possible to students' daily routine. The transition from Coke to Pepsi products was not a simple bottom-line budget decision. Seidel pointed out the actual costs linked to the college's contracts with either business, noting that he didn't want the companies to have the opportunity to know the specifics of the competition.

Additionally, the contract is not based on simple monetary differences but a variety of fac-

tors behind the scenes. For example, Seidel explained, the contract includes such financial benefits as support for academic departments. The companies also donate cups, beverage dispensers, and beverages to the athletic teams.

The contract also includes marketing support such as promotions that could be used throughout locations on campus like Englar Dining Hall. The Pepsi recycling containers found throughout campus were part of the current contract and were donated to the college by Pepsi as part of an environmental program.

The contract also makes available future funding for different programs including scholarship donations made to the college, Seidel explained.

Students have had mixed opinions about the change.

"I'm not a soda fanatic, really, so simply changing the brand wasn't a big deal to me," said sophomore Leanna Webb. "Sure, some of the Coke products are great, but Pepsi's are, too," she added.

"I was never able to muster much passion for either brand," said sophomore Masha Makhlygina.

Sophomore David Habel had a stronger reaction: "I was really upset. When I suddenly saw that my good buddy Coke was no longer present at McDaniel, my line of orbit was completely thrown out of whack. Although I learned to accept it and over time have even come to enjoy the alternative Pepsi products."

Administrators charted and compared qualities of both products, Seidel said. "You have to dig below the surface; everyone has a preference of Coke or Pepsi but you have to ask what else you get with that company? We felt the Pepsi product mix was at least as good as Coke."

The past two beverage contracts have been for five years, and each has been with Coke. At the end of the last Coke contract, both Pepsi and Coke offered a contract to the college.

McDaniel always considers both companies' offers in order to ensure good competition between the companies, Seidel explained. Both companies agreed to give the college a percentage of their sales, called profit sharing. McDaniel then considered sales potential for both products. The numbers were close.

"There was no huge money difference be-

tween the two contracts. When you added up all the money; it was almost dead even," Seidel said. "It was extremely close and a lot had to do with talking to our sister colleges. There were rave reviews of Pepsi and what tipped the balance was the strength of satisfaction with the service of Pepsi."

Pepsi included incentives similar to Coke's previous contract and promised timely service and quality products.

"This time around, everything considered, Pepsi deserved a chance at it," Seidel said. "And I hope they prove that."

David Castle, president of Student Government Assembly, said that the contract came down to incentives for the college; and he is happy with the decision because of Pepsi's product package.

"I like having the option of Mountain Dew, Dr. Pepper, Mug Root Beer, and Swasha," Castle said. "Pepsi and Coke bid against each other constantly," Seidel said. "And it really comes down to their recent track record of service. It seemed Pepsi was going to be aggressive in providing good service and products and it was worth giving Pepsi a try."

Cheese club aims to spread the love, history of dairy

CASEY CROUGH
Staff Reporter

Do you have a hunger for campus involvement, history, and cheese? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then the newest addition to the McDaniel community is the place for you: the Cheese Club.

Founder and president, Ellen Tuesday Shank '12, first sparked interest after seeing a news story in Middle School about a High School cheese club that made national news, and saw that it was a great success.

"People might like this idea, not just me," supposed Shank.

Again the idea blossomed when she was applying for college. Several of her essay topics for her college applications dealt with the topic of diversity.

Shank discovered, "I can bring diversity through cheese."

The Cheese Club officially became recognized at the end of last semester, and is getting a great amount of sensation and interest.

Before the College Activities Fair on Sept. 8, there were already 74 members on the Facebook group. After the fair, 53 students expressed interest and signed up for more information.

But, what could a club about cheese do for McDaniel College?

"Personally I want to learn about the process of making them," said Shank. She also explained that there is a lot more to cheese.

There have been European countries with regional disputes that have been reflected in the taste and shape of certain cheeses, Shank commented.

"There is history in the flavors and colors, it is an interesting way to look at the past," said Shank.

So, why should students join?

Enthusiastically Shank responds, "Because there's cheese!"

Shank hopes that the club will broaden students' perspectives by getting the opportunity to try different cheeses from other countries and to learn some of the history along the way.

Currently, the club has a few outstanding and "cheesy" titles: Cheese Mistress, (President) Head Cheese, (Vice President) and Assistant Big Cheese (Head of Public Relations).

Shank reflects that there are still positions open and nicknames up for grabs.

"You want to know the club has had early success, there are still some challenges to be faced."

"McDaniel needs to become a place where it is easy to have a food based club, and able to accept food as an academic thing—food is a reflection of cultures," said Shank.

This club is so new to the campus the SGA is creating an amendment for this organization.

In addition to changing McDaniel's mind, Shank says that she wants the cheese to be free, and formal meetings will not be held until then.

In addition to future meetings and consuming delectable cheeses, the club already has several events planned for the semester. Times and places are still to be announced, but the cheese club is sure to impress with its venues.

In the very near future, the club plans to hold a Cheese Ball, a fondue night, and have a competition involving Cheez-its and Cheese Nips.

The Cheese Ball will be held in the forum where a King and Queen Cheese will be crowned, the fondue night will basically be fondue pots, where students can come for a minimal fee, and the competition is still being decided.

"There has been some debate about how this will go," said Shank. As of now, the competition will be whether Cheezits or Cheese Nips are preferred, or how quickly someone can eat two boxes with no beverage.

The cheese club is sure to impress and expand McDaniel students in a new way. If you would like more information, contact Ellen Shank at er001@mcDaniel.edu, or check out the group on Facebook.



Ellen Shank, left, and Megan Robinson of the Cheese Club chow down on some string cheese.

SAM SEGAL

New Groups and Presidents:

- The Cheese Club; Ellen Shank
- Sophisticated Ladies; Kwei Madio-Parek
- McDaniel Mixed Martial Arts Club; David Van Tassel

- Social Work Action Team; Hannah Elovich
- International Relations Club; Thomas Nelson

Re-activated Groups

- Phi Alpha Mu (sorority); Katie Hecht
- Art Club
- Chess Club
- The Spanish Club (El Club Español)
- Peace Club

Cheese club may go without

BRENTON GREEN
Staff Reporter

This year the Cheese Club may have to operate without ever eating any cheese. The Student Government Assembly recently ratified a restructured constitution adding new laws and altering others. One law that was added states that money cannot be allocated to student clubs for food. However this law does not take into consideration food-based clubs such as the Cheese Club.

"Food based clubs can contribute significantly to the academic atmosphere at McDaniel because food is a big part of culture" said sophomore Megan Robinson, Publicity Officer and Assistant Big Cheese of the Cheese Club. The Student Government plans to petition the Student Government Assembly to add an amendment that allows funds to be allocated for food-based clubs.

"Radical changes have been made to our system of government here at the Hill... we move forward with our renewed S.G.A., anything is possible" said Matt Burube, Vice-president of College Services.

A Visualization of Sophistication:

The Sophisticated Ladies club hopes to bring growth to students

J ELLIS
Staff Reporter

Upperclassmen: have you lost your way? Freshmen: haven't quite found your niche? If your answer to either or both of these questions is "yes," then maybe you should consider joining "Sophisticated Ladies."

The idea for "Sophisticated Ladies" came to sophomore Kwei Madio-Parek during this last summer and initially she received a lot of backlash from students who told her it was not going to happen due to people's lack of commitment. However, Madio-Parek has already proved her doubters wrong with over 25 students showing interest and she can only hope that the number continues to grow. One thing that she does stress is the importance of student involvement, saying, "One person can't make it happen."

Dr. Deborah Johnson-Ross, faculty advisor of the group, is very optimistic about the impact that "Sophisticated Ladies" will have on the McDaniel campus. "It will bring students together in a unified force and it will bring the community together. It will make (ourselves) better in terms of skills to be prepared as college students and to leave this community."

The mission is to make students, especially incoming freshmen, more well-rounded individuals by the time they depart from McDaniel College in the next four years. Students will learn to broaden their horizons on field trips to Broadway, a faculty/student talent show, and an "African-themed" fashion show. But as the saying goes: "To whom much is given, much is required." Students will learn to give to those less fortunate. As an active member of "Sophisticated Ladies," one must fulfill community service at either

the local Boys and Girls Club or the Office of Multicultural Service at least one day per week.

When asked what she would personally like to see "Sophisticated Ladies" accomplish, Madio-Parek responded, "To promote unity among college students, as well as diversity, academic achievement...to become more sophisticated."

If you are interested in becoming a member of "Sophisticated Ladies" or have any questions, please feel free to contact President Kwei Madio-Parek at ktrn003@mcDaniel.edu, Secretary Rita Kabaso at rkk002@mcDaniel.edu, or Treasurer Musa Imakando at mii002@mcDaniel.edu. Meetings are held every other Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in Garden Apartment Building 161, Apt. 201.

Information in this article was also contributed by Megan Robinson.

Katrina still affects New Orleans years later

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

Aug. 29 marked the fourth anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, the catastrophic storm that breached the well-known levees, leaving 80 percent of New Orleans underwater and killing more than 1,800 people—the deadliest U.S. hurricane since 1929.

For many McDaniel seniors, this date marks their long-ago first week as freshmen. For 13,000 New Orleans families who are still displaced or living in inadequate housing, it's a painful memory they live with daily.

Much of the Lower Ninth ward is still empty, and the only remnants of the formerly full neighborhoods are slabs of foundation or porch steps. Even the areas of New Orleans that have been revived show signs of old damage; too many buildings are still boarded up with the tell-tale spray painted 'X's. These are the reminders people walk past going to work every day.

For me, New Orleans still means beignets and Cajun music, po boys and people calling you "Dawlin'." That energy is still vibrant in people you meet, even after enduring such hardships. After spending a week there last spring, the people of the Crescent City and their misfortunes got under my skin. Their gratitude and hospitality, as well as seeing how much is still needed, is what is making me and other volunteers eager to go back.

I worked with the Saint Bernard Project rebuilding houses and had the good fortune to be there as they finished their 200th house. Their lofty goal for 2009-2010 is to rebuild five times that amount. Liz McCartney, co-founder of SBP and CNN's 2008 Hero of the Year, stated "we need to...rebuild as efficiently and affordably as we can, because the clock is ticking...on people's mental health, the ability to have hope."

Take a minute to think about how your surroundings have changed in four years, and then realize that people in New Orleans are still waiting to go home.



These April 2009 photos reveal how Katrina's wrath ripped through homes in St. Bernard Parish. Top right, a plea for help. Left, one of many homes left unattended. These homes often violate city codes: grass grows too high, rodents roam, etc. Eventually the government can seize and demolish them. The spray painted messages indicate that the owners are no longer in the area. Right, the rebuilt levee protecting the Lower 9th Ward from the Industrial Canal.



PHOTOS BY MAIRE HUNTER

Recent McDaniel alumna finds employment on the Hill

EDDIE EZEKIEL
Staff Reporter

2009 McDaniel graduate Siri Hiltz is back on campus! You can find her in Hill 009 working as the Liaison for Community Outreach & Service.

Hiltz learned about the position she is currently working in after volunteering with the Boys and Girls club program for three years and by building connections at McDaniel and in Westminster through such volunteering.

While she was still a student at McDaniel, Hiltz helped the Boys and Girls club move from the church across the street from campus to a new and better equipped facility just down by the theater. Her job now is to go out into the community and find students opportunities for service. "I love the job, so far it's going really well," stated Hiltz.

After graduating and job hunting she returned to McDaniel to find that the Community Outreach position was available through membership in Americorp Vista (Volunteers in Service to America).

First she accepted the school position, and then went to training in Philadelphia in August. Americorp Vista's mission is to fight poverty and set up programs that can become self-sufficient,

and those are Hiltz's goals here as well.

In her office, she keeps a hefty green binder filled with internships, volunteer opportunities and work-study for students who wish to work with the community.

"It's great because you (students) get to go out and get internship experience and you can even get paid to do it," said Hiltz.

A short list of the many opportunities Hiltz has included: Boys and Girls club, Communal Media Center, Chamber of Commerce, Senior Center, Children Services, and Barbershop. These activities and other opportunities are listed on her facebook page.

Community service at McDaniel used to be handled by Career Services, but Hiltz's new position outside of that department gives the school an employee whose sole job is to focus on work.

McDaniel welcomes back Siri Hiltz and anticipates the good work she is already beginning to accomplish here.

Hiltz's new position gives the school an employee whose sole job is to focus on community outreach.



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I believe...

I believe Chinese fortune cookies should not contain Brooklyn proverbs. I believe the hokey pokey is what it's all about. I believe home is where you tie your goat. I believe nothing is impossible, just a bit unlikely. I believe that seven is biblical, twenty-three is universal, and the answer to the ultimate question is forty-two. I believe you can sometimes befriend a hated enemy. I believe in the no win scenario, and yet, at the same time, I believe there is a backdoor to any situation.

DANE KOONTZ



I believe in backyard football games, laughing out loud and expression through song. I believe the best natural high is skipping school to go fishing and work is only to pay for your fun. I believe in the family camping weekends and the hard work that farm life requires. Family is first and foremost and friends are forever. It's okay to color at every age and a sister is a best friend that no one can take from you. I believe in a Jeep with the top down and the doors off on a cool August night. I believe in the joy of your team making it to the Super Bowl and then actually winning. Love is magic and the best treasures in life are the small, simple ones that make you appreciate all that has been given to you. I believe to live your life right you must love yourself and accept who you are.

DEVON McANDREW

I believe in raunchy comedians and procrastinating until the utter final moment. I believe in expanding one's mind, wasting hours of my life on video games, and work that makes your hands black as tar. I believe in the beauty of a naked woman's form, skinny dipping, and the beauty of nature. I believe in sputtering down the highway in a bright orange VW Beetle that may break down at any moment and can't keep up with traffic.

GORDON LYONS



I Believe... Society makes me believe in wealth, expensive cars, fame, reputation, and fortune. Faith makes me believe in myself, in my loved ones, and most importantly in God. Oppression makes me believe in the hatred, the blood, the anger, and the distrust. Love makes me believe in endless kisses, endless companionship, endless chocolate, endless hugs, a family, endless cries, and even more kisses. Hope makes me believe in education, in opportunity, in reason, and in future.

I believe in the smell of the old streets, the gum sellers, the crowdedness, the taxis, the cars, and the people. I believe in the breeze, the smell of smoke, the restaurants, the old buildings, the lights, the sun, the moon, and the in between. I also believe in the stars, the traditional music, the late night parties, the food, and the friends.

All I should believe in is life.

RULA ZARU

I believe in learning through experiences, success, knowledge, wanting to be the best person one can be. I believe in love, honesty, peace, unity. I believe in every whirlwind of emotion possible. I believe in a strong family, long last friendships, the bad, the good and everything in between. I believe in laughing until the stomach aches and tears come to the eyes. I believe music speaks to the soul, art is peaceful, traveling is exciting, exercise is calming. I believe dogs truly are man's best friend. I believe in living each day to the fullest and never having regrets.

ANONYMOUS

SEX ON THE HILL

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



Everybody talks about sex. Whether people are conservative or liberal, outgoing or shy, young or old, male or female, whether they want you to know it or not, everybody talks about sex.

Many people want to hide or suppress this. People become awkward and embarrassed at the mere mention of it. It's shunned in public, and looked down upon in the media and entertainment. Movies are ranked based on appropriateness, music comes with warning labels and children are told the bare basics in school, giving them enough knowledge to know not to talk about it.

This is something the needs to be talked about. It doesn't make sense that something so

natural has become so taboo. There are dozens of reasons that our culture developed this way, and none of them are really relevant anymore. If people want to talk about sex, then people should talk about sex.

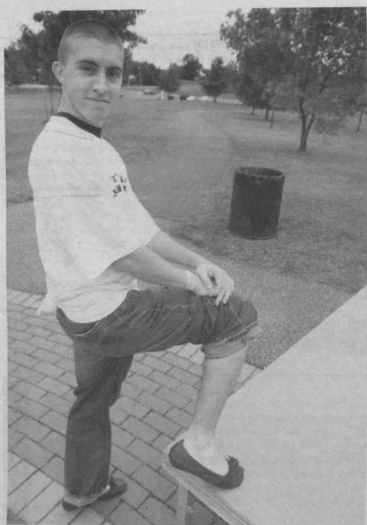
It's been beaten into society that we should be ashamed to talk about issues and concerns that are natural, but a culture has also developed of gossiping and talking about other people's lives, with or without their knowledge. Additionally, people love having in depth conversations about sensitive sexual issues behind closed doors. People clearly need to talk about sex. It's impossible to keep all of that curiosity and all of those feelings bottled up. People will both metaphorically and physically explode.

Sex, sexuality, gender roles and stereotypes are all things that should be talked about because without communication, there can be no under-

standing, and without understanding, nothing will ever make sense. These are issues that are relevant to everyone, whether they think so or not.

My goal is to bring up that, at least on a small scale. I wish to change up topics that will create a basis for conversation. I want to find a way to make people less uncomfortable talking about things that they have genuine concern and questions about. This column is by no means a reflection of my personal life, nor am I trying to force my opinions onto you. I simply want to write about things that are not generally written about, or even considered.

Additionally, I would greatly appreciate your thoughts and ideas, either regarding articles I've written, but especially topics you'd like to see explored. Please feel free to contact me at nr001@mcDaniel.edu. I look forward to hearing your suggestions.



Walk-A-Mile benefits Rape Crisis Center

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Some of McDaniel faculty, staff and students gave new meaning to "spoonies" on Saturday, Sept. 12. Decked in women's shoes, team members wobbled and hobbled around Dutterer Park in Westminster until they had clocked in one mile.

Their efforts garnered more than \$2,000 for the local Rape Crisis Intervention Services (RCIS) during the nonprofit organization's first annual "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" fundraiser.

Despite a morning drizzle, the event lured approximately 300 people to Dutterer Park. McDaniel teams had the most impressive showing, Janice Kuspert, the CEO for Rape Crisis, told the crowd.

Momentum for the college community's participation grew weeks before the event. The local paper splashed a front page photo of faculty team members Jim Kunz, Leroy Panek, Herb Smith, Eric Bind, Joe Flores and Henry Reiff. (Joe Dressel and MasJulian Ham also walked with the team on Saturday).

"I was inspired to get involved because of the students in my social work class who are part of or are apart of the Social Work Action Team," said Kunz. When the class hit his challenge for them to raise \$50, Kunz (who)maned up and taught Friday's class in shiny red heels.

Campus Safety Director Mike Webster sported high heeled black shoes. Other campus safety officers donned gold flip flops, sparkly pink shoes and what Dean Reiff identified as shoes that were "chassy risqué."

"These boots are two sizes too small, but I'll walk a mile before the race," said Andrew Rauch before the race.

But when he hobbled across the finish line he hollered, "Oh, it hurts so bad." RCIS provides free counseling and support services to victims of sexual violence and their families. It also offers prevention education programs and professional training in order to eliminate sexual violence.

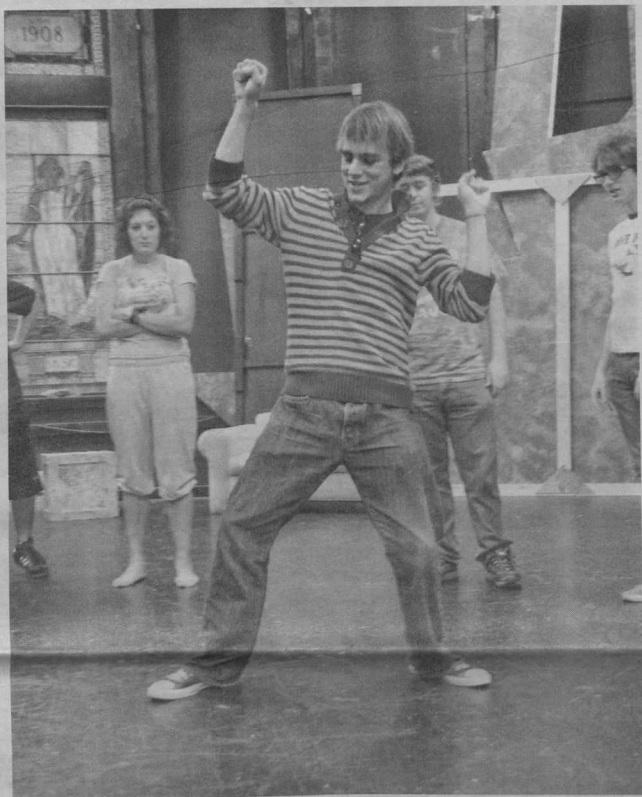
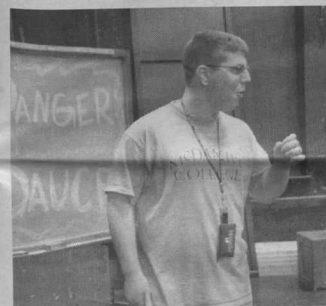
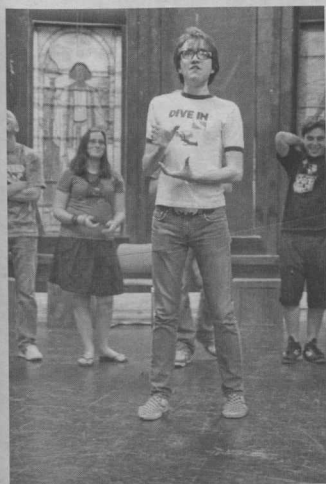


Upper left, Turner Conrad shows off his ballet shoes, which he donned for the walk. Lower left, Director of Campus Safety Mike Webster takes a rest in heels. Right, students and Westminster residents walk through the streets with protest signs.

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Danger Sauce looks for new ingredients



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Auditions for the college's improv group Danger Sauce took place on Sunday, Sept. 13. Michael Byrne and Lucas Sperber became new members of Danger Sauce. Returning members include: Max Robinson, Julia Williams, Dave Arnold, Mike Pfeiffer, Jack Rinn, Andy Fleming, Cindy Sordo, Chris "C-Mo" Molloy.



A quick look back . . .



Freshman move-in day



Wednesday, August 20 marked move-in day for the class of 2013. Peer mentors, ROTC cadets, RAs and others rose early to greet the freshmen, their parents and carloads of dorm accessories and to help streamline the move-in process. Far left top, new students and their parents attend the convocation ceremony. Far left bottom, President Coley demonstrates how to ring in the new school year. Center, Eric Welkos shows off his strength while moving a chair into Rouzer Hall. Right top, Matt Emery carries a heavy load with a smile. Lower right, Rachel Robin takes a light load.

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Damages of drunk driving

ONE STUDENT REFLECTS ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF A NIGHT SHE WILL NEVER FORGET



COURTESY SARAH CHAVIS

SARAH CHAVIS
Staff Reporter

I never thought it would happen to me. It was another typical summer night. My two best friends and I went out to the bar and drove home. We didn't even think twice about it since we've always drove home after a long night of binge drinking. Our motto: "Drink. Drive. Stay alive."

It was 2:04 a.m. when 911 received the phone call. I woke up lying on my side in the trunk of Rob's Trail Blazer. Josh was passed out in the driver's seat where Rob was supposed to be, but where was Rob? Lying in the middle of Patapsco Avenue, lifeless. Apparently he had rolled out of an open window during one of the several flips the truck experienced. None of us wore seatbelts.

The paramedics rushed the three of us to R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of Maryland Medical Center. I was released that day with just a few burns, stiff body, and an emergency room bill.

Josh walked out later that night wearing a neck brace for the next ten weeks. However, Shock Trauma was Rob's home for the following three weeks. He lay there unconscious for the first week while a large needle drained fluid out of his brain. By the second week, the doctors switched their focus to his lungs. His left one had collapsed, and they had to remove the infection in the right lung before the other could start rebuilding itself. During his third week, he started breathing on his own but there were still "minor" complications: infection in his left eye, nerve damage, a fractured skull, and a limp wrist.

I sat in the waiting room every day with the rest of his family and friends. So many thoughts ran through my head during those waits:

Why did I let him drive that night? We should have just stayed in. What if he doesn't wake up as the same person? What if he'll never speak again? Who was I going to go to with all my boy problems? Will he even remember who I am?

Shock Trauma finally released him to Kernan Orthopedics and Rehabilitation Hospital, where he endured physical therapy for a week and a half. He started walking and talking again. And to my relief, he was still the same person. He moved back in with his mom when he left Kernan's because he still couldn't see or feed himself.

"I feel like a little kid again," he told me. "My mom has to do everything for me. Feed me. Bathe me. Make my drinks. Even take me to the bathroom."

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Rob and I aren't the only victims: "Every day, 36 people in the United States die, and approximately 700 more are injured in motor vehicle crashes that involve an alcohol impaired driver."

Every time I visit Rob now, he leaves me with, "Be safe sweetheart. Please don't drink and drive. Look at me, it's not worth it."

DANGERS OF DUIs

Some possible consequences:

- Jail time up to one year
- Fines of up to \$1,000
- Probation
- Addition of up to 12 points to license
- Ignition interlock device
- License suspension
- Insurance may drop coverage or increase rates
- Hospital bills
- Physical injuries, long-term and/or short-term
- Misdemeanor or permanent record

For weeks after the accident, Rob, healed in Shock Trauma. Now enduring physical therapy and living at home, he tells his friends, "I feel like a little kid again. My mom has to do everything for me. Feed me. Bathe me. Make my drinks. Even take me to the bathroom."

Lighter Side of the Campus Safety Blotter

Welcome back, McDaniel--guard your golf carts and propane tanks

KATELYNN MCGINLEY
Web Manager



ized pictures at a practice and Campus Safety picked you up for trespassing. That...yeah, that was probably less of a good time.

School has officially been back in session for a few weeks now, and while it's always a little sad to let summer go, it appears that some students haven't had any problem letting, um, other things go. Like their bladders. In public.

We're guessing that it was not the goal of the two students busted for taking a whiz on the golf course and sports fields (two separate incidents on two different nights, mind you) to end up in the Lighter Side, and we understand that nature does call occasionally, but really? Next time, be less conspicuous about it, ok?

It's nice to see that the newest batch of Rouser boys seem to have

their A-game on when it comes to causing trouble. Not only are they covering all the normal bases -- a female student puking in one of the bathrooms, alcohol citations, etc -- but they're also getting creative, and we love creativity. On August 24, Campus Safety picked up three students joy-riding in the Rouser parking lot on...a golf cart.

Yeah, we'd really liked to have heard that phone call home. Being a freshman boy can be stressful, though, (uh, we guess), and maybe it was a little of that stress that contributed to another Rouser-escapee one that involved a student threatening his roommate with a knife. Boys, boys -- can't we all just get along? More importantly, where were you when those three guys were stealing golf carts?

A faculty member reported that her parking pass had been stolen from her vehicle just days after a student was labeled with "fraudulent use of a faculty parking pass" on Pennsylvania Avenue. If there were ever a clearer sign that students don't like paying for their parking passes, we're not sure what it would be.

It was a long summer and we've

been away from our dear campus for quite some time, so let's clear up a few things that students seem to be a bit vague on. First of all, to the students that got caught drinking and getting high in Hoover Library: That is something that is, generally, as a rule, frowned upon. Also, if you're attending a party in Gardens (or any other place, really) the thermostats are not party favors, as some people apparently seem to think. You don't get to take them with you when you leave. On that same note -- people, think about who you're inviting to your parties, ok? Seriously.

But the real treasure in this issue's Lighter Side has to go to whatever brave soul (or souls) thought it would be a good idea to steal a propane tank off of a student's porch on PA Avenue. To be honest, we're just curious about what was going through their heads.

(Editor's Note: This column by Katelynn McGinley is dedicated to some of the most insane calls to which Campus Safety officers respond -- or should respond. Incidents actually occurred, but the names of the culprits are not included to protect the not-so-innocent.)

QUICK VIEW Blotter by the numbers

RESIDENCE HALLS

ANW
Alcohol-3 Larceny-1

BLANCHE WARD
Alcohol-1 Health-1

FORLINES
Alcohol-1

GARDEN APTS
Alcohol-1 Health-1
Larceny-2 Trespassing-1

MCDANIEL HALL
Health-1

PA AVE/NORTH VILLAGE
Alcohol-1 Assault-1
Drugs-1 Fire-4
Health-1 Larceny-1

ROUZER
Alcohol-6 Assault-1
Destruction of property-1
Indecency-2 Health-2
Larceny-1 Weapons-1

WHITEFORD
Alcohol-2 Harassment-2
Health-2

CAMPUS FACILITIES

ACADEMIC
Alcohol-1 Possession-1

BAIR STADIUM
Alcohol-1 Health-1

BIG BAKER
Larceny-1

DECKER CENTER
Alcohol-1 Harassment-2

GOLF COURSE
Indecency-1

HOOVER LIBRARY
Paraphernalia-1
Possession-1

PHYSICAL PLANT
Health-1

SPORTS FIELDS
Health-1 Indecency-1

Kennedy legacy worth remembering, regardless of politics

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

Unless you've been living under a rock for the past couple of weeks, it is likely that you have heard of the death of Senator Edward P. Kennedy, more commonly known by his nickname, Ted Kennedy.

If you somehow missed this unfortunate turn of events, here is a brief recap: Ted Kennedy died on Aug. 18 after a 15-month struggle with brain cancer. But why was he important, you ask? Besides the notoriety earned from the Chappaquiddick affair and the conflict with the Catholic Church surrounding his pro-life political views, Kennedy was a figurehead of the Democratic Party. He was a proponent of the Head Start program, Title IX, and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, as well as over 2,500 other bills that he deemed important to Americans.

Now, I am not a Democrat. That's not to say I'm a Republican either. Hesitant to swear allegiance to any particular party, I try to form my own opinions, issue by issue. I'm just your average college freshman, sitting in time to watch the news between classes and studying and adjusting to college life. Political views aside, I feel that Kennedy was an influential man, especially in the arena of national healthcare, which he deemed

the cause of his life. Regardless of your political leanings, it is difficult to deny that this nation has issues within its healthcare system. Healthcare premiums are at an all-time high. By 2025, it is possible that one quarter of the national economy will be somehow tied up in the healthcare system. In light of the current downward economic spiral, how our tax dollars will be spent is a vital issue for students like ourselves. We will be entering the "real world" quite soon, and it will be our money that is paying for, well, pretty much anything the government tries to do. Would you prefer to squander tax dollars on the current healthcare system when a reformed version of it would theoretically be more cost-efficient?

President Barack Obama has proposed to reform the healthcare system, promote scientific and technological advancements, and improve preventative care (see www.barackobama.com/issues for more information about healthcare and other issues that the President plans to address). This involves the very vague plans to reduce the growth of health care costs for both the government and businesses, protect families from financial woes because of costs, guarantee choice of doctors and health plans, invest in wellness and prevention, improve quality of care and patient safety, and assure affordable coverage for all Americans. Sounds good to me.

It is undeniable that the current system has

some major flaws, and the Obama administration proposes changes that superficially seem pleasant and beneficial. However, these are all just final products, purely end results. Getting there will not be so simple. The President's Budget for 2010 sets aside \$635 billion over ten years to help finance this healthcare reform. I don't know about you, but to me, that is a lot of money, especially within our current economic condition. There are additional controversial aspects of the proposed legislation. Some people fear that this is pushing America in a socialist direction. Others worry

that private insurers could go out of business because of the creation of more competition in the health insurance market, because while businesses must fight to stay afloat, the government can just accrue more debt.

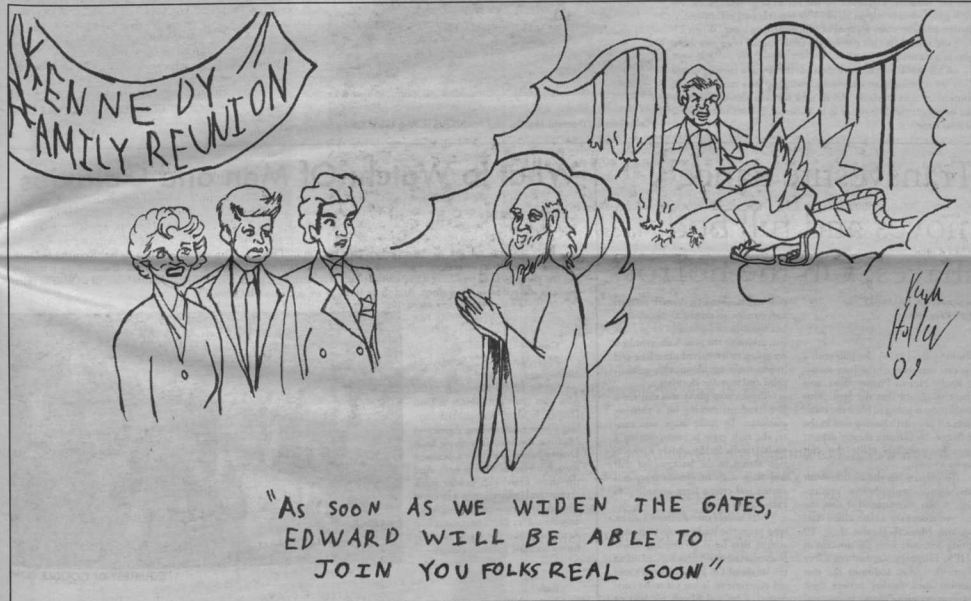
Something I particularly find issue with is the concept of community rating, which basically means that all patients will pay the same rates regardless of age or medical condition. If all goes well, I will graduate from this fine institution with decent health. As a fairly healthy, young individual with an entry-level salary, I will not want to pay significantly more money than necessary for my coverage just so someone else with more health problems can pay significantly less. I also

worry about bureaucratic red tape that could hinder the efficacy of the health care system.

Feel free to disagree with me. In fact, I welcome the opposition. It is the ability to formulate and express our own opinions that makes this country so great. Ted Kennedy was not known so much for his opinions, but for what he did with them. So in the spirit of the late Senator Kennedy, I challenge you to stand up for what you believe in. In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, I ask that you "be the change you wish to see in the world."



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SEPT. 23	11 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.	UAG SCHOOL OF MEDICINE INFO TABLE	GLAR
SEPT. 23	2 P.M.	UAG SCHOOL OF MEDICINE INFO SESSION	SMITH HOUSE (REGISTER BY 9:20)
SEPT. 24	12 P.M. - 5 P.M.	LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, TIMONIUM CAMPUS GRADUATE SCHOOL SYMPOSIUM/NEGOTIATING THE APPLICATION PROCESS	
SEPT. 29	2 P.M. - 6 P.M.	GRADUATE SCHOOL INFO TABLE	GLAR
SEPT. 29	7 P.M. - 9 P.M.	GRE STRATEGIES SESSION	SMITH HOUSE (REGISTER BY 9:24)

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Taking Woodstock more about journey than music

Fun and interactive coming of age film...but don't waste your ten bucks

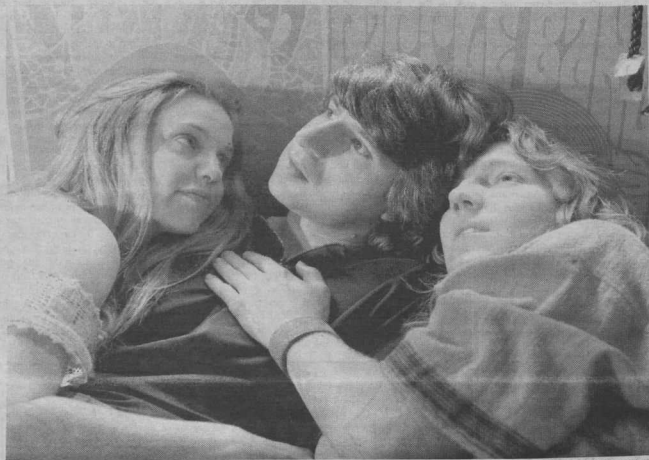
LAUREN MILLER
Staff Reporter

My first reaction to the movie "Taking Woodstock" was extreme dislike and disappointment. I went into the movie theater that Saturday afternoon hoping to see a movie that would have given me a more fun version of the history of Woodstock with reenacted performances from the great, and more than likely stoned, artists at Woodstock nearly 40 years ago, as compared to the many documentaries on this year on the History Channel. The autobiographical film, however, gave audiences a totally different view of the epic three day event.

While I was expecting to hear some riffs of Hendrix, the Who, and Joplin, instead I was bombarded with naked people, homosexuality, and Jewish Motel owners. What I had expected from the movie was a 2D experience of watching the concert. What I actually got was a nearly 3D interactive experience that brought viewers into the grounds in Bethel, NY to experience Woodstock in a way that only being present Aug. 15-18th, 1969 at the original festival would have experienced.

The film was slow going for most of the 110 minutes it ran, but with many doses of caffeinated beverages I was able to make it to the end. Elliot Tiber, the main character, may never have made it down to the actual stage, but along the way he was introduced, and in turn introduced the viewers, to the myriad of eclectic characters that made up the audience of Woodstock. He took us on an acid trip in an old VW bus. He met a Transvestite marine and saw nuns and police officers letting loose. When Elliot's old school, Jewish parents are some special brownies was a gem of a scene.

What this film was more than anything was a coming of age story for a young man who was growing up in a time where all boundaries were pushed. All in all I say rent this one. It may not be worth the \$10 to see it in a theater, but it's not a movie to miss either.



Kelli Garner, Demetri Martin, and Paul Dano in Ang Lee's *Taking Woodstock*.

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Transvestite dance moves and full body shaves; Oh the horror!

SAMANTHA LAMBERT
Staff Reporter

Not long ago I sat at the pub with a few cast members of the long-awaited *Rocky Horror Picture Show*, and I have no doubt that the Sept. 30th production is going to blow the rubes-socks off any participating fans in the audience. McDaniel's theatre department has certainly made this cult classic its own.

To prepare for the auditions for this science fiction-horror production, it was recommended that the cast members take a class called Acting and Musical Theatre their '09 Spring Semester with the director of RHPS, Elizabeth Vandenberg (Troy Women). After auditions the cast member then further perfect their "sweet transvestite" dance moves and lines by attending rehearsals every night for four hours.

If anything, this cast is extremely dedicated and enthusiastic about this production: "I only hope every show is as good as this one," said Chelsea Cook, a phantom.

The costumes for this produc-

tion will have the trademark fishnets and corsets, so don't fret about that, but there is also going to be a punk flair added to the mix. Cast members are going to have dyed neon hair and bright make-up along with animal-print and metallic clothing. Production plans also call for a live band performing on a rotating platform. To make stage sets easier, the tech crew is incorporating a multi-media feel by adding a projection screen in the background that will flash such images as crazy scientists and creepy trees according to each scene's needs.

McDaniel's own Andrew Tucker, who plays the leading role of Rocky, admits that he is getting his whole body shaved and spray tanned to fit the image of Dr. Frankfurter's sexual experiment. It has yet to be confirmed if he will bleach his hair or wear a wig — though he is not opposed to either option.

The show is "going to be pretty epic," Tucker said. "It's going to reinvent the theatre...reinvent the whole vision to get a new audience involved."

What to Watch: Of Men and Galaxies

CHARLES MULLIN
Staff Reporter

The way I watch television is the way I read a book or watch a movie. I watch it as a form of art. If something is terrible, I'm not going to keep watching it to pass the time. If something is good, then it can take a timeframe of an hour or thirty minutes and tell an original story. And those few that are good are why I love TV.

Good:

Mad Men (AMC, Sundays at 10:00 p.m.)

Set in 1960's New York, *Mad Men* stars actor Jon Hamm as Don Draper, head of fictionalized Sterling Cooper Advertising Agency in Madison Avenue. The show finds Draper being not only a business man, but a ladies' man as well. And the show deals with gender roles, sexism, and innovation in a swipe of a hand. It is the winner of an Academy Award for Best Drama and Best Actor, yet it also gets plenty of praise for its accurate costume design.



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Bad:

Heroes (NBC, Fourth Season starts Sept. 21st)

The show that started off so well in its first season with complex characters, intertwining plotlines, and fascinating concepts eventually came to a crashing and horrifying halt when the second and third season came out. *Heroes* deals with special people who are given incredible powers and have a specific destiny, but then the writers throw in too many character, too many plot holes, and too many filler episodes to count. Its ratings have plummeted as consequence. It is the worst kind of bad. It's a show that strives to be smart, but looks incredibly dumb and pathetic in the process.

Something You May Have Missed:

Battlestar Galactica (Syfy, 2003 - 2009)



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Critically acclaimed as the "TV's bold-est and best drama" by TV Guide and "politically relevant" by Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and numerous others, *Battlestar Galactica* became known in only six years as possibly the best science fiction show yet. The show takes place in a very different, yet entirely relevant universe to ours. In the aftermath of their homes being destroyed by the cylon, a race of intelligent beings created by the humans, a ragtag fleet of the last surviving humans, Bee, through space led by the *Battlestar Galactica*. Although this may seem like a regular old Star Trek or Star Wars, it isn't. It is so politically relevant that it deals with abortion, suicide bombings, what it means to be human, assassination, fascism, racial stereotypes, prisoner abuse, terrorism, political parties, and peace, separation of state and religion, and war. That sounds like America. Add in fast-paced action, complex relationships, superb acting, and award-winning writing, and you got yourself a winner. A+

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Oprah's 'tip only 10 percent' advice mere rumor, but painful

NATHAN WUERTEBERG
Commentary Editor



How much do you tip your waitress? Fifteen percent? Twenty? Feeling generous? What about twenty-five? In a recently overheard conversation on campus I learned something very interesting about someone I'm sure everyone is familiar with: Oprah. It seems, out of the generosity of her spirit, that Oprah has advised her audience of nearly 4.5 million men and women to only tip their servers ten percent to save money in the middle of the economic crisis.

Intrigued, I decided to do a little research. So, I rounded up a few waitress friends I knew and asked for their opinions. One, who had already heard about Oprah's advice, was none too pleased. I can't repeat what she said for the purposes of this article. Another, however, did tell me something very interesting indeed. It seems that, at the restaurant she works at (a national chain) if a server makes an average of less than twenty percent tips, they're no longer a server. Could Oprah really have said something that could cost even more people their jobs in this economic climate?

No. After a little cruising through various online forums, Oprah's official website, and YouTube I discovered the traces of a very revealing rumor. That's all it really was. One more harmless Internet rumor. Seemingly harmless anyway. Oprah never told anyone to tip their servers ten percent.



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No evidence, despite how much people insist, exists to the contrary. In fact, her website recommends tipping servers fifteen to twenty percent (generous enough to make any waiter or waitress happy).

However, in the course of my Internet research, I did find out that many people, including servers, wrongly believe that African American customers tip less than other customers. There have even been psychological studies published to attempt to prove this. Personally, I think this belief, and those studies, are worth about as much as a horse's end product.

It's interesting that, of all the celebrities that could have been in a rumor about poor tippers, is one that society and the Internet pick, the one of the most influential African Americans in the United States today. It's discouraging that these kind of thoughts still exist, even in a "harmless" Internet rumor.

Reality television craze: Fault the creators and consumers

KARLA HOLLAND
Staff Reporter



The recent controversies involving reality shows, specifically the recent tragedies on VH1 and the ongoing drama of the Gosselin Family, has sparked debate over who is responsible.

In August 2009 Ryan Jenkins, a contestant on the VH1 reality show Megan Wants a Millionaire became a fugitive after being charged for the murder of his wife, Jasmine Fiore. The manhunt which started in the United States found Jenkins' body in a British Columbia Hotel, possibly from suicide.

VH1 and the show's Production company 51 Minds, responded immediately to the news, but their responses revealed more:

"Ryan Jenkins was a contestant on Megan Wants a Millionaire, an outside production, produced and owned by 51 Minds, that is licensed to VH1. The show completed production at the end of March. Given the unfortunate circumstances, VH1 has postponed any future airings. This is a tragic situation and our thoughts go out to the victim's family."

In turn, a 51 Minds representative told TMZ: "Obviously, if the company had been given a full picture of his background, he would never have been allowed on the show."

The rep was correct, because as a Canadian citizen, Jenkins' criminal record would not have been included if he was pardoned and allowed to immigrate to the United States. However, after Jenkins was reported as a suspect, TMZ immediately uncovered court documents that from Las Vegas dating back to 2005 that included charges of assault and misdemeanor battery not on just on Fiore but also a previous girlfriend. If TMZ could find those US documents, why couldn't 51 Minds?

Surprisingly, this is not the first time the two companies have taken a cockroach approach to

tragedy. Carboy & Demetrio.com reported an October 2008 incident where VH1 and 51 Minds denied responsibility when a sleep-deprived employee crashed into and killed two college students while transporting equipment to the set of "Rock of Love Bus." The court found them responsible.

Unlike VH1 and 51 Minds, the tabloid circus that has surrounded TLC's Jon & Kate plus 8 is not as much the fault of the production as it is the stars. With the tabloid circus surrounding the couple's break up, it's hard to remember that "Jon and Kate" did not begin as the reality show it became.

The couple signed on in 2007 as part of the Discovery Health Channel's "Real Life" series of programs that focused on the unique nature of their family. Jackie Albane of Grandparents.com says that because of this feature some of the Gosselins' issues, such as the divorce, would have occurred whether cameras were present or not. In relation, Peggy O'Connor of Chicago Examiner mentions that money was also the reason the couple signed on to support their large family. Nonetheless, the Gosselins could have stopped when their financial situation improved but chose not to.

TLC and its producers are not without fault, for some stories would not exist if not for their presence. It's no argument that Jon has gained more admirers with TV exposure than he would have without. This same exposure has encouraged Kate's overambitious nature, which began to manifest in the way she treated her children and husband. Through the media's double-standard filter, Jon is sympathized and praised as a bachelor while Kate, who is mostly caring for the eight children on her own, is demonized for all her action. TLC producers could have provided counseling for the fairly young couple when the relationship began to fall under the strain, but evidently chose not to.

The truth is that the reality genre is not at fault here, but all those who create and consume it. It doesn't matter who draws the line and when, as long as someone does. In the end no one did, and the consequences became very real.

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Steelers, Patriots, Colts and Vikings in run for SuperBowl

BEN GRANT
Staff Reporter

NFC East

Eagles - Were considered a Super Bowl contender, then signed Michael Vick and caused media frenzy; still expected to finish first in the toughest division in football, although there is much debate on how Vick will affect team chemistry.

Giants - Great offensive line, good running game and a good defense will help the Giants ease into the No-Mex era.

Cowboys - No Terrell Owens has made for a quiet off-season in Dallas. The offense will score but not as much; though Cowboys are no longer considered the best in this division, they are a dark horse favorite nonetheless.

Redskins - While the first three spots in this division are heavily debated, the Redskins are firmly entrenched in fourth place and belong there as they have the fourth best quarterback.

NFC North

Vikings - Stout defense and Adrian Peterson should get this team the division crown. Brett Favre shouldn't be able to mess this up until the playoffs.

Green Bay - Great pre-season, an easy schedule and an emerging star in Aaron Rodgers ensures the Packers will challenge the division this season.

Chicago - QB Jay Cutler should turn Bears into a fun team to watch on offense. If the defense returns to 2006 from then this team could surprise a few people.

Detroit - 49 new players, last season they were 0-16, need I continue?

NFC South

New Orleans - Great offense returns healthy and the defense is improved; the Saints could compete for a Super Bowl.

Atlanta - Tony Gonzalez will help take the offense to the next level, but if the defense does not improve, this team will struggle to make the Wild Card.

Carolina - Simply not as talented as the other teams in their division, they will not be as good this season.

Tampa Bay - In a complete rebuilding mode; they need Josh Freeman to be their QB.

NFC West

Arizona - Great offense returns and defense looks improved; the Cardinals should win this weak division.

Seattle - If Matt Hasselbeck stays healthy they may compete with the Cardinals for the division.

San Francisco - This team is slowly improving under Mike Singletary, but is a few years and a QB

away from catching Arizona.

St. Louis - Steve Spagnuolo was a great defensive coordinator, but as coach it will be a challenge for him to get this team turned around.

AFC East

New England - If Tom Brady's shoulder is fine, they will win 12 plus; if he is not healthy, then they will struggle somewhat and maybe miss the playoffs again.

Miami - Solid offense and defense; return but while they have some new Wildcat plays, they will not repeat as division champions against a healthy Tom Brady.

New York - The Jets appear set everywhere except QB; if Mark Sanchez can play well, the Jets could win 9 to 10 games.

Buffalo - They have T.O. but Trent Edwards doesn't seem ready and the defense is average at best; they will struggle this season.

AFC North

Pittsburgh - Super Bowl champs bring everyone back; they have a legitimate shot at repeating, but it will be challenging.

Baltimore - Great defense is now supported by good offense; this could be the year they get the division crown away from Pittsburgh.

Cincinnati - Carson Palmer is back; if he stays healthy the Bengals can scare any team they play.

Cleveland - Not knowing your quarterback after the fourth pre-season game is not a good sign; the Browns will struggle with either quarterback under center.

AFC South

Indianapolis - Peyton Manning has dominated this division for years; don't expect change.

Tennessee - Solid on all aspects of the field; if Kerry Collins can keep it going they could make the wild card.

Houston - If Matt Schaub can finally stay healthy the Texans may get to the playoffs.

Jacksonville - This team was a playoff team two years ago; they have fallen quickly and are not about to get back up.

AFC West

San Diego - Always a hot pick; its all their talent stepped up and got to the Superbowl.

Kansas City - They are better than the Raiders and the Broncos, but not by much. Matt Cassel was supposed to be the answer at quarterback, and now he is injured.

Oakland - They could win six games this year as they have finally have some talent, but coach the coach get them working as a team?

Denver - Traded a Pro-Bowl QB and may get rid of their Pro-Bowl receiver; new coach struggling for control; this team has a lot of problems; 8-8 record from a year ago would be an accomplishment.

Predicting the World Series Tigers, Angels, Dodgers, Phillies, Cardinals and Yankees among threats to win

DAN LAMOND
Staff Reporter

September has come, the rosters have expanded and the push for a playoff spot has begun. Several teams are in the hunt for October, making each and every game vital to the playoff race.

The Detroit Tigers, Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, Los Angeles Dodgers, New York Yankees, Philadelphia Phillies, and St. Louis Cardinals all have commanding leads in their divisions.

Recent additions to many of these teams have made them appear to be much scarier come playoff time. The Tigers have added to their starting pitching depth with the trade for Jarrod Washburn. Meanwhile the Angels were busy after the trade deadline adding Scott Kazmir to their starting rotation. The Dodgers made many key additions to their team including relief pitcher George Sherrill, starter Jon Garland, slugger Jim Thome, and utility player Ronnie Belliard.

Many people felt the Yankees needed to make big trade deadline adjustments and were disappointed after they only got Eric Hinske, but their recent second half resurgence has silenced most critics.

The Phillies looked like geniuses after Cliff Lee's brilliant first five starts and looked even stronger with the addition of Ben Francisco's bat off the bench. The St. Louis Cardinals look extremely scary now that they have protection behind Albert Pujols with the addition of Matt Holliday. The Cardinals have also added utility man Mark DeRosa, Julio Lugo, and pitcher John Smoltz.

Any of these are poised to make a deep run in the playoffs and any of them are a threat to win a World Series if they are hot at the right time.

Wild Card Races

In the National League, the Rockies and the Giants have been in a close battle for the final playoff spot. Both teams have bolstered their rosters for a late run to clinch their right to play in October. The Giants have added Freddy Sanchez to their everyday line up and Brad Penny to their already deep rotation. Meanwhile, the Rockies have gotten a pleasant surprise out of recently called up Carlos Gonzalez as well as adding veterans Jose Contreras and Jason Giambi. The Giants appear to be scarier for a deep post-season run simply due to their pitching depth.

Not many teams want to face or would fair well off Tim Lincecum, Barry Zito, Matt Cain, Jonathan Sanchez or Brad Penny. The Giants, however, lack a power in their line-up; much of their offense is supplied solely from Pablo Sandoval. The Rockies, on the other hand, don't have as much depth pitching wise but still have a threatening top in Ubaldo Jimenez, Jason Marquis, and Jorge De La Rosa. The Rockies have many sources of offense among their players including Brad Hawpe, Todd Helton, Troy Tulowitzki, and Carlos Gonzalez.

The American League is also shaping up to be a very close race to the finish between the Boston Red Sox and the Texas Rangers. Both teams have additions to help their already strong line-ups become even more powerful. The Red Sox added catcher and first baseman Victor Martinez, shortstop Alex Gonzalez and setup man Billy Wagner to their bullpen. The Rangers got back their former catcher in Ivan Rodriguez and traded for relief pitcher Danny Gutierrez. The Red Sox, of the two teams, have the stronger starting rotation led by Josh Beckett, who has not pitched like his normal self lately. Jon Lester, Tim Lincecum whose health is questionable right now, and Clayton Kershaw. The Red Sox also have a very powerful line-up featuring Dustin Pedroia, Victor Martinez, Kevin Youkilis, and Jason Bay. The Red Sox offense has been off and on this year, but they are a team that no one will want to face if they are hot going into the playoffs. The Rangers have a fairly unknown but extremely effective rotation headed by Kevin Millwood, followed by Scott Feldman, Tommy Hunter and Derek Holland. The Rangers feature a highly talented offense when healthy but that has been the biggest question going into the playoffs for the Rangers. Gold glove third baseman Michael Young is currently rehabbing from a hamstring injury and centerfielder Josh Hamilton is suffering from a pinched nerve in his back. The offense will depend on Ian Kinsler, Chris Davis, Nelson Cruz and Marlon Byrd.

Bold Predictions

American League Division Series:
New York Yankees vs. Boston Red Sox
Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim vs. Detroit Tigers

National League Division Series:
St. Louis Cardinals vs. Los Angeles Dodgers
Philadelphia Phillies vs. Los Angeles Dodgers

THE TOP 10 OF COLLEGE FOOTBALL

GREG NOLAN
Staff Reporter

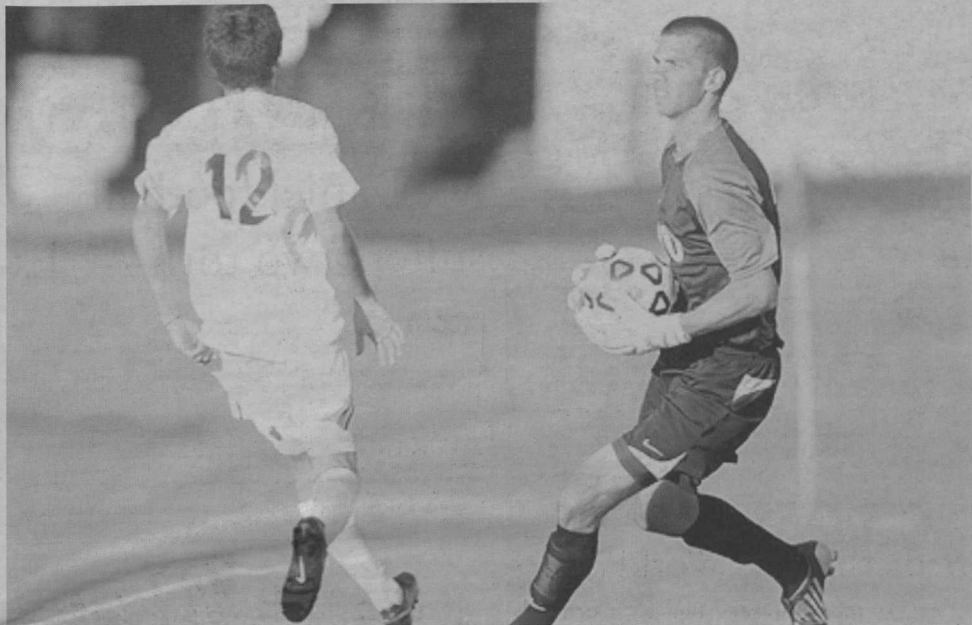
ABC legendary college football announcer Keith Jackson's "Whoa Nellie" catch phrase best sums up the 2009 college football season.

With great expectations for so many teams across the nation and highly anticipated matchups scheduled seemingly for every week of the season, it's no wonder there is so much excitement in the air. Here's how my top ten is shaping up.

- 1. Florida:** Florida is still the overwhelming preseason favorite to win it all. While Florida's schedule sets up nicely, games against SEC foes LSU and Georgia will be challenges for NCAA spokesman Tim Tebow and the Gators.
- 2. Texas:** Texas fans feel this team should have won it all last year after getting snubbed by BCS voters from appearing in the Big 12 championship game. Colt McCoy leads a talented Longhorns team with expectations to bring home the school's first title since 2006 when Vince Young steered the "Horns" passed the Trojans of USC.
- 3. Ohio State:** Ohio State is the class of one of the weakest conferences in the country. Led by QB sensation Terrelle Pryor, they will edge out Penn State for the Big Ten title and might have a chance to play in the National Championship game for the third time in four years.
- 4. Mississippi:** Ole Miss is facing high expectations this year coming off of a season in which they upset Florida in the Swamp and Texas Tech in the Cotton Bowl. Jevon Snead leads a team that could make the school's first appearance in the SEC Championship Game.
- 5. Oregon:** Oregon is my surprise pick. With USC having to adjust to a freshman quarterback, Oregon will emerge from a talented field and win the Pac 10. However, LeGarrette Blount's suspension means they now have to rely on talented QB Jeremiah Masoli's arm more than ever before.
- 6. BYU:** BYU is the mid major that will crash the BCS party this year. Their week one win over Oklahoma might just vault them into the National Championship game if they turn the table in a competitive race to bust the BCS.
- 7. Oklahoma:** Big changes on the offensive line will impact reigning Heisman winner Sam Bradford this year. Bradford's injury on Saturday against BYU poses big problems for a team that has to compete with arch-rivals Texas and Oklahoma State in the Big 12 South.
- 8. Virginia Tech:** The Hokies will come out on top in a relatively weak ACC. Ryan Williams' performance on Saturday against Alabama should provide comfort for a team who lost its starting tailback to a season ending knee injury.
- 9. Oklahoma State:** Oklahoma State is another surprise team. Led by QB Zach Robinson and stand out WR Dez Bryant, Oklahoma State will finish in the top ten this year. Saturday's win over Georgia showed that they are no fluke and a threat to both Texas and Oklahoma in the Big 12 South.
- 10. USC:** As usually, the Trojans will be good again in 2009. But true freshman quarterback Matt Barkley's inexperience may eventually catch up with the men of Troy and prevent them from this year.



LOOKING AHEAD: GREEN TERROR SOCCER



SPORTS FILE PHOTOS

Goalie Benjamin Knight made four saves in the shutout against Marymount in the 2009 Mary Washington Soccer Classic on Saturday, Sept. 5.

Women's soccer set to make a comeback in upcoming games

CHARLES MULLIN
Staff Reporter

Team Overview: Filled with many freshmen, Girls Soccer has a very young team this year, but still has strong leaders in the upperclassmen. Despite opening shut-outs, McDaniel looks to rebound in the coming weeks.

Coaching Staff: Bryan Schumaker (Head Coach) and Megan Madison (Assistant Coach).

Important Games: Team Captain Melanie Armstrong says this year's big games will be Gettysburg, Johns Hopkins, and Muhlenberg.

Season Preview: "We have a very diverse group of players and a tough schedule, but I think if we work hard as a team . . . we have the potential to have a great season."
— Freshman Cara Roig

Men's soccer team makes an even start to the 2009 season

CASEY CROUGH
Staff Reporter

As of September 8, the men's soccer team is off to a somewhat even start with 2-3 record.

Head coach Jim Reigel, enters his third season as coach for the Green Terror's soccer team.

Reigel will most certainly help carry the team to success with his experience from Linganore High School in Frederick, MD, and experience as the 3A West Boy's Soccer Regional Director for MPSSAA since 2004.

Reigel said that he wants a more united team, both on and off the field.

Currently the team wants to reach a winning percentage above .500; but to qualify for the Conference Tournament, the team will have to step up their game in the Conference matches.

The team has many strong players to help them reach these goals. Reigel states there is a balanced roster among the returning and first year players.

"Several players have contributed already this season," he said.

Even though the team is ready to give their best, there are still challenges they will have to face.

Reigel said that, "realizing young players will experience set backs; we need to keep everything in perspective."

Even though the young players may struggle at first, the team has been very accepting of the new additions.

Reigel said that the cohesion and unity of the team is "our strongest attribute to date. First year players have been accepted immediately by returning players. The coaching staff could not have asked for a better scenario," he said.

In addition to potential set backs and some frustration, the team will also need to be ready to face their most difficult opponents: each team from the Conference.

"Come out and support Green Terror Athletics regardless of the sport," said Reigel, "players notice a crowd and respond to their presence."

For more information about the men's soccer team or other athletics on campus, visit the McDaniel website, and go to the athletics section.



Catherine Frondorf scored the fourth and fifth goals for McDaniel in their win against Notre Dame on Monday, September 7.

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TERROR SPORTS

McDaniel football suffers two torn ACLs

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

Every year when the football season ends in November, anticipation for another campaign on the gridiron immediately starts to build. The possibility of championship glory carries players and fans alike through the cold dreariness of winter.

The first signs of spring are greeted with early morning conditioning and trips to the weight room for our football players here on the Hill.

The process of preparation continues throughout the succeeding months and reaches a pinnacle during training camp in the dog days of summer. Despite the oppressive August heat and grueling practice schedule, the Green Terror football team remains undeterred in its quest to play championship caliber football.

A coach's worst nightmare during these days of training, however, is the inevitable trip his players will make to the trainer's room.

This summer's training camp has proved no different, as the injury bug has made its rounds throughout the Green Terror locker room.

First year Defensive Coordinator, Mike Dailey, has been rudely welcomed to the Hill with unfortunate injuries to standout defensive players. The most devastating injury to hit his defensive squad is the loss of senior defensive back, Aaron Slaughter. Slaughter, an honorable mention on last year's All-Conference Team, team captain and starting strong safety this year, tore his ACL during the Gallaudet scrimmage on August 29 and will be unable to return to the field this year.

"Losing Aaron certainly hurts, but I expect other players to step up and fill his shoes," explains Dailey. Dailey believes Senior Paul Smith and Junior Travis Wenrich are two such players. Both rose to the occasion during the

team's opening game against St. Vincent's on September 5.

Wenrich, a defensive back, tallied seven total tackles in the St. Vincent's game, while Smith, a linebacker, recovered a decisive fumble. Despite Aaron's absence on the field, Dailey insists his presence is still felt on the team: "Aaron is still active with the team, helping to coach and displaying constant leadership."

To make things worse for the Terror, starting defensive linemen Sam Cox and Albert Leech both suffered broken hands during camp as well. Fortunately though, Cox, a junior, and Leech, a senior, were able to play the first week, both toughing it out and sporting casts on their broken hands.

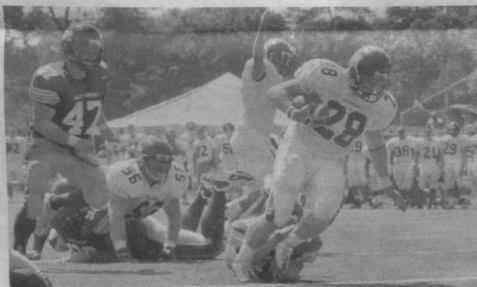
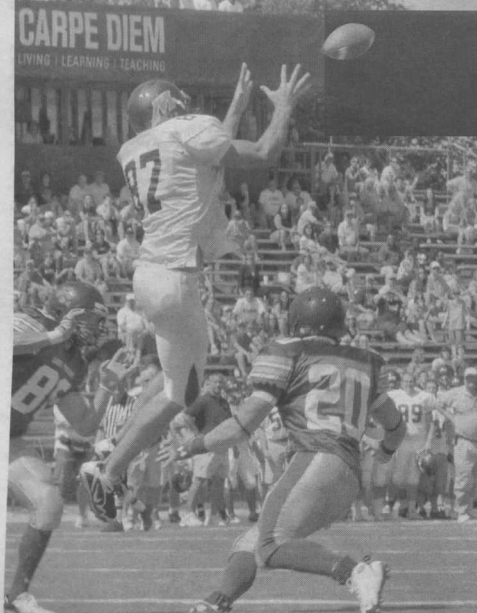
On the offensive side of the ball, senior starting wide out Saum Sami suffered a torn ACL during the Gallaudet scrimmage. Sami was one of the team's best and most experienced wide outs soaming into the season and was expected to be a big time contributor for the Terror offense.

Unfortunately, Saum, like Slaughter, will miss the entire season.

During times of injuries during the football season, it is the teammates of the injured who step into the limelight and carry the team forward. However, the role of the injured is not diminished. Their presence on the sideline and in the locker room cannot be overstated. Their actions and words can raise team morale and most importantly, teach the younger players the value of perseverance in the presence of adversity.

Aaron Slaughter and Saum Sami certainly embody these leadership characteristics and will still play an important role in this year's success despite the fact they will not be able to play a down. These two special seniors will help Dailey and the rest of the coaching staff make sure the Green Terror are ready to take on any challenge, both on and off the football field.

ABOVE: Woody Butler grabs a pass up high for McDaniel's first touchdown of the day during their season opener against St. Vincent.
BELOW: Raymond O'Hara runs it in for another McDaniel touchdown.



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Terror football hurt but not quitting

ZACH WEEDEN
Staff Reporter

"Just 'cause we're hurt, doesn't mean we quit," senior captain Aaron Slaughter could not have done a better job describing the attitude of the 2009 Green Terror football team. After a 2-8 season last year and having several key players hurt already this year, the team refuses to throw in the towel. With a convincing win over the St. Vincent Bear Cats on Saturday, 52-37, the team seems to be back on track and ready to accomplish big things this season.

With 22 seniors returning, 33 freshmen and four new assistant coaches, one of whom joins the Terror from the professional ranks, the team thinks that they've found a winning combination. One of the new assistant coaches, Mike Dailey, has 19 years of experience under his belt; 12 of which were done at the professional ranks in the Arena Football League under NFL legend John Elway. Along with Coach Dailey, the squad has also picked up McDaniel Alumni Jamie Unger as a wide receiver coach. Unger graduated in 2006; he holds the Green Terror record for the longest touchdown reception in school history and was

also the offensive most valuable player of the year in 2005. The Terror also introduced two new line-backers' coaches in Alomo Escalante and Josh Rutter. Escalante comes from Springfield College where he was a student assistant coach. He also did a fellowship with the New York Giants over the summer. Rutter comes to McDaniel with a solid college career receiving freshmen linebacker of the year, and all-conference playing for William and Mary.

"Our senior class has been excellent, they haven't had the best of success while they've been here, but they have their mind set on turning things around," Coach Keating couldn't have said enough about all the hard work this year's senior class has put in this preseason. The team's hard work in the off season to turn things around was evident week one as they overpowered St. Vincent in all three phases of the game.

The McDaniel offense was led by sophomore quarterback Tom Massucci's career high 238 passing yards and four touchdown passes. Massucci found senior captain Matt Cahill, junior Nick Bender, and sophomore Woody Butler twice for Terror touchdowns. Cahill totaled 118 yards, with Bender and Butler ended up with a combined 78 receiving yards. Senior T.J. De-

lin and Junior Ray O'Hara added two rushing touchdowns to the McDaniel onslaught, compiling a total of 146 rushing yards. McDaniel's experienced offensive line did their part controlling the line of scrimmage throughout the game and not allowing Massucci to get sacked all day.

The Terror defense brings back a very experienced starting line up to the field returning eight seniors. With a new pro style mentality brought by defensive coordinator Mike Dailey, expect every hit to resemble a car crash. Senior Travis Wenrich led the way with 7 tackles against St. Vincent. The rest of the defense combined to get a total of three sacks and two fumble recoveries, allowing only 59 rushing yards.

The Green Terror will have the hard work this off season to put themselves in position to achieve big things this season. With Massucci stepping up at the quarterback position to go along with an experienced cast of wide receivers, running backs, and linemen, McDaniel's offense has the potential to put up a lot of points this season. And with a new defensive coordinator expect the defense to be as good as ever. Next for the Green Terror will be a trip to Moravian where they hope to make a statement in their first Centennial Conference test of the new season.

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Sept. 19
Catholic vs. McDaniel
1:00 p.m.

Sept. 26
McDaniel vs. Dickinson,
1:30 p.m.

Oct. 3 (Families
Weekend)
Juniata vs. McDaniel
1:00 p.m.

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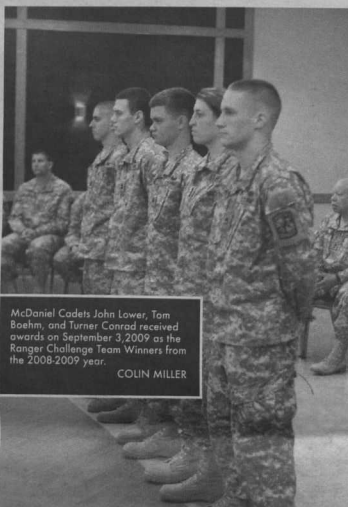
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Chris Molloy shows off his make-up as he will play Frankenfurter in McDaniel's Rocky Horror. The show will run through this weekend, Saturday, October 3.

SAM SEGAL

Lin Oo talks about the International Day of Peace in Red Square.

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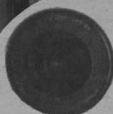
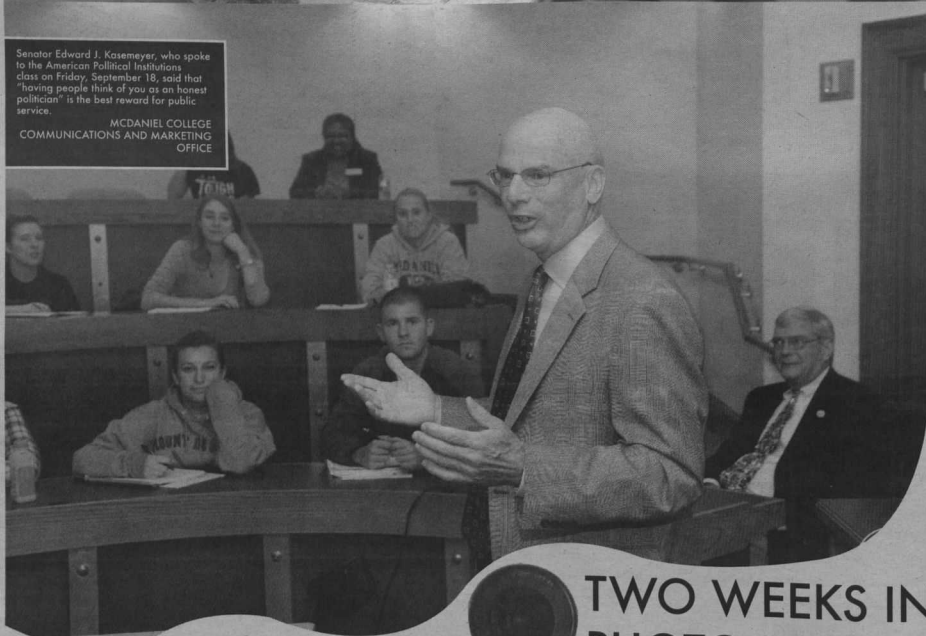
McDaniel Cadets John Lower, Tom Boehm, and Turner Conrad received awards on September 3, 2009 as the Ranger Challenge Team Winners from the 2008-2009 year.

COLIN MILLER



Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer, who spoke to the American Political Institutions class on Friday, September 18, said that "having people think of you as an honest politician" is the best reward for public service.

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TWO WEEKS IN
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New paperless SGA elections an improvement

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION DITCHES PAPER BALLOTS FOR HIGH-TECH VOTING

SCOTT WELKOS
Staff Reporter

If it seemed empty outside of Glar recently, you're not mistaken. For the first time, students waiting in line for dinner were unaccompanied by SGA voting tables. That's because in getting with the computer age, McDaniel College has moved its voting system online.

The polls, which closed at midnight Friday, September 18, were conducted entirely on the internet. This system, which was used for the first time this year, was created with the help of

McDaniel's IT Department. And the facts show that students took notice.

"Online was a big factor," said SGA Vice President Ben Cowman, commenting on the sizeable increase in voter turnout this year. He explained that student participation skyrocketed from an average of 5 percent to 38 percent following the introduction of online voting.

Dean of Student Affairs Beth Gerl said that the results of this year's election show a "renewed energy" in McDaniel voters.

In addition to the new voting method, students were also introduced to structural changes in the SGA itself. This year, the SGA opted to

elect one representative from each building on campus.

Under this structure, Gerl believes that "students will be better represented than they've been in years."

The representatives, otherwise known as "senators," that were elected on the 18th are: Jessica Schisler (Commuter Student Association), Brandon Campbell (Albert Norman Ward Hall), Anna Moffett (Blanche Ward Hall), Luke Schmidt (Daniel MacLea Hall), Nicholas Bender (Garden Apartments), Zach Weeden (McDaniel Hall), Zach Swope (North Village), Ryan Spicer (Rouser Hall), and Hayoung Kim (Whiteford Hall).

Pennsylvania Avenue is currently without a representative, having had no candidate volunteers.

These senators are responsible for reaching out to their constituents and communicating information to RAs in their respective buildings. They also get voting privileges and are required to serve on at least two committees.

For students looking to get involved in the SGA, Cowman says it's easy to do: "As long as they express an interest, anyone can serve on a committee."

The SGA meets Mondays at 9:00 p.m. in Hill Hall, Room 110.

'Day of Peace' challenges students' worldview



SAM SEGAL

Student advocate peace at during the International Day of Peace.

JENNA LITTLE
Staff Reporter

Walking through Red Square on Monday, students could tell something was different. There was a calmer yet lively and peaceful atmosphere. Colorful chalk drawings covered the pathway, the Beatles' "Magical Mystery Tour" album could be heard, and brightly decorated pinwheels could be seen around the square among black and white graphic pictures of prominent peace figures.

Students were seen hula hooping and gathering around the middle of the square in the grass to hang out and talk in the spring-like weather. Despite the rainy forecast, the weather seemed to be a sign that the event was supposed to be a success.

On Monday September 21, the International Club, Environmental Action Club, and Philosophy Club sponsored for the first time an information poster event in red square for the International Day of Peace. A discussion group followed at 6:00 p.m. hosted by the Philosophy Club.

The International Day of Peace is held by the United Nations to celebrate peace around the world.

John Sullivan, senior and treasurer of the International Club and the Environmental Action Club, said that "I think most people realized that there is a microcosm of students in our world that enjoy peace and the ripple effect it generates. Just a little chalk and Magical Mystery Tour brought out around 100 students."

Lin Oo, senior and co-president of the International Club and president of the Philosophy Club explained that "As part of McDaniel College, we thought it would be appropriate to hold the event for the campus community."

Oo said "We hoped that by showing to the world that there are prominent figures of peace out there in the world that it would resonate with our lives. We also wanted to highlight the correlation between resource scarcity, environmental

"It's all about how we all as members of civil society can strive to help towards a better future."

LIN OO

degradation, and its correlation with conflict."

The Environmental Action Club helped with this aspect while the Philosophy Club and International Club focused on discussing peace and how to achieve it by listening to different views on peace, free speech, and other relevant issues at the evening discussion. About twenty students went to the discussion and three people stepped up to give three different views about peace. The students were encouraged to stand up on a chair in order to give their opinions freely.

The discussion included two main topics on the actuality of peace in the changing world. The first discussion was called "Transcend the Bullshit: Deactivate Your Facebook!" The second discussion included a "know your rights" session where students were able to ask two campus safety officers about the rights of students dealing with searches, drugs, alcohol and other issues.

In red square posters of figures such as John Lennon, Martin Luther King Jr., Gandhi, Norman Ernest Borlaug, Harvey Milk, Nelson Mandela, Desmond Tutu, Aung San Suu Kyi, and the Dalai Lama were shown with a brief summa-

ry of their lives. There was also an informational poster about environmental degradation. A table was also set up where students could decorate and make peace pinwheels and have some cookies and cake.

Oo said "In a sense the international day of peace tries to fulfill one of our liberal arts learning experiences to be active members in a humane environment and to prepare ourselves to help towards building a community where dialogue is chosen over violence. We hope that as college students we would learn to value this diversity in opinion instead of being hostile towards it."

Students who stopped by at the event in Red Square both enjoyed themselves and learned something.

Kaitlyn Vadenais, a freshman who was at the event said "I loved the chalk drawings! I thought they were really well done." She said "I love peace! I sent my friends texts saying 'Happy International Peace Day!' I was inspired by the event."

Megan Rogers, a freshman, said "I thought it was awesome that a group of students came together to celebrate the occasion." She enjoyed the chalk drawings and posters in red square most. "Both things caught my attention and from what I saw, others too."

She also learned about the mining of the mountains in Sierra Leone. "I knew that there were poor work conditions but I was never exposed to the destruction of the environment part."

Oo said that many students mentioned that they would like to see this type of event more in the future.

Sullivan said "The event was a huge success and I feel that everyone who helped out used their best smiles and laughs to make the event a great feat for the participating clubs."

Oo said that "it's all about how we all as members of civil society can strive to help towards a better future, whether we are in Westminster or in any part of the world. As club members we hoped to convey that message."

Jan Term provides opportunities to explore

ANDREW VELNOSKEY
Staff Reporter

It is the time of year to choose a Jan Term class, something to keep you occupied when otherwise you would be back home doing absolutely nothing, waiting for the weather to get warm.

But the fact of the matter is that Jan Term is more than a way to stave off boredom, it is a chance to study something you might not have thought about or had time to study before. It is a chance to push yourself beyond the usual semester-long class and study one thing intensely for a couple weeks. Plus, everyone needs at least one Jan Term during their career on the Hill, so there are no excuses. If you haven't gotten one under your belt yet, or even if you have, here are some ways to spice up your year break:

Of course, the study tour is one of the most exciting ways to spend Jan Term. Anyone interested in this should check out the page www.mcdaniel.edu/janterm for a full list of courses going abroad. Among the courses offered this year are: "Study Trip to Budapest: Encountering Diversity," "Globetrotting: China," "From Aztecs to Anglos:

Aging in the Americas," "Animating Life," (trip to Disneyworld) and the always popular "Exploring Belize."

These courses carry a substantial price as one might imagine, but the cost is still reasonable considering what a similar trip would cost if planned privately. Prices decrease on a number of factors, notably distance and frequency of travel. For example, the Belize trip is \$2600, the Budapest trip \$2700, and the China trip \$3500.

Professor Herb Smith annually takes students on a trip to Belize, home of the world's second largest barrier reef. While on the 11 day trip, students get the opportunity to fish, snorkel, and help the turtles and other wildlife of Belize by doing a beach clean-up.

The trip also includes a trip to see Mayan ruins. Belize is a great place to visit because it is a pioneer of conservation, as 40% of its total area (both land and sea) is protected by the government.

Even so, the country is not immune to the harmful effects of humans. Since starting the Belize Jan Term ten years ago, Professor Smith has noticed a sharp decline in certain fish like the Parrot fish, which help clean coral reefs and keep them healthy. The trip educates students about such problems and the importance of conservation while

also allowing them to relax and have fun. This is the real strength of the trip, Professor Smith says. Anyone interested should contact Professor Smith; there are still spots available.

There are also plenty of courses offered here on campus during January for a flat fee of \$650, plus \$250 board (half-credit EPE classes are \$160 each). Everything from Basic Algebra, to Weight Training, to Coping with Stress is offered.

Of particular interest is another of the "Reacting to the Past" classes where students debate issues and make decisions as if they were actually involved in the historical event they are studying. This time, the class is on Art in Paris in the 1880's and is taught by Gretchen McKay.

For students not wanting to stay on campus or go abroad, completing an internship is another way to satisfy the Jan Term requirement while gaining valuable experience.

Registration for Jan Term began on September 21 for students who are planning to graduate in May 2010 and have not yet taken a Jan Term course. As of September 30, registration is open to everyone and will remain open until January 3. All non-EPE Jan Terms are 2 credits.

JAN TERM

2010 Study Tours

- Tropical Marine Biology
BIO 1172 - Randy Morrison
- SCUBA Diving the World: Cayman
EPE 1135 - Brian Wladkowski
- Study Trip to Budapest: Encountering Diversity
GNI 1131 - Carole Waddell
- From Aztecs to Anglos - Aging in the Americas
GRN 1140 - Buzz Baker
- Treasure of Central Europe
IDS 1142 - Mohamed Esa
- Exploring Belize
IDS 1144 - Herb Smith
- Globetrotting: China
MUL/SOC 1142 - Robin Armstrong and Deb Lemke
- Landscapes of Memory: Israel & Prague
REL 1144 - M. Goldman and L. Goodheart
- Theatre Tour
THE 1142 - Elizabeth van den Berg

Yale murder offers a chance for reflection

HANNA BARKER AND ANGEL LI
Staff Reporters

Yale graduate student Annie Le, 24, was found dead on Sept. 13, her wedding day. Reported missing five days earlier, her body was found stuffed into a utility compartment in the basement of the secure research building where she worked.

Police have charged coworker Raymond Clark III, 24, with murder, after arresting him and taking DNA samples that compared with material evidence found at the scene.



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A few safety tips...

- Be observant of your surroundings.
- Try to let someone know where you are, especially if you are going to be out late; it's always a good idea to have someone make sure you get home.
- Lock your door when you are not in your room.
- Don't let strangers into residence halls.
- Report suspicious persons to the Campus Safety department.
- First floor residents should keep

windows locked when sleeping or when not in the room.

- Lock your car and place your valuables out of sight.
- Consider installing anti-theft devices in your vehicle.
- Park in well-lit areas.
- Know your car's tag number.
- Avoid walking alone at night.
- Know how to sound the fire alarm.
- Use common sense - if something doesn't feel right, then it probably isn't.

"It is important to note that this is not about urban crime, university crime, domestic crime but an issue of workplace violence, which is becoming a growing concern around the country," said New Haven Police Chief James Lewis, as reported in mainstream news.

Nevertheless, the fact that the killing took place in a secure campus facility is reason enough to remind all college students to play it safe.

Here at McDaniel, there are more effective security measures in place, but the mere fact that this is an open campus makes it necessary to just be a little bit more careful. Campus

Safety provides an escort service, educational programming on a variety of topics, emergency medical assistance, fire prevention, and emergency response.

International students have mixed reactions about campus violence, because in many other countries, guns and other weaponry are outlawed and the rate of violence is lower.

Asked whether she would tell her parents about the Annie Le incident, Chinese freshman Xiaoying Zhou was almost hesitant.

"No. Of course not," she said. "The later [they find out], the better. Soon, they will be worrying sick."

One day after Le's body was found, Zhou already received over ten messages from Chinese friends studying at different colleges in the U.S.

"We're all a bit intimidated," Zhou said. "Campus violence is not that much of a problem in China, you know. I think from now on, I'll have to start asking campus security to walk me every night after class."

Maria Noe Oviedo, director of the Spanish house at McDaniel, shares a similar opinion.

"It scares me a little to know that we need campus security here," said Oviedo, who is from Argentina. "I didn't think a campus would be dangerous. I was surprised when a friend offered to walk me at night."

Director of Campus Safety Michael Webster provides a realistic view of safety at McDaniel.

"McDaniel College is a beautiful campus that encourages a feeling of safety. While it is a very safe campus, it is not immune from crime and all campus community members should be minimizing risks when possible. Laptops left unattended and residence hall doors left propped or Avenue houses left unlocked invite crime," said Webster.

Most crimes and rule violations deal with liquor and drugs. In 2007, there was a total of only five violent crimes: forcible fondling, 3, robbery-1, and aggravated assault-1.

Violence on college campuses has been a concern brought into the forefront by the Virginia Tech massacre in 2007. As a result, McDaniel College has implemented a new alert system, which students can sign up for at www.irisdispatch.com/users. The McDaniel ALERT system is in its second year of use.

"Students should sign up for it because it is the most reliable way to quickly inform them of threats to their safety," said Webster.

For further information on how to be safe on campus or to report an unsafe situation, call extension 2202 or stop by the Department of Campus Safety, located in Winslow Center.

There ain't no party like a swine flu party

H1N1 spreads in Md., brings fears and parties

KATELYNN MCGINLEY
Web Manager

While the cases of H1N1 continue to spread near Towson University, Johns Hopkins University, and Maryland State College, parties known as "swine flu" have also made its way to McDaniel. At press time the college had confirmed that at least one student has contracted the disease, and many students are concerned about how catching the virus will affect their studies.

"I can't really afford to get sick right now," says senior Valerie Hudson. "I'm so busy with school, and I feel like missing class [due to illness] would really put me behind."

Unfortunately, with an H1N1 vaccination still a few weeks away from being released to the public, many people across the country are taking matters into their own hands in an effort to build up an immunity disease. "Swine flu parties" - where a healthy person comes in contact with a person infected with H1N1 - are becoming a popular option for people who hope to build up a resistance to the virus and avoid getting sick later on.

But, before you run to Facebook to extend a mass invite to a jumpin' SWINE FLU PARTY BLOWOUT, keep in mind that Maryland state health officials do not advocate this practice and stick to their statement that people should avoid contact with anyone infected with H1N1, saying that "swine flu parties" are simply "not a good idea."

"Although the symptoms [for H1N1] have been mild for the most part," says the World Health Organization in an official statement, "there's no way to predict with any certainty what the outcome would be for an individual."

However, for those students with sick roommates - you might find yourself an unwilling participant in an unofficial swine flu party. If you do get sick - don't fret, the World Health Organization said that the virus has not mutated into a more dangerous strain, as they originally thought it might. Most people that get sick have only mild symptoms and recover without needing any kind of treatment.

If you would like to schedule an appointment to be seen at McDaniel's Health and Wellness Center, call ahead (410-857-2243) and schedule an appointment.

Coley will be no 'lame' lame duck

Speech outlines goals for president's last year

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

Though this year is President Joan Develin Coley's last year on 'The Hill, she has no intention of being a lame duck, she told faculty members in her State of the College speech in August.

Coley outlined two goals: the expansion of learning opportunities for both online and non-traditional students and strengthened relationships with community colleges. Both goals reflect her long-term interests, said Coley.

"I appreciate the rich experience community colleges bring," Coley said, "and I understand its increasing appeal when it comes to paying for college."

Although the McDaniel Plan is unique compared to other schools' general education plans, she does not want it to deter potential transfer students.

"As we look to community colleges more and more as feeder schools... there can't be rigidity in course by course match ups," she said at the Opening Faculty Meeting on August 19, 2009.

Likewise, the Office of Admissions is working on programs and scholarships designed specifically for transfers, which Coley hopes to see implemented this spring.

With respect to online courses, Coley told faculty members in August that "students want more options, more convenience and alternatives that cost less."

"One out of every five students took online courses," she added.

McDaniel offered 13 online graduate courses this semester. Coley anticipates that online classes will attract working adults trying to advance professionally or continue a general education. Online courses also allow more specialized programs, like Asian studies, to be offered to all students.

And though the college has made strong strides, Coley told the faculty in August, the colleges that will thrive the most as the ideal four year college experience becomes less common, will be the colleges that are flexible, that are quick to react and proactive.

In April 2009 Coley announced she will retire in June 2010, after serving McDaniel as faculty and administrator for 37 years. She became McDaniel's first female president in 2000 and presided over the school's name change in 2002.

A search committee of 12 was put together by Coley and Martin K.P. Hill, chairman of McDaniel College's Board of Trustees and has the aid of Myers McRae, a consulting firm that specializes in higher education. The firm's Senior Vice President, Dr. David M. Gring, is the main liaison to the school.

Zimbra vs Gmail

Zimbra contract draws to close; college considers switch to Gmail

HANNA MARTIN
Staff Reporter

Early in September, McDaniel students received an email from the IT department informing them that the current three-year email provider contract with Zimbra would be up for negotiation. The college is now considering switching to the popular email service Gmail, a creation of the internet conglomerate Google.

A five-question survey was sent out to students, asking them if they had a Gmail account and, if so, how many of the applications they used. It also questioned students about their reaction to the potential change.

The survey sent out to students also informed them that the switch to Gmail would offer them the option of keeping their username for life. For students who give their campus email to so many people over their time here, it will be easier to avoid switching addresses. The option to delete an account when the student graduates is also available.

Students have had mixed reactions about the switch, mainly based on the fact that Gmail is frequently used for personal email accounts. Zimbra has been a popular interface for the duration of the contract, and many people have become comfortable with it.

"I like keeping my personal email

and my college email separate," says freshman Rachel Hoffman. "Zimbra is more professional and focused; it helps me concentrate."

Another advantage to using Zimbra is that it is based in the campus, so if there is an internet outage, students on campus can still access their accounts. Gmail offers no such option.

However, staying with Zimbra also means that if there is a power outage on campus, no one can access their accounts. If there is an internet outage, no one off campus can access their accounts.

"This may not immediately concern undergrads who live on campus, but consider the five thousand graduate students who use our email system from off campus," says Chris Palgrove of the IT department.

Another disadvantage is that storage space on Zimbra is extremely limited, where Gmail offers a much greater amount that grows every day. Gmail also offers all the current applications available to students, such as the calendar and address book; it outstrips Zimbra with video chat and Google documents.

The main concern with switching to Gmail is security; because the data will be hosted off-campus, McDaniel's server will no longer own the server on which the data is stored. The IT department however, would still retain the ability to modify accounts and

users would still have the same control over their accounts and data.

"We do have a thorough contract with Google that ensures the confidentiality and security of our data that they keep," says Palgrove. "Still, it will be an issue for some people who may distrust third-parties controlling our data."

Another factor affecting this possible change is money; McDaniel pays twelve thousand dollars a year just to keep students on Zimbra. Gmail, on the other hand, is absolutely free, because it is funded by advertisements. However, in the version of Gmail currently being considered, the account would be ad-free for the duration of the student's enrollment, with ads only being turned on after the student's graduation.

The hope is that both parties will benefit from this relationship, as Google hopes students will keep their accounts after graduation, and students will have access to a great free email service.

"Gmail is looking like a very strong option at this point," says Palgrove.

The college is currently testing to make sure that they have the same level of control over the accounts and can easily switch from Zimbra. If the college does decide to switch, the contract will last for four years and be up for negotiation again in 2014. Meanwhile, the debate continues.

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New director brings life to a renamed OMS

J ELLIS
Staff Reporter

Mahlia Joyce, Westminster native and graduate of McDaniel College, is back as the Acting Director of The Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. Last year in wake of Ms. Zephia Bryant's resignation as the Director of the Office of Multicultural Services, Joyce was asked by McDaniel College to serve as the Interim Coordinator while the search for a new director was underway.

Joyce had also been teaching at the Gateway School, an alternative secondary school for Carroll County Public School System, for quite some time. During her first year at Gateway she was working for The Office of Multicultural Services (OMS) part time as a Graduate Assistant. She had to leave McDaniel the following academic year when Gateway offered her a full-time position teaching Spanish. She knew that someday, she would return to McDaniel again. Joyce and McDaniel have a deep-rooted connection, or as she would like to call it "a relationship."

She says "I always knew that the college was up here. I came to some activities from time to time, but never quite felt connected or that it was within my reach. Once I took my first semester of classes though, I was hooked. A very interesting romance began. I think of my relationship with the College in those terms sometimes."

When she became of age, her main priority was leaving Westminster for good. However, the decision to attend college was not the solution for Joyce. Instead she joined the military but she didn't quite find the contentment she was looking for. It was after a friend suggested taking classes at The College of Western Maryland that she applied and began her undergraduate studies. Unfortunately, after she left campus to study abroad for a semester in 1994, finishing college was no longer an option for her. "I had moved away (finally) I thought) by that time. Life, my heart, my roots...something called me back to - you guessed it, back Westminster and WMC in 2001."

She compares Westminster to "a warm hearth". During the eight years that she has been here she has developed a much deeper appreciation for her roots in Carroll County. "I've [even] been able to trace part of my family tree to the early 1800s not even five minutes away from campus."

Joyce is looking forward to many new experiences here at McDaniel and hopes that she will be able to impact the lives of the students that she comes in contact with. Rather than just be known as the Director of the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, she wants to be viewed as a resource because "increasing educational opportunities to engage and promote diversity" is her passion.

Office Assistant for The ODMA, Callia Crossman, class of '10, has been at McDaniel College all four years and says that besides the name change from The OMS to The ODMA, it is hard for a student that is new to this campus to notice the transition. Crossman says "Ms. Mahlbia is an innovative director, and she is excellent at what she does. The only thing that I would really like to see happen is The ODMs gain more publicity on campus, but there is no doubt that Ms. Mahlbia will make it happen."

Joyce likes to think of her life as having existed in two or more worlds: "Personally, I see the work that I do to be an extension of who I am as a person in the sense that I try to bridge those multiple parts of my identity. In Zepp talked about that - having a lot of parts in both worlds especially when they seem at odds with each other."

Glar's 'Sandwich Guy' leads double life as 'Family Guy'

SARAH CHAVIS
Staff Reporter

Kaiser roll. Turkey. Provolone. Lettuce. Tomato. Mayo. Glar's very own Mark "The Sandwich Guy" Brown memorized this sandwich combination for senior Terre Martin two years ago. "On the first day back to campus, I went into Glar for lunch to get my usual sandwich," Martin explains. "When it was my turn, I started telling Mark what I wanted, but to my surprise he remembered my sandwich after the entire summer."

Martin isn't the only student Brown can match up to a specific sandwich. There are at least twenty other students on campus that he has also committed to memory.

"I just want the students to feel welcomed," Brown says. "They have a variety to choose from, and I just want them to want a sandwich made by me."

That's why Brown creates all of his sandwiches with such care and precision. "I like to make sure all the vegetables are fresh and ripe," he says. "No one deserves rotten food."

When Brown took off his latex gloves at night

and goes home, he's no longer "The Sandwich Guy," he becomes "The Family Guy." As a father of four children, three sons and a daughter ranging from the ages of 3-10, Brown tries to balance his time between his work and kids. Since he doesn't arrive home until after dinner, he spends the majority of his time with them during the morning, standing at the bus stop corner and sending them off to school for the day.

"I also use my vacation days on holidays and their birthdays," Brown states. "They only get one day a year dedicated to just them, and I want to be there to spend it with them."

Brown also uses vacation time and the summers to take the bus to New York City, his second home. While he's there, he visits with the rest of his family and friends, but what he loves most of all during his visits is... shopping. His other hobbies consist of shooting pool, basketball, fishing, hunting, swimming, working out, and playing hoeseshoes.

So next time you're in Glar, and you don't know what to eat, stop by the sandwich line and ask for Brown. He'll be sure to take care of all your sandwich needs. Maybe even ask him how his day is. After all, his favorite part of the job is meeting new students.



Mark Brown works the sandwich line in Glar.

SARAH CHAVIS

Keepin' it cheap:

Ways to have fun and save money

KIM WILLIAMS
FEATURES EDITOR

For anyone who didn't get a job this semester, had hours cut back, or whose wallet is feeling a little light, here's some tips for how to save some money:

1. Free movies sponsored by CAP-Broad: Instead of going to the movie theater and shelling out at least \$7, consider catching a showing of a free movie in Decker. Taken is showing Oct. 16. Even bring your own popcorn.

2. Sharing: Whether the girl next door owns all of Brad Pitt's movies, or your roommate owns the first three seasons of It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia, these are resources for cheap fun. Friends and housemates are like a free Blockbuster. Just be careful not to break anything borrowed.

3. The library: Any big readers should resist walking into a bookstore and purchasing a hefty bag of books. Instead, check out the library database. There are plenty of fun books, so don't be daunted by the numerous books for that research paper you've been pushing off.

4. Money on the McDaniel ID: Remember the \$50. This money can be used to buy coffee at the Budapest Café, anything in the bookstore, etc. This pre-

vents a trip into town, meaning not only money out of the bank is saved but gas money.

5. Skip the pedicure: The massage chairs are great, but anyone strapped for cash can save the \$20 and paint their own nails.

6. Leave the car in the parking lot: We all love our cars, but let's be honest. Westminster is a small town. Most places can be reached by foot or bike, so the next time the milk runs out, walk to the store and consider it a workout.

7. Family dinner: For anyone really craving going out to eat, maybe the next time the parents offer to visit for dinner, let them.

8. Watching television online: Before buying a t.v. show, be sure to check if it's available online. Whether attempting to catch up on missed episodes, or looking for something to do many networks, such as NBC and the CW, offer a selection of free episodes of their shows online.

9. Get a water bottle: Not only is bottled water expensive, but it's bad for the environment.

10. Just be smart: Next time you consider buying that new pair of shoes or a video game, don't. If your cash situation is dire and there's no possible income in the near future, just remember there's always birthdays.

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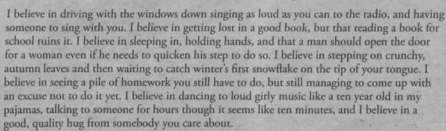
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ALLISON SCHMITZ

I believe in one life. I believe in following your heart and taking risks. I believe in falling in love with more than one person, but only having one true love of your life. I believe in giving everyone an equal chance to take a spot in your heart. I believe race, gender, class and disabilities do not matter when it comes to being a true friend. I believe friends do not manipulate or stab each other in the back. I believe in people who still have morals. I believe you are only as good as the company you keep. I believe in good people who live happy and healthy lives. And, most importantly, I believe in me.

SOPHIE F. DIVEN



And the power of faith is delivering in something that you can't see.
I believe in the love of a mother and strength of a father that bring a family together.
True and honest love that is as faithful as the changing of the seasons.
Looking into your man's eyes and seeing nothing but passion for what the two of you share.
I believe in the solid connection between two people that can't be broken.
I believe in the friendship that can endure through the roughest of times.
I believe in justice for those who deserve it and the reward doing the right thing.
I believe in working hard for your first car and having it be yours.
I believe in being outside and doing the things that some people may never see.
Letting your hair down and being yourself and showing your cares to the wind
and rain days, dorm life and holiday cookies.

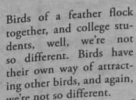
I believe in snow days, sleeping in and holiday cookies.
I believe in Living life to its fullest, loving as much as possible and laughing whenever you can
Bringing people up instead of knocking them down and respect for all people
MARIA FAUCONNET



I believe that everyone is entitled to love and happiness. I believe in independent decision making and working hard to get what you want. I believe in kind and courteous men, slow romantic kisses and talking all night with your loved ones. I believe in quality family time, your worst, and who are always there at your happiest moments and your worst, and girls' nights with movies and makeovers. I believe in the smell of spring, the crunching of fall leaves, jumping in puddles, skipping homework on beautiful spring days and the soft touch of a horse's nose. I also believe in me.

MEGAN COOK

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



paradise can be observed in their mating rituals. They create a series of movements and sounds. They begin with a head bob, a couple squawks, and work their way up into a frenzy of bouncing and screeching. Their wings are flapping, they're jumping around, flashing their feathers, and making ungodly noises. However, the more extravagant they are, the more likely they'll get noticed by females, and that's what this is all about.

Then the female shows up and pokes around. She examines the male from afar, then goes in for a closer inspection. After sizing up the male (according to Planet Earth, the bigger the better), she'll either blow him off entirely, flying away at top speed, or if she finds him acceptable, they'll get down.

This seems like an incredible amount of work for procreation. Who would have thought that looks were so important to birds?

But are we so unlike birds?
Is going to any party, club, or bar, any less
of an obscure mating ritual?

You go in, there's music playing, people are dancing. Rubbing up against each other, blurring out awkward pick-up lines.

"I see guys sit back and wait for the moment to strike," said Mike Mandel. "Then they grab the girl and start dancing, and if she doesn't blow him off, they'll probably go back to his room."

Even parties aside, most relationships begin with someone attempting to advertise himself to a person they're interested in, whether it be through intelligence, fashion sense, taste in music, talents, or really anything.

Obviously, college students and birds of paradise are in it for different things; birds do it for simple procreation, and college students do it for fun.

So is it a bad thing that our methods of finding someone to get it on with are vaguely similar to mating rituals of animals? I don't think so. After all, a wise man once said, "you and me baby ain't nothing but mammals so let's do it like they do..."

ROTCH THOUGHTS: EACH ISSUE BRINGS A NEW PERSPECTIVE...

"Air-Borne" school provides worthwhile summer experience

DEVAN HAMRIC
Contributor

Fort Benning GA. "Home of the Infantry," conducts the most prestigious "Air-Borne" school in the world. Each week a class of roughly four-hundred soldiers graduate with their "jump wings" proudly pinned on their chests. Among these graduates are soldiers in the Army, Navy, Marines, and Air Force both officers and enlistees, as well as members of our allied armed forces such as Britain, Israel, and Hungary. One last group, the one that gave me the opportunity to earn one of these coveted slots and my wings, is Army ROTC.

My personal experience as Charlie 26, a title that identified as the 26th female cadet in B Company, seems to be a blur of sweat and the fragile balance between hydration and becoming a heat casualty. I have never drunk so much water in my life. Being college students, ROTC cadets usually only attend this school during the summer months when temperatures are high. Some mornings they fly a red flag symbolizing "heat cap 5," meaning dangerous heat, as early as nine o'clock. I went during the peak of summer, July, so it was rarely a question of "if" but "when" this precaution would be given. When it is, even the meanest Sergeant Airborne cannot make you run. However, this fact and even the small uniform alterations such as loosening your sleeves are of little comfort when you can feel the sweat running down your face and back while sitting still.

"Double time," which is military jargon for running, is one of the biggest parts of jump school. Unless it's heat cap five, you are expected to run everywhere you go. Pull-ups are also an unavoidable element. Everyone must do ten before they can enter or leave chow (the cafeteria) and the barracks (sleeping quarters). I gained a true understanding of the cadence saying "if you wanna be airborne you gotta be thin". I lost twelve pounds in three weeks. By sweating profusely, working out, and being so hot that I could only manage to eat a few bites of food each meal.

The experience I gained was invaluable. Each week at airborne was dedicated to a certain level of training. First week is called "ground week" because your feet remain on the ground. (The Army isn't prided on its creative titles by any stretch of the means). It is mostly a time of physical training that is meant to weed out those who are physically deficient as well as teach the basic principles of landing and the functions of equipment. The first week you must pass the basic Army Physical Fitness Test. During the second week, known as "tower week," you were expected to successfully complete three four mile runs with the company without "falling out" of formation. Being a cadet, my importance fell even below that of the lowest enlisted and therefore I ran in the very back. I was victim to "the slinky effect." It's an awful occurrence when people speed up and slow down. By the time it ripples to the back, people have to sprint to fill in the gaps making it four miles of sprints. I did receive great encouragement with "Come on, little cadet! Don't you quit!"



Devan Hamric is shown during ROTC training.

COLIN MILLER

Tower week is also self-explanatory. It was at this time that we practiced exiting techniques from a 34-foot tower and zip line. We took landing practice from just jumping off ladders and being swung and dropped from a 12 foot "swing landing trainer" platforms. The bruises and whiplash seemed to become increasingly worse each day and disasters were inevitable when working with the risers of the chutes, but it was all worth it when I jumped out of the plane for the first time on "jump week".

What should have been a miserable week was easily the best of our lives. We had to wake up at 3am and run a few miles to get to the airstrip. It was torture for some to sit for hours on wooden benches with tons of gear on waiting for our turn to board a plane that was loud and cramped. When I found myself floating

through the air, it was like seeing the world for the first time. All at once an overwhelming sensation of personal satisfaction and wonder rushed over me. I couldn't find my voice or I would have celebrated. Others hooted and hollered right up until we heard, "hey, shut the hell up and focus on landing" from the Sgt. Airborne below snapping us back to reality.

Of course, the first landing was a rude awakening for me. At about fifteen feet off the ground I became all too aware of the speed at which I was going to hit the ground and failed to properly prepare myself. I ended up eating dirt pretty hard. It toughened me up for the next four jumps, which included one at night and combat equipment jumps that had me so bogged down with gear I could barely walk. Airborne in general was a "tough love" experi-

ence. Things hurt and nothing was ever sugar coated with a Sgt. Airborne but it made us strong. It is the main reason why a person can successfully and safely parachute from a plane in such a short amount of time.

I became a paratrooper and a member of the airborne family. "Airborne, Airborne all the way, Airborne, Airborne every day. We like it here, we love it here, we finally found our home. A home, a home, a home away from home". This is the cadence we were required to sing every time we moved in formation. We went through grueling training together, looked out for each other, and managed to have fun. These bonds have left me with brothers and sisters scattered across the globe. No matter where the military takes me, I will always have my airborne family.

Lighter Side of the Campus Safety Blotter

Fire extinguishers growing in popularity, despite a lack of fires

KATELYNN MCGINLEY
Web Manager



Since we last checked in with that merry band of freshman boys in Rouser Hall, they certainly seem to be keeping busy. Several alcohol citations, one charge of theft, two separate cases of tampering with fire extinguisher (guys were trying to figure out what you're attempting to do here - beat each other to death with them? Are your PSAs overheat?) Honestly - we're genuinely curious, and one charge of disrespecting a college official.

But, actually, it's not even the Rouser boys that are the stars of the blotter

this week - McDaniel, we've got to give you props: you've really been spreading the talent around. A student was picked up for shoplifting in the bookstore, and listen, textbooks are expensive. Like, unfairly expensive. We totally understand that, but, please - don't shoplift. You most likely make Kyle Melouch cry and we're pretty sure he is actually the nicest person on this campus.

Pennsylvania Avenue has had a rough week as well - there's nothing like four alcohol citations, a little larceny, the destruction of a fire extinguisher (SERIOUSLY, WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING WITH THE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS?), and a little bit of public urination to get the weekend started right. We don't care

how many times you've been sexiled - peeing on your roommate's property is probably not the best way to solve an argument.

Keep reading The Lighter Side for more of the wacky and ridiculous antics of McDaniel College students.

(Editor's Note: This column by Katelynn McGinley is dedicated to some of the most insane calls to which Campus Safety officers respond - or should respond. Incidents actually occurred, but the names of the culprits are not included to protect the not-so-innocent.)

QUICK VIEW Blotter by the numbers

RESIDENCE HALLS

ANW
Alcohol- 1

Failure to comply- 1

FORLINES

Alcohol- 2 Health- 1
Disorderly conduct- 1

NORTH VILLAGE

Alcohol- 3
Parking fraud- 1

PA AVE

Alcohol- 4 Harassment- 1
Larceny- 1 Tampering
with school property- 1
Public urination- 1

WHITEFORD

Harassment- 2
Disorderly conduct- 1
Failure to comply- 1
Sexual assault- 1

CAMPUS FACILITIES

ACADEMIC
Health- 1

DECKER CENTER

Theft- 1 Possession- 1
Suspicious conditions- 1

PARKING LOTS

Alcohol- 1 False info- 1
Theft- 1 Public urination- 1

OFF CAMPUS

Alcohol- 1

Obama's first months fulfill promise of change

ANDREW VELNOSKEY
Staff Reporter



Last year as we began the school year, the nation was in frenzy over the upcoming election. Some people wanted McCain, some Obama, and others were just happy to be getting rid of Bush. Now, that time seems like long ago.

Obama has been in office for over seven months now, and the country is already a very different place than it was when Bush left.

In the last weeks of the Bush presidency, the bottom fell out of the U.S. economy, just in time for his administration to pass most of the problem onto Obama. Our president has since launched his well-known stimulus package and claims that it is working. However, he has come under harsh criticism from conservatives who say that in reality, his plan has done little to ease the crisis. As I write this, the Dow Jones is up for the day and is just over 9500.

The NASDAQ is also up and is at 2050. These are good signs. However, the employment statistics from the month of August are not very promising. True, there were fewer layoffs than expected, a sign that job losses are slowing; but that still leaves the problem of what is going to happen to people who lost their jobs months ago. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 216,000 jobs were lost in August, bringing the total loss since December '07 to just less than 7 million. While some sectors seem to be recovering, others are still cutting jobs. Transportation, leisure, hospitality, and retail jobs remained mostly flat, while health care jobs posted slight gains. But manufacturing and financial sector jobs continued to decline. The biggest loser continues to be construction, losing 65,000 jobs in August.

Of course, Obama has made more success in other areas. He has made efforts to reach out to the Arab world, and no matter what right-wing conservatives say, most people are happy to see

Guantanamo Bay closing down and a real plan drawn up to get out of Iraq. Obama has made a real effort to be a different kind of president.

A few weeks ago, Obama gave a speech to ninth graders and he didn't talk to the teens about his policies or attempt to indoctrinate them like many of his opponents feared he would. Instead, he kept politics out of the speech and appeared truly genuine and personal, something few politicians know how to do.

It's true that Obama has not magically changed our country in the last few months. It is also true that the enthusiasm over his election has waned since he took office, and perhaps this is due to the intensely high hopes that people had for him. But it has only been seven months, and real change will take time. We won't just wake up one day and realize that Obama has made the recession go away and secured victory in Iraq. But with a good plan and good execution, many Obama policies have a real chance to make a lasting, positive change.



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Palin should be out of public spotlight

TRAVIS COMPTON
Staff Reporter



It's been nearly a year since we last saw a reason for Sarah Palin to matter in the national scheme of things; and even then most people thought she wasn't worth a second look. But as October approaches we still see her in the news. My question is why?

The title of governor of Alaska isn't really worth the time that CNN and FOX NEWS are giving. So is it because she is a woman? Hillary Clinton almost disappeared, with minor exceptions for endorsements, after her primaries defeat because of the Obama craze. So again I ask, what is the driving factor behind her stardom?

It is because she shares the same qualities as a pit bull with lipstick? Maybe it was the winning or the funny accent? It might be that she is mildly attractive. Then again that wouldn't be enough to get time on CNN. Megan Fox hasn't gotten nearly the attention from the major news station as Palin. Her interest in the national venue can only be described as a "fluke." A former vice-

presidential candidate, with less than acceptable credentials, minimal experience in an executive position, and no sense of sentence structure, has managed to make a name for herself in a political party that has heavy hitters like, Karl Rove and Michael Steele. Normally I'd be hating Palin on some little thing like not knowing the Bush doctrine. However, for this piece I will spare you my personal rhetoric and go back to the matter at hand. Why is she still in the news?

Is it because of her daughter's pregnancy? Yes, she has explicitly told the media to lay off her family, but we still laugh about former President Bill Clinton's shenanigans so I'll pursue the topic none-the-less. Her daughter Bristol, had a child out of wedlock, and is a supporter of abstinence-only education. Aside from the irony of it, this fact helped Palin stay in the news long past her allotted tenure.

With that, I believe we must take all of the things that she has done and lump them together into a group we'll call "things Palin has done" (nice, simple, non-accusatory name). These things done as single events would have made her a pariah among the Republican Party. However, her status as an ex-running mate has ren-

dered her immune to the normal ramifications of not speaking coherently with Katie Couric, or winking during a debate, or blatantly lying about seeing Russia from her house. We say she was thrust into the front lines of the Republican Party; she was inexperienced and might not be able to handle the pressure. Yet, as the possible vice president to a man who's health came into question during the election, her less than adequate resume destroyed the chances of her entering the White House.

Let's fast-forward to today. She is consistently seen or heard bashing the current administration and making up lies about the bills being put to congress, and yet we still listen. Why do we listen? I do because it's a nice way for me to feel better about myself watching a complete buffoon struggle to make sense of her ridiculous claims.

In short, why is Sarah Palin still in the news? Because we watch it when she's on, me included. Although, we may watch for different reasons, to make fun of or to agree with her, we watch it. So when the ratings come into FOX and CNN, they don't see "30% of watchers hate her and 40% love her," they see "30 million viewers." I don't

blame any single person for her fame, nor her or her family, not even her occasional husband. I blame the masses of people that watch her.

The question then comes up "if the media is supposed to bring us news, then why is a campaign contribution from Palin even on the radar?" It's a simple answer. Somewhere along the lines the news industry became a corporation that became interested in profit margins instead of actual stories. Stories that I think should take up the time that Palin is getting are, the reason why the U.S. hasn't stepped in in Darfur, the official death toll from hurricane Katrina which has up until this point not been revealed even when some estimates put it over well 100,000 people, and finally, the story of the penny-scheme we call the federal reserve.

Our Federal Reserve Bank borrows money to pay for things we want, anything we want quickly. Then we borrow more money to pay the first loan off, then we do it again for the second loan and so on. Imagine what Bernie Madoff did and apply it to entire countries. Stories like this should be in the news, not some stooge from Alaska.

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Ever thought that your dreams and visions are unattainable; because they rest somewhere beyond your confidence or knowledge level? Well, think again! Your visions are just previews of what is going to become when you continue following the path to better yourself and your character.

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Arrested Development worth watching

CHARLES MULLIN
Staff Reporter

I couldn't think of a better time to review one of my all-time favorite comedies than now as a movie based on the show is in the works along with *Community*, another television show released by the same directors. *Arrested Development* is centered on the Bluths, a largely dysfunctional family who go from enormously successful to the laughingstock of the nation when George Michael, Sr. (Jeffrey Tambor), the patriarch of the family, is arrested for financial fraud in his housing construction company. What follows is what many critics call the smartest comedy of all time.

Filed like a documentary and written with the intention of parodying every possible thing, the show tags along with Michael (Jason Bateman) as he tries to revive the Bluth Company business and his family at the same time. It might be wise to give this a try.



Community a stereotypical comedy without plot

LISA VASAPOLLO
Staff Reporter

Community, a new sitcom that airs on NBC, is not one I would recommend adding to your Thursday night lineup. Not only is the show not very realistic for a community college setting, it's also stereotypical. You have a main character making trouble for himself named Jeff Winger (played by Joel McHale from *The Soup*), the jock, a blonde, and a pervert (played by Chevy Chase). While I don't believe that the casting is all that bad, the plot does not give meaning to the show.

The main character tries to set up a study group for his Spanish class just so he can impress the girl, Britta. The show tries to parody pop culture, making a reference to the popular band, Radiohead, and taking on a Breakfast Club-esque setting.

Even though some critics believe that this new comedy has potential, as a college student (although not attending a community college) it does not portray any aspect of college life nor does it do so in a comical way. The show is directed by the brothers behind the camera during much of the critically acclaimed *Arrested Development*. If you would like to check out the show and create your own opinion, it airs Thursday nights after *The Office* on NBC.

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Rolling Stone Magazine calls this band the one to watch

LAUREN MILLER
Staff Reporter

I believe I'll start this review for apologizing to my dorm neighbors who probably heard me blasting this album for the last month and my downstairs neighbors who inevitably heard me practicing my Honor Roll (and the Gayne Wenky). Sorry Blanche residents.

About a year ago today I made a proclamation on my Facebook page. My statement said "Honor Society is probably the best band you've never heard of...by next year (2010) I guarantee you'll hear their name like you hear Jonas Brothers. Just Wait". I just may be in midst of watching my prediction become true. Maybe I should play the lotto or something.

In May 2009 Rolling Stone Magazine called the New Jersey band a band to watch.

Over the summer the gentlemen went hearts while touring with the Jonas Brothers on their World Tour and concurrently hosting the official after party of the World Tour, the Full Moon Crazy Tour.

If you stayed through the credits of *Band-*

lam you may have heard their song "Where Are You Now".

Now September 15, 2009 was the official release date of their debut album "Fashionably Late". By that afternoon the album had reached the status of one of the Top 10 albums on iTunes, as well as being one of the top five for the Pop albums as well, and selling out at many stores across the country.

While the selfish part of me wants them to stay a small band that's loved by their small group of devoted fans, the honest part of me is so proud of what they're doing and how far they've come that I can't imagine not shouting from the roof tops about the gentlemen, duh.

For those who are unfamiliar with Honor Society, here's a little bio of four of the greatest guys you'll ever hear of. The band consists of four guys: Michael Bruno (30)-vocals and guitar, Jason Rosen (31)-keyboards, guitars, and vocals, Andrew Lee (29)-bass and vocals, and Alexander Noyes (23)-drums and vocals.

The band started their journey in New Jersey. Michael and Jason were high school friends who eventually met up with Andrew and Alex to form the band now known as Honor Society. You may

recognize Alex from early days of the Jonas Brothers: he played drums for them.

The band spent a year touring small venues throughout New York and New Jersey. Eventually they joined the Jonas tour this summer. The band is currently signed to Hollywood records and is managed by the Jonas Group. Please, don't initially be turned off by the Jonas factor if you're not a Jonas fan. Trust me, the gentlemen are a totally different breed of music from the Jonas's walk across my room in nothing but the moonlight. Now I love to see you in the dark" (from "See You in the Dark") and "Is she lonely, is she tired, does she got a man, what does she wear in bed" (from "Why Didn't I?"). Honor Society is a much more grown up version of what you were expecting, no?

Their debut album features the beloved hit "See You in the Dark", learn the Honor Roll from Katie and Karleigh at www.katieandkarleigh.com, the beautiful love song "Goodnight My Love", which always gives me chills, and the perfect party song "Two Rebels" just to name a few of my favorites off the album. And the Target version of the CD comes with a DVD from the Irving Plaza

show. The dvd really does a good job at showing the energy of the party Honor Society puts on when they perform. It definitely took me back to the first time I saw them live over the summer.

The thing that I really love about Honor Society, other than just their insane talent for performing and song writing, is their likeability. In a world where celebs are more transparent than ever with twitter, youtube, and live chats it's nice when they're sweet, genuine and damn funny guys. Seriously check out their next live chat, or even watch a video of a previous live chat on Facebook. If you don't fall in love with the gentlemen, if you don't laugh hysterically at least once, and if you aren't just genuinely entertained let me know and we'll try to find you a better sense of humor.

I feel like after 700 words I should stop gushing about the gentlemen and allow you to just buy or download the album yourself. If you like what you hear Honor Society is currently on their *Fashionably Late* tour. If my review of Honor Society wasn't enough to make you want to buy the album, well I'll let Joe Jonas, from the DVD, have young men. They smell good. They look good. Honor Society.

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THE BEST AND WORST OF DORM LIFE

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

Three words the residents of DMC 101 use to describe their common room are "random, eclectic, and crazy-fun." This is evident in the Duck Tape wall designs, funky circle mirrors, colorful posters, and handmade wall art around the room.

Friendly competition between suites pushed 101 to make their common room amazing. The room features components contributed by suite members, such as a bright turquoise curtain and colorful paper lanterns, as well as recycled materials. The main goal was to create a usable, creative room on a low budget.

It all began when freshman Luke Schmidt went to Target for tape to hang up decorations in his dorm room, and noticed brightly colored Duck Tape. He bought some in black, white, turquoise, and green, as well as some awesome circular mirrors. With the help of some friends, he created the basic design layout of this room. Later, posters, origami airplanes, thrift shop jars, and a collage made of pictures from a free magazine were added to spice things up even more. There is even a wardrobe labeled, "Narnia," which always gets a laugh from guests.

One especially interesting feature is on the wall with the mirrors.

"We thought it'd be cool to put random comments on the wall, and someone got the idea to use white Duck Tape," said Schmidt.

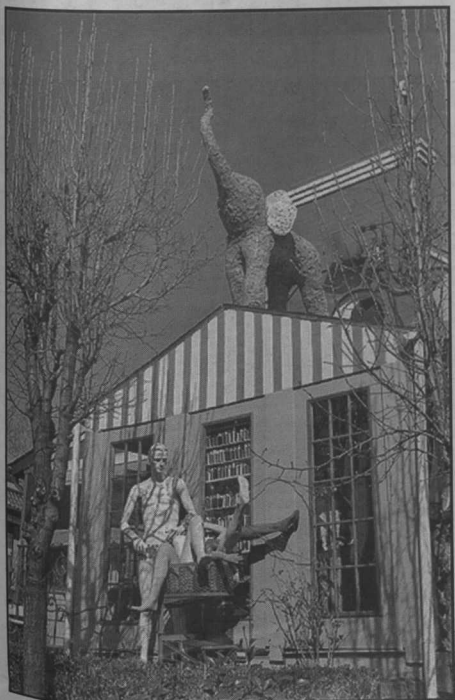
As guests come to visit suite residents, they can add their own comments, inside jokes, and the like. It has even turned into a sort of competition to see who can insult each other the most effectively. Basically, it's like removable graffiti.

When asked what was next, Schmidt said, "It's not gonna stop. We're gonna keep on going."

This has definitely been an evolutionary process, and the room will undoubtedly continue to become even more interesting as the year progresses.



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Paper Moon offers great menu

EMMA BARBATO
Staff Reporter

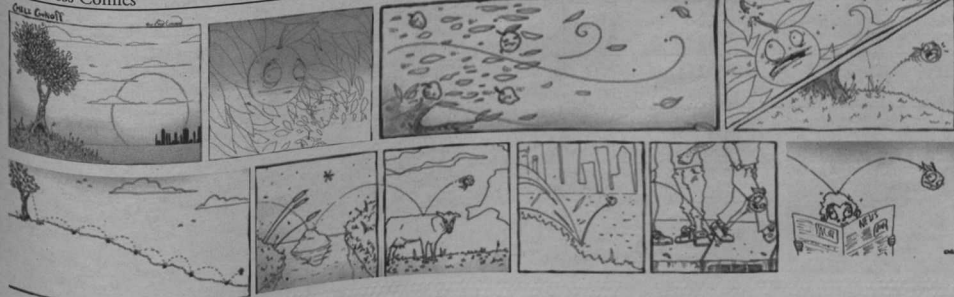
A brightly colored mannequin hangs from the ceiling as I check out the deep dish apple pie, Oreos, and peanut butter cheesecake sitting by the neon colored front door of the Paper Moon Diner in Baltimore. One is initially caught off guard by the mere appearance of the diner, old toilets, sinks, and statues of elephants make up the outdoor décor, but the real show is inside.

For years the Paper Moon Diner has been where high school and college students in the Baltimore area go to get their 2 a.m. milkshakes and 5 a.m. French fries. While it is no longer open 24/7, there are still awesome milkshakes and fries. They serve the traditional diner food along with more alternative options like vegan nachos and a better than usual hummus platter. My take on the restaurant is that it is an interesting take on the traditional diner but it doesn't try too hard to be "an alternative indie place." Besides the food is great, the environment is relaxed and it is overall very inviting. The Paper Moon Diner is located at 227 W 29th St. Baltimore, MD 21211 and is open Sun. - Thurs. 7 a.m. - 12 a.m. and Fri-Sat. 7 a.m. - 2 a.m.

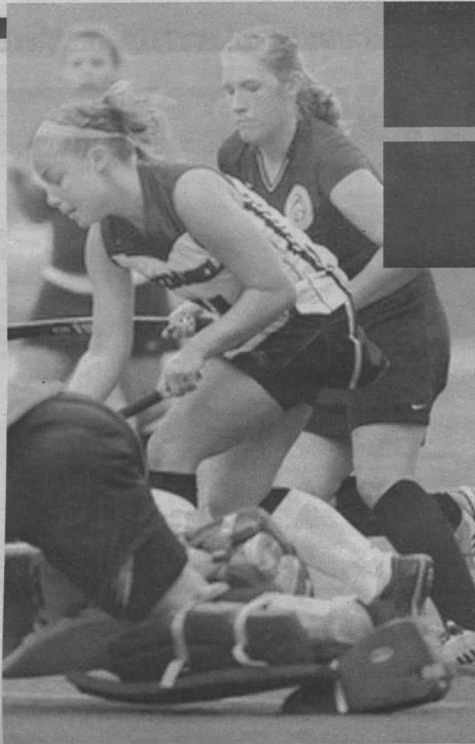
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TERROR SPORTS



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Kaitlin Boerman scores one of four goals against Virginia Wesleyan.

Upcoming games: Field Hockey

Oct. 3 (Families Weekend)		
Swarthmore vs. McDaniel		5:00 p.m.
Oct. 10		
McDaniel vs. Muhlenberg		1:00 p.m.
Oct. 13		
McDaniel vs. Dickinson		4:00 p.m.
Oct. 17		
McDaniel vs. Ursinus		1:00 p.m.

Field Hockey player can balance school and fun

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

Practice 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. everyday of the week. Film sessions and work outs in the gym. Leave school on Thursday morning and return on Sunday.

Completely miss the college experience that so many of us enjoy.

Such is the life of a Division I athlete in today's ultra-competitive, winner take all environment. No one understands this life more than sophomore Hope Battista. Last year Battista was a member of the Georgetown women's field hockey team. Battista described her time at Georgetown as a full-time commitment to the team: "I would leave on a Thursday morning and miss all my Thursday and Friday classes, drive or fly a couple hours, play Saturday and Sunday and get back late Sunday night." During these hectic times Battista felt like she was missing out on so much back on campus.

Flash forward a year and Battista finds herself stepping out onto the field as a member of the Green Terror field hockey team. When asked why she transferred to McDaniel College, Battista responds, "I liked the small school atmosphere and how everyone seemed to be so friendly." Adding to Battista's comfort with transferring were her family ties to McDaniel. Her stepfather is in the McDaniel Hall of Fame for football, and her stepbrother, Aaron Bonaccorsy, is a junior here on the Hill.

Thus far, Battista has enjoyed every minute out on the field with her new teammates. "Everyone gets along so well, and there's not really any division between classes. I feel like I can talk to the seniors the same as the freshman, and I didn't really experience that at Georgetown." The camaraderie the team shares while playing even carries off the field, as Battista explains the whole team hangs out away from the field.

As one of many new members on the field hockey team, Battista sees the potential this team possesses. "I think the future looks really promising. We're still early in the season and a lot of players are just getting used to playing with each other." This year's field hockey team is filled with individual talent, which Battista believes needs time to come together and produce team success on the field. Once these players connect and learn to use each other's abilities to better the team, Battista sees no reason

why the Green Terror cannot be a strong force in the Centennial Conference.

Battista has experienced two extremes in the collegiate sporting world these past two years. She has experienced the bloodthirsty environment of Division I athletics, and the more relaxed pace of Division III competition. The differences between these two really illustrate how the phrase "student-athlete" can take on two very different connotations. Like Battista, thousands of student athletes are fortunate enough to be highly recruited to play in the upper echelon of collegiate sports. Unfortunately, in Division I it appears the student aspect of athletes is often forgotten and certainly not promoted by many. The glory of championships and perhaps most importantly, sponsorships and prize money outweigh the glories of receiving an A in the classroom. After discovering the frenzied lifestyle Battista endured at Georgetown, one has to wonder what we are preparing our college athletes for in the long run. A microscopic percentage of college athletes have the opportunity to pursue professional careers, so one would think the focus of a student-athlete should truly be on his or her studies.

Once Battista transferred to McDaniel, she surely discovered that on the Hill, the primary focus is obtaining a great education. Battista's practice and game schedule is certainly more manageable, her coaches are more accessible and her teammates share her desire for preparing for a future in the real world. Division III athletics have found a delicate balance between sports and academics. Division III's philosophical statement begins with the following:

"Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs" (NCAA.org). McDaniel has embraced and lived up to this fundamental belief of Division III schools. Battista, along with the thousands of Division III athletes, are benefiting from this idealistic approach to the student-athlete persona. Those of us who are fortunate enough to take part in sports here at McDaniel can be confident in our abilities as we prepare to set forth into the working world. McDaniel has and will continue to prepare each and every student-athlete to become the best human being possible on and off the playing field by placing them in classrooms with dedicated and compassionate professors. After the final whistle blows and your time at McDaniel is up, it is this philosophy that sets so many young adults up for a lifetime of success.

OutPickNick

Every week one brave sports reporter will get the chance to test their football knowledge by going one-on-one with the editor. This week Ben Grant will be the first victim...

According to Ben...

Bears. Jay Cutler wants to prove he was worthy of two first round picks, and the Lions are the right team to do it again.

Bengals. The Bengals defense played well against a good Packer offense, and the Browns offense has looked confused all season.

Colts. Peyton Manning had an insanely efficient game in Miami and the Seattle defense is not nearly as good as the Dolphins'.

Giants. The Giants front seven are looking to get after the QB; Matt Cassel is banged up for the Chiefs so it may be a rough day for the boys from Kansas City.

Ravens. Ravens catch the Patriots at the right time, Wes Walker is banged up; Ravens defense is always tough and will win a close one.

Redskins. The skins have not been playing well but they should handle the lowly Bucs.

Titans. Tennessee off to a very slow start and will be looking to rebound against a struggling Jaguars team.

Chicago vs. Detroit

Cincinnati vs. Cleveland

Seattle vs. Indianapolis

N.Y. vs. Kansas City

Baltimore vs. New England

Tampa Bay vs. Washington

Tennessee vs. Jacksonville

According to Nick...

Bears. The Lion defense is just not good enough to slow anybody down enough to give their young offense a chance just yet.

Bengals. Carson Palmer and his boy Ochocinco should have a big day in the dog pound.

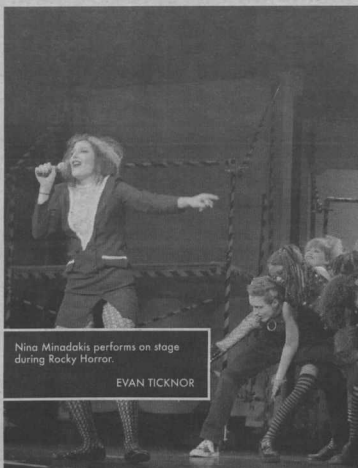
Colts. A completely healthy Matt Hasselbeck would make this a competitive game, but Peyton will find a way to get it done at home.

Giants. Lopsided match-up; however the Chiefs always tend to play hard at home so they could keep it close for a while. G-Men should prove too much to handle though.

Patriots. One of the best games of the week. Got a feeling it could turn into a shootout and no matter how good Flacco and the O have looked they will have trouble keeping up with Brady and Moss.

Redskins. The Skins' have a ton of problems, but they get their third JV matchup in three weeks.

Jaguars. Upset alert. The Titans are not the same team they were last year, if the Jags can find a way to hold the Titans run game in check look for them to get it done at home.



Nina Minadakis performs on stage during Rocky Horror.

EVAN TICKNOR



Colleen Alford, left, and Nina Minadakis are shown all dressed up in their Rocky Horror costumes. The show ran the weekend of October 3, drawing crowds dressed to match. For more photos and reviews, see page 6.

SAM SEGAL

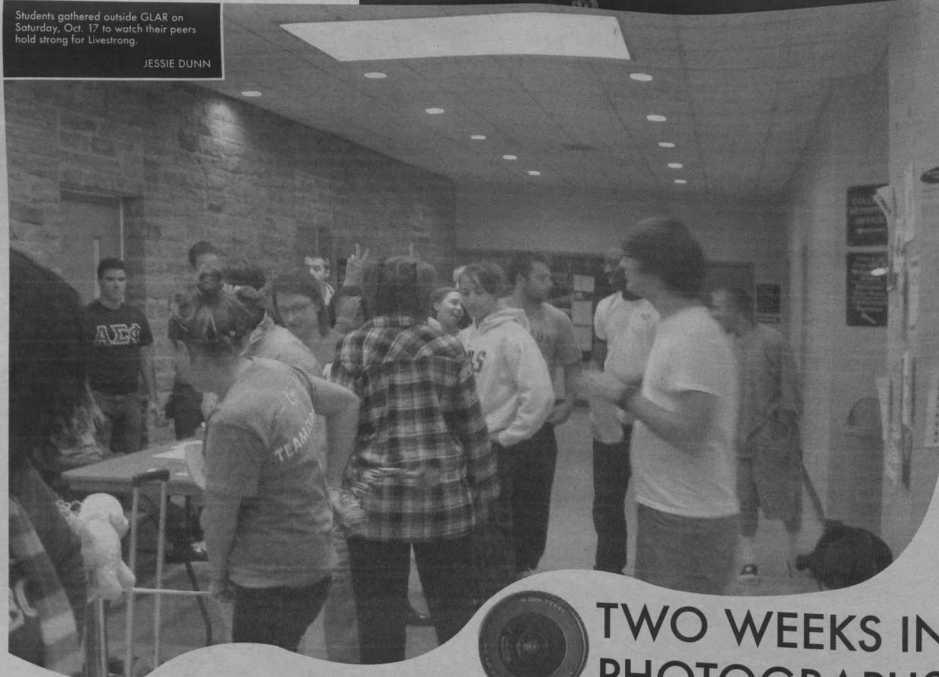
ON THE COVER

Oh what students will do to raise money for a good cause and for themselves (Shown are Brittany Adams, left, and Sarah Mullen). Nineteen students clenched a rope and stood still for hours hoping to win \$200 cash and raise money for Lance Armstrong's charity, Livestrong. The competition began at 11:45 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17, by 9:30 p.m. that same night, the number of participants dwindled to 11. Ultimately, after fifteen hours, five people tied for the win (and \$250 prize money): Lia Shaw, Chelsea Cook, Sophie DiVen, Casey Dunn, and Dan Blau. The endurance competition was sponsored by Alpha Sigs. The rules were tough: one hand on the rope at all times, no hand switches, no callipers, diapers or similar aids. Though the group was allowed bathroom breaks every three hours and sit down time when donations reached a certain level, by 9:30 p.m., organizers announced that bathroom breaks were no longer allowed. The event raised approximately \$400.

JESSIE DUNN

Students gathered outside GLAR on Saturday, Oct. 17 to watch their peers hold strong for Livestrong.

JESSIE DUNN



TWO WEEKS IN
PHOTOGRAPHS

A teacher's life's work, recognized

Professor receives highest honor from Federal Republic of Germany



Ambassador Klaus Scharioth presented the Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany to Dr. Esa on Monday, October 12.

JULI GUIFFRE
Co Editor-in-Chief

"Those who do not know a foreign language, do not know their own language," said German Ambassador Klaus Scharioth, as he presented Dr. Mohamed Esa with the Cross of the Order of Merit on Monday, October 12.

"Wow, is this a joke?" thought Esa when he was told he would be receiving the award. "I kept it a secret for three weeks, until my wife said I needed to tell my friends."

Esa, the chair of the Foreign Language Department at McDaniel, was bestowed this honor by the President of the Federal Republic of Germany for his creativity, determination, and inventiveness in teaching the German language. The ceremony was held at the Ambassador's own residence just outside Washington D.C.

The Order of Merit was instituted in 1951, and is the highest tribute the Federal Republic of Germany can pay to individuals for services to the nation. It is awarded to Germans and foreigners for achievements in the political, economic, social or intellectual realm, as well as charitable, or philanthropic work.

"I think you have achieved quite unusual inspiration with your students," said Scharioth, who praised Esa's uncommon methods and the way he has shared his experiences with the scholarly community.

These methods include integrating German pop-culture and music into his lessons, as well as taking advantage of new technology. At a conference for the teaching of foreign languages, he gave presentations on such things as "Rap Music and Fairy Tales," and "Making your own music videos in the foreign language classroom."

For the last few years, Esa has offered training work-

shops to other German teachers on how to effectively use German music in the classroom.

"My favorite thing about him is his spontaneity and his use of technology. He encourages us to make our own videos for class projects," said Wyatt Basley, a senior.

"His classes are never boring," said Lauren Hamby, sophomore. "He has such a unique sense of humor."

"He's insane, but in a really good way," said Meagan Pilar, sophomore.

The Order of Merit is the highest tribute the Federal Republic of Germany can pay to individuals.

Esa has been teaching German at McDaniel since 1992. In 1995, he started "German-American Day," an outreach program with high and middle school students in Maryland, Washington D.C. and Northern Virginia.

Among his awards are the Ira Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award, the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG) Merit Award, the Certificate of Merit from the Goethe-Institut, and The Federal Republic of Germany Friendship Award.

Esa also promotes German language in schools, with the support of the AATG, by giving monetary prizes to ten students each year for especially good test scores.

"His original intention was to study medicine in Germany," Scharioth pointed out in his opening speech. "The funny thing is, you had to learn German to do this, and you switched topics. It gives you the feeling that there are round-about ways to do great things."

"I'm still playing the lottery," joked Esa, "so if I win I'll stop studying German and go back to medicine."

Esa's accomplishments are particularly great in light of the fact that his mother cannot read and write and his father had only one year of education.

"I wish they were here," he said to the assembly of friends, students, and colleagues. "But you guys are my family now."

PHOTOS BY JULI GUIFFRE



TOP: Around 30-40 of Esa's friends, family, and colleagues attended the award ceremony, including President Joan Develin Coley and Trustee Dolly Snyder.

CENTER: Esa invited several students of his, both past and present, to attend the ceremony at the German Ambassador's own residence.

BOTTOM: Dr. Esa, above all, thanked his wife, Andrea, and two sons - Gibran and Anour, for giving him the happiest days of his life.



GERMAN-AMERICAN DAY 2009

TOP: Students drew their own idea of a fairy tale for a workshop taught by Wyatt Basley and Christopher Rondo called "Die Märchen der Brüder Grimm," which means "the fairy tales of the brothers Grimm."

LEFT: Students attending German-American Day painted graffiti on slabs in Ensor Lounge as model portions of the Berlin Wall.

CHRIS RONDO

The Hill glad to host author Gladwell

Writer of class of 2013's freshman reading 'Outliers' comes to Alumni Hall to talk to community

DAN LAMOND
Staff Reporter

On any other day, if you saw him walking through the McDaniel campus, you most likely would assume he is a student's father. Adorned in a brown fleece, jeans and Nike shoes, Malcolm Gladwell blends in with everyone else, but really he is an outlier in disguise.

Having published three New York Times best sellers and countless contributions to The New Yorker, Gladwell indisputably sets himself apart from the rest of us on campus. On October 6, Gladwell took time to visit The Hill to talk with students and faculty members.

McDaniel Professor of Education, Dr. Francis Fennell, formally introduced Gladwell, describing him as "a teacher of a different kind." Gladwell approached the stage with thunderous applause from the audience in Alumni Hall. "When I come to a college campus I always feel about 20 years younger," Gladwell remarked as he began his speech.

Gladwell spoke mainly of capitalization, an idea that he "thought of a lot and that helped form his book *Outliers: The Story of Success*." Capitalization, as Gladwell defined it, "is what percentage of people capable of doing something, actually end up doing that."

Gladwell stated that he thought there were three main elements that prevent capitalization from happening. For one, poverty. Gladwell described Michael Lewis' book *The Blind Side: Evolution of a Game*. Gladwell stated that in Memphis, the capitalization rate of football players

that enter the NFL is one to six. Many of the players have the ability to play in the National Football League, but they are too poor to get equipment, practice and put in the necessary hours.

Next, Gladwell blamed plain stupidity for why capitalization rates are so low. Gladwell reiterated the cutoff dates for eligibility, a point he made clear in *Outliers*. Gladwell read off the list of dates that each player was born for the Czech Republic National Soccer Team.

An overwhelming majority of the players were born in the first few months of the year. If the audience was not already convinced, Gladwell read the dates of when the players on the Czech Republic National Hockey team were born. The same situation appeared, giving evidence that this was not just a one-time occurrence.

Gladwell said that this happens in every country, and that setting the cutoff date is a bad idea. Gladwell suggested that countries have two or three cutoff dates and then choose from the best players of each group. "Countries are preventing some of the finest players from ever having a chance because of cutoff dates."

Gladwell told the audience that culture is the final element that prevents capitalization. Gladwell stated the stereotype that "all Asian kids are good at math. But why is that?" Gladwell asked. He stated that it is because of the emphasis placed on math in Asian countries.

Their teachers have more rigorous curriculum for the students and the students are simply willing to work harder than students in other countries. If students from other countries were willing to put the same amount of effort into math, then this stereotype might not be true only of

Asians.

Gladwell suggested that teachers or students be sent to Asia to see how much work is put towards math. The teachers could then use similar methods in their classrooms to help students become better at math.

Gladwell defined success as "it doesn't matter how much money you make, what matters is that you are doing something that is important to you." He believes that far too much of the idea of success is based on wealth and material belongings.

When Gladwell fielded questions from the audience he was asked about where he comes up with this "stuff." Gladwell chuckled and responded, "well you have to read a lot." Gladwell explained that there are a lot of good books out there to read but, "the problem about this cool stuff is that it's not written cool." Gladwell encouraged the audience to get past the first chapter, the less interesting part of a book, and get to the exciting parts where reading can be enjoyed.

A member of the audience asked Gladwell a question that has been brought up many times by anyone who was read the book. Why didn't he use any women in the book? Gladwell said that all the professions that he talked about in *Outliers* were male dominated professions.

Gladwell thought that this idea was obvious in the book but sees how many of the readers could see misinterpret it as him disrespecting women. "I regret not making a remark about that in the book."

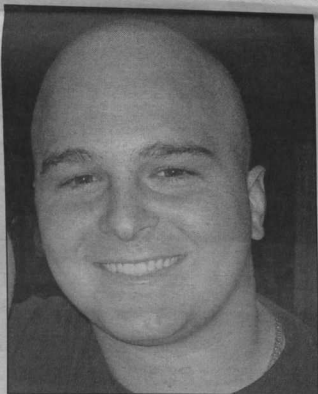
Gladwell may regret not mentioning women in his book but he sure doesn't regret putting in the necessary 10,000 hours he put in to get where he is today.

PLAYING FOR A CAUSE

Men's Lacrosse Raises Money for Headstrong Foundation

In Collier's sophomore year, after experiencing allergy like symptoms, he was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a type of blood cancer that affects the lymphatic system. He battled the disease for 14 months, undergoing intense chemotherapy, radiation, a stem cell transplant, and experimental treatments.

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EVAN YOUNG
Contributor

The Headstrong Foundation hosts a Fall Ball Lacrosse tournament every fall in order to raise money and awareness for lymphoma. This program is held dear in the hearts of the McDaniel Athletic community, especially the Men's Lacrosse team, after sophomore attacker Dan Alderman, was diagnosed with the disease last year.

The Headstrong Foundation was established in honor of Nick Collier, a former Lacrosse player at Hofstra University who lost his fight to Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma after a 14-month battle.

Head McDaniel Men's Lacrosse coach Matthew Hutton says, "The team sees this as a special opportunity to raise money for a worthy cause and to represent one of their players. We jumped at the opportunity to play in the tournament and are looking forward to raising a lot of money for the Headstrong Foundation. Even though Dan cannot be with us on the field, we want him to know we are behind him every step of the way."

On Sunday, Oct. 10, the McDaniel Men's Lacrosse team faced off in the Headstrong Lacrosse Tournament in an effort to raise money and awareness for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. The Green Terror competed against Wheeling Jesuit and Wesley, defeating both teams. This year, the tournament was hosted by Ridley High School in Philadelphia, PA, where a team of champions is hoping to be built.

"Our team has grown in a positive direction over this past fall ball season and the Headstrong tournament will be a good test on our team morale," says junior defenseman Matt Mummer.

These games were only a small preview of the success the team will experience in their season this spring. The team is also selling Headstrong t-shirts and hoodies to support the cause through fundraising.

"We're doing this not only for Dan, but for everyone who has been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. The Headstrong Foundation is something our team can be a part of where every member feels as if they are helping to create a difference," says senior goalie KR Shultz.

Off-campus party bust causes concerns, rumors

McDaniel students cited for alcohol by local police

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On Friday, September 25 Westminster Police broke up a party on Main Street in Westminster. Many McDaniel College students were cited during the incident, including members of both the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity and Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority.

The Free Press asked the city police for the incident reports, but were denied them. The Free Press then filed a Freedom of Information request, but the information was not available at press time.

Monday morning after the party bust the rumor mill had taken its toll on the Hill, leaving many students begging for another juicy detail and members of the former brother/sister Fraternity and sorority angry, upset, and confused.

"None of the girls were intoxicated, so they're getting charged but they weren't drinking," the Phi Sigma Sigma president, senior Lindsay Anderson, said.

Because the party took place on what fraternities and sororities call "Bid Day" and because so many of the students cited by Westminster Police were new pledges and current members of fraternities and fraternities, many people aluded that the bust took place at a "Bid Day Party" held to welcome the newest members who received their bid that afternoon.

However, Anderson was adamant that it was "not a sorority event." She continued, "New members get in, have a tie, and want to go out on their first night, they cling to older ones."

Faculty and Administration were made aware of the incident early by phone contact with Campus Safety, according to Beth Gerl, vice president of Student Affairs.

Elizabeth Towle, associate dean of Student Affairs, said the urgency of news "depends on the nature of the incident." In this case, campus safety members accompanied the Westminster Police and the students were identified by Monday morning.

Gerl was "addened" by the event because she believed "it should be a memorable day, I think it's unfortunate for some."

The fact that it was an off-campus event, "totally separates it from the institution," Gerl said. But that does not mean the event can be brushed aside. "We don't want to see a repeat of this," she said.

According to Towle, there are totally "different guidelines" when it comes to off-campus as opposed to on-campus events. Both Deans agreed our college has worked hard to build positive relationships with surrounding streets and when something like this occurs "it doesn't look good."

"We typically have good, positive, relationships with the community, and I find this frustrating," Towle said.

Anderson said the fact that so many new girls were at the party was "concerning," especially since over the past two years, the sorority has been trying hard to improve their reputation and move towards "professionalism."

Members of the Phi Delta would not comment.

Sorority members contended that, though many of the sorority and fraternity members face similar citations from the police, the similarities stop there.

"We're not pursuing lawyers and we are separate from the Phi Deltas...we're not talking about it," Anderson said. The Phi Sigs agree they are going to deal with this matter privately and internally, understanding that "these things are going to come up."

According to Gerl the institution will try and turn this into a "teachable opportunity" and a better understanding of student safety. "Both on and off campus there are things students should be thinking about."

Towle continued, "We have to have students understand the complications of being off campus."

The Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority is working hard to keep a recently positive reputation at this school and while this incident may have tarnished that image slightly, Anderson noted, "We're not back where we were and we'll never be back where we were."

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A day in the life of a commuter student

JETONNE' ELIS
Staff Reporter

Despite their challenges, the number of McDaniel students who commute remains high. According to Mitchell Alexander, Faculty Advisor for CSA, this fall 2009 semester, 460 undergraduate students are commuting.

"The primary reason that McDaniel students choose to commute is an economical one. Nowadays, college students are opting to attend schools closer to home as money becomes an increasingly important factor in college life. When commuting, expenses like room and board, laundry, and meal plans aren't financial burdens one has to worry about. Even when taking into consideration what a student spends in gas and car maintenance, it is still considerably cheaper to commute than live on-campus.

President of The Commuter Student Association (CSA), Steven Carney, describes his experience as a commuter student as "unique".

Carney coordinates the Officers of the CSA as well as CSA meetings and functions. He represents the CSA and commuters at All College Council, Organizations Council, and other student/faculty meetings. He also addresses all commuter issues including parking lots, tickets, road hazards, and safety concerns.

One of the most common problems faced by commuter students is the limited number of parking spots available on campus.

"A majority of the time students have to park in 'outsider parking lots' like Harrison lot, and walk across campus to get to their classes. In addition, there is a small area designated for commuter students, but this area is commonly occupied by faculty, resident, or visitor parking," said Carney.

SGA Representative for Commuter Students Jessica Schisler acts as the liaison between The Commuter Student Association and The Student Government Association. According to Schisler, "commuting can make things difficult. For instance, I have meetings on Mondays at 9 p.m., so I either have to find something to

do on campus between my last class and the meetings, or go home and come back if there is nothing to do, which wastes gas. However, staying involved on campus makes me feel connected to the school."

"Because many commuters have work commitments, it is very hard for them to become involved on-campus. These students come to classes, and afterwards [have to] leave for work. Many times, students are expected to fulfill outside commitments, so the students become "left out" by the on-campus community because commuters are not on-campus all the time. The students who do become involved find themselves spending a lot of time "killing time" waiting for late night meetings or other functions," says Carney.

"Typically commuter students have to wake up earlier for morning classes and go to sleep later after night classes because they have to drive to and from McDaniel. On-campus students can roll out of bed and walk to class in their pajamas, commuters cannot. Carney laughs, recalling a joke that is common among

commuter students: "In the mornings, commuter students have already dodged three deer by the time on-campus students wake up."

Hazardous road conditions are another issue. When there is bad weather, commuters are forced to make a choice between making extra work for themselves, or risking the drive to McDaniel in potentially hazardous road conditions.

"In the wintertime, on-campus students only have to be careful of walking on 'black ice,'" says Carney. "Commuters drive in it. Although the dean's issue a letter to commuter students saying 'do not risk your safety to come to class in hazardous weather,' if a student misses class-time due to weather, the student is expected to make up the work, or work twice as hard to catch up to the course material."

From Carney's perspective, the biggest obstacle for commuters is overcoming the loss of community. "I can relate to commuters who are always in the state of either coming or going; it is hard for them to create a cohesive group with on-campus students or other commuters."

CSA SPONSORS COMMUNITY WALK TO INCREASE SUICIDE AWARENESS

SARAH CHAVIS
Staff Reporter

A person dies by suicide about every 16 minutes in the United States according to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP). That's why the Commuter Student Association at McDaniel College is sponsoring a 3.5-mile walk around campus to prevent suicide, Out of the Darkness on Saturday, November 7th.

The Out of the Darkness Community Walk was created to allow people around the nation help raise money for research and education programs to prevent suicide, increase awareness about suicide and depression, and assist survivors of suicide loss.

Junior Kristina Martin, an active member of the CSA, introduced the idea in remembrance of her father who committed suicide eight years ago. Martin and Junior Steven Carney, president of the CSA, agreed on a goal of \$1500 for the upcoming walk. However, Martin says, "If we don't even raise money at all, that would be fine, as long as we raise awareness for the cause."

Anybody can participate in the walk, students, faculty, family, friends, and any members of the community. For more information, visit www.outofthedarkness.org or contact Kristina Martin at klin015@mcDaniel.edu or Steven Carney at swc001@mcDaniel.edu.



ROXANNE FLEISCHER

A good fence
Wes, left, and Jake Weicht, both freshmen and twin brothers, fence in Red Square. The duo looks to start a fencing club. For the full story, see the back cover.

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King Gimp promotes awareness of disabilities

MEGAN ROBINSON
News Editor

McDaniel is getting involved in the first Disabilities Awareness month by showing the Oscar winning documentary King Gimp, followed by a discussion with the film's director, Susan Harday, on October 28th at 5:30.

King Gimp is a documentary that follows the life of a man named Dan Keplinger who suffers from Cerebral Palsy. This documentary was originally shown on HBO in 2000. It has some local ties: Keplinger is from Towson, Maryland and went to local Parkville High School.

The goal of Disabilities Awareness month is to encourage colleges and other schools to have activities that will raise awareness and open up the discussion about people with disabilities. Tom Webb, director of the Student Academic Support Services Office, said he hopes this film will create a dialogue about people with disabilities. Webb said viewing a film about a person with a disability will "build a comfort zone" for students to learn more about disabilities versus a reading or discussion.

Webb said the college decided to hold just one focal activity, as opposed to holding many smaller activities that may not discuss the topic in such depth. His goal for this event is for "people to change any stereotypes about their comfort or discomfort with people with disabilities." Webb said he believes people with disabilities have a lot of potential, and can accomplish more than people often realize.

The director of the film, Harday, comes to McDaniel through a mutual friend that Webb made while working as a congressional staffer on Capitol Hill. Webb helped draft the American Disabilities Act for two years on Capitol Hill, before starting as the new director of SASS at the beginning of this school year. Webb said he hopes to bring more people of "equal caliber" as Harday to the campus for other events.

This event is co-sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. For more information about this event, contact Tom Webb at webb@mcDaniel.edu. For more information on Disabilities Awareness Month go to Maryland's Department of Disabilities website at www.mddol.maryland.gov/DHAM.aspx.

Bless My Soul:

Transvestites galore in 'Rocky' show

SAMANTHA LAMBERT
Staff Reporter

Props Bag. Check.
Disco Ball. Check.
Fishes. Check.
Virgins. Check.

Let the games begin!

McDaniel's twist on Rocky Horror was not only a success at the box office, but it was also a success in audience pleasing (wink). The show almost sold out Friday night; other nights drew large crowds as well.

Even before the show began, friendly phantoms lured and enticed audience members with glimpses of what to expect on stage: an excitingly erotic production.

While some faculty and parents seemed a wee bit uncomfortable, McDaniel students were more than willing to participate in "de-virginizing" and practicing the first steps of the dammit! time warp dance. (For those who could not attend the show, audience members who had not seen Rocky had to do some smooth moves with a banana.)

But when the musical began, the audience (myself included) was enraptured by the rock-in live band on stage, the provocative dancing, and thrilling looks between cast members that left us clutching our arm rests.

The choreography was top-notch, demonstrating the wild and conflicting emotions of characters as well as revealing the true character relationships. The lighting, especially during the Time Warp, pulled the whole scene together, highlighting the sexy actors singing in a climactic dance party while pulling the audience with them.

The production was highly satisfying. Shout outs to: C-Mo for his excellent rendition of Dr. F. Nina and Andy for never holding back their screams, Annie for the awesome props, Brooke for her belting it out, Sydney for the beautiful intro, and Pfeiffer for giving us the do's and don'ts.

Everybody did a marvelous job. This will be a production McDaniel will never forget. Asophomore Tui Potuce commented, "I'll never forget I was de-virginized by Mike Pfeiffer with a banana."

Bravo.



PHOTOS BY SAM SEGAL

BOTTOM: Andrew Tucker and Sydney Thro pose for the camera. TOP: Tucker, Chase Busto, Brooke Hain, and other cast members pose in their show attire.

"Call Backs": A Rocky Horror Review

LISA STARR
Contributor

The fall theatre production at McDaniel College was The Rocky Horror Show, which show is filled with shocking twists and unexpected personalities. McDaniel put the play on for four nights, with a double feature on Friday night.

My friends were all excited about the chance to partake of their first play here at McDaniel. I was the only one in my group of friends who was a Rocky alumna. I have seen the show four times and have been able to compare and contrast all the productions, picking out strengths and weaknesses. I persuaded five of my friends to see the show with me, and they looked to me for guidance. Oh, the things I could convince them to do!

A week before the show, my friends threw ideas at me about the outfit they should wear. The ideas started out prim and proper, a nice pair of jeans with a polo, but got more appropriate as time went on. Two days before the show, we purchased our tickets, precious green rectangles with Rocky Horror printed in black writing. After weeks of waiting, the show was finally ready for the public.

One of my friends was in the cast, playing the role of Brad. A freshman getting such a good part would be unheard of at my old school. He disappeared for weeks before the show. When he would finally appear, he would be in a sleepy stupor. I decided that the more bag I saw under his eyes, the better the play would be. The night before we saw the play, the bags under his eyes reached his cheekbones.

That night we ate dinner at top speed, taking three bites at a time. We decided to arrive 20 minutes early to make sure we found prime seats. We gathered in Anna's room. The clothes for that night covered her bed like a blanket. Showers were necessary if we were going to stay up so late. We sprinted to the bathrooms and took the fastest showers ever. The adrenaline rush we were experiencing could only get us through the first half of the show.

Clustering in Anna's room, we dressed in our Rocky get ups. Although I helped choose most of the outfits, they now looked different. Perhaps it was the excitement twisting my vision, but everyone looked magnificent.

Anna wore a low cut black dress she had

tacked up the night before so it came to mid-thigh. Carol's outfit was the one exception to the rule of dressing slutty. She wore a jean skirt that made her cringe every time she looked in the mirror with a tank top and leggings. Her hair was teased up in a ponytail that looked like it was straight out of I Dream of Genie.

Maria's outfit might have been my favorite; leggings covered her legs in a tight black veil. Top of the leggings, she wore loosely fitted black shorts that came up to her mid thigh. She also wore a black tank top that flowed from her body in little ripples. A white collared shirt was layered on top of this, buttoned halfway so that it slipped off her shoulders. Maria's hair, like Carol's, was pulled in a high ponytail adorned with a sparkly silver hair band. She gave the impression of Kelly, Barbie's younger sister. This Kelly, however, was ready for the street!

Sarah wore a ribbed, black tank-top and pants with a fishnet glove. Taylor was the only one in the group afraid to look like a hooker. I'm so glad my parents can't see me. Her outfit, although not as scandalous as others, was spectacular. She wore a short jean skirt with tall, black, formfitting boots and a masoon tank-top. Her hair was half up and half down with one strand of hair coming through to the front.

I wore the same outfit I had on for The Rocky Horror Picture Show movie I saw in town. I decided the pink corset top with skinny jeans did not look scandalous enough, so I added some black underwear that peaked out of the top of my pants.

Of course, make-up is critical at Rocky Horror, so we passed around a tube of blood red lipstick. Everyone sampled its power. Each person then added personal touches to her own make-up, and we were ready. We stepped outside, feeling the icy wind cut through our thin garments, piercing our skin with its bitterness. Running to the theater, we all burst out laughing.

The play was amazing! I really think it was one of the top two theatre productions I have ever seen. After the show, the audience exploded in applause, and, sadly, the night was over.

(Editor's Note: Freshman Lisa Starr submitted this review about the Rocky Horror production for an English assignment in Ms. Priscilla Onda's class.)



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BOTTOM: Andrew Tucker and Sydney Thro pose for the camera. TOP: Tucker, Chase Busto, Brooke Hain, and other cast members pose in their show attire.

If you feel down.

"They may forget what you said but they will never forget how you made them feel."

Carl W. Buechner
Author

During homecoming season, reflect on memories you've had with friends. Remember the stories, the laughs, and the tears -- but overall, remember the atmosphere they created and indulge in that comfort.

-Torrecka Jordan

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THE ANGRY VAGINA IS BACK

Becky Carpenter and "The Vagina Monologues" return for a seventh debut

CASEY CROUGH
Staff Reporter

Professor Becky Carpenter will be preparing to organize for her seventh year with "The Vagina Monologues" cast in February 2010.

For those who are unaware, "The Vagina Monologues" is an episodic play written by Eve Ensler. Female empowerment pieces from different perspectives provide audience members with a chance to reflect of the importance of anti-violence for women. The show raises money for women's anti-violence groups locally and around the world.

In past years, the production at McDaniel has raised over \$5,000.00 dollars for local and global organizations.

Carpenter is a professor of English, and enjoys swing and ballroom dancing in her spare time. She was promoted to the title of professor of English, which is a huge accomplishment.

"A lot of women never make it past associate professor; McDaniel has done a good job providing equal opportunity for women," said Carpenter.

Carpenter first gained interest in the project when she started teaching a Gender Literature course she used the text in her class, and thought that it would be phenomenal if it were produced at McDaniel.

In Fall 2004, Carpenter went to the first interest meeting. She expressed that she was a little hesitant to the student reactions, but she was accepted by the group of diverse women and got the role of "The Angry Vagina."

The first performance was extremely successful. "The line went around the block," explained Carpenter. The theatre was completely sold out, and

although the production was such a success, the cast still felt overwhelmed and deeply moved.

Carpenter explains that, "it is never just about the play. We take time to work on ourselves, and through the experience we get a chance for some great bonding. Go sisterhood!"

Carpenter has participated in roles such as "Outrageous Fact," "Smell," "Comfort Woman," and "Hair" a couple of times. Yet, Carpenter made it clear that her all time favorite role has been the "Angry Vagina."

"I got to wear my stompy boots for the role," said Carpenter.

At the end of the production, one of the cast members shares one of their experiences with violence.

"Each year is a different and great experience. We have neat, fascinating, and brave students that end with their personal story. It takes an enormous amount of strength," said Carpenter.

Interested in participating in "The Vagina Monologues"? There is only one requirement for those who want to perform.

"You do have to have a vagina," said Carpenter. However, the show encourages both men and women to come and show their support.

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Students can also present problems for discussion. It is a place to freely discuss ideas in a friendly social setting, and is open to any who



Pam Knopp, left, Laura Abbasi, center, and Becky Carpenter perform their part to help victims of violence against women during the 2009 showing of The Vagina Monologues.

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Philosophy club becomes more active

HANNA MARTIN
Staff Reporter

Are you interested in discussing possible ways to solve problems? Are you looking for a place to just kick around some of your own philosophies? Although the club has been relatively inactive during the past three years, the Philosophy Club is once again gaining presence on campus.

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Students can also present problems for discussion. It is a place to freely discuss ideas in a friendly social setting, and is open to any who

are interested in philosophy. Choosing philosophy as a major is not required.

The club has already gotten off to a good start this year; they are hosting bi-weekly Soapboxes in Red Square at 4:30 p.m. This event gives students the chance to make themselves heard, to literally "get on the soapbox" to express their thoughts and opinions about any subject they choose.

They will also be holding a forum on Nov. 2 titled, "Know Your Rights," as a part of Justice Week. Friedman describes it as "a moderated panel forum with a question and answer session at the end." The Philosophy Club meets on Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30 in Baker Chapel, room 100. For more information, contact Vice-President Jake Friedman at jf006@mcdaniel.edu or Co-Presidents Lin Sun O (ls002@mcdaniel.edu) or John Modica (jmm02@mcdaniel.edu).

SEX ON THE HILL



Rejection Connection

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



The art of rejection is one that has been developed over centuries, and is something that will continue to be explored for eternity. Everybody at one point in his or her life will need an excuse not to go out, to avoid having sex, to escape something horribly awkward and/or life altering, or simply to get out of a sticky situation. Additionally, if this logic is to be trusted, every-

body will be rejected at some point in his or her life. This phenomenon stretches from a full on breakup, to rebuffing somebody on the dance floor, to rolling out of bed before the other person wakes up.

Lies and excuses in this realm are not as easy as "the dog ate my vagina" (although were that to happen, it would be a stellar excuse). Thought and planning has to go into it, otherwise you'll get stuck in a whirlpool of lies.

"Just get it over with," says junior Danny Hughes. "Don't wallow in the 'what if.' If you're going to reject me just do it so I don't waste my time."

People tend to get caught up in what the best way to go about rejecting someone without hurting them, when the fact of the matter is that by leading someone on, you end up hurting them more.

"It's like ripping a band-aid off," says Hughes. "Don't be one of those people that holds somebody in limbo."

It's incredibly unfair to let somebody think that there are mutual feelings, when there are clearly not. The further the relationship goes and the more physical the relationship gets, the more difficult it will be to call the whole thing off.

Bottom line: it's hard to reject somebody. There are very few people on this Earth who enjoy causing other people pain. It's almost as difficult to break up with someone as it is to be broken up with, it's always a struggle to give up that nookie.

You just know that it's going to make things awkward," says senior Pamela Knopp.

Rejection doesn't have to be an art form. As long as you are direct, respectful, and specific when you do the dreaded deed, recovery will prevail.



Studying. It's always looming, and it's often pushed off. When procrastination is no longer an option, here are several places whose atmospheres should help achieve the studying state of mind.

1. At your desk: Let's start simple. There are desks in dorm rooms for a reason, and it's not just a place for the lap top to sit. Try sitting down, opening a word document, and making a study guide. Sophomore Cindy Sordo says of her favorite place to study, "If I would have to choose, in my room with some chill music in the background." As Sordo suggests, if the sound of housemates frolicking downstairs threatens to distract, put on some peaceful music and get started.



2. A room in the library: If one is available, the rooms downstairs in the library are an ideal place to settle down. With plenty of table space and silence, students can spread out and get some real work done. Plus, the books are already nearby if extra consultation is necessary.



3. In the grass next to Red Square: Often filled with groups of people studying; for those who have trouble getting work done with no noise, this may be the perfect spot.

4. **Benson Sculpture Garden:** It's quiet, usually pretty empty, and it even has a fountain. If you're able to get comfortable on the wooden benches, a lot of

5. The Budapest Café: The chairs are comfortable and, even better, a caffeine jolt is right at hand. Order a coffee and inspiration is sure to come. The only downside is the unnaturally early closing hours. Coffee is definitely still necessary after 8 p.m.



The Pub or Sandellas?

Pub's cheese and steak sub a good value; Sandella's healthier but cheesier

If you've been frequenting the Pub and still wondering whether Sandellas is any good, you aren't missing too much.

As a commuter student, I do not eat at either location often; however, I decided to give both places an equal chance. At the Pub, I ordered one of the most popular items on the menu, the cheese and steak sub and fries. I was surprised at how good it is. It tastes like something you would order at a local restaurant and is a good bang for your buck.

At Sandellas I ordered the American Panini with roast beef; one of the most popular items there is the Buffalo Panini. The Panini

was okay, although I prefer the sub from the Pub. I also tried the flatbread pizza. The pizza was disappointing; the healthier flatbread becomes soggy. The items are decent but not as good as the Pub, which also definitely has more

Sandellas offers healthier food options, although its limited hours of operation and location in Gill Complex make it a less convenient option.

Sophomore Devan Hamric said, "Sandellas is kind of out of the way so I forget about it, and it just doesn't have the "hangout" feeling because barely anyone goes there."

Amy 'Lulu' Kachel, a senior, said, "I never know when Sandellas is open. Also, the majority of the food is too cheesy. The Pub has much more variety."

A QUICK COMPARISON...

Pub	Price	Taste	Sandellas	Price	Taste
Steak & Cheese (most popular)	\$4.40	very good (best bang for your buck)	American Panini	\$4.49	okay
French Fries	\$1.05		Flatbread Pap. Pizza	\$4.49	avoid
Grilled Chicken	\$2.55		Quesadillas	\$3.99-\$5.29	
Club Sandwich	\$4.40		Wraps	\$4.29-\$5.29	
Deluxe Burger	\$3.30		Buffalo Panini (most popular)	\$4.99	

Music honors society brings tunes to the Pub

Next time you get a late night cheese steak at the Pub, keep your ears open. Instead of the typical sounds, you may be treated to something different: a soothing jazz guitar with piano accompaniment.

Though the Pub has featured several entertainers over the years, these musicians are unique. They are students themselves, members of Beta Alpha Chi, McDaniel's honors music society.

"There needs to be more music publicly," said Keith Adams, president of Beta Alpha Chi.

Adams explained that typically, when student musicians perform, the audience is mostly made up of friends and family. Thus, the Thursday night events at the Pub serve to bring the music to students who might not have discovered it any other way.

If he has his way, Adams believes that the music will help to "invigorate the character of the school and redefine it as 'artistic.'"

These mini-concerts feature a piano and guitar house band, with various performers joining in.

"It's like an open mic night for any student who plays music," said Adams.

"Any type of musical style."

Beta Alpha Chi has reserved the Pub from nine to 11 p.m. However, Adams said, "If people like it, we'll keep it going until the pub closes."

When asked why more student-based events have taken place in the pub, Mitchell Alexander, from the College Activities Office, explained, "Besides BAX (Beta Alpha Chi), Late Nights & CAPBoard, I don't know of any other student clubs who sponsor or host events spotlighting student talent that way."

Students who are interested in joining Beta Alpha Chi should seek out Patti Hull for an application. Requirements include a Major or Minor in music, music lessons, and a recommendation. Beta Alpha Chi can also be found on Myspace and Facebook.

When asked about the future of Thursday night pub events, Adams said, "I hope it will continue."

Alexander has similar expectations. "Since Beta Alpha Chi has taken on the role of hosting Thursday Night Pub Events, I am hoping that this need or void will be filled by them."

Adams believes that these events will serve the musicians themselves along with those watching: "The test of being a musician is 'can you play for people?' Playing in the Pub is proving that."

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QUICK VIEW

Blotter by the numbers

(Editor's Note: This column by Katelyn McGinley is dedicated to some of the most insane calls to which Campus Safety officers respond — or should respond. Incidents actually occurred, but the names of the culprits are not included to protect the not-so-innocent.)

Obama's Peace Prize a "dog treat" of encouragement

NATHAN WUERTEBERG
Commentary Editor



Accomplishments to Obama's name so far according to the Nobel Committee:

1) speech in Prague made promising an end to nuclear proliferation

2) speech in Egypt made asking for renewed and higher levels of cooperation between the Muslim and Western world

3) statements made hoping for reconciliation between Israel and Palestine.

For this, Obama has been given a Nobel Peace Prize. For saying and hoping what nearly every other president (save his predecessor) says and hopes, he has been rewarded with one of mankind's supposedly highest global honors.

Don't get me wrong. If only as a slap in the face of Obama's illustrious predecessor this award is worth it. But let me put this into perspective for you. This decision was made about two weeks into his presidency, and announced after nine more months. In that time, he has managed to fulfill a very small number of his campaign promises.

Health care reform continues to be mired in a sea of partisanship (thanks Republicans), US troops remain in Iraq and Guantanamo Bay, and Obama is just now addressing the issue of sending more troops to Afghanistan, where the situation has only worsened since his first day in office. He has not addressed climate change. He



CARTOON BY KARLA HOLLAND

only just mentioned "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," and he has yet to address the issue of the past torture of suspected terrorists or do anything about "No Child Left Behind," (thanks Saturday Night Live). So, the first thought after reading all of this, is that maybe he doesn't deserve a part of the back and a cookie just yet.

But, let's look at some of the past winners and losers of the Nobel Peace Prize, shall we. According to the selection committee, the Peace Prize is not the same as the other Nobels. The others, like Physics and Economics, take a lifetime to achieve and actually make a difference. The Peace Prize, on the other hand, is given more to encourage someone who has just started to continue doing what they have been doing. It

is, in essence, the dog treat of Nobel Prizes. This explains the Nobel Committee's selection of Al Gore (for making a movie and stuff), Yasir Arafat (for deciding not to be a terrorist anymore), Jimmy Carter (for engineering a peace plan between Israel and Pakistan that almost worked), and finally Barack Obama (for crossing his fingers and hoping good things will happen). Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr. (who led entire nations and races to freedom and continue to serve as inspirations for the oppressed masses of today) got jack daddyy.

Maybe if Obama closes his eyes and clicks his heels twice, he'll accomplish enough to deserve some actual recognition, and not just a good scratching behind those big ol' ears.

The Steps to Choosing a Nobel Prize Winner

■ The Nobel Peace Prize winner is chosen by a five-member committee of lawmakers elected by the Norwegian parliament. Specially appointed advisers weigh in.

■ More than a year before the prize is awarded, the Nobel committee seeks nominations from members of governments and international courts, heads of universities, academics and previous Nobel laureates. Self-nominations are not allowed. The nomination deadline is in February.

■ The committee makes its final vote in October. The winner is determined by a simple majority vote.

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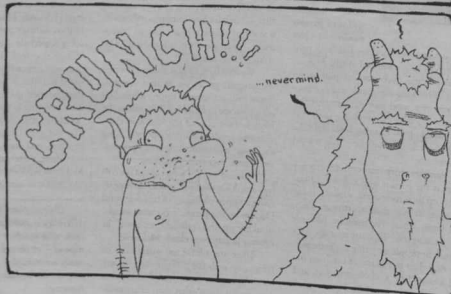
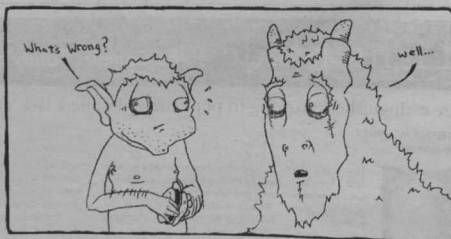
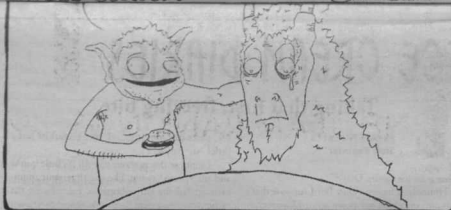
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TERROR SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: MEET the GREEN

ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT: TIM WINEKE

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

Tim Wineke breathes soccer. When the quiet, lanky 19-year-old walks by, it may be hard to imagine him on the field even wearing his green sports jacket. But a couple of questions about his favorite sport and the words start pouring out.

When the season ends, off-season workouts begin, and as soon as the summer starts, Wineke helps former Baltimore Blast player Mike Sankowski run his many summer camps for kids in kindergarten through high school. Over the past few years, Wineke has taken on more administrative duties in addition to coaching the kids, often traveling between camps across several counties on a given day.

Tim Wineke, junior midfielder from Reisterstown, MD, is the leading scorer for the Green Terror soccer team. Last season McDaniel only scored 12 goals.

"It was a rough year, but this year we surpassed that fast," Wineke said.

By the fifth game, Wineke was responsible for nearly a quarter of those goals, including the lone, game-winning goal against Maryland.

Wineke is quick to point out the efforts of his teammates. "Team chemistry is ten times better than in previous years," he said, adding that the team is working better "as a unit." This is especially impressive in light of the team's challenge this year, trying to incorporate

new freshman players.

At North Carroll High School, Wineke played mostly stopper, a mid-field defensive position, and even though he would have been used to contribute more, it was important to the team that he "an-



chor the defense." Wineke was named first team all-county and all-conference.

The move to McDaniel meant that there were "better players around" and everyone was a soccer player, not just an athlete. When Wineke moved to striker his freshman year, an offensive position he'd rarely played before, he just said, "I had to be open-minded about where I play."

By the second half of his freshman year, he became part of the starting lineup. Despite his humility, he is now clearly a team leader.

His sincerity shines through when he discusses his team, even though his teammates describe him as goofy. Wineke is a team joker who genuinely loves the game, especially since he started trying "to have fun after a goal."

"I like to celebrate...and pump up the crowd whenever I can," says Wineke, especially during home games.

With only four games left in the season, and all of them conference games, Wineke and his teammates have an intense few weeks ahead of them.

His final game will be against Gettysburg, who defeated McDaniel 3-2 in the season closer last year. Expect Tim and the gang to be ready to make sure there is a different result this time around.

Q & A with the Green Terrors

KATE DELENICK
Staff Editor-in-Chief



1. Name, Grade, Sport, Years on team, Position

Jessica Peyton, Senior, Women's Soccer, 4th year on team (2nd year being captain), Defense

2. What are the benefits of playing at a D3 level?

At the D3 level, I have the opportunity to continue playing my sport, but I can also focus on my academics and be active among campus. It is a great opportunity to continue doing something I love,

but it doesn't consume my whole college career.

3. Do you have a pregame ritual?

Pregame music is a must. It always helps to dance around and get a little crazy with your teammates before the game.

4. What is your favorite sports quote?

Champions aren't made in the gym. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them—a desire, a dream, a vision.

5. Favorite memory of McDaniel Sports?

My freshman year, we were playing Dickinson at home. My coach at the time, Goose, told us to get ready for the game however we needed, but be ready to play. He gave us a couple

minutes to ourselves and upon his return he found, Megan Mattson, a former teammate of mine and now coach, holding a empty Corona bottle. It was laying in between crates in the hall we were in. She had picked it up and leaned against the crates. When Goose came to give his pregame speech she tipped the bottle in the air and said "Ready, Coach." We won that day.

6. Where do you see yourself upon graduating from the Hill?

I'm finishing up my classes at McDaniel College this semester and I will be completing my studies abroad at the University of Salamanca in Spain. I will graduate as a Double Business Spanish major. Upon returning to the U.S, I hope to find a job in the business profession.



1. Name, Grade, Sport, Years on team, Position

Rob Hollasch, Senior, Men's Soccer, 4, Goalkeeper

2. What are the benefits of playing at a D3 level?

It's all about the fun of still playing in a competitive environment. You get to meet and play with a lot of good players and challenge yourself against other good schools.

3. Do you have a pregame ritual?

Nothing special. Just listen to some music and think about what I have to do to help us win.

4. What is your favorite sports quote?

If you don't invest very much, then defeat doesn't hurt

very much and winning is not very exciting.

5. Favorite memory of McDaniel Sports?

Playing in front of the crazy crowds that come to our games.

6. Where do you see yourself upon graduating from the Hill?

There are so many things I plan to do, but I'll probably just start out by moving downtown and starting to writing and all that other real-world stuff. Maybe I'll sail around the world or invent something in my spare time.

NFL TEAM RANKINGS: HOW ACCURATE ARE THEY, REALLY?

GREG NOSEN
Staff Reporter

In sports, America is obsessed with a Number One. But, does the fact that the Ravens are atop the power rankings mean they are the best team in the NFL? No, it's just what a couple of people think. Just because Florida won the national championship game, it doesn't mean that they are the best. In the college football, the polls pick who they want to be in the title game, and they are not necessarily the best teams.

And just who is the best team? Ask a lot of fans and you will get a lot of different answers.

"USC because they produce the most pro players, and have won

so many Pac-10 titles, produced a lot of Heisman candidates and have had a lot of national titles," said freshman Alec Farrell.

By those standards, it's hard to argue against USC. So how is it with all those credentials, are they not in the top five and Florida, Texas, LSU, and Boise State are? It's all because of the rankings.

While the rankings do a pretty good job of picking the order in the college football, they are no where near a perfect representation. At the college football, there is always a controversy over which teams deserve to get into the Bowl Championship Series.

Now, most of that only applies to college football, where polls reign supreme. But that doesn't mean that other leagues are excluded from the debate of "Who's number one?"

Today, almost every league has "Power Rankings," where experts

pick their top teams, but again the fans will often disagree. Ask many NFL fans and they won't agree that the Ravens are the best.

"The best team is either the Steelers or the Patriots because they play well as a team," said freshman Lisa Vespolo.

In the NFL and every other major sport, the best team is regarded as the team that wins the championship every year, but even that has come under debate. Consider the 2007 Patriots, who won 18 of 19 games, but won't be remembered as the best because they lost the most championship game of all.

In the early years of sport, when the Packers and Yankees won the championship every year, and even just recently with the Patriots dynasty, there was no question that they were the best teams, but with polls, power rankings, etc., that is changing. The debate has already begun.

OutPickNick

Every week one brave sports reporter will get the chance to test their football knowledge by going one-on-one with the editor. After a display of their dominance in the first round of picks, Nick Brunner is coming off of a perfect week and is ready to take on this week's challenger Matt Bodnar.

According to Nick...	According to Matt...
Vikings. The defending champs are off to a mediocre start while Favre and the Vikings seem to be getting better and better each week. This will be a very tough, rock-on-sock-on type game. Look for the Vikings defense to send a message by outplaying the Steelers D at Heinz Field.	Steelers. The return of a healthy Troy Polamalu to the Steel Curtain defense will slow down a resurgent Brett Favre. While the defense does not job, Big Ben will manage the game and limit the time the Old Gunslinger and Adrian Peterson are on the field.
Bears. Two fairly evenly matched teams going at it, should be exciting to watch these two talented quarterbacks battle each other for a much needed statement win. This will be one of those games that will make Bears fans remember why they went out and got a franchise QB like Jay Cutler this off-season.	Bengals. It's time people start to recognize the Bengals as a legitimate playoff contender. With a healthy Carson Palmer at the helm, his weapons, Cedric Benson and Chad Ochocinco will tear apart the depleted Bears defense. The Cincinnati defense will force Jay Cutler and the Bears offense into turnovers all day.
49ers. The 49ers are a surprise contender this year out west. Coach Mike Singletary has them believing and playing hard. Frank Gore should have a day a crummy Texans run defense. Is this the week we get a glimpse of hold-over rookie Michael Crabtree's game changing talent?	49ers. San Fran has surprised many this year, and this week the Defense will wreak havoc, tempting a timid Matt Schaub into bad decisions. Frank Gore will return this week to provide the 49ers with a dynamic run game that won't be stopped by the Texans.
Cowboys. Atlanta is a good football team and the Cowboys have been struggling mightily all season. With that said, I'm a believer in Tony Romo and think that coming off of a bye, with an extra week to get healthy and to prepare, look for the Cowboys to come out on top of this one.	Falcons. Dallas does not resemble a team with postseason aspirations. The Cowboys were lucky to escape with wins against two terrible teams in the Chiefs and Panthers. Matt Ryan will lead the Falcons down the field all day, relying on Michael Turner and Tony Gonzalez. This game will leave the fans in Jerry Jones' palace very disappointed.
Giants. Maybe the most complete team in the entire league. Look for the G-men to pressure Kurt Warner early and often and not allow him to get the ball to his playmakers. Plus, the Cardinals never play well on the east coast, especially in the cold.	Cardinals. In a mild upset, Kurt Warner reverts to his playoff form from a year ago and leans on Larry Fitzgerald to escape the Meadowlands with a win. The Giants will play down to the competition and fail to rise to the occasion following a big win against the Saints the week before.
	Arizona v NY Giants

TERROR SPORTS



Fencing freshmen hope to bring sport to Hill

ROXANNE FLEISCHER
Web Manager

For Jake and Wes Weicht, jabbing at each other with metal sticks is a past-time that has more meaning than typical brotherly fighting. The brothers, identical twins and freshman at McDaniel, are fencers.

For six years, since they were 12 years old, the Weicht brothers have been fencing for the Baltimore Fencing Center.

"[We] would hit me with sticks so my parents thought we should find a safer way to do that," said Jake. "They signed us up for fencing."

Both brothers are A ranked fencers, the highest rank, having worked their way up by competing in and winning tournaments. Two years ago, in their junior year of high school, they were both nationally ranked. Wes was ranked third and Jake seventh in the nation, for their division of *épée* fencing.

Épée, one of three divisions of fencing, is "more sophisticated than foil," according to Wes. With foil, a fencer can only get points by hitting a small target area in the chest region. With *épée*, on the other hand, the target area is anywhere on the body. The third division, *sabre*, differs in when a fencer can earn points, and all three divisions differ in the types of blades used.

Though they learned fencing together, the brothers have very distinct fencing strategies. Wes said he is more passive, and would rather wait for the time period to be up once he has the points he needs. Jake, however, is more aggressive.

"His theory," said Wes of his brother, "is to go harder and faster the next time, rather than waiting."

Jake and Wes are both a little different than other fencers that they face, in that they enjoy talking while fencing. In fact, in one tournament, when the two were fencing for the championship, the referee told them to stop talking because he felt they were disruptive.

"People were actually betting on our match," said Jake, who recalled that viewers put money on which brother would get to 15 points first to win the championship. When the two found out, they decided to end the match at 14 points by letting the time run out.

The Weichts have also participated in team fencing, which consists of three fencers and a substitute. Team score accumulates in a tournament system.

"Fencing is mostly individual, even when you're on a team," said Wes.

One year, the brothers beat the "B" team of the New York Athletic Club, which is the back-up team to the team that the US sends to the Olympics. "That was pretty cool," said Jake.

Although they continue to practice with the Baltimore Fencing Center, Jake and Wes have decided to stay more local for their first year in college. Fencing has not, however, been pushed aside. While it used to occupy five days of their week, the brothers are now trying to keep it to weekends, and keep their tournaments more local.

They are also trying to get a fencing club started on campus and already have a few friends interested.



ROXANNE FLEISCHER

TOP: Wes, left, and Jake Weicht gear up before they fence in Red Square. BOTTOM: Wes, right, lunges at and lands a point on his brother, who tries to defend himself with a parry.

Golf looks to strong season

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

Each year, the McDaniel men's golf team puts the goal of winning championships at the forefront of its goals for the season. The hours spent on the driving range and putting green point these golfers in the direction of the championships they covet most. In addition to the personal desire shown by each golfer, the schedule Coach Moyet puts together each year truly prepares McDaniel for the arduous task of winning the Conference Championship.

Thus far this season, McDaniel has played in four tournaments, two of which were against Division II teams and one against Division I opponents. Coach Moyet describes his decision to play in these tournaments as his team's desire to "play up." Coach Moyet believes this difficult schedule best prepares his golfers to compete in Conference play.

McDaniel has certainly more than held its own against the higher levels of competition. In its first tournament, the Wilmington Invitational, McDaniel finished third out of eleven Division II schools. This tournament provided our golfers on the Hill with momentum and confidence that has helped carry them so far this season. In each succeeding tournament, McDaniel has finished in the top ten, while mixing in a few top five finishes.

The success of the team as a whole does not diminish the excellent play of junior KJ Mazurek. Coach Moyet noted KJ's performance in the Vulkan Invitational as a season highlight and one of the most impressive he has seen. In this tournament, KJ finished second overall against all Division II players, most of whom attend school with scholarships in their pockets. Mazurek shot one over par, while finishing with the best two round score of his career and finishing ahead of the Division II champion from last year. The performance of him and the other golfers on the team is a testament to the high quality of golf that exists on the Hill, all put together by Coach Moyet without the assistance of scholarships and Division I or II prestige.

The McDaniel golf team finishes its fall season with two more tournaments, the Gettysburg Fall Invitational and the Wilmington Shootout. The Wilmington Shootout is another Division II tournament that will continue to prepare our golfers, as they take on some of the best in the upper levels of golf. On the upcoming tournaments, Coach Moyet explained, "Our goal is to finish in the top three or four, while getting better every week."

The schedule, combined with the effort of the golfers and the leadership of Coach Moyet, creates a winning atmosphere that seems to be contagious.

McDaniel has experienced success against even the upper levels of golf; the experience gained during these events will no doubt serve the team well during the spring season. Coach Moyet begins each season with the belief McDaniel golf is about "winning championships, not tournaments." The results this year certainly echo that idea and set the bar high for the upcoming conference season this spring.

Volleyball hopes for the win

CAITLYN FLYNN
Co-Sports Editor

With a 13-9 overall record this season, Green Terror Volleyball sees more of a possibility to win the Conference Title this year. The team began their season with a big 3-0 win against Stevenson, but followed with three consecutive losses against York, Elizabethtown, and Goucher the next week.

Despite this small slump in their season, McDaniel Volleyball came back strong on Sept. 12 and 13 by winning four straight games in the Panther Invitational, held in Old Westbury, New York. They took home the tournament title that weekend.

After defeating Muhlenberg on Sept. 19 in their first Centennial Conference game and then Wilkes within the same weekend, the team knew they were back onto their winning streak. Just on Sept. 23, however, Terror Volleyball fell to rival Franklin and Marshall. It was a close game in which McDaniel made some key errors, allowing F&M to take the final eight points of the game, along with the win. McDaniel lost the last match 25-17.

Additionally, the team has competed in the Spartan Bee Western Westgate Invitational hosted in York, Pennsylvania, where they took home three wins out of the four games played. Following this tournament, they defeated conference rival Bryn Mawr on Oct. 1, but fell to conference defender Swarthmore only two days later, making them 2-2 in the conference. The Green Terror also competed in the Worthington Clas-

sic in Washington DC, defeating two out of the four teams in the tournament.

"These past few wins have showed us that we are a versatile team. Our challenging schedule from here on out will be our test to see if we can continue to do well," said senior and middle hitter Taylor Herrgott.

"It's good for the team to get more regional competition so that we can see the potential rankings in the Mid-Atlantic Conference," says Coach Molloy.

Herrgott, with a total of 1,205 career kills, was named the Centennial Conference co-player of the week for Sept. 7-13. Additionally, she earned a spot on the all-tournament team at the Worthington Classic in DC.

The four new faces mixed with the eight returning veterans have a lot to do with the success of the team this season. Leading the freshmen is outside hitter Annie McShae. Head coach Carole Molloy said she is very athletic, with solid skills, great enthusiasm, and a winning attitude. McShae played for the volleyball team at Governor Thomas Jackson High School, a team that won the state championship game her senior year.

Team captains Lanni Reisinger and Kristen Nuckles also show strong leadership qualities so far this season. Molloy adds that since they were in these roles last year, they have only matured more, ultimately making the team a lot stronger.

For their fourth consecutive season, Green Terror Volleyball will participate in Digging For a Cure along with ten other Centennial Conference volleyball teams. The game will be at home on Oct. 21 against Gettysburg at 7 p.m.

Upcoming games: Volleyball

		Oct. 28	
Oct. 24		McDaniel vs. Johns Hopkins	7 p.m.
McDaniel vs. Washington, Md.		Oct. 31	
12 p.m.		Haverford vs. McDaniel	1 p.m.



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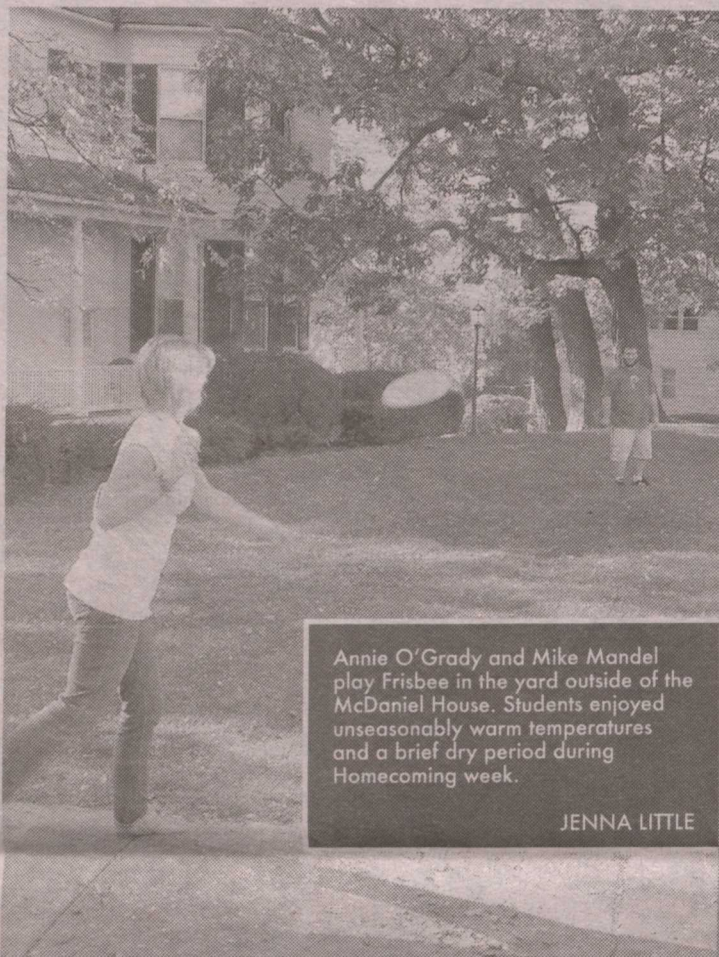
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ON THE COVER

Despite the heavy rain and wind, the Bachelors show their support for Homecoming as they return from the parade. The rain started around 1, halfway through the parade, and dumped enough water on the field that the game was called for Ursinus. However, students and alumni managed to enjoy the day as the rain let up around late afternoon.

EVAN TICKNOR



Annie O'Grady and Mike Mandel play Frisbee in the yard outside of the McDaniel House. Students enjoyed unseasonably warm temperatures and a brief dry period during Homecoming week.

JENNA LITTLE



The Green Terror mascot entertained the Phi Sigs while watching Midnight Madness on October 21. For the full story, see the back cover.

EVAN TICKNOR



Along with her other sorority sisters, Omega Annie Meyers works hard in an effort to win the hot dog eating contest. The event benefited Up 'Til Dawn for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

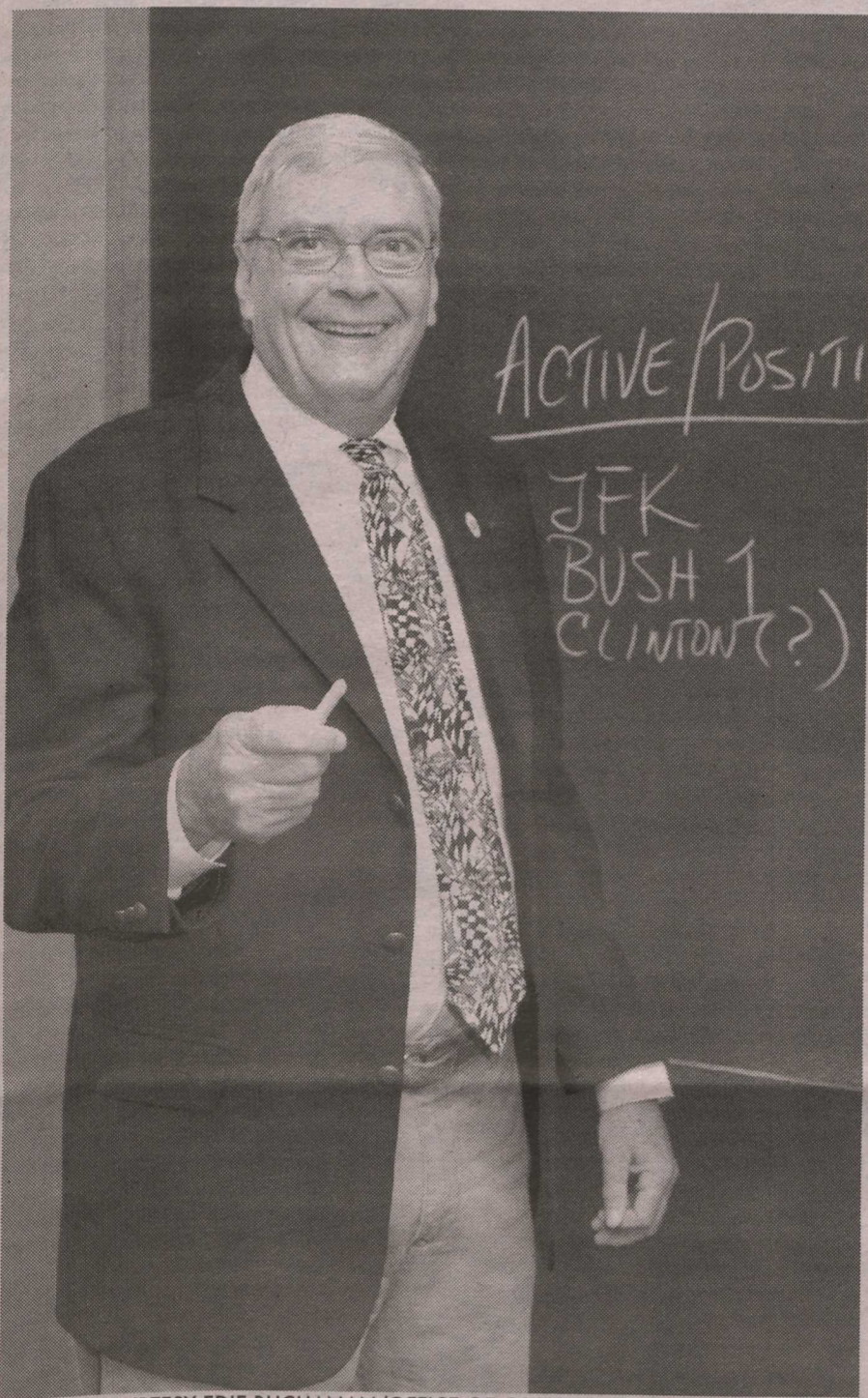
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TWO WEEKS IN
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"The Renaissance Man"

Professor Herb Smith nominated for president of McDaniel



JULI GUIFFRE
Co-Editor in Chief

Dr. Herb Smith, professor of Political Science and International Studies, accepted a nomination to become the ninth President of McDaniel College, and submitted a letter of interest to the search committee to be considered.

"Our Presidential Search materials posted on the McDaniel College website have proven to be most effective. College alumni have become engaged in the process as a result of the web site and focus group meetings, and many have submitted names for consideration," said Mary Lynn Durham, chair of the committee.

Last May, McDaniel College posted a surprising new aspect to our website: the search for the college's ninth President. Over the summer, Smith received a rather unexpected phone call from an old friend.

Jim Kauffman, alumni of '91, had called Smith to ask if he could nominate him for the job.

"We had talked about it over the years," said Smith. "I'd say [to Kauffman] I'm really happy with what I'm doing, but if the opportunity came up, I'd consider it."

The next step for Smith was clear: "I talked with [my wife], Beth, for two weeks. You need to go into this with a strong backing from your soul mate. Beth and I are a team."

It's been a few short months since Smith's decision to allow Kauffman to nominate him, during which he's been trying to not let his hopes run away from him.

"I think I bring a great deal to the table. I'm not Mr. Perfect or Mr. Wonderful. I'm not letting my hopes run away from the realities of the situation. I'll certainly give it my best shot," he said.

Kauffman and Smith had kept in touch since Kauffman's college days, when he took every single one of Smith's courses. They have also run Boy's State together every year since 1993.

Kauffman thinks that Smith's connections with local, state, and federal government and, most importantly, his relationship with the students, will make him an effective president.

"At McDaniel, contributions from alumni have been lower than other schools. Without Herb, I wouldn't still be as connected to McDaniel as I am," he said. Kauffman also feels that the next President needs to be sympathetic toward the name change.

"I know a lot of my classmates feel they the college they went to doesn't exist anymore. We need a President who was there that that and can address it and understand it," he added in support for his nomination of Smith.

In Kauffman's recommendation letter, among his nine points of support, he calls Smith "The Renaissance Man" - a title meant to evoke Smiths deep belief in liberal arts, in integrating knowledge across disciplines.

In 1967, Smith was working as a biology lab assistant at Ursinus.

"I would have been a bio major if I could have passed Calculus in high school," he said. "We didn't get along."

He also bikes, fishes, and plays single's tennis with Dr. Brian Wladkowski, associate professor of chemistry.

"Brian and I play tennis. He beats me, but it's ok. He's 20 years younger," he said.

Smith recently published an article on a Sport Fishing website. Called "When Your Fishing Trip Goes South," they article describes a fishing trip in which they hit a tropical storm and 15 inches of rain.

Smith's office door is adorned with a Jimmy Buffet sticker, an "I'd rather be in Belize" sign, a quote from Pirates of the Caribbean, and a poem that reads "Feed the crocodiles, ride the sharks, climb tall coconut trees, raft the waterfalls."

He also incorporates his liberal arts philosophies into his work as a teacher. Smith is faculty advisor to both the McDaniel College Democrats and the Republicans. Through his classes, students can volunteer on a campaign of their choice and design and conduct original survey research.

Smith is sought often during election season by the Baltimore Sun and the Washington Post, as well as several TV and radio stations, for his astute political analysis. He will have a book published by the University of Nebraska that he co-wrote with John Willis, called "Maryland Politics and Government."

Smith thinks that knowledge of politics "gives us respect for diversity and a talent for honest compromise. The President has to work with the federal and state government," he said, "and I've been on a first name basis with five Maryland Governors."

His teaching philosophy is comprised of giving students choices, and creating a structured environment where learning is fun and marketable, "my Belizean philosophy," he calls it.

In light of this, Smith, if elected, plans to attempt to implement a program incorporating five separate tracks: Leadership, Internship, Faculty/Student research, Volunteer, and Study Abroad.

Hypothetically, the school would give a savings account to each student with a surcharge of \$200 or \$400 dollars that would earn interest. When the student became upperclassmen, they would be able to use these savings to with one of these tracks. For example, this would make it much easier for students to afford to study abroad if that is the track they choose, or it could be used to hire full-time staff to help coordinate a research or internship opportunity.

Smith, if elected, still plans to teach a course at McDaniel, probably a seminar, and would continue to eat lunch at Glar every Wednesday, because he thinks it's important to have access to the students to really understand how the college runs.

"I'm passionate about the college. I would love to be the President, but I love to be a Professor. If the search committee, in its wisdom, chooses otherwise...I'm perfectly content," he said. "I'm not doing this out of driving ambition, I'm doing this because I think I'd do an exceptionally good job...I hope I'm the right person, at the right time, in the right place."

Smith believes he has found the right time, as he said certainly 30 years ago he would not have been prepared for this.

"There's one thing that counts for more, the most important thing in my life, that's taught me how to be a complete human being," he said as he pointed to something on the shelf in his office.

It was a picture of his son Tyler when he was six, learning how to fish off a jetty in Cape May. Tyler had given Smith the colorfully painted frame for Christmas last year. In white letters, Tyler had written, "To a Dad even better than he remembers."

The search committee "met by telephone conference during the first week in October. Lead consultant David Gring reported that interest in this Search is receiving national awareness and that the pool of candidates is very strong, said Durham. "Committee members are reviewing the candidates."

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McDaniel's professor Herb Smith, of the Political Science and International Studies department, was nominated for the position of president of the college by an alum and former student.

Dr. Herbert C. Smith, At-A-Glance

- Ph.D. The Johns Hopkins University
- NDEA Fellow, The Johns Hopkins University, 1968-1969
- Gilman Fellow, The Johns Hopkins University, 1972-1973
- Who's Who in the East, 1990
- 14 Courses taught
- 4 Faculty Offices
- 6 Faculty Standing Committees
- WMC/McDaniel Lobbyist
- Coordinator of Legislative Simulation
- 10 Political Activities (i.e. Campaign Manager)
- Political Analyst for various radio and TV stations
- 4 Presentations to International Delegations
- 1 book, 4 Government Publications, 5 Professional Publications, and 71 Popular Press Publications
- Campus Coordinator for the "Carpe Diem" Capital Campaign

Information gleaned from Smith's personal vitae

"Herb believes in McDaniel and its life changing reputation. As a College President, you have to be an extraordinary fundraiser. When you wholeheartedly believe in your product or service as Herb so passionately does in McDaniel, and then it is easy to sell. Herb's longevity with the College, like President Coley, gives the McDaniel community a significant advantage as he, unlike an external candidate, does not have to hear about what makes McDaniel so special, he has been experiencing it, creating it, passing it along, on a daily basis for the past three decades." He absolutely knows who and what he is advocating for".
-Cathy Orzolek-Kronner, Associate Professor of Social Work

"Dr. Smith would make a great president because he cares greatly about this school. He knows the needs of the students, faculty, and staff and he understands how to meet those needs. Dr. Smith also communicates very effectively and can be very personable."
-Lauren Thomas, '10

"Dr. Smith possess the wisdom of knowing all aspects about the college, he also has the courage and vision to continue to lead McDaniel College on its path of excellence; while paying homage to the various aspects that make McDaniel a unique, and life-changing college. No matter how many pages I wrote, I would never be able to do justice to the character of such an impressive man as Dr. Smith. Simply put he'd be an outstanding President."
-Megan Johnston, '10

Returning home to the Hill

After four years, Phi Alpha Mu sorority returns to campus, fights to regain their good reputation

LAUREN MILLER
Staff Reporter

Four years ago a campus original, Phi Alpha Mu sorority, was asked to leave campus after numerous reports of hazing were brought to the attention of school officials. This year Phi Alpha Mu is making a comeback and hopes to gain back their position as a respected on campus sorority.

"Though Phi Alpha Mu's charter was previously suspended, we worked extremely hard during the Spring of 2009 to get ourselves back on campus and recognized by the school," according to their website (www.phialphamu.webs.com). "We are pleased to say that we have finished everything and are back on campus and ready for action! We look forward to carrying on the traditions of the best sorority on the hill!"

Though the sorority has had to go through numerous stages and restructuring of some of their practices in order to comply with school standards, they still maintain much of their history and tradition as the oldest sorority on campus, founded in 1926, and as a local sorority. The Phi Alpha Mus had to complete a seven step process in order to be able to come back on campus. According to Katie Hecht, president of the Phi Alpha Mus, the group had to rewrite pledging standards and change some logistical things about their practices.

They were also given the option of coming back as a national organization, but seeing as they value tradition and the core values of the already established Phi Alpha Mu group, they decided against this decision. "We anticipated them giving us many options. We weren't interested in becoming national at all," said Hecht. "We would have said no. Other sororities transitioned and we have always stayed loyal to our ties."

The Phi Alphas also realize that they have a lot of work to do in proving that they have indeed changed. "We know this is such a pivotal

year. We're being aware of that," said Hecht. "We implemented an advisory board that checks up with us and keeps us in check."

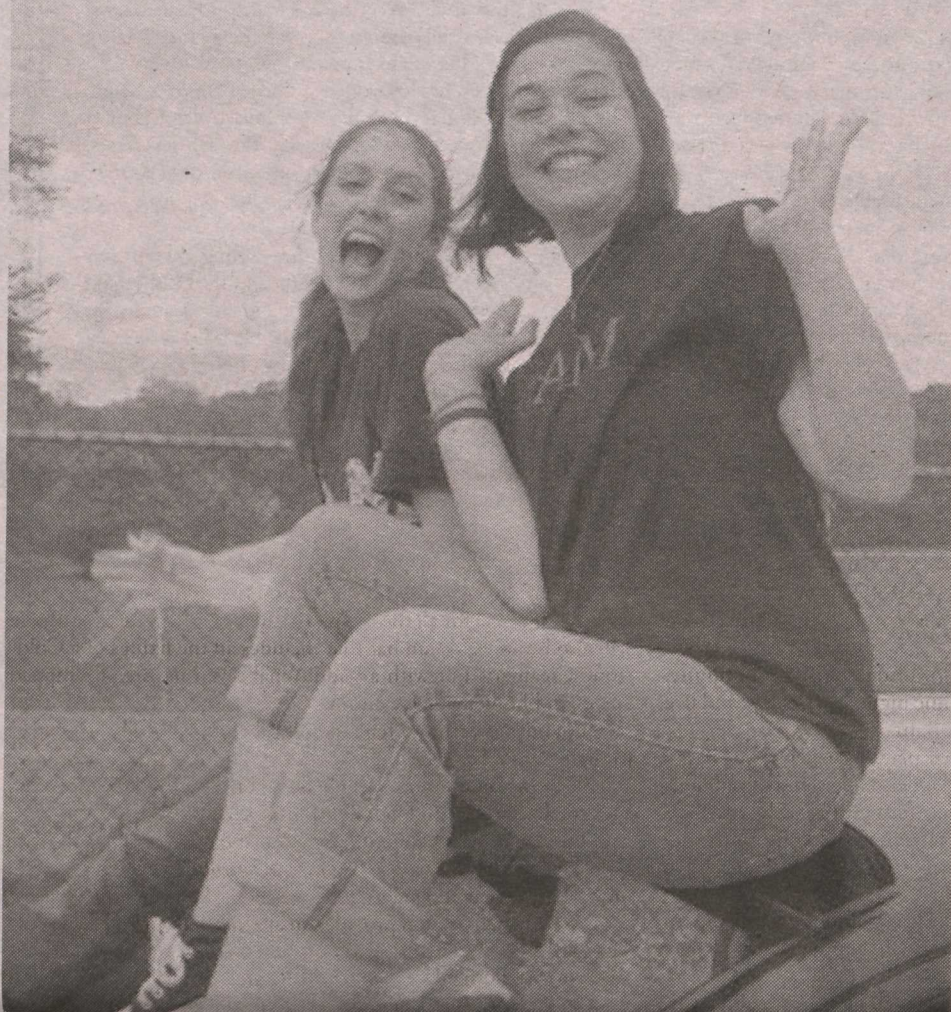
Liz Towle, who oversees greek life, believes this group of women is ready to be back on campus. "I think this group of women in the current organization is a great group of women. They recognize and understand issues of past and are working hard to move forward as a group and are doing a great job."

Another thing Towle says is impressive about this group is the support they have from the other sororities. "The other sororities are very glad they're back and are very supportive and encouraging of the group."

So far in their short time back on campus the group seems to be playing by the books. Neither one of their pledges have experienced any form of hazing. "I have not in any way experienced any acts of hazing," said Lauren Fischetti, a Phi Alpha pledge. "As an RA, I am clearly aware of what counts as hazing and know what resources I can turn to if I ever was hazed. I know that Phi Alpha Mu will never do anything that will compromise their charter and each sister truly cares about each other, including their pledges."

Ellen Shank, Phi Alpha Mu's other pledge feels similarly about the group she chose to join. "I know the sisters have worked tirelessly to reform their pledging in a way that keeps their history and traditions (going back 80 years) and remove anything that would be considered hazing," said Shank. "I think they've found a very good pledge program that honors much of their history and traditions while keeping the pledges best interests on heart."

"We're honored to be back as a recognized part of the McDaniel campus and are working hard to make a positive influence on the community and are really looking forward to growing and developing while keeping our traditions and maintaining our legacy," said Hecht. "We recognize our past reputation and are trying to move on from that and move in a positive direction."



COURTESY LAUREN FISCHETTI

Lauren Fischetti, left, a pledge, and Kaitlyn Thomas sit on the Phi Alpha Mu float for the homecoming parade.

Circle K service group gaining numbers again

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

Circle K at McDaniel is making a comeback, with significantly more members than in past years. This community service organization had been struggling, and membership had been the biggest issue. This is true no longer, as membership tripled in one week!

"It's really exciting to see that people are interested in helping the community," said club President Bryannia Bongiorno, a sophomore.

Circle K is an international service organization with over 500 clubs in 17 nations that collectively perform over one million hours of service annually. McDaniel students are joining in, working with organizations such as the Humane Society, Happy Helpers, and the Aktion Club while gaining leadership experiences and making friends.

"The good thing about this club is that it can be what you want it to be," said Bongiorno. "It can be community service or it can be social or it can be both, which is the ideal—a group of friends helping the community."

In past years, Circle K has also helped out

at a local day care, played bingo with people in a nursing home, and made dinner at the Hopkins house.

"I'm really excited to help rebuild this club, because it not only helps the Westminster area but we help internationally as well," said freshman Rebekah James.

The organization's mission statement is "developing college and university students into a global network of responsible citizens and leaders with a lifelong commitment to service." Circle K is part of the K-family, headed by the Kiwanis Club, an organization dedicated to serving the children of the world. Other members of this family include the Key Club for high school students, Builders Club for middle school students, K-Kids for elementary school students, and the Aktion club for adults with disabilities.

"Circle K is really flexible because you can be as committed as you want to be," said Bongiorno. "It really is what you make of it."

Circle K at McDaniel is optimistic and enthusiastic about establishing a larger presence on campus. Meetings are Wednesdays at 9:45 p.m. in Academic Hall, Room 109. If interested in joining, contact Bryannia Bongiorno at blb012@mcDaniel.edu.

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Westminster Station has 'dedication to perfection'



The interior of Westminster Station is filled with eclectic odds and ends that are nearly all for sale and which add a great atmosphere.

ASHLEIGH SMITH

EMMA BARBATO
Staff Reporter

Dedication to perfection is just the beginning when it comes to the most recent addition to Westminster's list of riveting hangout spots. Westminster Station employees don't want to just make coffee; they want to make the best coffee.

"We did this with the intention of being one of the top ten coffee shops in the country," the owners claim.

That's just the start of a long list of hopes for this fledgling business; from opening a cereal bar, to supporting local musicians, everything this station does they do with conviction.

What might be the coffee shop's biggest draw to college students is its laid back atmosphere and its openness to new ideas and a desire to try. There are a slew of instruments in the back of the shop, including a didgeridoo.

The shop owner, George Davis, invites young musicians to

come and learn on, or just get a taste of something different. Davis says he wants to promote a sort of "cross pollination" between artists, or anybody with a skill who is willing to share their knowledge and maybe learn something as well.

Along with its dedication to Westminster's artistic community, Westminster Station offers an Open mic night on Tuesdays and live bands on Thursdays starting at eight p.m.

The station has a house band that plays Thursdays, but if any local musicians, comedy acts, or even poets are interested in booking a Thursday night, this can be done pretty painlessly by emailing booking@westminsterstation.com. Or, if you are looking for something even more relaxed, just show up on Tuesday night and hang out with the local talent.

Westminster Station plans to do a lot more to reach out to the community and create a special environment where people feel comfortable and excited.

"It's a great space for college students to hang out and play on the computers, or maybe do homework if you're into doing home-

work..." says McDaniel sophomore Shelby Parenteau.

One of the new additions is a cereal bar complete with twenty varieties of cereal for all those who like breakfast at midnight. There will also be an ice cream bar that includes all the fixings of a Coldstone Creamery, but with an additional seven flavors of whipped cream and homemade ice cream.

The business tries to remain as local as possible when it comes to their products.

"Our pies come from Baughers, and the ice cream is provided by a small creamery in Chambersburg," say Davis.

The station is located on Englar Road and it is in walking distance from McDaniel. It opens at 4:30 a.m. and remains open until midnight on weekdays. Weekend nights, the coffee house is open until 1:00 a.m.

Westminster Station provides an alternative to the Pub or Denny's and is an interesting twist between technology and eccentricity that isn't normally expected off Route 140. More importantly it's a coffee shop that is literally begging college students to get off campus and get involved.

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New Jan Term offers trip to Budapest campus

MEGAN ROBINSON
Co-News Editor

This Jan term there's a new option for students interested in an alternative study abroad program. Carole Waddell, Student Academic Support Services (SASS) learning specialist, is leading a group of up to fourteen students to Budapest, Hungary from Jan. 3 to Jan. 16.

This is the first time this class has been offered. Other Jan term classes have taken place in Budapest, but none have been quite like this one. This class was created to appeal to a more unique group of students, including those with disabilities, deafness, shyness, or even students that don't have friends to travel with.

This class is tailored to those students by participating in more events as a group. The itinerary for this trip covers not only the day time, but also evening time. Waddell said that students on this trip wouldn't need to worry about where to visit, who to go with, or how to get there; all of these plans would be prearranged. She described this trip as "sensitive to anybody's particular needs."

This class begins with a one day orientation at the main McDaniel Campus. Once in Budapest, the class will be traveling to Parliament, the Danube, Buda Castle, Hungarian National Museum, and many other historic and interesting locations. The trip ends with a closure experience at McDaniel's main campus to discuss students' experiences and discoveries. Waddell said this class was "a great opportunity to see this city that has a great historical and cultural background."

The idea for this trip came to Waddell when she was visiting a friend in Budapest in 2008. Waddell said she went on a trip to Prague and Vienna with students of the McDaniel Budapest Campus when she realized that certain students wouldn't be able to participate in such a trip. After

that realization Waddell did some research and wrote a proposal for this class which was approved last year.

This trip satisfies the Jan term and general studies requirement, and is worth two credits. Its cost is \$2,700, plus spending and meal expenses. The Archway has a full brochure and photos on the trip, or a brochure can be picked up in the SASS office. Also traveling with Waddell and the students on this trip is Tom Webb, director of SASS, and an interpreter, Carrie Scoone.

Students interested in participating in this trip should contact Carole Waddell in the SASS office immediately at cwaddell@mcDaniel.edu or call Waddell at 410-386-4691.



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Széchenyi Bridge links the two sides of the city, Buda and Pest.

The to-do list:

The campus community weighs in on organization

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

"I have many things to do... I will write them all down on a list so that I can remember them," Toad said in Arnold Lobel's Frog and Toad Together. Lobel's children's book character is not the only one making lists.

Life gets hectic and one technique to handle this is to write down what needs to be accomplished. For many people, making lists has been a part of their lives for a long time. "I've loved to do lists since, I bet you, junior high," said President Joan Coley.

"I do not remember a time when I didn't keep them," said Dr. Mary Bendel-Simso, an English Professor.

A to-do list can range from a short list of reminders to a huge list categorized by importance, time due, area of life it relates to, etc. Bendel-Simso writes a number of different lists, such as "the to-do list for the house, long range and short range stuff, my work, one with each class."

President Coley organizes her lists as well. "I even prioritize my to do list sometimes so I know how I'm going to go through it," Coley said.

These lists are not just helpful but crucial to those

that keep them. If she happened to leave a list at home, Bendel-Simso says, "I'd have my husband deliver it to me."

"I think with this current job, I couldn't do it without a to-do list," said Coley.

In support of the to-do list, Coley said, "I just think you accomplish more. I wouldn't go through the day without it."

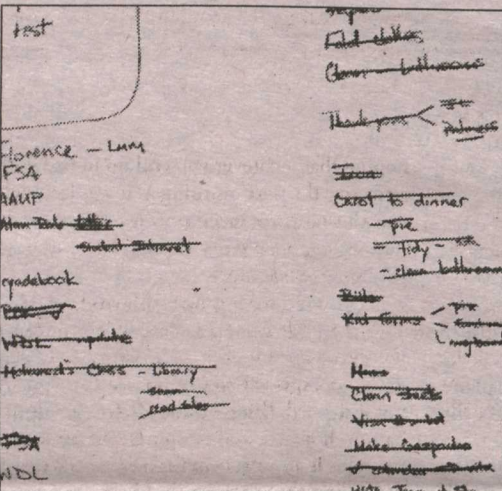
Faculty members and the president aren't the only ones jumping on the to-do list bandwagon at McDaniel. Senior Izzy Ennis, president of Gamma Sigma Sigma, said, "I am a fan of the to-do list."

"There is satisfaction to be gained in crossing things off the to-do list. I've added things to the list just to cross them off," Ennis said.

However, not everyone is a list enthusiast. "I am not a large fan of to-do lists," said junior Ben Andres, a member of the honors program. Andres added, "I've actually found that looking at large lists of things to do makes me more stressed than I would be otherwise."

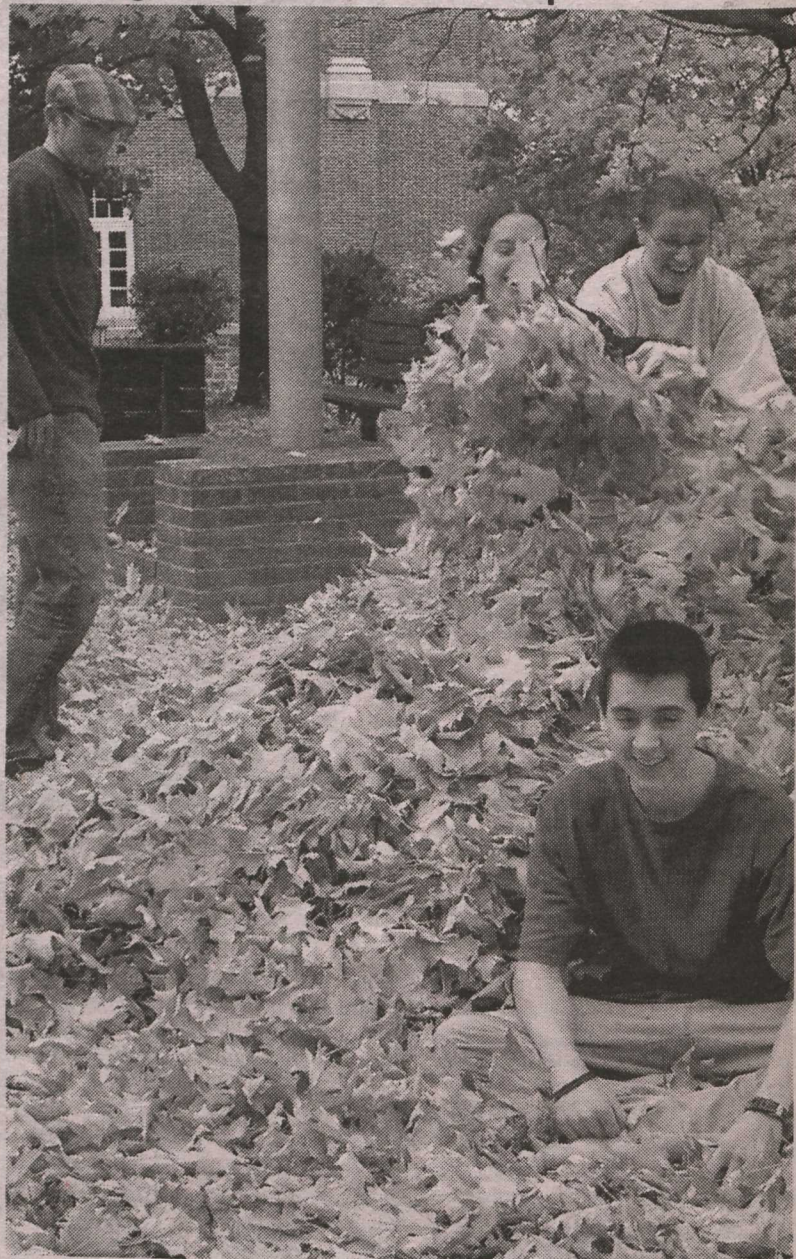
While many sing the praises of lists, others find it hinders more than it helps. For anyone who has never kept a list, give it a try. Whether you're opposed to lists or not, we can all agree on the desire for enjoyable, manageable schedules that leave time for relaxation and fun. And if the schedule is looking overly busy, there's always coffee.

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President Coley's to-do list, left, and Dr. Bendel-Simso's to-do list take very different forms, but both serve to keep their owners organized.

Falling leaves cover campus



JENNA LITTLE
Colin Donnelly, Clara Burgess, Krystina Schultz, and James Zito, freshmen, play in the leaves between Hill Hall and McDaniel Hall. The students encouraged others to join them in creating a pile of leaves in the cool fall weather.

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Weak economy still affecting students

ANDREW VELNOSKEY
Staff Reporter



With much news lately about the economy improving, there are still many college students who are feeling its ill effects. The economy is affecting students in all sorts of situations. It is influencing decisions for those just

entering college, it is affecting the way those in college pay for their education, and it is creating problems for those about to graduate.

FastWeb.com, a website dedicated to helping students find scholarships, conducted a survey in August that found that one-third of students preparing for college are changing their plans in some way based on financial difficulties associated with the slow economy. Of the people surveyed, 38 percent have decided to attend a less expensive school than they had originally, 35 percent say they are going to a community college before moving to a four year institution, and 31 percent say they will attend a school closer to home than originally planned.

Another way the economy is still affecting higher education is through enrollment and financial aid. Economic downturns usually stimu-

late enrollment in colleges, especially community colleges, according to the Community College Review. Many of these people are adults returning to college because they have been laid off or feel a need to expand their skills to avoid being laid off. With this increase in enrollment comes a further strain on financial aid programs. With more students applying for aid and less private money being donated to colleges for aid programs, there are fears that financial aid will not be available to all those who need it. So far however, these problems have mostly been prevented. Increased government money has helped balance out decreases in private donations at some institutions, and in others, private donations have not decreased significantly since many donors are wealthy enough to withstand the economic downturn (as an example, McDaniel's Carpe Diem campaign has gone over its goal and is still accepting donations).

Of course, even after being accepted to college, students must still overcome a multitude of financial difficulties. Books are expensive, meals are expensive, and student jobs are sometimes hard to come by and usually do not pay well. Book rental services have made lightened the financial load for students, allowing them to rent their books for the semester or year, and then return them when they are finished. This can save students over 50% of the cost of buying new books. Although pioneered by websites such as

Chegg.com, some publishers have begun to rent directly to avoid getting pushed to the sidelines by other rental services.

Finally, the situation for students planning to graduate may be the most frightening of all. What if you have spent the last four years of your life working hard only to be jobless after graduation? One option that many students are considering is going directly to graduate school. While most advisors would discourage students from going to graduate school just because they are afraid they won't find jobs, getting a post-graduate degree can be a worthwhile way to spend time during an economic drought. When more jobs do become available and there are many people competing for them, people with post-graduate degrees will stand out. In a September article, the University of Illinois Student Newspaper reported that US graduate school applications for the current semester are up 8 percent. However, admissions are only up 2 percent, so if you are planning to apply, make sure you work hard as an undergraduate to distinguish yourself.

There are however plenty of students who say they have not changed their plans based on the economy. Many were trying to save money even before the economy turned sour and have simply continued their efforts. Senior Natalie Hartman says, "I have tried to spend less and save more

money, but I think I would be striving to do that even if the economy weren't in bad condition. Any spending money that I do need while at school I earn working at the college bookstore. I work full time during the summer and that's when I really try to save most of my money."

For many students, concerns about what to do after college have to stay on the back burner for now. After all, you can't worry about what to do after college unless you actually finish college successfully. Senior Marzak Ahmed says, "My plans after college are to do museum studies and eventually work full-time in a museum. I interned over the summer at the Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, so I'm working towards that goal. I probably will go to graduate school, but I haven't thought too much about it at the moment. I'm more focused on doing well for my senior year." Junior Atlee Baker says, "My plan to go to Med school remains the same ... even in the face of needing large loans in the future."

For most students, the best advice is just to continue doing what you want to do. Try to go to school where you want to go, study what you want to study, and try your best to get a job you love after school. Of course, things might not go 100% according to plan right now, but a little flexibility and patience will get you there eventually.

SEX ON THE HILL



Getting down and dirty

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



Everyone knows the feeling. You're stressed, easily annoyed, and just generally cranky. The smallest things bother you. You lose the will to interact with other people. You are a sexually frustrated horndog.

There are several ways for you to deal with this, several of which are illegal in all fifty states, but there are other, more law-abiding options. You can hike up your jeans, put on your going-out shirt, and hit campus hard,

hoping that whatever you end up in bed with is as attractive the next morning as it was last night. Or you can take the more drawn out approach, and start asking people out on dates and hope that it goes somewhere fast.

Or, you can get down with yourself. Now stay with me. There are an incredible amount of taboos associated with masturbation.

It is expected that guys masturbate, it's just not discussed. Bring up the idea of female masturbation, however and people freeze up in terror.

This is absurd. Females have needs equal to or surpassing that of guys, and have an array of sex toys to prove it. Yes, there are sex toys for men as well, but they come with their own, very different reputation.

No one should ever feel ashamed for carrying out what are basic human needs. Additionally, no one should ever be judged. It's just not fair.

Masturbation is good for you: it releases endorphins, lowers your heart rate, and warms you up. It can help you fall asleep, or it can help you wake up.

So why should something so healthy be so taboo? Really the reason that everything else sexual is so taboo, is just because society has evolved that way.

So, when you have some time off from all that schoolwork, lock your door, dim the lights, light some incense, and see what you can find.

And let's try not to cringe every time the subject is brought up.

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Homecoming '09 wet but satisfying

It not only rained on the Homecoming festivities, it poured. It dumped. The day was a deluge. From the minute the ROTC group marched past the judges during the opening parade, through the final quarter when whistles blew to postpone play because of lightening, it rained. Prompted by the rain and Ursinus' blistering 48 to 13 victory over The Green Terror, the headline in the local paper read "Horrible Homecoming."

But not everyone agreed.

"Even with the bad rainy weather the game was a blast," said Senior Anthony Falgares.

"Homecoming was great, even in the rain, and even though we lost 48-13," said Sophomore Preston Ketchum.

Parade participants gathered at East Middle School in downtown Westminster before noon and joked about whether they'd reach campus before the rain began to fall. Halfway up the route, everyone looked up to The Hill and they could see the sheets of rain.

The closer participants got to the Hill, the more drops fell. And when they fell they pounded.

"I came home soaked, grass on my face and clothes, and mud all over," said Senior Ginny Odierno. "But being at the game was memorable and this homecoming on the Hill was one to remember for years to come."

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Tailgate snacks, from store-bought to homemade

J ELLIS
Staff Reporter

Tumultuous rain did not put a damper on McDaniel's homecoming festivities.

On Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009, alumni, organizations, and fellow students all came out to support the Green Terror's football game against Ursinus College of Collegeville, PA. The festivities began at 1 p.m. following this year's "Heroes" themed homecoming parade.

Prior to kick-off, Green Terror fans adorned in McDaniel attire gathered outside of Bair Stadium to set up their tents and bring out their grills in preparation for the big game.

Present were your traditional barbeque items, such as hotdogs and hamburgers. Deli sandwiches from Wawa and Subway were common food items in sorority and fraternity tents.

When asked how they made their pulled-pork, salad, grilled chicken, hotdogs, and spinach artichoke, Jordan Doss '11 of the Alpha Sig's replied that they only had one recipe: "Safeway."

At the basketball tent, McDaniel graduate Brooke (Weimer) Crawford '05 and Kristy Costa '06 enjoyed a taco

dip made out of cream cheese, sour cream, and taco seasoning. On the side was a bag of Tostitos to go with taco's filled with lettuce, cheese and salsa. And for dessert? Homemade brownies.

Under the same tent, the Women's Assistant Basketball Coach Phil Popielski slow-cooked pulled pork in barbeque and hot sauce. For his beef barbeque, Popielski cooked a shoulder of beef in a slow-cooker and seasoned it with Old Bay, pepper, garlic sauce, hot sauce, and barbeque sauce.

For McDaniel graduate Cori Simpson, tailgating at the homecoming game has become a family affair. This year's game will be the eleventh time that she and the rest of her family have come out to the football game. When asked what her favorite homemade food to eat at the game was, she replied, "My sister makes these butterscotch hay-stacks that are really festive and popular!"

Simpson says that her dad "is a huge fan of Giuliano-va Groceria & Italian Deli on Main Street in Westminster. Their anti pasta tray has become a tradition for us. It's delicious!"

This year was no exception! Simpson's tent featured Italian cookies, Cannoli's, Italian Meatballs, Italian Wedding Soup, Sausage, Peppers, and Onions, Sour Cream Potatoes, Salad with Bacon, Tortellini's (with cheese stuffing), pasta salad, and an anti pasta platter.



PHOTOS BY STEPHEN HIRSCHTHAL

TOP: The Green Terror mascot entertains onlookers at the 'Heroes' parade. CENTER: Cheerleaders from the McDaniel team walk down Main Street. BOTTOM: Following the example set by some fraternity members, sisters of Phi Mu enjoy the wet weather by sliding down the hill of Bair Stadium like a slip'n'slide.

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MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PART OF HOMECOMING?



"My favorite part is the gathering of people and families. My family comes every homecoming weekend to my and my brother. I play football and a lot more people come than usual. I like walking down the path and being cheered on; it's like we're a giant team."

JAMES SELFINGER, Senior



"I'm looking forward to my first college homecoming game!"

CLARE FARRELL, Sophomore



"I just transferred and it's my first semester so the concept is a little alien to me. I like the excuse for everyone to get together. It's about having a larger community, and what better way than to have an event and encourage everyone to participate."

CHRIS BOLESTA, Junior



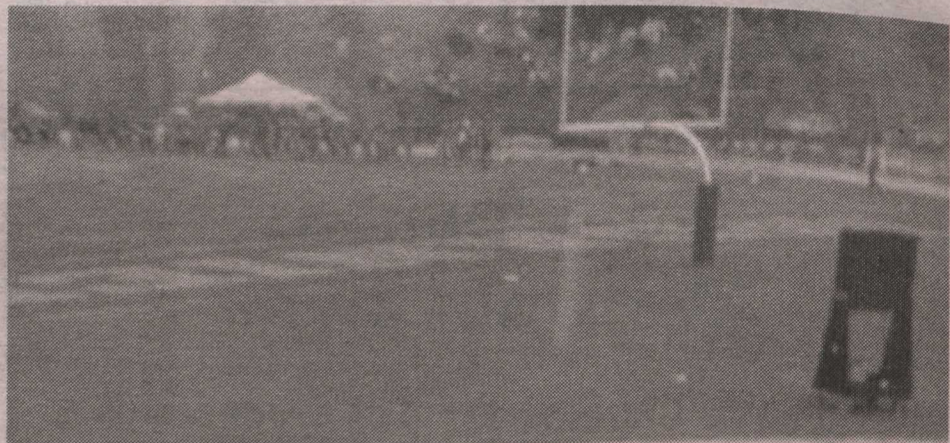
"Unfortunately I won't be here for it, but I'm looking forward to hearing about it from friends."

ELAINA CLARKE, dual enrollment



"It's an outdated tradition. I understand why people enjoy it because it brings the campus together, but I wonder if there aren't more productive ways to do that than watching a football game."

LAURA THOMPSON, Junior



KIM KALINYAK

Hail to the Homecoming court



STEPHEN HIRSCHTHAL



MARY JO COLBERT

TOP: Casey Crough rides through the parade as Homecoming Queen. The King, Zach Swope, could not attend the parade.
BOTTOM: The Junior court, Carmen Wong and KJ Mazurek, enjoys the dry start to the parade.

When McDaniel students received an e-mail concerning the nominations for the Homecoming Court, they responded and voted. Here are the results:

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| Seniors:
Casey Crough
Zach Swope
*Because the King is a football player, he could not appear on the float. KR Shultz stood in. | Sophomores:
Mae Alexander
Stefon Kelly

Freshman:
Victoria Bacon
Tyler Justice |
| Juniors:
Carmen Wong
KJ Mazurek | |

McDaniel got to see their Court in the Homecoming Parade. Even though the weather for this event was not what was hoped for, the Court still remained extremely well dressed and excited; cheering and waving in the parade. Overall, I think the weather couldn't damper their spirits. "I'm just so honored to be Queen," commented Casey Crough. And McDaniel is honored to have you all as your 2009 Court.

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Alpha Nu Omega takes home the Brant Cup

SARAH CHAVIS
Staff Reporter

As announced at the homecoming game, this year's Brant Memorial Cup was awarded to the Alpha Nu Omega sorority. The President of Alpha Nu Omega, Kaiti Reynolds, said, "By winning the Brant Cup it essentially shows that your chapter has the best leadership, community service, and all around involvement. We were honored to win the Brant Memorial Cup this year. We have not won since 1991 so we are very proud of this award."

During the 1976 Homecoming halftime show, Phi Delta Theta was awarded the first ever James Brant Memorial Cup in remembrance of Jim Brant, a member of the Class of '76 who died tragically. Since then, the Cup has been awarded annually to the best "all-around" Greek organization based on their academia, athletics, leadership, honor society membership, and community service from the previous school year.

The winner is determined by a point system assigned by the College Activities Office. With a total of 9 wins over the past 33 years, Phi Sigma Sigma has set a precursor for themselves and for the rest of the Greek societies to live up to.

What the Greeks have to say:

Alpha Sigma Phi:

"We try to have people involved in campus activities, from clubs to honor societies to sports teams. Also, we do numerous community service events over the course of the year. We help with blood drives, several events through the Baltimore Zoo (Zoo Boo and one around Easter) and help around campus, just to name a few. Also, we try to maintain a relatively high GPA, which can be difficult with a group of, on average, 26 to 30 members." Atlee Baker, President

Phi Delta Theta:

"Winning the cup would be a great accomplishment for our fraternity. We have participated in events such as St. Jude's, Nothing but Nets to raise money for Malaria, and will be walking in the Alzheimer's Walk sponsored by the gerontology club." Nick Bender, President

Phi Kappa Sigma:

"Winning the Brant Cup would mean that our fraternity has come a long way. It wasn't very long ago that we didn't even bother applying to win the Brant Cup. It would mean, to Phi Kappa Sigma, that our fraternity has grown by leaps and bounds over the past couple years, and it would be motivation for us to keep striving to get stronger so we can continue to win the Brant Cup.

In our effort to win this, we have members in various Honors Societies, including but not limited to, the Greek Honors Society (Gamma Sigma Alpha), Gamma Sigma Epsilon, and Tri-Beta. We also hold many leadership positions on campus, including the president of the Multi-Cultural Association, president of the Inter-Greek Council, and both the president and vice president of the Inter-Fraternity council. We have done several community service projects, including a "dorm storm" for our national philanthropy, Leukemia/Lymphoma, the Smash-A-Car event for Leukemia/Lymphoma, Relay for Life, and St. Jude's Up 'Til Dawn." Mike McNulty, President

Phi Mu:

"Winning the Brant Cup would be a huge honor for our sorority. We are always striving to be as active as we can be in the school community as well as the broader community through participation and leadership in clubs, honor societies and service projects. It would be a great honor to be recognized as a whole sorority for

being the best Greek organization on campus, as well as great recognition for all the hard work and dedication the individual women of the sorority have put into academics, school involvement, and their community.

"Phi Mu is always striving for the best from each of its members and finding ways to support our women. We encourage all members to participate in school activities and to strive for leadership positions as well as to get good grades. We have a committee dedicated to community service, who sets up such projects as volunteering at SERV international, Petsmart, Fall Fest, and the upcoming Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk." Anna Beers, Class of 2010

Phi Sigma Sigma:

"The Brant Cup represents a recognition that we would be both delighted to receive and humbled by. With that said, our sorority would be elated to accept the Brant Cup honor and know that we have helped portray Greek life in a light of excellence, as well as leaving our ladies with the feeling of pride: pride for themselves, pride for their sisters, and pride for Greek life. We would be grateful to win this award, as our sorority is always striving to be better, never wanting to settle for just good enough.

"We have developed scholarship improvement programs for those sisters who have requested help or drop below the standards we hold for them as a national organization. We continue to reward sisters for being leaders and receiving honors through ritual ceremonies. Many sisters wear multiple hats on campus. Some sisters play varsity sports, which we encourage, as it is conducive to fostering teamwork and goal setting. I believe Philanthropy has always been a strength for our sorority. We work very hard to support different charities as well as our National foundation, which gives scholarship opportunities to sisters."

Lindsay Anderson, President

Gamma Sigma Sigma wins 1st place float

SCOTT WELKOS
Staff Reporter

The football game wasn't the only competition held at McDaniel College this weekend during homecoming. Students, faculty, and alumni were invited to enter floats of their own design in the annual McDaniel homecoming parade.

15 students groups signed up for the event this year, which is more than in previous years, according to Sarah Shank, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving.

The parade, which held the theme of 'heroes,' began at noon Saturday, October 24. Participants began at East Middle School and ended at McDaniel's football field, a journey of approximately one mile.

Shank admits that the parade is never easy to put together. However, she finds the work to be rewarding: "Who doesn't love parades?"

Students do not need to be in a recognized group in order to par-

ticipate, though most entries are. A group of students interested in creating a float simply need to sign a contract which stipulates rules. For instance, you're not allowed to throw candy or other objects from the floats.

According to Shank, memorable floats from the past include "when the Sig Eps were here and the theme was 'TV Shows: Past and Present,' Chris DeRose, '07, sat in the back of a pick-up and was dressed like Archie Bunker from 'All in the Family,'" and in 2004 when the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority used a fire engine.

Floats are judged on the following criteria: Creativity, Interpretation of the parade theme, and the presence of the group's name on the float. The four faculty judges, as selected by the SGA, were: Dr. Mohamed Esa, Jennifer McKenzie, April Johnson, and Dr. Sismo.

Kappa Delta Rho won Best Letters on the Hill. Senior John Modica won the Griswald-Zepp Award. It was given Homecoming night at the SOS-Hinge Reunion activities. There is a large money prize attached to it.

FLOAT WINNERS

1. Gamma Sigma Sigma (Prize: \$300)
 2. Alpha Sigma Phi (Prize: \$200)
 3. Women's Issues Group (Prize: \$100)
- Student Favorite: Canine Companions for Independence (Puppy Club) : (Prize: \$50)



PHOTOS BY MARY JO COLBERT

TOP: Gamma Sigma Sigma's 1st place float is shown, titled "Heroes in Service." The group took home \$300.

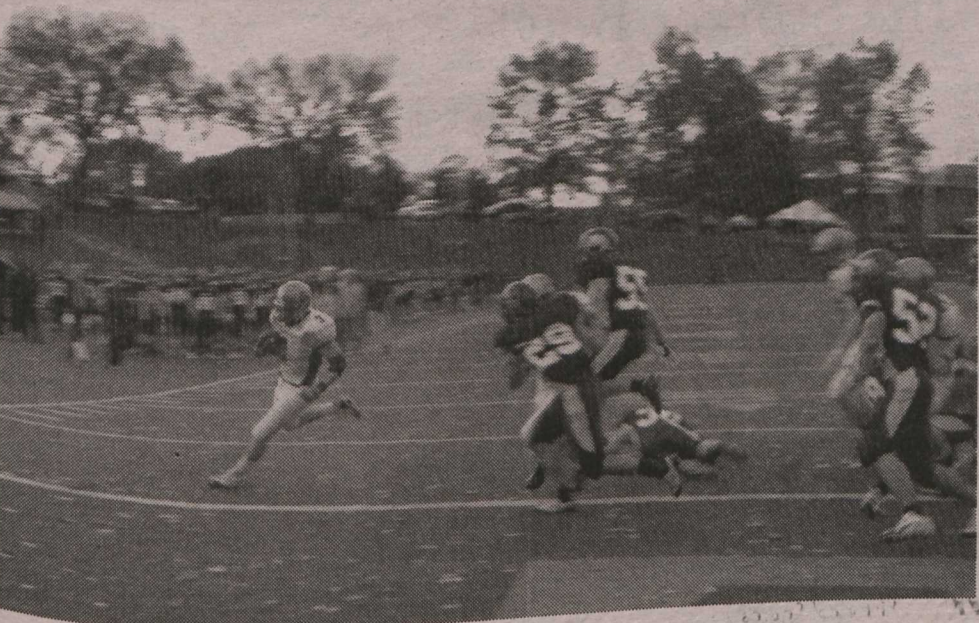
LEFT: Alpha Sigma Phi's 2nd place float is shown, titled "Alpha Sigma Phi-remen."

RIGHT: Women's Issues Group's 3rd Place float is shown. The group dressed up as famous historical figures.



TOP: Coach Keating walks away in disappointment from the field after the game was called for Ursinus.
CENTER: Green Terror players watch from the sidelines as the rain picks up.
BOTTOM: Ursinus scores in the fourth quarter, putting them up by 35 points.

PHOTOS BY EVAN TICKNOR



Homecoming a sopping disappointment for fans

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

A day filled with optimism, camaraderie and school spirit was quickly dampened by the rain and a Green Terror loss to the Ursinus Bears on homecoming weekend here on the Hill. McDaniel fell to 4-3 overall and 2-3 in conference play after the 48-13 defeat at the hands of Ursinus. Nothing seemed to go McDaniel's way on this day, as the thousands of fans who gathered on the Hill were left wet, cold and disappointed in the outcome.

From the opening kickoff, the defense proved ineffective in stopping Ursinus' running game, which totaled 276 yards on the ground. Tommy Prazenica, a senior linebacker, led the defensive unit with a career-high 12 tackles. On the other side of the ball, the offense finished with a season low rushing total of 25 yards and three turnovers.

Senior wide receiver Matt Cahill was the offensive standout finishing with a career-high nine catches for a career-best 140 yards and both Green Terror touchdowns.

Ursinus opened the game with a 10 play, 6 minute drive that led to the game's first touchdown. McDaniel quickly found itself in a 13-0 hole after another Ursinus score with 5 minutes remaining in the first quarter. McDaniel responded with Cahill's first touchdown of the day, bringing the score to 13-7, but the Green Terror would get no closer as Ursinus returned the ensuing kickoff 77 yards to increase its lead to 20-7.

By halftime, Ursinus had put this game away, heading into the locker room with a 34-7 advantage.

Upcoming games: Football

Oct. 31 1 p.m.
Franklin & Marshall vs.
McDaniel

Nov. 7 1 p.m.
McDaniel vs. Gettysburg

Nov. 14 1 p.m.
Johns Hopkins vs. McDaniel

When asked if the rainy conditions had any effect on the defense, junior defensive lineman Sam Cox answered with a resounding, "No."

Cox explained, "We just made too many mistakes on both sides of the football today." While it may be easy for some to place the blame for the loss on a particular player or unit, senior defensive lineman Jimmy Selfinger stressed, "We win as a team and we lose as a team."

While this loss will certainly tug at the heartstrings of fans and players alike, the Green Terror have three crucial games remaining on the schedule. When asked about the remainder of the season, junior quarterback Nick Brunner candidly expressed, "It's really quite simple, we can either hang our heads and feel bad for ourselves or we can go out to practice everyday and get better."

The Green Terror will have to regroup quickly as Franklin and Marshall, and Johns Hopkins, both of whom sit atop the conference standings, are due to visit the Hill in the upcoming weeks.

TERROR SPORTS

Midnight Madness opens basketball season for Hill

NICK BRUNNER
Co-Sports Editor

It's right smack in the middle of arguably the most exciting week on campus. The music is blaring. Sororities, fraternities, and sports teams begin to gather together as the rest of the student body piles in for what is certain to be a great night full of school spirit and anticipation for the upcoming basketball season.

The 2009 edition of Midnight Madness proved yet again to be a great time for all that attended. At a time when most of the real world is thinking about jumping into bed and calling it a day, on the Hill everyone was anxious to get the first look at this year's men's and women's basketball teams. You see, the teams are not allowed to begin organized practice until October 22, so in anticipation, Midnight Madness began at 11 o'clock on October 21. For the first hour sports information director and designated Midnight Madness P.A. announcer Luke Stillson got the crowd pumped up and involved in a number of fun activities.

The most exciting event had to be the shoot out competition. Student spectators were encouraged to form teams of three and were welcomed down to the court to participate in a shooting contest. Over one hundred students came down to compete but eventually the field was narrowed down and the winning team of three was awarded six free pizzas courtesy of Classico's Pizzeria.

While the shoot out and all the preceding festivities were great, the real fun began

at midnight when the teams took the court. After all of the members of the teams were introduced, they began warming up. During warm-ups there were shooting displays put on the woman and high-flying dunks by the men. The crowd was stoked and ready to see some live game action.

The McDaniel women were the first to take the court. In a fast paced ten minute inter squad match, freshman Caitlin Fisher stood out in her first dose of college action, and senior captain Ali Moreland hit a reverse lay-up as time expired. It was a fun atmosphere but all of the Green Terror ladies played hard and put on a show for the fans.

In between the two scrimmages, the Terror cheerleading squad gave us a preview of some of what they have been working on for the upcoming season. They will surely keep the fans energized throughout what will be an exciting season at the Gill Center.

The final event of the night was the much anticipated men's inter squad. It was obvious that the guys were looking to ignite the fans who had stayed up to get a glimpse of their first official team action. There were long three-pointers, ally-oops, and high-flying slama jamas. Sophomore Louis Sarris-Grau got the scoring started and then sophomore Marcus Dyson stole the show with a crazy dunk finish to an ally-oop.

As junior spectator Aaron Bonaccorsy put it, "Midnight Madness is a fun time and a great event. It says a lot about the school spirit here that so many people are willing to come out and show their support for our athletic teams. This is just another example of why I'm proud to be a Terror."



PHOTOS BY EVAN TICKNOR

TOP: Marcus Dyson shows his skills at Midnight Madness. The event, held on October 21-22, officially opened the basketball season for the Terror with a night of games and spirit.

RIGHT: Senior Ashley Lyles gets pumped up for the upcoming basketball season.



OutPickNick The Stinker Bowl

To say that there have been a ton of great games thus far this year in the NFL would be an understatement. We as football fans have been treated to highly anticipated games between great teams, division foes, and long standing rivals. This week's match-up between the Rams and the Lions however will not be one of those games. In fact, if the Rams do not get a win this week it is very possible that they could share the fate of last year's Lions and be entered into the discussion of worst team in NFL history. So just for fun, we decided to take a closer look into this battle of the bad and make a few predictions for Sunday.

Matt's Prediction...

The Detroit Lions have long been considered the worst team in the NFL; after all they are the only franchise to finish a season

0-16. This coming Sunday, however, they will finally be the better team on the field. The St. Louis Rams come to town, owners of a 0-6 record and they will be leaving town with a seventh loss. While the Rams have Steven Jackson, a talented running back, at their disposal, they have struggled to get the ball into the end zone all year long. The inconsistent play of Mark Bulger at quarterback will continue even against the Lions. The Lions will have no such struggle to score touchdowns, even if their talented rookie quarterback, Matthew Stafford cannot play. Stafford or his backup, Daunte Culpepper, will rely heavily on the ultra-talented wide receiver, Calvin Johnson and serviceable running back, Kevin Smith. Ultimately, I believe this game will not be close, as the Detroit Lions will distance themselves from the lowest tier of NFL teams, with a convincing 28-9 victory over the Rams.

Nick's Prediction...

Matt is right about one thing, the Rams do have Steven Jackson. On a mildly competitive team, Jackson would be a perennial MVP type player; he is that talented. He enters the game third in the league in rushing yards but has yet to find the end-zone yet this year. In a match-up such as this, one great player might be just enough to decide the outcome. While the Lions have some talented offensive players in their own right, neither one of these teams boasts anything closely resembling a good NFL defense. So if Jackson gets any support what so ever from former Pro-Bowl quarterback Marc Bulger and the passing game, the Rams should be able to leave Detroit with their first win and end their 17 game losing skid. Matt says a nice round score, but this game will be far from normal so let's say the Rams take it 25-19.

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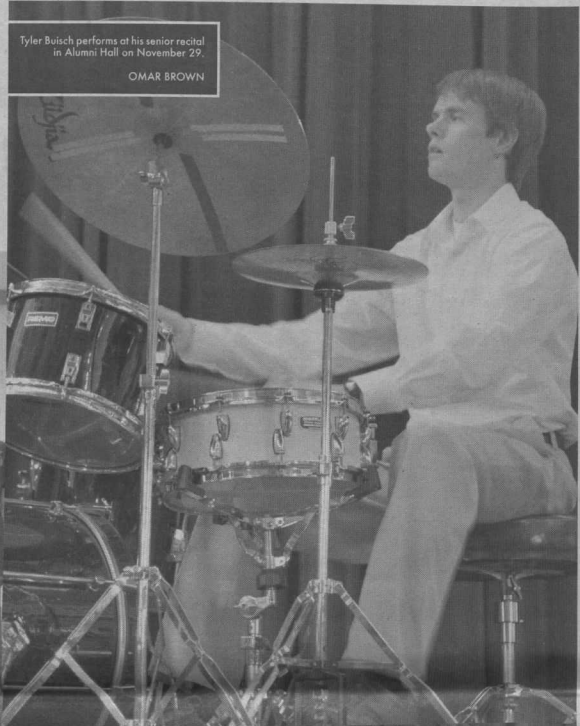
Joey Steinberg takes advantage of the Hill's snow pack by Whiteford. On the weekend of February 5, the blizzard of 2010 hit the mid-Atlantic, dropping more than two feet of snow on McDaniel. The school was closed for more than two days in a row, with more snow on the way Wednesday. For full coverage of the 'Snowmageddon', see pages 6 and 7.

COLIN MILLER



Niya Willis sings a solo at the fall Voices of Praise concert in the Forum.

OMAR BROWN



Tyler Bulsch performs at his senior recital in Alumni Hall on November 29.

OMAR BROWN



After a wonderful dress rehearsal, the cast of The Vagina Monologues was disappointed to hear that the performances scheduled for Feb. 5 and 6 were cancelled due to inclement weather. The Vagina Monologues, by Eve Ensler, is part of V-day, a global movement to end violence against females. Attempts are currently being made to reschedule the performance, which would have benefited the women of the Democratic Republic of Congo as well as the Rape Crisis Intervention Service of Carroll County and Family and Children's Services of Carroll County.

SAM SEGAL



TWO WEEKS IN PHOTOGRAPHS

New president selected in unanimous vote

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On December 17, 2009, the Board of Trustees, in a unanimous decision, selected Dr. Roger N. Casey as the ninth president of McDaniel College.

Casey, who is currently the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost of Rollins College in Florida, will replace current president Joan Develin Coley as of July 1, 2010.

"Never in my life did I see this happening," said Casey, "but I came to see that I thought I could do good. You have to accept the mantle of responsibility, and this place really felt right."

Casey and his wife, Robyn Allers, visited McDaniel for the first time in early November, after the committee decided he was the leading candidate in the large pool.

"We had every detail of these people's lives laid out before us and it was clear," said Mary Lynn Durham, vice chair of the Board of Trustees, "he is so outstanding so many ways, and fulfilled every single one of our search criteria."

A week from then they returned for a public visit, including two meetings with the faculty, one with staff, one with student representatives, and a dinner with the trustees. He also attended a dinner at the president's house and the annual tree lighting ceremony.

"After that visit, I had emails pouring in from faculty, saying 'go get him!'" said Durham.

Casey joined Rollins College in 2000 as Dean of Faculty and promoted in 2006 to his current position. From 1991 to 2000 he was an Associate Dean and professor at Birmingham-Southern College in Alabama. Casey received his M.A. and PhD in English from Florida State University and his BA from Furman University in his native South Carolina.

"Students will like [Casey] because he speaks at your level," said Dr. Lewis Duncan, president of Rollins College. "When we have our beginning of the year ceremony, he will often break into a rap song. He wants to break down that barrier."

Casey, a first generation college student, grew up in a small town, and said that his eyes were opened at age 22 when he first traveled to another country. Since then, he's been to 69 countries. In 1994, he was named a Fellow of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, which sponsored his travel to 16 of those countries over a four-year period, during which he examined the role of vision in the creation of community.

"I spent a lot of time in Bali, which is a monocultural society with one belief system, but lots of poverty. In India I spent half the time with the poorest people and half with the richest. This was before the digital revolution, I hadn't seen that kind of pov-

erty before," said Casey.

The most important things for Casey to learn about, he said, are who the students are, where they are coming from, and how to make McDaniel a better college.

"I want to be around at events, to be engaged in the lives of people at the college," he said, adding that he particularly likes how the President's office is at the heart of the college in the student center, not offsite a mile away. In fact, one of his first priorities will be improvement to Decker as well as the first year dorms.

Casey and his wife are hugely involved in the arts. He has been a theatrical producer, director, and actor, mostly recently in 2006 in a production of "Devotedly, With Dearest Love: The Letters of Zelda and F. Scott Fitzgerald."

Allers served as the interim director of the Cornell Fine Arts Museum at Rollins, and they were both extremely pleased to have a reception at the Carroll Arts Center, said Casey, "we will not forget the arts."

"He and his wife are both very present on our campus, and we will miss him. But he's ready to president. From everything I've heard about McDaniel, it will be a great fit," said Duncan.

Another passion of Casey's is studying the impact of "Generation X" and "The Millennials." He is so attuned to a college students' generation, in fact, that it drives him crazy when professors tell students to put their phones away while in class.

"It's the same as telling everyone to put their pencil and paper away. I tell everyone to turn their cell phones on and tell people on Facebook what we're talking about, take a picture, tweet about it, create buzz," he said.

Casey has his own twitter, with which he posts quotes he admires, opinions on current issues, and even references to popular culture (i.e. "This just in: Paula Abdul will head up 'Death Panels' in this fall's newest hit on the CDC").

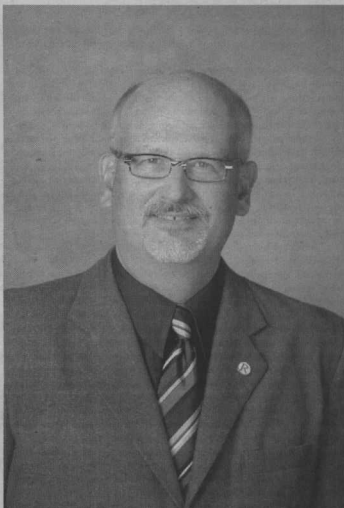
"I love Twitter because it's like writing a sonnet. You're limited to only 140 characters," he said.

According to Durham, Casey is already talking with Joyce Muller about improvements to the website and how we can further web-based communication.

"He's very interested in technology we can use to teach, but doesn't replace pedagogical techniques," said Durham.

Casey also has a Facebook account, and encourages students to friend him, saying "friend in my life is more a verb than a noun these days."

Although Casey and Allers were in Laos the day his selection was announced, he did write a letter to the members of the McDaniel community, which can be found on the website, along with further biographical information.



A Sampling of Dr. Casey's Tweets

- "Twain: Commentators have already thrown much darkness on this subject, . . . we shall soon know nothing about it. Health-care reform?"
- "Years said that education is not the filling of a pail but rather the lighting of a fire-but is the fire under the pail or in it?"
- "Congresswoman Wilson still argues the health bill gives illegal aliens equal access to death panels. No. They must work when sick."
- "Greider: we need to build a new economy recycling all the stuff we've already made."
- "Nedderman: There are more cures for male impotence than malaria. Isn't this a problem?"

A Presidential Timeline: The history of McDaniel's leaders

COMPILED BY KATE DELENICK

1867-1886 James Thomas Ward, D.D.	1886-1920 Thomas Hamilton Lewis, A.B., A.M., D.D., LL.D.	1920-1935 Albert Norman Ward, A.B., B.D., D.D., LL.D., L.H.D.	1935-1947 Fred Garrigus Holloway, A.B., B.D., D.D., LL.D., L.H.D.	1947-1972 Lowell Skinner Ensor, B.A., B.D., D.D., L.H.D., LL.D.	1972-1984 Ralph Candler John, B.A., S.T.B., S.T.M., Ph.D., L.H.D., Litt.D., D.H.L.	1984-2000 Robert Hunter Chambers, III, A.B., B.D., Ph.D.	2000 - 2010 Joan Develin Coley, A.B., M.Ed., Ph.D., L.H.D.	June 2010 Dr. Roger N. Casey
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Students' Opinions Considered in Presidential Search

MEGAN ROBINSON
Co News Editor

On December 17, 2009 McDaniel College named its ninth president of the college. Dr. Roger N. Casey comes to the college from Rollins College in Florida where he worked as Vice President of Academic Affairs and provost. Dr. Casey was named president by the Presidential Search Committee including student representative junior Ben Cowman.

The committee was comprised of board members who also served on the transition committee, three faculty members, one staff member, and one student representative. The student representative, Cowman, also serves as Executive Vice President of Student Government Assembly.

Cowman said that while any student could have served

as the student representative, he was chosen because he expressed interest in serving on the committee and the administration was familiar with him through his work on SGA. As Executive Vice President of SGA, Cowman brought not only a student's perspective to the committee but also a broad knowledge of the institution's policies and administration.

Cowman felt it was "important to have a student member that is informed about a lot of different issues on campus." He said he felt "when you know what's going on in the whole institution, it sheds a whole different light on the college."

Despite his well rounded knowledge about the institution, however, Cowman did not only contribute his own opinions to the Presidential Search. Cowman held a focus group of about thirty students in the beginning and then again in the later part of the fall semester to address con-

cerns from a variety of different students. This focus group was made up of students from various organizations around campus including the All College Council, the Resident Assistants, and Greek Life.

Cowman expressed the difficulty in presenting all the perspectives of such a large student body, and accurately addressing every individual's concerns. However he feels he did the best job he could of representing the student body. Despite being the only student representative he feels he "made an impact on the committee."

Cowman expressed that he was very pleased with the candidate they selected. Cowman believes that the Presidential Search Committee chose the best fit out of an "extraordinary pool of candidates."

In addition to being very well qualified, Cowman feels that Dr. Casey can "take every decision that [he] makes and relate it to the students."

Hoover Library adds new furniture, workstations

MEGAN ROBINSON
Co News Editor

Students studying in the library this semester might notice some new additions. The library recently invested in some new furniture to accommodate students' with a need for a different kind of workspace.

The new additions include two new group stations, technology rooms, and movable furniture.

The group stations are both located on the first floor of the library. These new stations are designed to set up a group around a central point. They consist of a large circular desk separated by partitions into three pods, which each comfortably sit three people. One of these workstations come equipped with iMacs, and both have electrical outlets in the desk, to make it easy for students to plug in laptops.

The technology rooms located on the third floor are closed rooms that can be reserved and rented out, which are equipped with chalk boards and large iMacs. These rooms were created to give groups of students a place to work on a louder project that requires more privacy, such as a presentation or screening a movie.

Movable furniture is yet another innovation in the library. Several chairs and desks on wheels are located on the first floor. These are ideal for students who want to create their own space to work together.

An alternative to the traditional wooden carols are located on the lower level. These are better suited to students that need quiet, individual study. They are L shaped and provide more space for the student to spread out their school work than the typical wooden carols.

These additions were chosen and designed by Jessame Ferguson, Director of Hoover Library. She worked together with a Creative Learning Spaces Group which consisted of the head of Information Technology, Ester Iglic, two student representatives from the Student Government Assembly, a representative from administration, and a representative from faculty. The group gathered to discuss different learning spaces used in libraries across the country to decide which types of furniture to experiment with purchasing.

Ferguson explained that the purchases were an experiment, and future purchases will depend on the students' reactions to the new additions.

Ferguson said she is "interested to see what people's reactions are." She wants to see if the new furniture functions the way it needs to. She also wants to know "what appeals to students that helps them do their work better, and go in that direction."

Ferguson is soliciting students' reactions to the new furniture in two ways. The first is an open house being held on February 5 at 2:00. Ferguson is speaking at this event, and there will be self-tours to showcase the new additions. There will be comment cards available at this event to gather comments from students.

Another way students can provide reactions is at the library's blog: <http://hooverlib.wordpress.com/information-commons/>. Ferguson can also be reached directly for comments at jferguson@medaniel.edu.

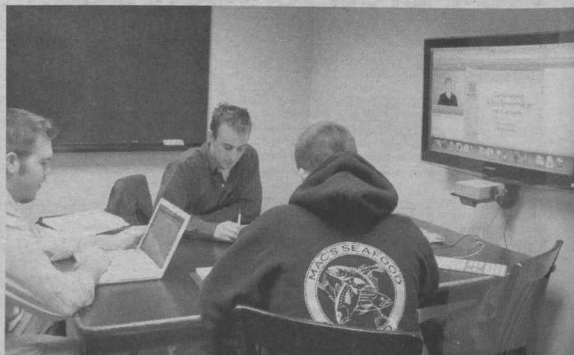


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ABOVE: Left to right: Junior Ben Cowman, senior Dave Castle, and sophomore Zach Weeden use one of two technology rooms on the third floor of Hoover Library.
BELOW: Sophomore Dan Green, and sophomore Megan Robinson demonstrate using the study corners now scattered throughout the library.

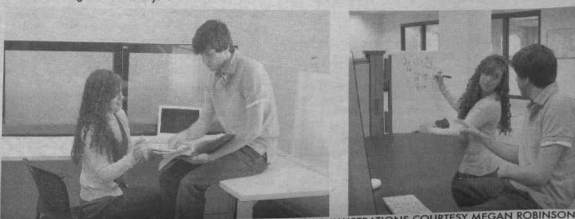


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New TVs now display SGA channel 80 around campus

MEGAN ROBINSON
Co News Editor

Students returning for the spring semester may notice new LCD televisions in popular locations around campus. These new TVs display the new Student Government Assembly channel, which in addition to being shown on the new TVs, can also be viewed on campus cable station 80.

The channel was created as a central place for students to look at to find out about events and happenings around campus. The station will display weather, campus and national news, upcoming events on campus, sports media, and advertisements from clubs.

Clubs and other organizations from around campus can submit pages and news request to be displayed on the channel by submitting to the SGA a form which can be found on the student intranet. Ben Cowman, Executive Vice President of SGA, said the channel was created to take gen-

eral information and provide it in a way students would be interested in looking at.

The LCD televisions displaying the channel are located in Englar Dining Hall, outside of the Pub, and by the Information Desk in Decker. Cowman said the SGA is looking to expand the project to include placing televisions in academic buildings and resident halls.

This project was eight months in the making, according to Cowman. He said that he and Dave Castle, SGA President, first got the idea at a leadership conference last spring. After some debate over the format, they decided on a broadcast channel on the campus's closed circuit cable. The channel itself is maintained by SGA Vice President of Communications, sophomore Brendon Coll.

SGA is the visionary behind the project, but not the only financial contributor. The project is additionally funded by the College Activities Office, Information Technology, and the Physical Plant.

College Activities Programming Board Corner February Events

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| Thurs., Feb. 11 | 9pm - 11pm | Ensor Lounge |
| Stuff-A-Buddy
Come and create your own keepsake stuffed animal. You can make one for yourself or as a give-away. The buddies are: black labs, eagles, Bengal tigers, penguins, pandas, lions, cows, koala and love bears. There are a limited number of animals. | | |
| Fri., Feb. 12 | 7pm | Decker Auditorium |
| Movie: Law Abiding Citizen
Jamie Foxx and Gerald Butler star in this thriller which focuses on a man, who returns ten years later to extract justice from the assistant district attorney who prosecuted the case against the killers of his wife and daughter. | | |
| | 9:30pm | Decker Auditorium |
| Twilight Saga: New Moon
Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner star in this next installment in the Twilight series. Bella is devastated by the abrupt departure of Edward and her growing friendship with Jacob. Her loyalties to both are tested. | | |
| Thurs., Feb. 18 | 10pm | Pub/Terrace Room |
| Comedy Night #1: Tom Cotter
Tom's high energy and rapid-fire style of comedy will leave you laughing. He has had his own half hour special on Comedy Central. He won best stand-up at the Las Vegas Comedy Festival. He has been on the Tonight Show, Comedy Central's Premium Blend and the Last Comic Standing. | | |
| Fri., Feb. 19 | 10pm | Pub/Terrace Room |
| Comedy Night #2: Arvin Mitchell
Arvin has hit the comedy scene running since he debuted on BET's Coming to the stage. He has been performed at the Boston Comedy Club, The Laugh Factory, and the Comedy Store. He has participated in the Las Vegas Comedy festival and Just For Laughs. | | |

Thanks to the members of CAPBoard last semester! They were:
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We have room for more, and we welcome your participation!
CAPBoard is open to all undergraduate students.

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Come to the Free Press staff meetings,
Mondays at 7:30 in the Writing Center.

TRAGEDY IN HAITI

McDaniel community gathers hope, donations for Haiti

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

The McDaniel community is organizing a coordinated effort between campus organizations to raise money for Haiti relief in a week-long series of events called Hears for Haiti.

Originally, International Club and McDaniel College Radio planned to organize a relief effort centered around collecting clothing and materials, but shifted the focus to raising money. Working in conjunction with Mahlia Joyce at the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, the advocated participation from willing campus organizations. On Thurs-

day, Feb. 4, representatives from Circle K, Peace Club, German Club, Gerontology Club, Humans versus Zombies Club, and Music Honor Society congregated in Decker Auditorium in response to the call to service.

John Maddrey addressed the club representatives, explaining that one hundred percent of money raised will be going into the Hears for Haiti account set up by Joyce. It is likely that the money will go to the Clinton-Bush Haiti Fund.

"This event has got Haiti back 100 years," said Maddrey, emphasizing the importance of Hears for Haiti.

Here is a tentative schedule of events:

2/12 Kick-off Dance Event in the Forum (WMCR and International Club)

2/13 Get Stupid with the Cupids dance (Gerontology Club)

2/16 Fat Tuesday (German Club)

2/17 Vigil in Ensor Lounge (Circle K and Peace Club)

Each event will feature opportunities to donate to the Hears for Haiti Fund. Additionally, Music Honor Society also plans to sell singing valentines, dates will be auctioned for the Cupid dance, and the week will conclude with a dodgeball event. There are also plans to get local restaurants involved.

Keep an eye out for updates, as the schedule will become more defined in the days to come. This will be an event you will not want to miss!

Technology simplifies donations for Haitian relief efforts

DEVON McANDREW
Staff Reporter

Hope collapses at the sight of the crumbled and broken-down structure of the Presidential Palace located directly in the city of Port-au-Prince, Haiti. This building was the oldest structure in the city and provided a home for their leader as well as hope for the people when it had survived previous small earthquakes and a larger one in 1946.

As it lays in ruins, it serves as a reminder that Haiti will never be the same; its history has changed forever.

On January 12, 2010, The 7.0 M earthquake struck Haiti leaving 170,000 dead (as of January 26, 2010). There are still over 30,000 missing and 1.2 million homeless.

Haiti had already been declared the poorest country in the western hemisphere and this tragic earthquake left the country even more broken with no one to turn to but the rest of the world.

McDaniel College students can perform simple actions to help out the people of Haiti.

The easiest way to donate money is through any cell-phone carrier by text messaging "HAITI" to 90999 to donate \$10 to the Red Cross relief efforts, "YELE" to 50150 to donate \$5 to Yele Haiti's Earthquake Relief efforts, or "GIVE10" to 20222 to donate \$10 to Direct Relief.

At McDaniel there are 1,700 students and if every student donated \$5, our school alone could raise \$8,500.

The Red Cross has also been sending a lot of donated blood to Haiti. The blood donation go to seriously injured people in Haiti.

iTunes offers a collection of songs put together by various artists called Hope for Haiti Now. This album offers 20 songs for \$7.99 and 100% of the proceeds go to the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund (see CD review in this issue by Rula Zaru).

On campus, Resident Life is hosting Hears for Haiti, a semi-formal dance, in the Forum on February 12, 2010. This event will include music, food and a silent auction. The silent auction will have items donated from the community and students on campus and all of the proceeds will go to Haiti.

"I don't think Americans in general are doing as much as they could be doing for Haiti," said freshman Catherine Frondorf. "Compared to third-world countries who are making an effort to help Haiti, such as Belize, the United States could be doing a lot more."

A little donation can go a long way.

REVIEW

Artists band together to produce 'Hope for Haiti' CD

RULA ZARU
Staff Reporter

Hope for Haiti Now is a live album that was released on Saturday, Jan. 23. Not only is this album full of wonderful musicians and beautiful music, this album has a purpose. It encourages hope, spreads sympathy and compassion, and it influences all citizens of this Earth to make a difference in their world.

So whether feeling helpless, distressed, content, or afraid, listen to this album. Get inspired, and help make a difference in your world.

Hope for Haiti Now features 26 artists and bands including Madonna, Bruce Springsteen, Stevie Wonder, Alicia Keys, John Legend, and Taylor Swift.

Although the album is listed in the pop genre,

it features several different musical genres due to the diversity within the artists. After listening to "Stranded," a song performed by Jay-Z, Rihanna, Bono, and The Edge, I felt encouraged and no longer hopeless about the effects of the earthquake on Haiti.

The chorus: "When the sky falls and the earth quakes we gon' put this back together we won't break." This verse sends

hope to those struggling in Haiti and reason for individuals wanting to help Haiti and its citizens recover from this tragedy.

"...not gonna leave you stranded" reminds Haiti that she is not alone; the world is here to help.

Hope for Haiti Now had over 150,000 album downloads within 2 days

of release.

All profits go to Haiti Earthquake-Relief Donations.

So far over this album has earned 3 million dollars in profit to the Haiti Earthquake-Relief Donations.



McDaniel speaker runs literacy education foundation in Ghana



PHOTO COURTESY MAIRE HUNTER

Free Press reporter Maire Hunter attended the 2007 inaugural graduation of the Esiam Heritage Academy in Ghana.

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

Six years ago, Kwesi Koomson and his wife Melissa, both teachers, moved to Ghana and opened their first school, the Esiam Heritage Academy. Since its launch, the school has grown to fourteen times its original size.

The Koomsons gradually improved the school by buying and renovating an abandoned factory. Almost immediately they started their second school, the Ochio Heritage Academy, when they heard a nearby village school was going bankrupt.

According to a census from 2000, only 57.9% of Ghanaians are literate. Local public schools are funded by the government, which often means they are unreliable in providing teachers and supplies.

Students at the Esiam Heritage Academy graduated with a 100% pass rate on the national exam in 2008 and 2009—especially impressive in a district where the average pass rate on the exam is about 42%.

The Schoerke Foundation offers scholarships to poor students unable to afford to attend school otherwise. Students who excel on the national exams may be offered scholarships through 13th grade.

They are currently implementing a new program to begin summer 2010 that will offer scholarships to Ghana-

The Schoerke Foundation

- Established as a 501(c)(3) in 2006
- Currently serves more than 700 pre-k to grade 13 students in two schools
- It only costs about \$75 to support a student for a year

ian students and grants to U.S. college students to allow them to participate in a three week summer program. This summer they plan to work on building an 8-unit classroom block, setting up a school garden, and making tables & chairs for elementary school students.

Volunteers will spend time teaching, reading and other subjects to students, as well as helping with building construction, painting classrooms, and making furniture. High school students from both Ghana and the U.S. have the opportunity to study together and tutor younger students.

Kwesi and Melissa Koomson run the Schoerke Foundation from Westtown, PA, where he is the head of the math department and she is the work program and volunteer coordinator at Westtown School.

Kwesi McDaniel will be speaking at McDaniel at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16 in Hill 017. He will present a PowerPoint and answer questions about the foundation. For more information, visit www.schoerkefoundation.org.

'Snowmageddon' hits McDaniel



On Sunday, students trudged through two feet of snow to gather in the Quad for a giant snowball fight.

MEGAN ROBINSON

Epic snowstorm: memorable for some, annoying for others

KATE DELENICK
Co-Editor-in-Chief
SOPHIE DIVEN
Staff Reporter

Milk and bread were flying off grocery store shelves and the lines to check out were almost unbearable. "I went food shopping Thursday afternoon and it was extremely chaotic. The lines went all the way down the aisle and I thought I was going early," Senior Ginny Oderno said.

Residents across six states were stocking up on the staples in preparation for a snow storm that would not soon be forgotten. For many college students things like hot pockets, chips, Ramen noodles, and alcohol were must-haves.

As Friday afternoon rolled around the flurries started falling and anxious students were planning pajama parties and hot chocolate socials. In a few short hours our college community was blanketed with over two feet of snow which continued throughout the night into early Saturday afternoon.

Students chronicled their experiences during this epic storm. Some were bored, some stayed indoors, and some brave students ventured out into the sea of white.

Waking up to over a foot of snow, hundreds of McDaniel students rushed into Glar. The lines were long, the conversation was loud and the food went fast. Brave students trekked to Walmart on foot but Walmart ran out of salt and shovels, so college kids came back with buckets to dig their cars out of the snow. The mood in the dorm was mellow. Everyone was catching up on work and hanging out with their friends. Wrapping their feet in plastic bags for insulation, students walked over to the golf course to sled. Overall, the day was productive, fun and relaxing, although there were few places to go and fewer things to do.

- Sophie Diven

Friday night, North Village: Danni Long and I learn how to play "Party in the U.S.A." on guitar. Then we harmonize. We learn at least five other songs together. Saturday, North Village: Pancakes are made and eaten by six of us family breakfast style. Star Wars Marathon, followed by

half of the Fellowship of the Rings, followed by Clue. Two trays of baked ziti are produced somewhere in the movie progression. Throughout the day there is talk of playing in the snow. It never happens.

- Naomi Raphael

Watching the Superbowl with friends! Just got the news that school is canceled tomorrow and hoping my internship out with just a tiny little scraper that is currently inside my car...going sledding tonight for the third time!

- Juli Guiffre, editor-in-chief

Saturday around 12:30 I went to glar, waited in line 20 minutes for an omelet, but it was WORTH IT! By 1:30 I ate tempted some homework but within a half an hour I'd given up on my homework and invited friends over for hot chocolate. At 3:30 I went sledding and thought I was going to die on my way there with the snow up to my thighs!

- Megan Robinson, news editor

Around 4 pm on Friday night I headed home for the weekend. Made several jokes about how I'd be the one laughing when I wake up tomorrow to only an inch of snow. But Saturday morning the joke was on me. I called out of work and began my day of laziness. Around 2 pm I finally finished reading "Dear John" even though my plans for seeing the movie this weekend were squashed. Later I watched a JONAS marathon while baking cookies. I was trying to heat things up in the house.

- Lauren Miller

Saturday, 4:00pm-5:00pm: Becoming bored from 2-3 hours of homework, I find myself attracted to the sight of students walking outside my window near the Quad. My curiosity compels me to suit up and follow the caravan. Following them to the football fields, the caravan splits into their individual herds. Looking at the tracks below some have reached as far as the tennis courts while others are visibly sledding near the stables. Not wanting to get my pants wet, I remained on the clear path. While walking past Gill gym toward North Village I ran into a couple friends: Kelechi

Ajoku, Julie Tarinne, and Ellason Spenser. They were waiting for, Maria Oviedo. After reaching Maria over the phone, we decide to head over to Maria's. Rumors are circulating that students are building an igloo though nothing resembling an igloo can be found. Next, we went only Maria's second experience with snow. Then the clock hit 5:00 and I headed to Glar.

- Karla Holland

As students woke up Sunday morning the sun was shining and many students began digging out their cars and making plans for the Superbowl. A common question on many students' minds was, "I wonder if we'll have class tomorrow?"

The chatter began circulating mid-morning thanks to some campus safety officers that mentioned to some students that classes would be cancelled on Monday. But the website hadn't yet made any announcement.

Commuter student and senior Monica Horner didn't want to get her hopes up on a rumor so around lunchtime with her eager housemates and friends surrounding her she called the Campus Safety Office where they confirmed truth to the rumor.

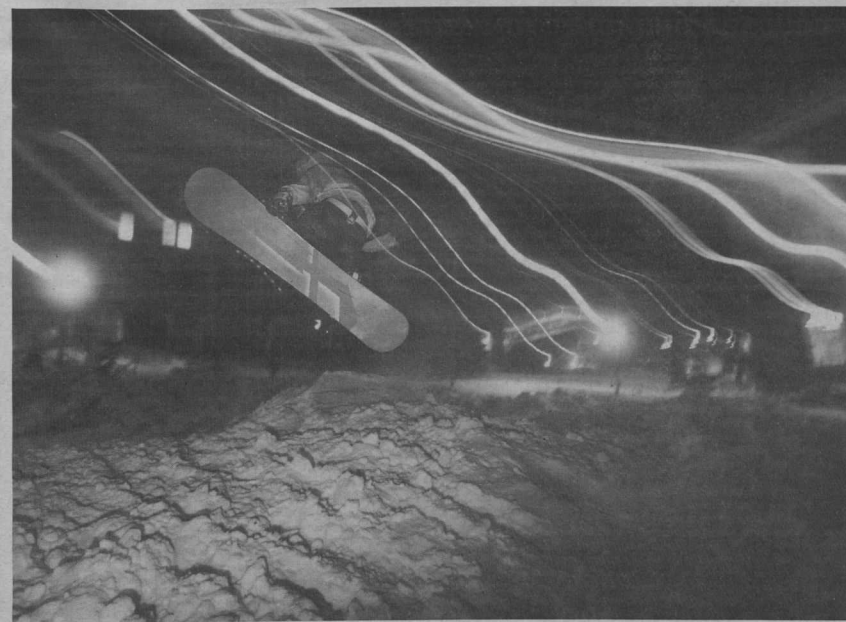
"Campus Safety is always there to help me out and always has the right information...I knew they'd have the answer for me," Horner said.

The McDaniel website displayed the announcement a few hours later.

It was an epic storm that had plenty of people in a panic but also bonded students in a way that perhaps only a blizzard could. Senior Kristina Shavitov summed her entire weekend experience saying,

"I got to spend all weekend with my friends. I was at a pajama party Friday, all day Saturday my friends and I played in the snow and sat around a fire in my backyard drinking hot chocolate...on Sunday we got the news that school was cancelled for Monday. It was great. It was stress-free in the sense that everyone kind of took a break from school work and just had fun. You don't get to do that very often in college but the snow slowed us all down literally and figuratively."

At press time, weather stations were predicting another 10 to 20 inches of snow. Free Press staff member had to halt coverage to make deadline, but the reporting will continue in our next issue.



Spencer Brown joined his friends in snowboarding down the hill between Hill Hall and Whiteford Hall after the snow ended this weekend.

COLIN MILLER

Last semester, Contrast Literary Magazine held a Fall writing contest. Two winners were selected from each category, prose and poetry. The winning pieces are published below. Contrast is now accepting submissions for the spring magazine at contrastlitmag@gmail.com.

PROSE FIRST PLACE

A Choir of Perceptions

Written by: Seth Marple

If the fall were diffracted into its phases, it'd be quite simple: standing, falling, fell.

The leaves are green. I swear they were green. They were green yesterday. I swore they seemed they'd look green tomorrow, but they're yellow - all bright, shiny, and, well, yellow. It was so quick; summer was just here with green grass and warm sunlight. Winter is just too cold.

Looking out the window, I see only leaves being plucked from their tree. How beautiful they must've been yesterday, hanging upon that tree. The bright yellow leaves seem to me little jewels dancing across the sky, little stars shooting from a falling constellation. If only that didn't mean tomorrow will be so dark.

The brisk wind whips me, strips me, flogs me; my beauty is torn off. One, two, three, four: they all are thrown off me and cast away, as wrack along the shore. The clouds spit on me, the chills deepen. Ignore. Forget. The snow comes. I sleep.

You like the leafy crunch under your feet. It's satisfying. Luckily they all fell yesterday, apparently. The trees were bright and orange; now they're bare, twiggy, like giant hands reaching up towards the sky, empty and outstretched. All in a day, full fell.

The screams of a falling leaf,
the groans of a naked tree:

Must we be crunched?

Must they be stripped?

But the pain,

The misery!

See, cruel,

So terrible!

repetition breeds
human dearness.

Pain every fall;
Joy in standing up.

See another way;
see into life's diffractions.

So perfect.

The fall is the brief period between standing and being sprawled on the ground, between green trees and bare branches, between thunderstorms and snow showers; it's the moment everything is in perfect suspension as you hover in midair between standing and being on the ground; and it's earth's floating time: a whole season where Earth is an yellow leaf in the fall.

SECOND PLACE

A Naked Forest

Written by: Clark Johnson

November was a good time to go walking through the woods. He liked to walk when the trees were naked and the ground was dying with brown and orange leaves decaying into the soil. He liked to walk when the sky was full of clouds and it was cold enough to put on an extra shirt underneath a dully colored field jacket. Before he went walking he would find a bottle of half-drunken Irish whiskey from somewhere in the house and pour half a glass. Then he would go to a bookshelf and pull down a well worn copy of short stories he had bought many years ago, and he would take the book to the desk overlooking the orchard outside and drink the whiskey while he read *The Three-Day Blow* or *The End of Something*. When he had drunk his whiskey and finished his story he would put on his jacket, lace up his boots, and call his dog, who would come trotting out from in front of the fire if there was one, and wait to go outside.

Today, he felt like a long walk. So, he decided to go alongside the swamp. There was a good forest there and the ground was sure to be dying. He walked out the backdoor and as soon as he had shut it he heard a car coming in his driveway and saw his brother park and get out of it. He had not expected his brother but he didn't mind. Maybe he was in the mood to go walking too.

"Hello Andrew," his brother said.

"Hello Jack," Andrew Miller replied. "I was about to go walking by the swamp."

"That sounds fine," his brother answered. So they put their hands in their pockets and followed Andrew's dog towards the naked forest creaking in the wind.

The two brothers were great friends and always had been for the most part. The dog along very well and acted enough alike but few people apart from themselves knew how very different they were. There were things Jack would never be able to understand, and things Andrew would never be able to do, but they never got far enough to let that interfere with their friendship.

They walked in silence across the wet field, long since mowed down for winter, past the lonesome apple tree and into a corner where the ground began sloping down towards the swamp. They skirted the edge of the thick brambles and thorn bushes until they found the opening in the forest where they cut in and entered.

"Why are you here, Jack?" Andrew asked. Jack frowned.

"I thought you would have greeted me better after such a long time."

"If you had showed up earlier we could have had a drink."

"Sorry I missed that."

"It's a shame, I guess."

"I guess it is," Jack bit his lower lip as if he were thinking hard.

"I'm sorry for showing up unannounced but I wasn't sure about anything."

Trees and trees and trees
Low in their fire
(later I ripped off a fingernail that turned into a gash)

dying was just like
light of a gas explosion shattering the windows and
the pitch of the light on
glass

faith deceived the glass that glass was sand once,
and now
it is again

but now awake I barely see the night going away
like dimes
to the pavement, I can stay here for miles)

Lifting night

sealing off the rooms Mae left open when she was
tired

rummaging to the horizon
full of November, huffabout,
gasping to gray vastness of a new season

always driving toward
untouched sound

The doors opened wide
Wide open in the caustic libraries
Formed blank with print turned illegible because

(The kids don't know who they are
But we do)

Because we have no one to blame but ourselves!!!

The mouth leaves a myth in a grin in a room,
Here are all the things and things and things, they
have all been smoked open.

Our saints and dead uncles stay still until
they get by,
really they never left our lungs
Still, the wind I'm not sure what to do with
so put it
here, in this poem

I say I search the streets for losers
Who had lived without matches
Who stole something like light in the dorm

(Mae searched for them in the shower rooms till
they came out damp and also high
so naked and naturally tangible
they were all queer)

I say I run down the most unfamed highway past
the gape of black hills
It's a long way to Maine, then it's a long way back

In a prismic run down these roads
The color of all faith cried and melted and died,
like death was a war is a tree

POETRY FIRST PLACE

Dimes in the last hours of October

Written by: ???

The movement of feet on a dreamt floor
Coming fast like the memory of dyes against a picture
of rooms strange
To color and sound

Queer kid in the green shirt showed your leg up
against my knee,
then grabbed my face with them looking

I once went outside in October
the headlights, necked in dark softness over white
grass, gleamed on the
shed window, wind was holding the rain
said the dog got dripping wet
drippy drippy
drip

I heard all the bells by the square crashing
singing the hour

There at the service station near the tracks
A storm of proud empires comes silent toward
November, as if from the gas tank that the
dark attendant filled by his
hand hands
here

and that another car goes into the street and the
city
is the regular closeness of silence and the hour

I dream: next to a room I held a sea once
it looked like your face,
so I let go
said it rained

SECOND PLACE

One Autumn

Written by: Ashleigh Smith

One autumn and a few days later
I walked outside to find
that my shoebox of a house
had been flooded by a sea of leaves,
gold and red,

a messy tide pulled in and out
by swirling winter winds and
waves capped by young yellow droplets of leaf.

Wading through pools and puddles
I work to gather the aftermath
into a single mountain next to the submerged shed
to await a trash truck future
as my missing yard dries out,
peeking hints of brown and gray
of the impending winter storm.
Stray gusts steal lonely leaves from the crest
of the pile, nearly person-high,

and a deep breath, and a leap
and impulse takes over, feet-first,
I jump into the lake of leaves,
scattering them like splashes of water
all over the briefly empty grass.
Swimming to the top, my laughing is muffled
by the insulating leaves and then carried
through bare treebranches as a silent echo
into the early evening twilight.

One autumn and a few days later
I let the ocean of falling leaves
lap the shores of my house and reach
equilibrium.

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW

'Greek' star Spencer Grammar talks about upcoming season

LAUREN MILLER
Staff Reporter

At the end of last season, "Greek" viewers were left with many unanswered questions. The Gamma Psi and Zeta Beta Zeta rivalry was just heating up when the ZBZ's managed to burn down the Gamma Psi house. Dale and Rusty were nerd fighting over a huge grant for their science projects. Calvin was trying to get Grant to come out to their brothers so their relationship could be less of a secret. And Casey and Cappie finally reconciled their relationship. With all the possibilities, the Monday Jan. 25th premiere of "Greek" is destined to be full of drama and surprises.

Spencer Grammar, who plays Casey Carrwright, recently talked about the show via telephone conference. She gave some details on the upcoming season. A lot seems to be in store for the students at Cyprus-Rhodes University.

This season is the last year of college for a lot of the older characters, including Casey. "This season Casey focuses on going to Grad school and figuring out what she's going to do with her life post college. She starts seeing what her specialties are. She is still interested in political science even though she and Evan had broken up years ago and is pursuing maybe going to law school," said Grammar. "Her and Cappie are back together so that's definitely becoming a pull for her and it'll blossom as the season goes on."

There are also a lot of guest stars who will be coming into the series this semester. "From last season Nora Kirkpatrick, who plays Katherine, is definitely on the show. We have Lea Thompson; you meet Cappie's parents and she plays Cappie's mom," said Grammar. "We also have Sam Page who was on 'Mad Men' for a while. He was great. I worked with him for a couple episodes. We had some pretty great actors this year who are great stars."

There is one difference "Greek" fans will notice this season. The show got pushed back to the 10 p.m. time slot on Monday nights. "They (ABC Family) set up a block of their favorite shows. 'Secret Life of the American Teen,' 'Make It Or Break It' and 'Greek.' The 10 o'clock time slot isn't as competitive as the 9 or 8 spot and I think it's showing ABC Family's strong points by having these three successful shows," said Grammar.

Although she's not often in the Grant and Calvin story line, Grammar alluded to how their dealing with coming out to a fraternity house may be played out. "Grant is coming out for the first time and also hasn't really explored what his idea of being gay is. Calvin has a way of being comfortable. Not every gay guy is flamboyant and loves dressing a certain way. They're human beings. I think they'll play with that a little bit. There's a bunch of funny stuff where he's doing his hand and trying on different outfits. The story is the ultimate acceptance of being gay and that not being a derogatory thing. Of course there's going to be some from the Omega Chi house who are going to create conflict and of course people who are going to be accepting," said Grammar.

Also this season the ZBZs are working hard to secure their #1 spot in the sorority ranks again. "ZBZ is focusing on still becoming the number 1 house so we're still working on that," said Grammar. "Casey is trying to get on Katherine's good graces again (after turning down the VJ spot)."

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Of course, the long awaited Casey and Cappie reunion will finally be played out on screen. "Casey and Cappie are together. You'll see them dating. You're gonna see where their differences are. Which happens when people are like 'We're gonna get back together' and 'We're gonna try to make it work' and it doesn't work out the way you think it's going to be. College is a growing period for people, you know, and I think they get to a point where Casey might be going one place and Cappie is not sure where he's going yet. But love overcomes all in the end. You'll see them dating and you'll see them in their own lives," said Grammar.

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McDaniel and Environmental Action Committee make recycling easier

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

It's easy, help the environment, and it's a hot topic at the beginning of this semester. No, it's not saving paper by protesting homework. It's recycling.

"The bags that Housekeeping will be using for recycling bins will be green from now on, instead of the old white ones," said Michael Robbins, Director of Residence Life, in a campus wide email sent to McDaniel Residential Students.

"The green bags will be placed in all of the recycling containers throughout campus. For the North Village, Garden Apartments, P.A. Avenue Houses and residence halls, there are... recycling containers and built-in recycling that will have the green bags in them. Students do not need to get green bags, just put recycling in the recycling container," said Ms. Mary Jo Colbert, Director of Conference and Auxiliary Services.

"Recycling bags had been white before. Now they're going to be green, which are more biodegradable. The white bags had been confusing. Students had bought their own bags, so students would see white bags in the trash and think the school didn't recycle," said Colbert.

In addition to the switch from white bags to green, RecycleMania began at the end of January. "It's a competition between colleges. McDaniel will be tracking how much recycling they have.

There's a blank gauge outside the dining hall," said Colbert.

"You can go to www.recyclenman.org for more on the competition," said Sanita Patil, president of the Environmental Action Club (EAC).

EAC is "going to set up a recycling station outside of GLAR for recycling ink cartridges and plastic grocery bags, and will hopefully be getting more regular recycling bins around school, especially Decker," continued Patil.

As far as what is recyclable, Colbert listed "Plastic, metal, glass, and paper. When in doubt you can ask," Colbert said. "It's comingled. Everything can go in the same bin."

Additionally, Colbert said, "As for the Pepsi containers, a newspaper or glass bottle can go in that container. I don't think people realize that all the recycling can go into that container." While the container is shaped like a bottle, that doesn't mean it's restricted to similarly shaped material.

While all recyclable material can go into the same container, it's important to be careful that no trash gets tossed in. "If there is food waste or other garbage placed in a receptacle, though, the entire bag is considered contaminated and will not be recycled, so please be sure to pay attention where you are disposing of trash on campus," mentioned Robbins in his email.

We're a consumer society, but not everything we use has to end up in a landfill. So as Colbert said, "Just make sure and recycle."



SOPIE DIVEN
Staff Reporter

WHAT WAS YOUR WORST VALENTINE'S DAY EXPERIENCE?



"When I was a freshman, my ex boyfriend was too cheap to buy me anything for Valentine's Day. He thought it would be a great idea to give me something that he had bought for another girl. Too bad he got caught. The worst part is that his best friend rated him out. Any guy who would go that low doesn't truly care about his girlfriend."

KATHERINE FRECHETTE, junior



"My ex boyfriend thought it would be appropriate to bring a friend out on our 'romantic' dinner date, so I brought along my friend who doesn't get along with him. They got in a fight and we missed our reservations and we ended up eating fast food."

HALEY DOZIER, freshman



"I was 16 and it was the first girlfriend I ever had and I talked to her like a week before about how silly Valentine's Day was. I thought she agreed with me [so] I didn't get her a gift. That was a major mistake."

STEPHEN GOMEZ, senior



"Valentine's day is unenjoyable for people who don't have somebody because seeing everyone else in love is really depressing. Adding chocolate into the situation makes you fat and gross."

JASON HARDER, sophomore

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GETTING POLITICAL

Is America calling for more change?

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"It's not the Kennedy seat, and it's not the Democrats' seat, it's the people's seat"

One single line could very well help right the course of America and the presidency of Barack Obama. This single line sums up the campaign message that propelled Scott Brown to victory in the blue state of Massachusetts. For the first time in over a half a century a Republican has won a senate seat in the Bay State. In a state where only one-third of the registered voters are Republican, it is clear that the people of Massachusetts have had enough of business as usual in Washington D.C. President Obama won the White House with the support of independent voters and the promise of bringing change to a government in need. However, over a year has passed since the inauguration and Americans still see no sign of this change being enacted. Was this vote simply about the people of Massachusetts or was it a referendum on the liberal agenda that is being

spoon-fed to the American people? Early indications point to rough water ahead for President Obama and his Democratic comrades if they do not drastically correct their course.

To pull off such a shocking upset, Scott Brown had to orchestrate a strong, grass-roots campaign to relay his message of government restraint. Most of the time this election would barely be newsworthy in the state of Massachusetts and back page news almost everywhere else as another Democrat would assume the seat and vote the party line in Washington. However, this year a win by a non-Democrat would cost the party their 60th vote in the Senate, ever important as this would insure that they would no longer hold a super-majority and be able to fast-track their agenda through the floor of the senate. Basically, without the right to filibuster, bills could be signed into law without opposition or meaningful debate and discussion.

This election had such national importance that President Obama was able to find time in his busy schedule, between making Super Bowl predictions and sitting in with the commentators at a Georgetown men's basketball game, to make his way up to The Commonwealth and downplay

Brown's credibility and highly effective pick-up truck advertisement. As was the case in New Jersey and Virginia, the voice of the people resounded above that of the President and the democrats were defeated for the third time in the past three months. Vital indicators are beginning to suggest that President Obama's idea of change may not be in agreement with that of the people, even those who voted for him during the election. A recent Gallup Daily Presidential Poll (January 30, 2010) suggest that 47% of voters approve and 47% disapprove of the job the President is doing, making him the most polarized president in history after only one year in office. Furthermore, a new Nasdaq Daily Presidential Poll (January 30, 2010) suggest that 61% of U.S. voters focus on more immediate health care reform and focus on more immediate ways to improve the economy and create jobs, while just 30% of voters nationwide think Congress should press ahead with health care.

It appears that President Obama is beginning to lose the support of voters, especially those who carried him to victory a year ago. Independents. Despite what people want and what these polls clearly illustrate, President Obama has shown no signs of altering his stance. Unlike the President,

Scott Brown seems to be listening to the people, he observed, "One thing is very clear as I traveled across this state. People do not want the trillion dollar healthcare plan that is being forced on the American people, and this bill is not being debated openly and fairly." Brown was very clear throughout his campaign that he would be the forthright voice against the current healthcare bill. He believes the bill will "raise taxes, increase government spending and lower the quality of care, especially for elders on Medicare." He goes on to say, "I support strengthening the existing private market system with policies that will drive down costs and make it easier for people to purchase affordable insurance."

These are certainly trying times for the many Americans and the Obama administration. Does he forge ahead with his healthcare bill. Or does he take a step back and reconsider his position? The next few months may very well seal the fate of President Barack Obama. If he listens to the polls, and quite frankly did before him, Obama has a chance to revive his presidency. If not, he should be ready to move back to Chicago after just four years in the Oval Office.

Afghanistan is to Obama as Bush is to Iraq

ROSS SMITH
Contributor



President Obama recently gave a speech on foreign policy, announcing his intentions to increase troop levels in Afghanistan by 30,000 in order to win the war on terror.

A speech intended to provide unity and patriotism merely echoed President Bush's deceitful rhetoric for invading Iraq. A mirror image of ideas, Obama's plan will simply further our countries involvement in another unjustified war. This reckless attempt at making America safer will achieve no such goal. It will only promote deeper debt, more military casualties and a wicked trend of policing the world.

Running on a platform of "change" and criticizing John McCain for being more of the same, President Obama, ironically enough, is

just George W. Bush with a different swagger. Directly after the terrorist attacks of 9/11, President Bush called our nation to arms in order to defeat those who attacked us. While his initial plan of sending military forces over to fight al-Qaeda was justified, things quickly changed as our nation was deceived into invading Iraq, a scheme that should go down as one of the most despicable acts any US President has ever taken.

Today, President Obama is using the same platform, justifying his actions as a way to fight terrorism and make our country safer. However, this course of action has nothing to do with defeating the culprits of 9/11. Current reports suggest that al-Qaeda's numbers and resources in Afghanistan are deteriorating, posing a negligible threat to our national security. General James Jones, Obama's top national security advisor said "The al-Qaeda presence (in Afghanistan) is very diminished. The maximum estimate is less than 100 operating in the country, no bases, no ability to launch attacks on either us or our allies." Still, many defend Obama's

plan on the merits that al-Qaeda attacked us from Afghanistan with support from the Taliban government. Conversely, the 9/11 commission report concluded that there is "no evidence that any foreign government - or foreign government official - supplied any funding" to al-Qaeda. Since we are supposedly fighting terrorists, why don't we invade Sri Lanka, as they commit more acts of terrorism than any other country? The reason is because Obama plans to re-build the Afghan government, just like Bush planned to rebuild the Iraqi government.

According to our Constitution, only Congress has the authority to declare war, yet countless military engagements since 1945 have occurred without Congressional consent. Furthermore, when politicians don't declare war, the wars don't end. The United States defeated the Axis Powers in under four years because we declared war, set clear objectives and fully committed ourselves to the task at hand. Today, this supposed "War on Terror" is going on nine years, yet no end is in sight.

Unfortunately, in our two-party system,

Americans have a lack of options- both the Democratic and Republican parties support this war in Afghanistan. However, Americans have another alternative. The Libertarian party is the only party that opposes America's current foreign policy and truly believes in saving American lives and restoring our civil liberties.

Thomas Jefferson said in his inaugural address: "peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none." Following our founding fathers advice and pursuing a non-intervention foreign policy would accomplish more than any just-war ever did. It is the right direction would require our military-empire in over 100 countries to live. As a result, we could save thousands of lives, hundreds of millions of dollars, and the credibility this great nation once had as a role-model for the rest of the globe.

If you are upset with both parties and seek a real party that promotes peace, freedom and prosperity and want to learn more about Libertarianism, contact Ross Smith at ras10@mc-daniel.edu.

SPORTS COMMENTARY

Tiger on the Prowl: How the golfer's world came crashing down

MATTHEW BODNAR
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Arguably the most recognizable athlete in the world today is Tiger Woods. Woods has won 14 professional major golf championships, the second highest of any male player, and 71 PGA Tour events, which is third all time. He has more career major wins and more PGA Tour wins than any other active golfer. He is the youngest player to achieve the career Grand Slam, and the youngest and fastest to win 50 tournaments on tour. You have seen Tiger's face promote numerous products on T.V., including Nike, General Motors, American Express, Accenture, and Gillette. The man has his own video game and was once considered the most marketable athlete in the world. These illustrious achievements and multimillion dollar contracts all led to the moment in 2009 when Tiger Woods became the first billion dollar athlete.

Tiger's immensely private world and immaculate record came crashing down around him late Thanksgiving Night 2009. According to police reports, Florida Highway Patrol responded to a single car accident in a posh Florida closed-gate community. Woods hit a hydrant and a tree around 2:25 a.m., the Friday after Thanksgiving. Police found Tiger Woods unresponsive, lying on the road covered in a blanket and resting his head on a pillow. Tiger's 2009 Cadillac Escalade was found hugging a tree in his neighbor's yard, just out of reach of his own driveway. His wife, Elin, told police she used a golf club to smash the back windows of the SUV to help him out. The suspicious accident and Woods' refusal to answer questions about it fueled speculation about a

possible dispute between the golfer and his wife.

These speculations ultimately proved to be true, as Tiger's world of privacy ended the moment the crash became publicized. Rumors were flung around the Web, as multiple sources claimed that Tiger was having extra-marital affairs, while his wife cared for their two children at home. The first woman brought into the public eye was Rachel Uchitel, a personal trainer at the New York club scene according to most reports. Uchitel quickly denied any involvement with Woods, but within days, new women were coming forward to acknowledge their own affairs with El Tiger.

Today, the number of alleged women who have claimed affairs with Tiger Woods has reached double-digits. The professions of these women have included models, adult entertainers, reality TV show contestants, 20 year old waitresses and a 40 year old mother. Tiger has released statements via his website. On December 2, 2009, Woods acknowledged transgressions and requested privacy for himself and his family. On December 11, after more women came forward claiming to have grazed Tiger's bed, a statement was released informing the public that Tiger would be taking an indefinite leave from golf. Tiger finally admitted to ordering from the menu, instead of only looking when in the state-mint he professed, "I am deeply aware of the disappointment and hurt that my infidelity has caused to so many people, most of all my wife and children."

And so the world wonders when Tiger Woods will return to the game of golf. As of January 2010, numerous reports indicate Tiger is at a sex rehab facility. These reports are unconfirmed, but one must consider this highly probable considering Tiger had mis-

resses littered across the United States and Europe for that matter. And so what is the effect of Tiger's downfall here on the Hill? Can his image possibly survive such a black eye? Junior Sam Cox believes, "The whole situation is ridiculous. Tiger is a golfer, what does his personal life have to do with golf?" Meanwhile, Junior Matt Pace points out, "This was the worst thing that could have happened to Tiger obviously in his personal life but also financially. Tiger's value as an advertising giant was centered around his apparent spotless public image, now that is gone." Regardless of one's position concerning Tiger Woods, it has to be known that Woods made a terrible mistake. A man has a responsibility to his wife and family, and let's be honest, Tiger failed miserably.

Woods now has to deal with the consequences of his actions. Over time, Americans have been found to be very forgiving. Michael Vick has been forgiven to some degree. Tiger Woods course. This is a travesty, as the immoral, irresponsible actions of Tiger Woods will be forgotten. Adolescents in this country need to know what Tiger did was wrong and learn from those mistakes. Tiger Woods is no role model at this point. He needs to make public appearances detailing his mistakes and illustrating his plans to seek forgiveness. He needs to advise the young days of Gillette and Nike commercials; Tiger needs a new spokesperson because he becomes a man who owns up to his faults and he needs to fix his marriage and raise the younger generations the dangers of fame, money, and sex.

Lighter Side of the Campus Safety Blotter

Editor's Note: The Lighter Side will return in the February 25 issue of the Free Press.



Cum, See, Conquer.

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



When asked if they've ever faked an orgasm almost every girl I've spoken to has said yes. This remains unsurprisingly common among women. Most of them don't seem to think that it's rude or insensitive; it seems to be simply something that is necessary from time to time. However, men don't always have a similar view.

The general consensus I've found is that if it's a one time thing, or a casual hook-up, guys generally can't even tell if the girl's faking it, and if they do, it doesn't matter as it's a casual thing. Guys in relationships become more of-fended and understandably so.

"I can definitely tell if a girl I'm in a relationship with is faking it," says senior Evan Tic-

knor, "it bothers me because relationships are supposed to be about open communication. I understand the logistic—a girl's not going to cum every time."

It seems to me that if you're faking it, it means one of several things:

1. You're not enjoying the experience.
2. It's been going on for too long and you're bored.
3. You're not comfortable enough with the person to be that open.
4. The other person's not doing their job well.

Girls are not the only ones who fake it. True it is much more difficult for guys to fake finishing, but they can still fake enjoying something. "I've faked enjoying it," says Ticknor, "sometimes I'm tired, or I just want to watch Raratuille."

So what's the answer to all this? Is there an answer? I'm not sure I know, I think we need to be comfortable. However, in our culture of one-night-stands and weekend hook-ups that point may be unattainable.

This is not to say that sexual acts can be fun without orgasms, quite the contrary. However, I don't think lying to each other will work forever.

Editor's Note: This column, written by Naomi Raphael is dedicated to exploring some of the 'taboo' topics about gender and sexuality. To contact her regarding Sex on the Hill, email freepress@mc-daniel.edu.

MLK celebration resonates with thoughts of pride, accomplishment

Shared Dream

By Emma Kartalia. Elementary Student at William Winchester Elementary. Winner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Writing Contest

So many years ago America knew a man. A man who gave his life for freedom, for friendship. A man who had a dream. A dream that I now share. Peace, harmony.

I try to do small things. Small things that will help peace prevail. I hear crying on the playground, its exclusion, disruption. It is disruption of the peace.

The peace some have tried to savor. Like that man so long ago the girl down on the playground knows how it is to be looked down upon. Distress anger.

I stood up for that girl. I stood up for harmony. I stood up for others. Just as the man with a dream did so long ago. Pride, triumph.

To this day I remember that moment. It gave me strength. It gave me courage. I will always remember the shared dream.

JETONNE' ELLIS
Staff Reporter

"I stood up for harmony," is the phrase that continues to resonate in my mind days after McDaniel's dinner celebration in honor of the Reverend King. Almost 57 years ago Dr. King envisioned an America that would one day realize its self evident truth—that all men regardless of race, creed, or color are equal. Today his legacy lives on.

As I sit in a room full of women and men, black, white, and shades in between. I cannot help but think of how far WE, as a nation and as a world, have come since that day in late summer of 1963.

My mind goes back to Mahalia Jackson's song "We Shall Overcome" which became the soundtrack of The Civil Rights Movement. She sings "...We are not afraid, everything's gonna be alright..." For it was per Jackson's request,

that day at The Lincoln Memorial, that King shared with the crowd 'the dream' that he'd had.

And on this day, February 1st, 1960, four black students from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College performed their non-violent "sit-in" at The F.W. Woolworth Company's all-white lunch counter.

There is no other place in time then celebrating the lives of those who fought to eliminate social injustice. To achieve the social harmony that Emma so eloquently speaks of: The Little Rock Nine, Mahalia Jackson, Thurgood Marshall, Mary McLeod Bethune, Linda Brown, Medgar Evers, Jackie Robinson, John F. Kennedy, and so many others that go unrecognized. Their contribution, no matter how big or how small, is living proof of a shared dream that in 2010 has come to fruition.

DEAF SAVVY

Deaf Awareness month approaching

MARISSA GRAFF
Staff Reporter

This is the first edition of 'Deaf Savvy', a place where Deaf Culture can be discussed, questions asked and answers provided. Deaf Awareness month on McDaniel Campus starts March 22nd and continues through April 16th. To celebrate Deaf Culture I would like to share some insights, interesting quotes/facts/trivia, and answer any questions this campus might have about Deaf Culture and ASL. There may be occasions where I won't know the answer and will enlist the knowledge of some Deaf friends or experts.

"Deaf communities had theatrical societies, literary circles, masquerade balls, organized debates, sports teams, and travel groups. The Deaf culture had that had taken root in the schools for deaf children cropped up all across the country in deaf clubs for adults. People came together to sign, to help each other, and quite simply, to have a good time," said Lasander Saunders, in Through Deaf Eyes.

Deaf Culture is more than a common bond

of not being able to hear; it's filled with Deaf humor, music, art, poetry, literature, linguistic styles, a rich history and a common heritage. The Deaf Studies program at McDaniel prides itself on its bi-lingual approach, stressing the importance of knowing and mastering both English and American Sign Language (ASL). We have a community of Deaf and Hard of Hearing undergraduates and graduates as well as Professors. There are classes taught completely in ASL that impress upon the values of Deaf Culture and history. It is because of one of those classes that I am writing this article. For the next few weeks I welcome and encourage you to email me with questions, comments, myths, or anything that you want to be discussed and I will try to comment or get someone else to comment on the subject. I hope we can all learn and have a respectful discussion about Deaf Culture.

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Message from SGA presidential hopeful

NICK BENDER
Contributor

Over the past year, the leaders in the Student Government Association (SGA) have made great strides in the betterment of McDaniel College. The creation and maintenance of the student intranet, the addition of the new learning spaces in the library, the digital signage

project in Decker, and many more behind-the-scenes contributions are a credit to the SGA and its leadership. A paradigm shift has begun in the culture and operations of SGA. If elected, I intend to not only continue the progress of our SGA, but to pass on the organization greater than was given to me. Elections are February 22nd-26th via e-mail. VOTE! Questions or comments can be e-mailed to me at nab007@mcDaniel.edu.



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TERROR SPORTS

Women's basketball sees playoffs in future

CAITLIN FLYNN
Co Sports Editor

After four consecutive losses to begin their season, the women's basketball team has been rejuvenated and has already clinched a spot in the Centennial Conference playoffs with their fifteenth-straight win against conference rival, Swarthmore.

The team has pulled out three of those wins in overtime, proving just how far hard work and dedication can carry a team.

Aside from their hard-earned wins, the Green Terror women have also been awarded academically. The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) ranked the team in 11th place for the Academic Top 25 Team Honor Roll. With a grade-point average on 3.453 for the past academic year, the Green Terror women certainly have something else to be proud of.

Head coach Becky Martin, who is in her 29th season here on the Hill, is accustomed to winning streaks similar to this one. During the 2006-2007 coaching season, her team reeled-off 19 conference wins in a row and went on to take the regular season Conference Championships.

This season, Martin points out that she doesn't want to dwell on streaks; that the goal for the program every year is to not only qualify for the Conference Championships, but to try their hardest to win the title and qualify for the NCAA Tournament.

"Naturally, some years certain teams have a better chance of achieving those goals," says Martin. "I am not a fortune teller, but this team has many similar characteristics of past McDaniel squads that have won championships."

Coach identifies a balanced offense with an inside and outside game, good speed, upper class expe-

rience and leadership; not to mention a "go to person" in Ali Moreland, as real strengths of her team.

What seems to be the most prominent aspect of the team, however, is how determined they are to keep fighting during pressure situations.

Senior captain and guard Ali Moreland believes the best thing about the team is that their strengths come from every individual player on the team, making each of them dominant players.

"It's hard for teams to stop us because they can't just key in defensively on one player," says Moreland. "There are too many dimensions on our team. That makes us unstoppable."

Junior forward Whitney Snoops believes that the team has really come together this season, and agrees with Moreland that the squad's individual strengths make them a threat to conference foes.

"We are constantly improving on utilizing each other's strengths and weaknesses and this has resulted in some balanced scoring in a lot of our games," says Snoops. "This has definitely helped us because even if a team tries to shut down a certain player we still have plenty of others to help us win."

The seniors, including Ashley Lykes, Catherine Mills, Ali Moreland, and Sally Grace, have all stepped up as leaders this year. They have especially been leaned on by the team in the close games.

Snoops points out that if the team continues to improve over the next few weeks and in their upcoming games, they will be able put themselves in a very good sport for the Conference Championships.

"If we can stay healthy, continue to progress, and have a little luck, I believe we have as good a chance as anyone in the conference if we are fortunate enough to be playing in the Conference Championship game," says Martin. She concluded, "Regarding the WBCA's top 25, we are proud and honored to be included and recognized with the best in the country."

SPORTS FILE PHOTO
During the Feb 3 game against Dickinson, Ali Moreland scored 20 points, leading the women's Green Terror basketball team to a 74-63 victory. The team has already earned a place in the Centennial Conference playoffs for the season in the wake of a strong finish to a season which started out with four consecutive losses.

OutPickNick

Every week one brave sports reporter will get the chance to test their football knowledge by going one-on-one with the editor. Super Sunday has come and gone, and let's see how the predictions stood up to the results of the Super Bowl.

NICK BRUNNER
Co Sports Editor
TIM MCMASTER
Staff Reporter

Tim's Take...

I feel that the Indianapolis Colts will win the super bowl. The main reason the Colts are so successful is because of the league MVP, Peyton Manning. Manning is simply the most dangerous man with the football, making everyone around him better. He even has a mental advantage to this game where his mind allows him to easily memorize pictures, or in this case the Saints defense. Not to mention the Colts defense has been playing exceptionally well. With much rest throughout the past two weeks and the Saints being new to the winning category, the Indianapolis Colts will win Super Bowl XLIV.

Nick's Take...

Both teams can put up points in a heartbeat. When two quarterbacks playing at such a high level match up like this it makes for football at its finest. That said, I think that this one will be decided by ball control and big plays by players not named Brees or Manning. This is why I have to give the edge to the Saints. With a defense that thrives on creating turnovers and a weapon in the return game like Reggie Bush, the Saints have great opportunity to put points on the board even when Brees and the offense are on the sideline. Also, the Saints should be able to take advantage of the Colts defense on the ground with the running of Pierre Thomas and Bush. The injury to defensive end Dwight Freeney could prove devastating to the Colts pass rush. Give any NFL quarterback time to sit comfortably in the pocket and he'll more likely than not find somewhere to go with the ball. Give a guy like Drew Brees that time and he'll find a way to win. Look for the Saints to make a big play either on defense or special teams, have a solid day pounding the rock, and Mr. Brees to do his usual thing. Add that all up and at the end of the day expect to see the Saints go marching into the Big Easy with their first Super Bowl title.

The single biggest day on the American sports calendar took place Sunday in Miami. You might recall the two o'clock tip-off at BankUnited Center where Lady Hurricanes of Miami played host to SIUE. But if that game somehow slipped your mind, hopefully you recall the heavy weight bout that went down inside Sun Life Stadium where the two top dogs of the NFL went to battle for the Lombardi Trophy. While it wasn't the battle between quite possibly the two greatest field generals ever to grace the gridiron, Brett Favre and Peyton Manning, among many historians of the game (including a certain Free Press Sports Editor) were involved over, it no doubt hosted the best teams the NFL had to offer this season. For the first time ever two teams who began the season undefeated through thirteen games, clear cut top seeds in their respective conferences, would collide on Super Sunday. After the absolute joke that was the Pro Bowl the previous week, it was comforting to know that the best the NFL had to offer would be on the field when the Colts of Indianapolis squared off against the Boys of Bourbon Street, the New Orleans Saints.

With a championship hanging in the balance, it only felt right to get a bold prediction from a champion right here on the Hill, Tim McMaster. In his first semester at McDaniel, Tim led his intramural basketball team to the coveted 4-on-4 men's competitive league championship. Let's put his football knowledge to the test in this week's rendition of Out Pick Nick.

If you feel down.

"The glass is neither half empty nor half full but rather twice as large as it needs to be."
- Anonymous

Life is dictated by perception, not circumstance. Instead of being a pessimist or optimist, become an opportunist and live life to the fullest regardless of what's in your glass.
-Phoebe Bafu

(A Shout Out to McDaniel graduate Torreck Jordan for launching the If You Feel Down tradition)

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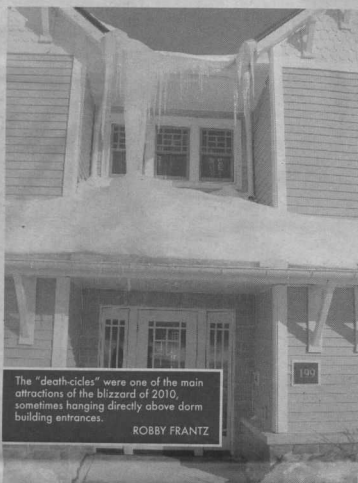
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Tiffany Roberson enjoys the friends and music at the first Cheese Ball on Friday February 19 in the forum hosted by McDaniel's Cheese Club. See page 4 for the full story.

SAM SEGAL



The "death-cicles" were one of the main attractions of the blizzard of 2010, sometimes hanging directly above dorm building entrances.

ROBBY FRANTZ

From left to right: Courtney O'Grady, Kara Owens, — and Tiffany Roberson dance the night away at Cheese Ball.

SAM SEGAL



Although the original performances were cancelled due to snow, the cast will still present the Vagina Monologues on April 2, 3, and 8 at 7 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge. Proceeds will benefit the women of the Democratic Republic of Congo as well as the Rape Crisis Intervention Service of Carroll County and Family and Children's Services of Carroll County.

SAM SEGAL



TWO WEEKS IN PHOTOGRAPHS



MAIRE HUNTER

Director of Campus Safety Mike Webster helps Physical Plant and another officer to hook up the DoCS Dodge Durango to a tractor after it got stuck in the Garden parking lot.

Cost of 'Snowmageddon' still unknown

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

For many, snow evokes childhood memories of days off of school, snow ball fights, and hot cocoa. But this February storm, called "Snowmageddon" by President Obama, sent more snow our way than most would ever have hoped for.

Dr. Erhan Seidel, the college's Vice President, said "of course, being a college, the greatest impact from the storms was the cancellation of classes. We'll have to figure out how to compensate for the lost week."

While many students were pleased by the break from classes, there were problems brought about by the inclement weather that were not enjoyed. Sophomore Shelby Parenteau, whose ankle was fractured during the storm, said that it is "very hard to get around." Junior Zander Roell also dislocated his shoulder during the storm.

Junior Hannah Elovich described that in the "house I rent with three roommates who are also students here at McDaniel... since the ice and icicles were so heavy, it pulled down the gutter on one side and part of the siding under the gutter."

Elovich's house was not the only building to be hit hard. Dr. Seidel said, "There was damage to the gutters at the Garden Apartments. My guess is that until more of the snow clears from the roof, it will be difficult to assess the full extent of the damage."

The snow was not only an expense as far as the toll on buildings. Dr. Seidel remarked that "we did contract with Thomas, Bennett, and Hunter to aid in snow removal... They possess heavy equipment that was really helpful in clearing roads and parking lots. At this point, it's still too early to know the cost for this work."

That is not to say the blizzard had no positive aspects. Senior Jessie Largent said "even though it was horrible and inconvenient, it was the first time I can remember playing out in the snow for over an hour in years which was pretty awesome."

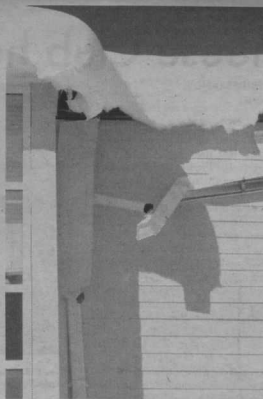
Michael Webster, Director of Campus Safety, said, "The biggest challenge was obviously moving around the campus. I enjoyed watching my kids play in the snow."

In spite of the difficulties caused by the incessant snowfall, campus life went on. Mitchell Alexander, Director of College Activities, said that "the biggest challenge concerning events is making sure that all of the parties involved know that the events are still happening... such as the Stuff-A-Buddy." While keeping events running smoothly during the storm required a lot, activities such as the Stuff-A-Buddy event on Feb. 11th where students gathered to make stuffed animals definitely brought in a crowd.

Furthermore, the exemplary work put in by a multitude of staff cannot go without mention. For instance, Valerie Westbrook, Coordinator of Conference, Camp and Event Scheduling, said "While we were safe in our warm homes (the grounds crew) were going to be out in the snow for endless hours to make the campus safe for all of us."

In appreciation for this hard work, Westbrook said, "I thought about baking something for them to munch on during their breaks. I then invited other co-workers/friends on campus to join me. The outpouring of generosity was overwhelming. We had everything from canned soups, baked goods to hand warmers."

While the snow caused many difficulties, the effect of the storm can best be summed up by Westbrook, who said of the donations made to the grounds crew "that I saw the college community come together for a common cause. It warmed my heart. It isn't until we truly come together that we will see how strong this campus really is."



ASHLEIGH SMITH

The weight of snow on the roofs of the Garden Apartments ripped some gutters off the buildings, like 161 pictured above.

Snow-cancelled 100 Days party rescheduled for March

HEATHER GORSUCH
Staff Reporter

The overwhelming conditions of the Blizzard of 2010 cancelled classes for the week, but postponed the Annual Alumni Reception for Graduating Seniors, "The 100 Days Party."

The reception was to be held on Feb. 11, but the night before the scheduled event seniors received an email from Assistant Director of Alumni Relations and Alumni Giving, Sarah Shank. The email stated that the anticipated reception will no longer take place on the 100th day until graduation,

but will be postponed to a later date.

Although the college was closed the following day, Feb. 12, due to inclement weather, Shank still came to campus to meet with the Director of College Activities, Mitchell Alexander, to reschedule the event immediately. She spent those next few days calling and emailing her boss, the catering service, and college activities. A new date was agreed upon for March 11, the Thursday before spring break during midweek's week.

Senior Joseph Drzons said he will still attend the reception event though it is now taking place during midweek's week. "It will be a great break from studying," said Drzons.

Shank noted that because the date was changed to "The 72 Days Party" only 3 people cancelled their RSVP while 12 new students were added, totaling 208 students of attendance as opposed to only 150 students that attended last year's reception.

Senior Sara Hanlon will still be in attendance no matter what day the event will be held. "Regardless of the date, it's still a celebration of counting down the days till we graduate," said Hanlon.

The Annual Reception for Graduating Seniors has been a tradition at McDaniel College since the '80s, but at that time it was considered

a seniors leadership banquet held during senior week. About 10 years ago, it turned into a wine and cheese event for the entire senior class sponsored for free by the Alumni Office. It has only been since 2005 that the event had been held on the 100 day mark. In addition to this evolving reception, in 2009 a DJ was added and just this year beer will also be provided.

"Though we are sad we had to cancel, we are excited by the things we will be able to do at the '72' days party," said Shank. Seniors should also look forward to a Happy Hour on the 50th day until graduation sponsored by the Alumni Office for a ticket price.

HUMANS VS. ZOMBIES: Club trains for zombie apocalypse

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

The Humans v. Zombies Club is taking on the responsibility to train students for the zombie apocalypse.

The club president and vice president are freshmen Torin Grosso and Logan Oremba respectively. Currently, membership exceeds 25 students. Essentially, they play a massive game of tag in which the "humans" attack the "zombies" with Nerf guns.

Grosso recalls his favorite Humans v. Zombies (HvZ) memory as the "first night where about 75% of the humans were wiped out in fifteen minutes after first contact with the first Zombie, JONO."

The club originated at Goucher College, but

was brought to McDaniel by the Resident Assistants of Rouser Hall. Sophomore Mae Alexander decided to start the club after witnessing the success of previous HvZ events on campus.

"For me, [the best part] was talking to some of the freshman guys and having them say that HvZ actually got them out of their rooms to interact with people. That's a big deal," said Alexander.

The club meets on Fridays at 8 p.m. in Ensur Lounge. If you're interested in meeting new people, running around campus with Nerf guns, and training for zombie infestations, then this club is probably for you.

"People should join HvZ because who doesn't love zombies and playing tag? It seems like a perfect combination," said Oremba.

The club will be hosting a dodge ball tournament in March to benefit the Hearts for Haiti Fund.



RIGHT:
Logan
Oremba
demonstrates
proper firing
technique.
FAR RIGHT:
Torin Grosso
shows off
his zombie-
killing gear.



PHOTOS BY MAE ALEXANDER

Cheese Club hosts ball

MEGAN HILDEBRAND
Staff Reporter

This isn't your typical cheesy dance! The Cheese Club had their first Cheese Ball on Thursday, Feb. 18. The Cheese Club is the first and only club on the McDaniel campus completely dedicated to a food. It was started in order to explore other cultures through cheese.

The semi-formal dance was a Valentine's Day celebration that had approximately 50 guests. The Ball featured DJs from McDaniel's own WMCR, and of course an assortment of cheeses and other snacks.

Junior Atlee Baker went to the Cheese Ball "for a fun evening with [his] girlfriend."

Different members of the Cheese Club sat outside of Glar and sold tickets in the weeks prior to the Ball as part of a Cheese Club fundraiser.

President of the Cheese Club, Ellen Shank, said that a Cheese Ball would be a fun idea because "it combines cheese and dancing, the two greatest things ever."

The Cheese Club meets the first and third Thursday of every month at North Village building 195, apartment 202 at 6:30 p.m. For



SAM SEGAL

Several students enjoy the Cheese Ball festivities on Thursday night.

more information about Cheese Club or their upcoming events please email Megan Robinson at mar015@mcDaniel.com or join the Cheese Club on Facebook.

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WHAT ANNOYS YOU THE MOST IN THE CLASSROOM?



"I don't like when you are in a class discussion and people talk over you."
KELLY WITOWSKY, freshman



"I hate it when students pass notes. It's distracting!"
KELECHI AJOKU, junior



"It's frustrating when students talk to each other while the teacher is talking."
MARIA OVIEDO, Spanish house director



"I don't like when the teacher talks too fast."
ELLA SPENCER, freshman



"I don't like when professors cover too much material at the last minute, and they expect us to know everything on the exam."
WAN QIAN ZHANG, senior



"When people don't take care of themselves (i.e. not showering) it's really hard to concentrate because of the overwhelming stench."
PAIGE PRICE, freshman

McDaniel alumni return to campus for wedding

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

Sevgi Yurtbasi '09 and Tyler Buisch '10 come from two different countries. Sevgi came to the United States from Turkey as a high school exchange student. Tyler is from Mt. Airy, MD.

Their worlds came together on Saturday, February 13, as the two alumni exchanged vows, rings, and kisses in Little Baker Chapel.

The ceremony was traditional but peppered with personal stories and inside jokes. It also included a sand-joining ritual, where they each poured a jar of colored sand into a common vase to symbolize their unity.

Red and white flowers lined the aisles, and in the windowsills, candlelight twinkled off the stained glass. The bride wore bright red shoes.

"It's so Sevgi," said friend Amy Higgs '09. When Sevgi and Tyler were at McDaniel their typical days included having lunch dates in Glar, rushing to and from classes, and singing in gospel choir. They also spent nights walking around campus doing rounds, since they were both RAs.

"Seeing her walk down the aisle, and seeing Tyler's face when he first saw her, was priceless," said Kara Constantine, fellow RA and friend.

friend.

The wedding party included many of their McDaniel friends including music professor and close friend of Tyler's, Eric Byrd. Many current students and RAs also attended.

The couple was especially happy that Sevgi's parents, Merin and Ullkan Yurtbasi, were able to travel from Turkey to be present although the snow almost prevented it.

"Hearing their vows, all they could see was each other and their future life together. Sevgi had a huge smile on her face the whole time," Higgs remembered.

Sevgi and Tyler are just 21 and 22 respectively, which may seem young to many people on campus. Sevgi responded to those who may not understand their decision to marry now.

"Some people might think we're too young to marry, but honestly I don't see the point in waiting. This gives us a chance to dedicate ourselves to each other early on in life and 'grow up' together."

The couple spent their short honeymoon in Florida before returning to their jobs and married life.

Tyler said it's great so far.

"I'm married to my best friend, does it get any better? I get to be with her every day."



PHOTO COURTESY OF MAIRE HUNTER

McDaniel Alumni Tyler Buisch and Sevgi Yurtbasi, pictured here with Sevgi's mother, Ullkan Yurtbasi, were happily married in Little Baker Chapel on February 13.

The 'Bare Naked Truth' about nude modeling

EMMA BARBATO
Contributor

Walking across Red Square between classes I often found myself avoiding the slightly uncomfortable side glances of various men and women who had seen me in various states of undress.

I'm not positive they really recognized me. I mean I am wearing more than my bra, but that awkward uncertainty lurked right between my shoulder blades just the same. I wondered what the appropriate response was in this kind of situation.

Do I give them a "no-you-have-seen-my-nipples" smile, or maybe one of those "this-turt-did-unusual-wooly-wooly" things. More often I pretended the whole naked ordeal never happened; it seemed like one of the classier options.

While I might like to say that yes, I am so outrageously seductive that I have had liaisons with scores of McDaniel's student and teacher population, I really just don't have that sort of energy.

I am a nude model - one of the few students on the fair Hill that wasn't afraid to bare it all for the sake of art, literally. Well, and money, money is good too.

It's not hard to sit in the art studio naked as the day

you were born while students sketch or sculpt your various body parts. You often stare at the clock that is inevitably wrong, always wrong, your head filled with Glar, or rather, the regret of the taco salad an hour earlier.

The real trouble starts when the clothes go back on.

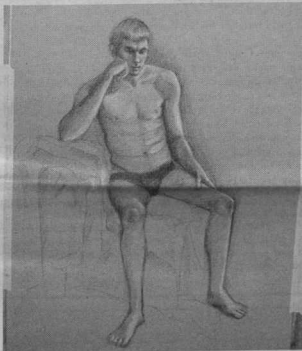
How do you look your boyfriend in the eyes and say, "Honey, I am going to get naked in front of your friends for money today?"

Honestly, it just sounds bad once your bra is securely fastened. Like many other aspects of college life, it's just better when you are in the buff. And there is also the emotional turmoil you feel sitting in your apartment later that day as your roommate and his girlfriend, who happens to be one of your best friends, snuggle on the couch. You can't but think, "Hub, he just stared at me in a thong for an hour. Does that classify as a breach of friendship? Should I go to confession?"

These are the tough questions faced by student models everywhere.

It's the clothed activities that really suffer once the paint brushes are put away.

When I contemplate the numerous times people have asked me how I could consider doing what I do, I think to myself, "How could I not? Nudity is the only relief I get these days."



This drawing is of Evan Ticknor, who turned to modeling after sculpting Emma for his sculpture class. COURTESY OF EVAN TICKNOR

CORRECTION:

In the February 12 issue of the Free Press, we printed four creative writing pieces to acknowledge the winners of Contrast Literary magazine's fall poetry and prose contest. Unfortunately, we left the first place poetry winner's name omitted. "Dimes in the last hours of October" was written by Nick Galimaitis. Congratulations Nick!

DIGGING DEEPER

McDaniel archivist looks after the secrets of the college's past

SAMANTHA LAMBERT
Staff Reporter

Archivist: a person who is responsible for organizing, preserving, and servicing historical documents, records and/or special items of a specific organization.

In this case the organization is McDaniel College. And the archivist Barbara O'Brien.

O'Brien walks into her office, located on the second floor of Hoover Library, every day and works to preserve our campus' history. With a campus like ours, which is over 100 years old, there is a lot of work to be done.

O'Brien herself comes from an interesting background. Originally from Trumbull Connecticut she attended Green Mountain College and graduated with an AA in English in '69. In the 80's she and her family moved to Westminster, which sparked a fascination with the small town's unique history. She then went back to school at UMBEC where she received her B.A. and M.A. in history.

She came to McDaniel in 2000 to fulfill the archivist job and has come over great leaps and bounds to better preserve great history.

When asked why she loves her job, O'Brien replies, "I enjoy my work in the Archives because it allows me to use all my education and much of my lifetime experiences. I am con-

stantly using all the skills... (my) opportunities have presented me... I am studying and reading about what I do all the time because there are so many different parts of the job from preservation to processing and making records and collections accessible.

She goes further to say, "The job is varied, interesting, and can be downright exciting like it's Christmas morning especially when the Archives receives a donation with its history!"

She also wants students to know: "first it tells the story of their College and the students that went before them. It is a very interesting story. The other thing I would like students to know about the College Archives is it is accessible to them."

Students would find yearbooks, scrapbooks, albums and memorabilia from the school's past. However, they would be more surprised to find: personal diaries of the first college president, the card that admitted James Thomas Ward to the funeral service of Abraham Lincoln, the letter to College President Andrew Ward from General Douglas MacArthur, and Egyptian artifacts that go back 3,500 years, or American Indian textiles from the late 19th and early 20th Century.

The McDaniel Archives hold many people's life work and precious artifacts that I intend to uncover. I am very honored to have the permission from Barbara for this fantastic opportunity. I hope students are excited as much as I am about uncovering McDaniel's past.

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Is Westminster ready for the MARC train?

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Staff Reporter

The MARC train is Maryland's primary commuter train system consisting of three branches. The Brunswick Line reaches west to Frederick Maryland and Martinsburg, West Virginia. The Penn Line travels east to Perryville in Cecil County, Maryland. The Camden Line connects Baltimore to Washington DC. Carroll County is the only county in Central Maryland with no physical connections to the state mass transit system.

If anything, the Marc train would prove essential to one of Westminster's relative life sources—McDaniel College. Every year, students embark on a journey from hitching a ride from a friend, to train hopping from the Metro to the light rail before reaching the Amtrak itself. Since the Marc train already travels through the same stations as Amtrak, its inclusion would reduce a lot of these

obstacles for out-of-state students without cars. Unfortunately, many graduations may come and go before McDaniel students can enjoy the realization of a Westminster MARC train station.

The issue regarding mass transit in the county has less to do with basic necessity and more with the values of the local residents. For instance, there is currently a struggle between those who seek to preserve the county's untouched rural character and those who believe it should adapt to the growing urbanization. At this year's annual State of the County Luncheon, Commissioner Michael Zimmer explained that one side prefers national businesses to locate branches (and attract workers) into the county while others prefer to accommodate commuters. He added that with the onslaught of the recent recession is causing many residents to seek work outside the county. One side appears to be winning this long-time debate once and for all.

If Mr. Zimmer is right, and the county needs to meet these needs soon, there are alternatives to MARC. For example, as of

February 2, 2009, York, Pennsylvania's Rabbit Transit announced the launch of a commuter bus service which takes people across the state line to Timonium, Maryland, in order to relieve traffic on I-83. Carroll has the CATS bus, which is efficient if a student needs to get around town, but there are still limits even to this long time county service. The CATS bus, along with the local gypsy cab services in the County (two so far) do not cross the county line, even for a fee. This fact becomes more frustrating knowing that cab services from neighboring Baltimore, Howard, and Frederick counties are willing to cross into Carroll if necessary.

For now, cars rule the county, but not all people drive, especially students and workers. Businesses will only survive if the environment accommodates them and their workers' welfare. Many students at McDaniel don't even have cars, so what are they to do? If Carroll County wants to preserve their businesses, and their prime institution, they will have to give in order to get.

LIFE LESSONS FROM A WORLD TRAVELER

'The more I see, the less I know'



CASSIDY BRYSON
Staff Reporter

On a humid beach in Panama, I sat rubbing sand off my legs and wondering whether or not I really wanted another Margarita. I felt fatigued, unburned and slightly annoyed by the toothless, beach-dwelling man who was currently hovering over me in effort to sell me cocaine. Needless to say, I was leaning towards yes on the second margarita.

I had been abroad for almost an entire year. I had spent the spring living in Budapest; stepping on sea-urchins on Croatian beaches, posing with fake-Gladiators outside of Roman ruins, having suave men buy me pints of beer in Ireland. I had been lucky enough to live with my closest friends in a European city. I'd be lying if I said that it wasn't a four-month long party.

But my fall was different; a complete 180 from the urban trendiness of Europe. My fall was spent speaking Spanish in a small, rural town in Costa Rica. There, I spoke only Spanish, all day, everyday. All of my classes were about the Spanish language, taught solely in Spanish, by native Spanish-speakers. Over-

whelming? Uh, yeah!

I will always remember my first day of classes in Costa Rica. I was nervous as all hell. It felt like kindergarten. I didn't know what to wear. I tried and re-tied my shoes. I wondered if I'd make friends. I'd hoped my teachers would like me.

I had left my host-family's house and walked out on to the poorly paved street. A large cow with a collar made of old, purple rope, stood there standing in the middle of the road, directly in front of my family's home. The cow stared at me. It was stationary in the hot morning sunshine, with its soft-brown eyes affixed to my own. There was not a person in sight and I had no idea what to do. Should I touch this cow? Pull it by its cow-collar out of the street where it would most likely get hit by a car? Should I walk on by? Perhaps this was a stray cow...is there such a thing?

After about 10 seconds, a short, shirtless man appeared running down the street. He ran directly up to the cow, yelling Spanish profanities and smacked it repeatedly on its head. He turned to me and apologized. Seeing as I was not Costa Rican, he spoke to me in adorable broken English. He explained that this was his family's only cow. They had owned other cows but all of these cows had done just what this one was doing: escaped from their yard to stand

in the street. These other cows had been hit by cars and died. He asked me, if I saw this cow again, could I please take it by the collar, and lead it back into his yard? I obliged and agreed to participate in the suicide-watch of this cow.

At least three times a week, I would leave for my classes and find the cow standing, immobile in the middle of the road. I would lead it back to its yard while telling her that she had so much to live for, that life as a cow couldn't be that bad, that I was there for her, if ever she needed to talk.

Near the end of my semester there, the shirtless man's family had saved up enough money to install a new fence around their yard. Thus, the cow was safely contained and my mornings of saving the cow's life were over.

Before I left to return home to the US, the shirtless man approached me on the street. He hugged me and thanked me for all my help. He said that for all of my efforts to protect his cow, his family and he had decided to no longer the cow after me. Now although this may seem stupid and absurd, I felt so touched. My eyes welled up and I couldn't help but shed a few tears.

While I sat on the beach in Panama, I thought hard on not only this cow-saving occurrence, but everything I'd experienced in the last year.

I had been nervous to come to a "third-world country" alone. Hell, I'd been nervous to go to Europe with a whole bunch of friends! I had expected things and people to be so extremely different outside of my safe, little American-girl world. But I found that when you go in the world, people are people. When it comes down to it, we're not so unlike each other. While we might think we're different: divided by countries and religion, sexual preference or skin color, but no, we are all the same. We all fear, we all love and we all, sometimes, need help.

I've found that some of the most important things you can ever learn in life are best learned by stepping out of your comfort zone. It is so much easier to roll through life in a safe routine, then to take a chance. But in this rut, in this safe, how much do we ever really experience? How much do we really ever learn about ourselves?

So although things can get shitty, and although it's much easier to be scared than to be brave, be willing to take a chance. Have faith. Take a breath. And order that second margarita. And if things get hard along the way, know that it is ok to ask for help. Whether its help starting a new life in a foreign country or just keeping your runaway cow in your own damn yard ;).

CARTOON BY STEVEN WHEELER



Want to get involved at your own pace? Then consider CAPBoard

Compiled by KATE DELENICK

Are you looking to join an organization where you can participate as little or as much as you'd like? If you answered yes, then the College Activities Programming Board is the place for you.

CAPBoard is a student driven organization that is open to all undergraduate students who are interested in planning upcoming events and activities. But planning isn't the only thing you can do as a member; you can help set-up, run or break down the events that you helped plan.

Promoting events is also a major aspect of being a member of CAPBoard. You can help hang flyers, make banners, send out emails about the upcoming events or create mailbox inserts.

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I believe...

(Editor's Note: What thrill you? What do you want to shout from a mountain top or share with a close friend? Send your brief "I Believe" statements to freepress@mcDaniel.edu. Send a photo too. That would be great - and your words and photo will be printed.)



I believe in every note in every song. I believe in the full moon, which visits me faithfully. I believe in the wolf's howl so full of longing. I believe that every step leads me closer to wherever I might be going. I believe in the fully satisfying taste of a good meal. I believe in the beautiful passion behind Shakespeare's poems. I believe that black and white photography shows all the colors in the picture through grays. I believe in the sweet soft cushion of my pillow after the most exhausting day.

KATIE CAULFIELD

I believe that life is more fun when you aren't afraid to get dirty, that red and purple Skittles taste better together, and that colors should be always be vibrant. I believe in singing at the top of your lungs, and in the value of a good friend who understands you. I believe in the laugh of a child, the inconceivable vastness of the Universe, and the God who created it all. I believe in the satisfaction of opening a new box of crayons. I believe that sometimes it's okay to forget, to love unconditionally, and to jump into the deep end with both feet.

KENDALL WONG



I believe in laughing at your own jokes. I believe in pea-coats with goldfish lining. I believe in daydreams that involve superpowers. I believe that late nights should involve revealing personal secrets, sing-a-longs, and junk food.

*I believe that there is good in all things.
I believe that life would be much more exciting as a musical.*

I believe in dancing like a white boy.
I believe in the classiness of a shirt and tie.
I believe in being a Momma's boy.

I believe that there is always an opportunity for music. I believe that one day I will become a Power Ranger.
I believe that all people should be able to laugh at themselves.

I believe in being indecisive, seeing things from a different perspective, and the gray area. I believe in The Lovely Bones, glee, and X-Men comic books.
I believe in second chances, karma, and the beauty of contradictions.

JONATHAN LIGHTNER

I believe what's essential is always invisible to the eye. I believe that miracles, however small, await at every corner of our lives. I believe in Santa Claus. I believe to love passionately beyond reasons. I believe that dreams do come true. I believe to eat right, exercise properly and sleep enough is the key to fitness. I believe art communicates beyond all barriers, even time. I believe everything happens for a reason. I believe the world isn't fair. I believe in subtle happiness, like a walk on cold winter morning. I believe I would live a long and happy life.

YICHONG LI



Everyone has a vague idea of what they want to do before they die. Inspired by the movie, "The Bucket List," starring Morgan Freeman and Jack Nicholson, and the television show "The Buried Life," students in Lisa Breslin's EN101 class created their own Bucket List. Tell the Free Press what you would like to do before you kick the bucket. Email a list and your photo to: freepress@mcDaniel.edu

My Bucket List



1. Learn how to play the guitar
2. Travel to Germany, England, Australia, and Ireland
3. Live with all of my sisters in one house or the same town
4. Own a bar and grill restaurant
5. Buy a house at the beach

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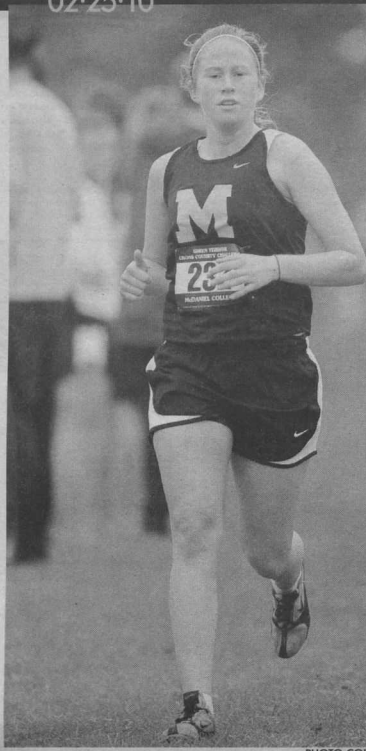


PHOTO COURTESY OF LUKE STILSON
Forest Fleischer is a freshman on the track team. McDaniel finished in seventh place at the DuCharme Invitational hosted by Dickinson in women's indoor track and field on Saturday, February 20.

Cutting high school track is cutting much more

AMBER SLATER
Staff Reporter

High school indoor track and field provides constant opportunity. Those who hope to bridge their spring and winter sports can increase speed and endurance. Those who wish to gain friendships can build relationships with students in all grades and social groups. Those who have never run a mile can lace up their running shoes without the fear of being cut from the team.

Despite all these benefits, the weak economy has sparked the Carroll County Board of Education to consider cutting indoor track, which will essentially deny high school students the positive experience of the sport. Cutting track at the high school level will probably cut down on the number of students who continue to compete at the collegiate level. McDaniel Freshman James Ways, for example, was a seasoned athlete when he began running at Winters Mill. Ways broke multiple county, conference, regional and state records in his high school running career and held the titles of Carroll County Times Male Athlete of the Year in 2008 and WTT Athlete of the Year in 2009.

Beyond recognition, Ways counts the friendships he gained as a measurable part of

his indoor track experience.

"Track has shaped me in many ways, and it just can't be cut from the budget; it's just not fair," he comments.

Forest Fleischer, who also competed in indoor track at Winters Mill, echoes Ways' thoughts about track's role in friendships: "You not only gain the discipline of running and working out every day, but you also gain some of the closest friends you will ever have."

Fleischer cannot currently race due to injury.

"I get really upset seeing my teammates running when I cannot," she says. "I cannot imagine if the sport were not offered at all." Katie Griffin, who ran all four of her high school years at Liberty, explains, "If it hadn't been for that first year I ran indoor track, I might have never found that passion for the sport."

Griffin continued to run after high school and is currently competing in her fourth and final season of indoor at McDaniel. Because of indoor track, Griffin "found a sport [she] could participate in for life." Final decisions on the Carroll County budget will not be made until May, but current and previous indoor track athletes will not easily let go of the sport that provided the platform for recognition, meaningful friendships, and a lifelong passion.

McDaniel sports move practices, games indoors

Physical Plant focuses on clearing snow from stadium

NICK BRUNNER
Co Sports Editor

The snow has not only put a damper on the academic semester, but also on the McDaniel sports teams. Whether it was delayed or cancelled winter sports events or keeping the fields of the spring sports teams covered in white, snowmageddon has shook up the sports world on the Hill.

The snow has put the Gill Center in extraordinary high demand as the winter sports teams try to wrap up their seasons and spring sports teams are forced to shift practice indoors and scrap for gym time. To make matters even more stringent, there is an array of intramural sports just starting up as well.

The baseball and softball teams have been limited in what they can do when confined to the walls of the Gill Center. Unable to do much work in terms of fielding or game-like situations, an extra emphasis has been put on hitting in the batting cages of Old Gill gymnasium. Along with extra hitting, the teams have also focused on strength and conditioning.

It is hard to make a trip to the fitness center and

not see a McDaniel athlete working hard to prepare for the season. The teams know that while the snow is keeping them from getting better on the field, it can't keep them from getting stronger, fatter, and developing ever important team chemistry.

The women's softball team has been one team in particular that has bought into this way of thinking. They are constantly in the weight room as a group pushing and encouraging each other. It will be interesting to see how this contradictory will translate to success on the field.

The baseball team has taken more to the conditioning aspect. Their philosophy has been if all we can do is run, then we will do our best that we can make sure we are the best at it. Both teams are excited to be going to Florida for spring break so they will be sure to get at least some work in before Centennial Conference play begins.

With most of the campus roads and academic buildings now cleared, next on the priority list may be the athletic fields. Once the men's and women's lacrosse teams are able to use the stadium field again, a lot of the congestion in the gym should be eliminated.



SAM SEGAL
Several winter sports events were either delayed or cancelled because of the snow, putting the Gill Center in high demand.

Despite snow, women's basketball holds onto winning streak

MATT BODNAR
Staff Reporter

One of the bright spots through all this snow that has fell in the region has been the play of the McDaniel women's basketball team. McDaniel began the year flying under the radar, but the play of senior Ali Mooreland, Sally Grace, Ashley Jyles, and Catherine Mills have propelled these ladies to the forefront of the conversation. From December to February, the women's team reeled off 17 straight wins.

The Green Terror climbed atop the Conference standings and announced their presence as a legitimate championship contender as a result of their winning streak. Throughout the streak, the ladies

displayed a multidimensional offense that worked the ball inside and kicked out for open shots.

The winning streak came to end on February 12, with a tough loss to Johns Hopkins. Unfortunately, the next game resulted in a loss to Ursinus. Despite the recent losses, the lady Green Terror sit at 17-6 overall and 15-4 in conference. With one game remaining against conference leader Gettysburg, McDaniel finds itself in third place. A win against Gettysburg would certainly shake up the playoff picture, with the ladies only a half game behind second place Muhlenberg.

Regardless of their final position in the standings, the women's basketball team will be well prepared for their playoff match up. Coach Becky Martin will have this team ready to make some waves

Women's Basketball Centennial Conference Semi-Finals:

McDaniel vs. Gettysburg (at Muhlenberg)

February 27, 4 p.m.

in conference playoffs and hopefully the national tournament. Coach Martin feels this team shares some characteristics with past championship teams. She points out, "A balanced offense with an inside and an outside game, good speed, upper class experience and leadership with a go to person in Ali Mooreland." Most importantly Coach Martin notices that this team has the heart to win. Regarding con-

ference playoffs, Coach Martin believes, "If we can stay healthy, continue to progress and have a little luck, I believe we have as good a chance as anyone in the conference."

Centennial Conference playoffs are set to take place in the near future. Be sure to get out and support the women's basketball team, as they push their way towards a conference championship and more.

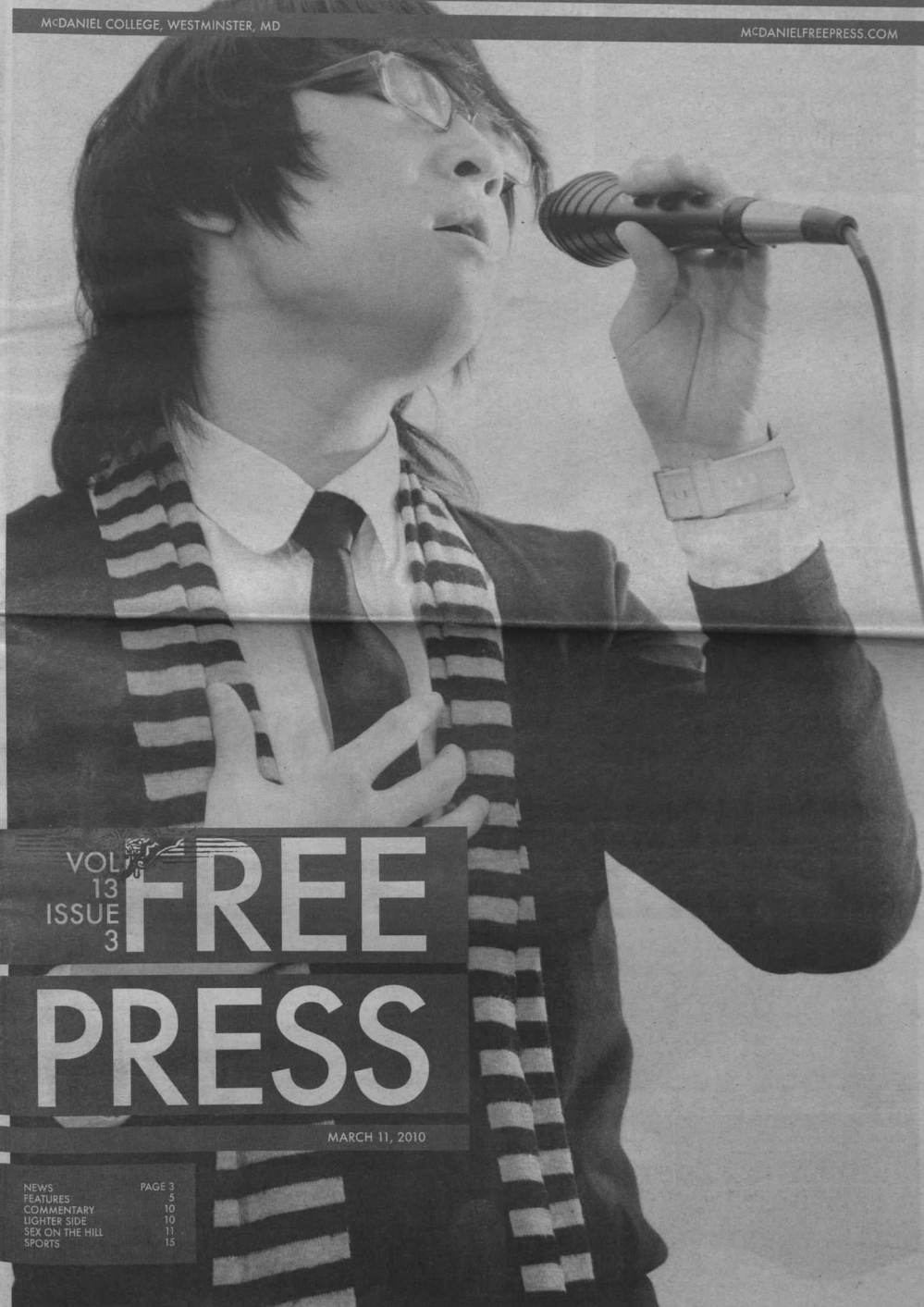
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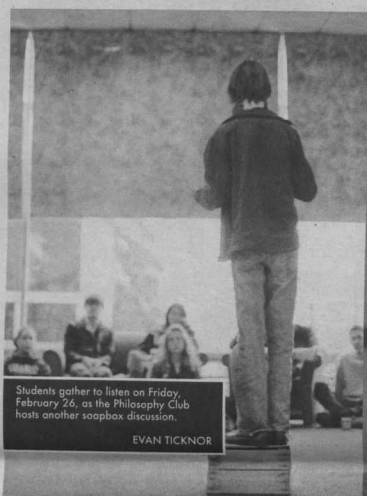
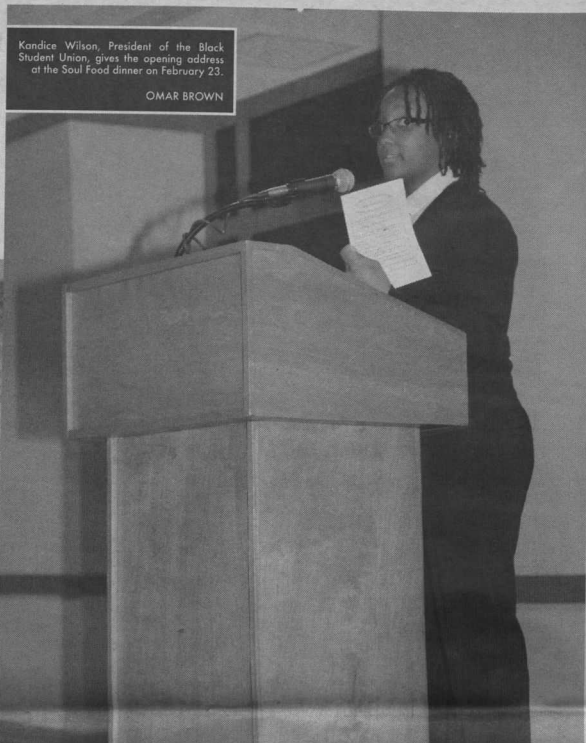
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Charlie Yim sings in Korean as part of the entertainment at the Taste of Korea Dinner on February 25.

SAM SEGAL

Kandice Wilson, President of the Black Student Union, gives the opening address at the Soul Food dinner on February 23.

OMAR BROWN



Students gather to listen on Friday, February 26, as the Philosophy Club hosts another soapbox discussion.

EVAN TICKNOR



Students line up to enjoy the Asian fare at the Taste of Korea dinner.

SAM SEGAL



TWO WEEKS IN
PHOTOGRAPHS

McDaniel Freshman Honored In New York

RULA ZARU
Staff Reporter

Kelly Collins, a 19-year-old freshman from New Jersey, had always thought giving a presentation in front of her class was nerve wracking, but she hadn't experienced fear yet.

On Saturday February 27, Kelly Collins stood in front of approximately 1000 people and gave a speech as she accepted the "Michael Brennan Courage Award" in New York. The award marks one of many victories in Collins' life as she lives with Cystic Fibrosis.

Kelly stated, "It takes responsibility, dedication and strength each and every day [to live with CF]."

Saturday's award ceremony honored three people, including Collins, whose ages ranged from 18 to 37.

Collins is an avid fan of exercise and she is majoring in Exercise Science and Physical Education at McDaniel College.

Decked out in a red gown and joined by her boyfriend, Thomas Orrok, her parents, Kevin and Kathleen Collins, her brother, Kasey Collins, and her high school teacher, Sharon Alfieri, Collins told the crowd in New York, "I set my bar high...I do not let CF define me. I live my life detached from the disease."

Collins dedicated this award to her brother, Kevin, who lost his battle to CF a year ago. "If it were not for him, I would not be standing here tonight," Kelly explained.

Kevin always hoped to raise awareness about CF and Kelly has always followed in his footsteps.

Every year Kelly is apart of "Team Collins" which participates in the Cystic Fibrosis Foundations annual Great Strides walk. Kelly recruits as many people as possible each year in order to raise as much money as possible for the foundation.

Days after the ceremony and still overwhelmed, Collins said, "[the award] means a lot...I never imagined I would be awarded, I was shocked."

A glossy publication distributed at the award ceremony notes that "Kelly has not let cystic fibrosis keep her from achieving on the basketball court, in academics or in a variety of extracurricular activities."

When commenting about Kelly's goal to "make a significant difference in others' lives," the publication notes, "As far as we're concerned she's already there."

The Boomer Esiason Foundation's aim is to "heighten awareness, education, and quality of life for those affected by cystic fibrosis" while providing research and financial support in aid of finding a cure for the disease. For more information, visit <http://www.esiason.org/>



Freshman Kelly Collins is shown after accepting the "Michael Brennan Courage Award" in New York. PHOTO COURTESY OF KELLY COLLINS

Student accounts begin migration to Google Mail

HEATHER GORSUCH
Staff Reporter

Many students might have noticed the new Google email options on the email login page. By the end of the spring semester McDaniel hopes to move the 8500 students, faculty and staff from our current email system, Zimbra to Google.

Currently, our entire email system is held in our very own data center on campus. This means the software runs on our servers and the emails are all stored on our servers. According to Network Communications Systems Administrator Chris Palsgrove, having 8500 email accounts costs the college a lot of time, money and resources.

"There are per-user licensing fees, the initial cost and upkeep of the server hardware to run the whole email software package, and the cost and upkeep for the incredible amount of electronic storage space we must have to keep the millions of emails that 8500 people accumulate," said Palsgrove.

That is why the institution was thrilled with the idea to use Google because it is free and will be saving McDaniel a great deal of money. Google does not have any licensing fees, does not cost us to use our server software, and allows each user 7GB of storage space, while Zimbra only accommodates for a tenth of that space.

Although we have only been using Zimbra for three years, "the features and functionality that are offered with Google are far superior," said Palsgrove. According to Palsgrove the three main components of the Google package are: email, address book and calendar.

Palsgrove also noted that Google adds other applications known as "Google Apps for Education." Some of these applications include:

Google Docs: allows you to create and

share online documents in word processing, spreadsheets, and slideshow documents all on the same web browser interface.

Google Sites: allows students to quickly create websites that they post content to and share with others. It allows students to collaboratively work together on documents in one place, on one site no matter their geographical location.

Google Labs: provides the option to alter how your Google interface looks and operates.

Google Video: allows students to host and share videos so they can internally communicate and collaborate with one another.

According to Palsgrove, another advantage of moving to Google is that "they can provide continuous service through localized power outages and natural disasters when we might not be able to keep our systems running on campus." Also Google provides better support for people with smart phones and mobile phones to access their email accounts and calendars from anywhere.

Palsgrove also said that the change will not be that drastic for majority of the students. The results from a survey last fall found that 50 percent of students already have Gmail accounts and are familiar with the interface.

Students should look for an invitation from the IT Department in their current McDaniel email accounts to switch over to the new Google system. Email addresses will also remain the same. When you login to your Google account for the first time, do not be alarmed that your old messages or folders that were stored in your Zimbra account are not there. Another link in the email will explain how to get everything imported into your Google account, along with your Zimbra calendars and address book contacts.

McDaniel College welcomes Belgian students to campus

J ELLIS
Staff Reporter

Starting a new semester is one thing, but starting a new semester thousands of miles away from home is another.

Joachim Nyssen, Stéphanie Clesse, and Quentin Remon are three students who re-located to the McDaniel campus from Brussels, Belgium.

In Brussels, Joachim, Quentin and Stéphanie are in their third year at Facultés Universitaires Saint-Louis. Although they have all visited the US before, they were nervous about how they would cope with the American lifestyle.

"It's too early to tell if I will get homesick. I like the life here and I've got a lot of things to do so I don't think I will have time to think about Belgium," Quentin said. "I think I will miss my family and European food."

Contributing to Quentin's lack of "homesickness" may be the fact that he's having too much fun. A few weeks ago, Quentin, Joachim, and Stéphanie took a trip to Ski Liberty in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania with the outdoors club.

"It was a little different for us because we did not have any special 'ski clothes,'" explained Quentin, "but it was great to see how the mountains differ from the ones Europe."

Back in Belgium Quentin's father and oldest sister work as lawyers, his brother is an engineer, and his mother is a legal advisor for La Chambre (Belgian Congress).

Joachim lives in Brussels with his parents and his two younger sisters; his older sister attended college in North Carolina this past fall semester.

Joachim recalls his excitement after finding out that he would be coming to McDaniel.

"The application and selection is a rigorous process..." Joachim states. "We have to apply for our three favorite destinations. Once we pass the interview by the university's administration, we

are then sent to one of our destinations.... I am happy to learn English in such a nice place as McDaniel."

Joachim admires how things in the States are much "bigger" than in Europe and the McDaniel campus is no exception. Saint-Louis consists of a couple of buildings, and he thinks that it's impossible to get lost. So coming to a campus where there are several buildings is a tough transition, but Joachim likes how friendly McDaniel students are and how they're always willing to assist him if he gets lost.

Stéphanie has spent five months in Gustavus and Holland. She says that her father is constantly sending her "thousands" of emails to see if she's ok.

"In Belgium students go back to their parents' houses every weekend," Stéphanie explains. "On weekends I used to go to my dad's and hang out with my friends from high school."

For Stéphanie, the most difficult thing to get used to is the work load. "In Belgium, you don't have to do anything. You're not even obliged to go to class during the first 3 or 4 months of the semester," she says. "But then you have to study very hard for a couple of weeks. We call this the 'blocque period'...For two weeks life is horrible."

When asked what her favorite and least favorite thing about America was, Stéphanie replied, "I like the way people are so outgoing and welcoming. People are much colder in Europe and won't talk to you unless you really get to know them."

"What I like the least is the way everything is about making money here," Stéphanie added. "You even have commercials for paternity tests."

According to Rose Falkner, Director of International and Off-Campus Study, the students that come to McDaniel via the foreign exchange program come to "increase their English proficiency, want to study at an American college, and get involved in the campus experience."

SGA produces leadership seminars on CD-ROM

ANDREW VELNOSKEY
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association has introduced a new leadership program available to all campus organizations. It is targeted at leaders of all campus groups, everything from fraternities/sororities to honor societies to clubs.

The program utilizes a series of seminars by a professional leadership development speaker. The seminars are available on CD-ROM through the SGA.

But the program does not just place a bunch of discs in front of student leaders and leave them to learn on their own. The SGA has meticulously categorized the seminars and developed guidelines to help leaders determine what seminars are best for themselves and their organizations.

Interested leaders can explore the leader-

ship program on the student intranet. There, they will be asked to complete a survey regarding their group and their position in it. From there, the leaders will be categorized into one of three levels.

Level 1 is for "new members of the campus community taking on a leadership role or actively engaging in an organization." Level 2 is designed for "experienced members of an organization that holds a current leadership role and would like to expand on their abilities." Level 3 is for "senior members of an organization concerned with succession planning and transitioning of the organization moving forward," said SGA President, senior Ben Cowman.

After this, participants will identify areas in which they feel their group needs improvement. These areas are: community, team cohesion, setting the group standard, goals & strategic planning, resolving conflict & consensus building,

and succession planning & transition. Based on these two areas of identification, the SGA recommends various seminars.

In the final section of the survey, the SGA breaks down its recommendations even more, recommending specific seminars for such groups as faith-based organizations, athletic groups, honor societies, and so forth.

Once group members have completed this survey, they may choose which seminars they think will be most helpful. Groups may check out up to two seminars at once, due 48 hours after check-out from the Office of Student Affairs.

Since the seminars are on CD-ROM and not DVD, they cannot be shown on a traditional DVD player. However, Decker Auditorium, as well as several other rooms in Hill Hall and Hoover Library are equipped to show the seminars.

Cowman said he was pleased to be able to

offer this leadership program to the entire campus community. Last year, he said, the SGA attended a leadership conference off-campus, but could only take four people, and the cost was quite high.

Through the new program, everyone on campus has the ability to participate and the seminars can be shown to entire groups of people, all while never having to leave campus or pay a dime. The seminars cover a tremendous range of material and can offer something to almost every organization on campus. Here are the titles of just a few seminars: "Better Meetings through Parliamentary Procedure," "Developing & Strengthening an Unstoppable Team," and "Energizing Membership: Creating Active Members."

No matter what your organization does, the SGA's seminars can help strengthen your organization. So check them out!

Greek community raises money for St. Jude's Hospital

MEGAN ROBINSON
News Editor

McDaniel's Inter Greek Council supports St. Jude's Children's Hospital through fundraising efforts each year. At the end of this month the IGC will wrap up their yearlong fundraising efforts with a finale blowout open to all students.

St. Jude's Children's Hospital treats many ill children without regard to their financial situation. Last year the IGC decided to begin fundraising efforts to benefit this charitable organization.

The fundraising efforts are organized through a separate club called the Up Till Dawn Club. Co-executive directors senior Katie Reynolds and senior Tiff Robertson head the club, which is made of mostly Greek students but is open to all who wish to join the effort, said Robertson.

The club has already had several small events throughout the year to raise money for the charity. These included golf carts where students

paid a dollar to be driven to class, a grab bag tree around Christmas, and a cow drive where students bet on a square where they thought the cow would defecate.

The club also has two large events each year. In the fall, the club had a letter writing campaign at which all Greek organizations and other students wrote 35 letters per person asking friends and family to donate to St. Jude's.

The amount raised through the letter writing campaign and the smaller efforts throughout the year will be revealed at the finale event called "Up All Night" on March 26 from 6 p.m. to 3 a.m. The event lasts into the early hours of the morning to signify the sleepless nights families have spent with their sick children, said Robertson.

Despite its sad significance, the event will be anything but depressing. The fun night is to celebrate the amount raised throughout the year. Last year the club raised over \$34,000, and this year it they are hoping to raise even more. The event will have games, inflatables, raffles, live music, food and, at midnight, it will open up into a clubroom.

"The prizes were awesome," said sophomore Matthew Dyer, who attended last year.

The event is free to those who participated in the letter writing campaign in the fall, and five dollars to those who didn't. Additionally, students who choose to attend only the clubroom at midnight only need to pay a dollar admission.

However it's not too late to participate in the letter writing campaign, said Robinson. Those who desire to join the effort and gain free entrance to the finale event can visit Erica Enmler in the College Activities office and ask for 35 envelopes and letters for the campaign.

The Up Till Dawn Club also has events throughout the year to raise awareness of the cause. There's an entire awareness week in the fall during which they give out information on the cause. Its other awareness events include a smores night in Ensur lounge, and a hot dog eating contest held in the fall.

The club meets Tuesdays at 8 o'clock in the Leidy room. For more information, contact the club at mcDanielupTill@gmail.com



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Your gently used formal dresses and accessories could give another girl a chance to feel beautiful.

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QUESTIONS? Contact Julia Jackson, jacksonm@mcDaniel.edu

College Activities Programming Board Corner March Events

Wed., March 10 7:30pm - 11pm Ensur Lounge

Massage Night

Take a break from studying for mid-terms with a 10 minute massage. You can get a chair, foot or neck massage. Tea will be available for you while you wait.

Thurs., March 11 9pm Pub/Terrace Room

Musician: Ian Walsh

This Delaware native is poised to make his mark as the new singer/songwriter on the block. Walsh's songs are rimmed with fist pumping choruses. There are three things on the checklist of a perfect album: lyrics, music and emotion. Here's his debut album had all of them.

Check out <http://myspace.com/ianwalsh> for his downloads.

Wed., March 23 8pm

STOMP

The international percussion sensation is provocative, sophisticated, unique and appeals to audiences of all ages. The eight member troupe uses everything but conventional percussion instruments—wooden poles, brooms, garbage cans, hubcaps and more—to fill the stage with magnificent rhythms. "Stomp" finds beautiful noises in strange places, says USA Today. Tickets are \$25 for McDaniel students. Seats are limited.

The Hippodrome, Baltimore

Thanks to the members of CAPBoard last semester! They were:

Chris Rondo (Film chairperson)

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Welcome to the new members! They are:

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Amanda Farr

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Kristen Nuckles

We have room for more, and we welcome your participation!
CAPBoard is open to all undergraduate students.

'Tune in to L': Upcoming must-see spring concerts

LAUREN MILLER
Staff Reporter

The sun is shining, the snow is hopefully gone and spring is on its way. For some, spring means baseball, picnics and Easter. For me, spring means my calendar is quickly filling up with concerts because I'm tired of being stuck inside watching the snow fall. This spring there are quite a few intriguing concerts coming to our area and some are even in McDaniel's own backyard. I've compiled a list of six must see concerts from mostly in-state of bands and some you may be heard of.

1. This first concert I'm going to recommend is also the shortest traveling distance. The Baltimore local indie acoustic rock band, Bond and Bentley, will be playing at Rafael's in Westminster Mar. 12, 2010 at 9 p.m. and they will also be playing at the Greene Turtle in Westminster April 2, 1010 at 9 p.m. on their MySpace, they call themselves "what you want to jam to on a hot humid day eating a bushel of crabs drinkin' a case of Boh and talking about the Orioles waiting for the Ravens home." Sounds like a good summer band. Check out their MySpace, www.myspace.com/bondandbentley, for more info and to check out their tunes.

2. This second show is a little bit longer of a drive, but still worth the gas. The local head Victor by Revenge will be playing at Rams Head Live on April 10, 2010 with Hopner and The Dangerous Summer. Their bassist John says on their MySpace, "We're the kid next door, without the boobs," and I think it describes them pretty well. Visit www.myspace.com/victorybyrevenge to check out them out.

3. This third band is one of my favorites and you only have to go as far as the Pub to see them. The Ian Walsh band, consisting of Ian Walsh and Jesse Devine, will be performing an acoustic set on Thur. Mar. 11, 2010 at 9 p.m. And if you really like them you can road trip to check them out again on the "Bring Me Home Tour" April 12, 2010 at the Croc Rock in Allentown, PA. There they will be playing with the In Crowd, all on MySpace.

4. It seems as if every time the Summer Set (www.myspace.com/thesummer1) is in town I



Check out the Ian Walsh Band at the Pub on Thursday, March 11 at 9 p.m.

have something to do. This show is no different so someone needs to go and enjoy them for me. I've heard they're great live. The show is the AP tour. It's at the 930 Club April 25. They'll be with four other amazing bands: The Cab, Never Shout Never, Hey Monday, and Every Avenue. Check them out on MySpace and for ticket info go to www.allpress.com/theapour.

5. This next tour is for a band that I probably won't stop talking about until the day I die. Honor Society is coming to town again with their Here Comes Trouble tour. Trust me, there's a reason why they say these guys don't play live performances, they throw parties. Check them out April 26, 2010 at the Rock and Roll Hotel in DC or April 29, 2010 at the Croc Rock in Allentown, PA. This tour they're bringing with them just Kait (www.myspace.com/justkai) and Ashlyne Huff (www.myspace.com/ashlynehuff).

6. This last show is with pretty well known acts such as Good Charlotte, All Time Low, Hanson, Boys Like Girls, and Forever the Sickest Kids just to name a few, but the reason you should go is this little band from Virginia called The Downtown Fiction (www.myspace.com/thedowntownfiction). They'll be playing at the Merriweather Post Pavilion.

For more music news and ramblings visit my blog, "Tune into L" at <http://mediumofmusic.blogspot.com/lauren/>.

"The Desert Sessions" are worth checking out

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Staff Reporter

Imagine that you're in the desert. You're meditating on the strangeness of the world, sitting cross-legged on top of a large boulder, basking in the bright, hot sun. You're also wrecked on peyote. This is what you'll be doing when you listen to The Desert Sessions.

Well, maybe not what you'll actually be doing, but once the CD starts playing, you will understand why it would make good background music in that situation. There is no clear genre, but the music on this CD falls mostly into the category of "what is known simultaneously as 'desert rock' and 'stoner rock' (go figure, or go to Wikipedia for more information).

The Desert Sessions, of which there have been 10 so far, are a collaborative effort. They are organized by Josh Homme, of Queens of the Stone Age fame. Basically he invites selected musicians to come out to a ranch house in the desert and write and record music on the spot (and occasionally on peyote). It's a pretty cool idea, and it yields powerful results.

The CD in question contains volumes 9 and 10 of the sessions. My friend Tyler and I happened upon it in a Record and Tape Traders where it had been placed on the wrong shelf. I asked him to describe it for this article, and his response was simply, "Eerie." Next I asked him what he would say about The Sessions if he had to tell everyone about it. He said, "It will take you to another place. A creepy place. It brings a whole new emotion to music."

That's a good description, but words just can't do justice to this CD. It's one of those albums where you like every song. Every time you listen to it you regret that you don't have time to hear it all. The Desert Sessions have some of the most brilliant vocals I've ever heard, complemented by technically and artistically gifted guitarists, bassists, drummers, and more.



The fourth song on the album, "There's Never Been a Better Time," has the most talented and fitting vocal performance this side of "Great Gig in the Sky" (Pink Floyd, Dark Side of the Moon, oddly enough that's also track four). This is probably the most impressive and mood-setting song on the CD.

Track eight, "In My Head... Or Something," is one of the most energetic songs, and has a more radio-friendly feel. In fact, it was recorded on a later Queens of the Stone Age album. It provides a slight break from the eerie feel of the rest of the CD without breaking the desert motif. This is likely to be the favorite song of someone who doesn't indulge in this genre too often.

But that's just two songs out of fourteen, all of which are, frankly, awesome. I got this CD for \$15. You probably can, too. And you should. Your best bet will be to look it up on the internet. The other eight sessions are equally worthwhile. But are also much rarer and more expensive. If you're desperate, you can just search for "Desert Sessions" on YouTube. Fair warning: you might develop an obsession with this CD, or this kind of music, or the desert. It'll be worth it.

Local concerts you don't want to miss

RICHIE ROSS
Staff Reporter

March and April are MASSIVE months in terms of live music in the Baltimore DC area. Here are a couple bands that will be in the area that should go on your must see list...if you can afford it:

The Very Best
March 13 Sonar, Baltimore
March 14, Rock and Roll Hotel, Washington DC
Must Listen MySpace tune: Kamphopo (Lazy Fly Remix)

The Very Best are Esau Mwamwana and French, by way of London, DJ Duo Radioclit (Johan Karlberg and Etienne Tiron). Isn't "Radioclit" the best DJ name you've ever heard? After seeing these guys play a party, you will understand why that name is perfect for them. They play party music in the true sense of the word. They don't discriminate. Genre means nothing; the only thing that matters is the beat. In their live shows, they tend to rely on heavily rhythmic urban based musical forms from around the world, like Bata Funk (Brazil), Cumbia (Colombia/Argentina), Coupe Decale (West Africa), and Kuduro (Angola/Portugal). Don't let this scare you away though. When you get down to it, it's all just booty shaking music. Not booty shaking like, up in the club grinding music, but dancing in your room when no one is watching booty shaking. The duo hooked up with Malawian crooner Esau Mwamwana in 2007 and independently put out a mixtape called "Esau Mwamwana and Radioclit are THE VERY BEST". The tape features incredibly novel and energetic remixes of obscure pop, indie rock, afro-pop, and dance tunes with Esau singing in English, Portuguese, Chichewa (his native language), and Swahili. If you ever hated a remix, this is a great one to hear. I was there. I highly recommend this album. I'm not sure if you can still find it floating out there somewhere on the world wide intertubes, but it's worth a look. GO SEE THIS BAND! No matter what kind of music you like, or think you like, you will have fun.

Joanna Newsom
March 22 823, 6th and I Synagogue, Washington DC
Must Listen MySpace tune: Book of Right On

I'm pretty sure Joanna Newsom is from Saturn. Either she, from Saturn, or she's an elf. I can't decide. Go to her MySpace and listen to a couple tunes, and you'll understand exactly what I'm talking about. The classically trained harpist is typically thrown somewhere in the folk genre, but she's not Bob Dylan folk, or Decadent Banhart folk. The Columbia native sings cryptic lyrics with Appalachian inspired melodies in a haunting falsetto over super percussive harp and piano playing. You've never heard the harp played like Joanna Newsom plays it. She doesn't play it like an angel with calming flourishes and easy listening overtones. She plays that thing like she's exercising it, banging and plucking to make sounds that somehow evoke

heaven and hell at the same time. With all of these things put together, the music comes out as a mish-mash of jazz, classic rock, blues, and spiritual inspired avant-garde folk music. Trust me, it sounds better than my description does.

Major Lazer
March 31, Bourbon Street, Baltimore
Must Listen MySpace tune: Call Mi (Baby Cham Version)

According to Major Lazer's bio on his label's website, he is, "a Jamaican commando who lost his arm in the secret Zombic War of 1984. The US military rescued him and repurposed experimental lasers as prosthetic limbs. Since then Major Lazer has been a hired renegade soldier for a rogue government operating in secrecy underneath the watch of M5 and the CIA. His cover is that of a dancehall night club owner from Trinidad and he enlisted the help of long-time allies and uber-producers, Diplo and Switch, to produce his first LP." I think that just about says it. In actuality Major Lazer is the Jamaican creative outlet for hipster, uber-producer dance gods, Diplo and Switch. You may not know the name Diplo, but you're almost assuredly heard his production. He was responsible for breaking M.I.A. in the states with their "Piracy Funds Terrorism" mixtape in 2004. That mixtape featured material that went on to be her first official LP, 2005's *Arular*. Most students on this campus only becoming aware of M.I.A. when she released the now amazingly ubiquitous "Paper Plane" in 2007. Well, Diplo produced that too. The guy is a production beast. Besides, his production skills, he's also probably the best party DJ doing it right now. When it comes to rocking a party, no one does it better in so many different ways. His crates are deep (translation: his musical selection is incredibly expansive), his mixing is thoughtful, and his skills are many. You can think of Switch as Diplo's British doppelgänger and Diplo making Jamaican inspired dance music. They play everything from roots reggae styles, to dancehall, jump up, and electro. There will be lots of grinding going on at this show. Be prepared to sweat.

Vampire Weekend
April 3, DAR Hall, Washington DC
Must Listen MySpace tune: Horchata

You've probably heard of Vampire Weekend. They're a love/hate kind of band. The former Columbia University students sing very witty, and sometimes flippant lyrics over super-fidgety Afro-pop inspired rhythms. Think Paul Simon's Graceland—minus the sentimental "world view"—as imagined by Y2K hipster 80's babies raised on punk and the Talking Heads. OK, that's a really oversimplified analogy, but I think it gets to the point. A lot of critics have been attacking them lately for participating in what has been termed "musical imperialism". They're rich white kids who play rhythms that were invented by poor black people. What's new? This doesn't really bother this writer. After all, Rock N Roll came about by over "stealing" of black musical forms. Now we call it "appropriation". This is just how art works. They are playing the music they love to play.



Left: Joanna Newsom, Esau Mwamwana, Chris Goble, Christopher Stone. Photo Credit: Tom Sed

DEAF SAVVY

Deaf people can legally drive just like you

MARISSA GRAFF
Staff Reporter

I thought I would throw out an interesting fact about Deaf culture or ASL: Deaf people can drive just like anyone else.

Believe it or not, being able to hear is not a requirement to drive. If you really think about it, why would a person need to hear in order to be a good driver? Some answers may be to hear an ambulance, a cop siren, another car honking at you or someone else, etc. Actually, ambulances and police cars have lights that will alert any drivers. A Deaf driver would probably not be able to hear a car honking at them; however, when do people actually use their horns

in a productive manner? Usually people honk when they are upset, in which case the Deaf driver doesn't need to be able to hear it in order to be an effective driver.

On another note, Deaf drivers do not have the distraction of music or all the sirens that Hearing people have to listen to. Music is a great distractor to hearing people. They get involved in the music, maybe start dancing in the driver's seat, and the next thing you know an accident has happened.

Additionally, deaf drivers are able to sign and drive at the same time, just like Hearing people are able to talk and drive at the same time. Deaf drivers are used to signing while driving. The signs change from being two-handed to one-handed and that way one hand can remain on the steering wheel. This is safer than you might

imagine. Just as a Hearing person may look away from the road to see the person speaking, so would a Deaf person momentarily look away to see the person signing. Many drivers use only one hand on the steering wheel at any given time. For Deaf drivers the non-driving hand is just being used to communicate.

Remember to email me any questions or comments and I will respond to them in this article. This is a non-judgmental and educational environment, so ask away! I look forward to reading your questions!

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Deaf Awareness Month approaches

American Sign Language and Deaf Studies students and professors have begun preparations for American Deaf Culture and Heritage Awareness Month. Due to Spring Break, McDaniel College will celebrate from May 22 to April 16.

The purpose of the month is for the McDaniel community to understand the importance of the history, shared experiences, and oppression faced by the Deaf community. American Deaf Culture and Heritage Awareness Month celebrates important Deaf leaders, special contributions by Deaf people, and Deaf sports heroes.

For centuries in the United States, American Sign Language (ASL) was not recognized as a language or allowed to be utilized by Deaf children in a classroom. Today, ASL is recognized as a formal language with syntax and grammatical rules. ASL is an essential link for holding together the Deaf community. The Deaf communities have a great deal of pride in their language, customs, organizations, and diverse groups.

After a fun filled Spring Break, join the ASL and Deaf students and professors on the Hill in the celebration of American Sign Language and Deaf Culture!

WEBSITES AND OTHER RESOURCES

ASL Connection of Maryland
FACEBOOK Group
"For Hearing People Only"
www.ASLPro.com

A quick lesson in sign language



Upcoming Deaf Awareness Month events

(Most have voice interpreters)

March 23: McDaniel College will show a movie about Autism, discussion following film.

April 6: McDaniel College will host a panel discussion on cochlear implants. April 13-18: Gallaudet University Theatre presents Charlotte's Web. The production will integrate ASL and voice.

April 17: ASL Vaudeville will be held in Frederick, MD.

April 20: Frederick Community College. The Executive Director of International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and Deaflympics, Tiffany Granfors, will give a presentation about Deaflympics.

May 4: Frederick Community College. David Martin will give a presentation explaining how Frederick has become a Deaf Friendly community. Martin is the program manager for ASL Studies at FCC and a lifelong resident of Frederick. He was a former teacher of ASL and American Deaf culture courses at McDaniel.

Rachel's Law: Student advocates for better Closed Captioning

MONICA HORNER
Staff Reporter

This semester, the American Deaf Culture class was assigned a Community Service Learning Project, and sophomore Rachel Hansell saw an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the Deaf and hard of hearing in Maryland. Closed captioning allows people who are Deaf and hard of hearing to have access to television programming by displaying the audio portion as text on the television screen. Most entertainment venues still do not provide closed captioning. "When closed captioning isn't provided, it is impossible for me to enjoy a movie in a theater," explained Hansell. "There have been so many great films that I wanted to see, but I had to wait until the movie was available on DVD. By the time I actually get to see the movie, I already know what happens, because all of my friends have already seen it," said Hansell.

Hansell contacted Maryland Delegate Kevin Kelly to enact a Legislative bill, which will re-

quire movie theaters, stadiums, and other venues to provide appropriate closed captioning accommodations for patrons who are Deaf and hard of hearing. Closed captioning technology for movie theaters is very different than subtitles. The captioning system displays reversed captions on a light-emitting diode (LED) text display, which is mounted in the rear of a theater. Deaf and hard-of-hearing patrons use transparent acrylic panels attached to their seats to reflect the captions, so that they appear superimposed on the movie screen. The reflective panels are portable and adjustable, enabling the caption user to sit anywhere in the theater. The hearing patrons will not be distracted by text on the screen and probably will never take notice of the technology. The bill was introduced to the House of Representatives on Feb. 26, 2010. A petition will be placed in the Hoover library so Maryland residents who are registered to vote can sign up and display their support. When approved, Rachel's Law will be enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland on Oct. 1, 2010.

If you feel down.

"We accept the love we think we deserve"
- The Perks of Being a Wallflower

Instead of questioning why people who claim to love you treat you poorly, think about why you tolerate such behavior. Stop settling and demand the love that you really deserve!

-Phoebe Bafu

↑...pick this up

Deaf sports hero highlight

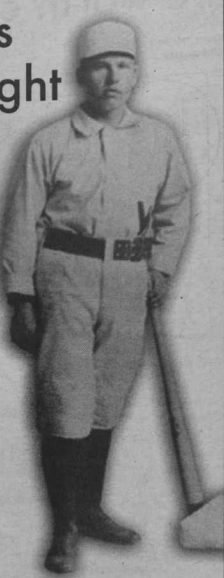
MONICA HORNER
Staff Reporter

WILLIAM "DUMMY" HOY

(1862-1961)

During Hoy's baseball career, he played outfield for the major league team, the Cincinnati Reds. Hoy's career facilitated the creation of the intricate system of baseball hand signals, which are still used in today's baseball games throughout the world. In 1887, Hoy wrote out a request to the third-base coach asking him to raise his left arm to indicate a ball and his right arm for a strike. The third base coach would sign each of the umpire's calls to Hoy.

Hoy adapted the out and safe signals from American Sign Language. Other players and umpires found these signals useful, so they became standard practice in America's Greatest Game. In 1951, Hoy was unanimously voted the first player into the American Athletic Association of the Deaf Hall of Fame.



BMore Proud Leadership Summit builds community amongst LGBTQIA students

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Staff Reporter

On Feb. 20, hundreds of students from colleges across the Baltimore metro area participated in the first annual BMore Proud LGBTQIA Leadership Summit, located at Towson University. The theme of this year's summit was community, and the energy generated by so many people with common goals was contagious as participants were able to connect, learn, network, and share their experiences.

"When you're in a room with over a hundred people who think like you, on any issue, it's incredibly inspiring," said junior Laura Manos-Hey.

The event featured keynote speakers, breakout sessions, food sponsored by Chipotle, and an organizational fair. Sample breakout session topics included "Transcending Gender," "Ins of Coming Out," "Racism in the Gay Community," and "After the L Word: Lesbian and Bisexual Women on Television." Members of McDaniel's gay-straight alliance, Allies, hosted sessions about LGBT dating and support for straight allies.

"It was intimidating to lead a discussion in front of more people than I see weekly at Allies meetings," said sophomore Masha Makhlyagina. "I was thankful that two of my friends led the discussion with me. We discussed how dating as a person who is LGBT is different than a heterosexual dating experience because it forces the dating individuals to face challenges like tokenism and harassment. It was difficult to hear some of the harsher experiences the breakout session attendees had in their personal lives. However, overall, it was an empowering experience and I feel that those who went learned more about different perspectives on the issues."

The event culminated in a drag show competition, featuring professional drag queens and students from Towson University and Johns Hopkins University.

"It was important to attend with my fellow Allies members in order to continue building a sense of community, this time from the activist perspective," said Manos-Hey.

Advocacy was a large part of the emphasis as well. McDaniel Allies plans to take what was learned at BMore Proud and apply it to its activities this semester. For example, Allies Week will raise awareness of LGBT misconceptions and issues and will culminate in a day of silence. There are plans to try to create an LGBT studies course and to ask supportive faculty and staff members to establish "Safe Zones" in their offices, marked by a pink triangle symbol.

"Sometimes just talking to people and opening up dialogue is enough to further the cause of gay rights," said freshman Dani Allen. "You don't always have to plan a big event or rally. Just changing one person's mind can make a difference."



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Rainbow decorations infused the conference with pride and energy as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning, asexual, pansexual, intersexual, queer, and straight allies met to build community and discuss issues regarding gender and sexuality.



McDaniel Allies members Masha Makhlyagina and Laura Manos-Hey lead a breakout session about LGBT dating during the BMore Proud Leadership Summit. Other representatives from the club led a session about the challenges faced by straight Allies.



60 SECONDS

THE FASTEST ARTICLE YOU'LL EVER READ.

J ELLIS
Staff Reporter



"I enjoyed the lock stories because I am a part of the lock brotherhood. It is not just a hairstyle."
MICAH SHELTON '11



"I was in the dread story so I enjoyed that. It got rid of a lot of stereotypes...I absolutely loved Niya's singing, Brenda's singing, and Kailla's spoken word. It was well put together."
TREVOR CREST '12



"Students showcasing their talents; from the poetry to the dancing to the fellowship."
DEAN BETH GERL



"The dance was my favorite part of the dinner because it is a tradition. It is a part of our roots."
BRENDA MOYER '12

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE PART ABOUT THE SOUL FOOD DINNER?



"The locks stories were my favorite. I thought it was put together well and it was creative. I liked their personal lock stories because they talked about their connection to spirituality. I also enjoyed the dance performance by The Sophisticated Ladies and Gentlemen."
DR. JOHNSON ROSS



"Micha's speech about locks. Also, the food was great! The cornbread was sweet and the chicken was fried to perfection."
OMAR BROWN '11



"The dancing and the dread stories. I grew up with the belief that you have to burn every strand of your hair because if someone caught hold of a strand, they could put a hex on you. It was familiar. I never heard anyone outside of my family talk about it."
MAHLIA JOYCE, ODMA



"My favorite part of The Soul Food Dinner was the dread stories. It helped me understand the dread culture and now I have more respect for the culture."
DWIGHT CARMON '13



"My spoken word performance which was all about self-love."
KAILLA PEARL '12

Chatroulette becomes Internet phenomenon

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

Recently, I've become swept into the internet phenomenon of Chatroulette, which was created by Russian 17-year-old Andrey Tokmakov for his personal entertainment and the entertainment of his friends. The thrill of being transported into a stranger's life is worth the occasional encounters with X-rated body parts. This site is not for the squeamish, but it's definitely worth checking out.

Here's what happens: Go to chatroulette.com and click "Play" to begin. Within seconds, you will be connected via webcam with a complete stranger. There is also a chat box, which I've found to be more effective than vocal communication, because quite honestly, the audio sucks. If you like what you see or hear, continue the conversation. But if you get bored, you can click "Next." Be warned, it is highly likely that you will be "nexted" within seconds. I took it personally at first, until I became comfortable with nexting people myself.

I've spoken to people in Italy, Russia, the UK, Germany, and Mexico. My friend and I had a calculator party with a French university student (we both had Texas Instruments). I was serenaded by a trio of frat boys. I watched a teenage boy dance around like a crazy person. I told a group of Turkish students about college in America. I chatted

about the weather with a girl in New York. I was yelled at by some Russian man. My roommate and I had a Spongebob show-and-tell session with some college students somewhere in America. I chanced upon a young girl who repeatedly made silly faces into the camera.

While there are many entertaining situations that can arise from this website, there are also some very uncomfortable ones. I saw way too many people choking the chicken, if you know what I mean. A random girl told me that if I showed her "mine," she'd show me "hers." One particularly creative guy held up a sign that said, "Show tits for Haiti." A deceptively kind-looking old man said, "Hello, Angel," and winked at me. Couples engaged in very private acts on this very public forum. Thankfully, there is an option to report such misuse of the site. I honestly don't know how effective this is, because an account is not necessary to use Chatroulette and it would be difficult to track these people down, but hey, at least they try.

People take advantage of the anonymity provided by Chatroulette in many different ways, as exemplified above. It's great because you can avoid awkward situations with use of the "Next" button. You can also experience other cultures from the safety of your room.

Personally, I'm glad such a thing only exists on the Internet, because I'd be sad to live in a world where you could click people away.



COURTESY DANI ALLEN

Freshmen Dani Allen and Hanna Barker, and sophomore Lydia Hubble begin a chat on Chatroulette with a stranger who greets them with: "Oooh, sexy ladies. Hey, sexy ladies. What's up?"

McDaniel alumna teaches students to be writers

AMBER SLATER
Staff Reporter

Mary Kay Nevius-Maurer is a McDaniel graduate who turns high school students into confident writers who, through academic and personal preparation, are ready to transition into college life.

Over the years, she has earned nicknames such as Devious Nevius and Chairman Mau. She is Mary Kay Nevius-Maurer, and her reputation precedes her.

She is a veteran teacher. For thirty-five years, Maurer has taught high school English. "My job is different every day," she comments. "How many other jobs are like that?"

Though she has taught the entire spectrum of high school English courses, she most notably instructs a class which combines AP English Literature and Composition and AP English Language and Composition. Upon taking this course and passing the required tests, many of her students enter college at junior-level English.

She is an alumna. Before perfecting the art of teaching, Mrs. Maurer attended college at McDaniel. She also received two awards from her alma mater after graduating.

"To be rewarded by the college you graduated from is touching. I received one award when my daughter, Amber, was due in two weeks. I really filled out that cap and gown."

Amber went on to graduate from McDaniel in 2009.

She is understanding, yet demanding. Mrs. Maurer admits that in high school, she "sat, smiled, and got A's." She expects students to leave her class, however, with more than a grin on their face. "I want my students to be thinking human beings. I want them to be open-minded, but not manipulated."

She is a friend. Because she sees her students as more than the scores on their AP tests, many stay in touch after graduation. Though she primarily receives emails and visits when students first begin college and during breaks, Maurer hears from some students several years after their graduation. For example, she recently received "an email from a student who is over 40 years old."

She is a guide. "I want my students to be able to write no matter what their field," Maurer explains. "It's important to be



Mary Kay Nevius-Maurer, an alumna of McDaniel College, has taught high school English for thirty-five years.

COURTESY AMBER SLATER

able to express yourself clearly because writing is a reflection of who you are." Through constant assignments and feedback, Maurer helps students to gain the maturity and confidence necessary to enter the world of college writing.

"The nicest thing students have to share is the revelation of all their hard work. They come back to me and say, 'Look, I do

know how to write!'"

She is a realist. "Not everyone can teach. Forget that line." For future teachers, her advice is short and simple: "If you don't love it, don't do it."

Mary Kay Nevius-Maurer is a veteran, understanding and demanding. She is a friend, a guide, a realist.



SINGLE?

TIRED OF WAITING FOR LOVE, OR EVEN A DECENT CONVERSATION?

STILL HOPING TO FIND A LOYAL FRIEND OR EVEN LOVE?

Check out COFFEE FIX - the college newspaper column dedicated to helping McDaniel singles connect.

Visit www.mcdanielfreepress.com and complete the COFFEE FIX survey.

Get the conversation flowing.

This semester, Dr. Kathy Mangan held a snow poetry contest for her class. The two winners and the runner up are published below. The winners each will receive a \$20 gift card to the bookstore.

WED FOR FIRST PLACE

The Shades of It by Emily Frazier

Omens.
The first, a sprinkling
a dance, slight magic viewed
through steamed windows and then
walked with
cobble lanes, twinkle lights
your eyes—

Didn't see the second time
but weight, promise of consequences
deadly stale air
airports, 32 hours wait
"turn around" on repeat—
off the train to almost black
drifts on clogged city streets
grafted souls, tarnished life—

Now days of white, blocked windows
scarves stretched on heaters

laughter on muted unplowed streets
yet, the stifling twitch somewhere
behind my eyes

all roads gone, white-silver abyss

Immobility.

Sno-ku in 4 Hai-Parts by Pat Johnson

Man falls on his face,
the ice shimmers on his boots
rum fills his stomach
Lurching and rolling,
heavy flakes blur spinning head;
even the sky falls.
Laughter and gasping
chase the smell of fresh liquor
out of frozen mouths.
Stand then, to stumble
back up snow-weary stairways
to warm dens of sin.

Lost keeps viewers hooked for last season

DEVON MCANDREW
Staff Reporter

Walking through the forest at night is a more dangerous task this season in *LOST*. Like most *LOST* fans, I watch the new episode every Tuesday at 9:00 p.m. on ABC. But watching the episode is not really enough when they are chasing unknown objects all across the island: I'm bound to miss a connection between one of the characters. That is the reason for the repeat episode at 8:00 p.m. right before the new episode. It reviews last week's episode before the new episode and includes commentary bar at the bottom of the screen with text explaining how some parts refer to past episodes as they appear. They help connect parts from older episodes that might have been missed or for the new viewers who find themselves lost.

A large aspect of the show, drawing in 12 million viewers each week, is the questions we seem to always have at the end of each episode. Slowly, this last season is answering questions about the black smoke monster and who Jacob really is.

As questions are answered on the island it doesn't help when we have so many other questions about the events that take place during the flash sideways.

As questions are answered about the survivors of flight Oceanic 815 and their past, we see these "flash sideways" which are their lives as if their flight had landed and their lives never touched the island. Their lives the passengers of flight Oceanic 815 still intermingle. We see Claire and Kate's lives connect in the taxi and in the hospital when Aaron is born.

The fact that each character is still connecting with other characters after the plane has safely landed in America creates more questions. It does tell us how their lives are different without the island. But, are their lives better back on the island?

As the season comes to a close with only 10 episodes left until the 2 hour grand finale, hopefully more questions will be answered and fewer questions asked.

One thing is for sure, *Lost* will be remembered as the show that kept their viewers completely lost until the very end.



GOOGLE.COM

Lost is currently halfway through its fifth and final season. New episodes air on Tuesdays at 9 p.m.

RUNNER UP

College is Hoth by Matthew Bisenius

COLLEGE EVENTS

COLLEGE IS HOTH

It starts off light and clean

Shaken like a snowglobe

The New Orleans Saints are getting off

While we're getting frozen in

We're waging wars on liquor stores

We're marching in like Sherman, trying to decimate their Southern Comfort

There are icicle spikes when the boredom strikes

The walls are closing in on anyone without a tauntain

And the flutrics, they are record setting

We're sliding on the sidewalks and they're calling for more on Wednesday

It doesn't feel that great when you don't know the date

But it's the third night in a row you've thrown up in the snow or the sink

60 SECONDS

THE FASTEST ARTICLE YOU'LL EVER READ.

SOPHIE DIVEN
Staff Reporter

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER SNOW STORM?



"I would be pretty upset because we would be stuck in the dorms even longer."
JORDAN HADLEY, freshman



"I would love it! I love sledding and going crazy!"
CHELSEA WATKINS, sophomore



"Grounds did a terrific job last time and they will definitely be out there again, breaking their backs to keep the students safe. A big congratulations to grounds!"
NATHAN GERLACH, on-call mechanic



"Awesome! I love snow! I'll be out there running in my pajamas."
ECHO BEIN, sophomore



"Very angry! I'm supposed to go home and the snow would complicate my plans. I'm sick of snow! I want spring!"
COLIN DONNELLY, freshman

Winter car care tips that can save you money

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

It's easy to ignore your car when it's buried under a few feet of snow, but there are a few easy ways to prepare your car for the cold and avoid expensive repairs.

Issue #1:

Weather stripping, the rubber around your doors and windows that prevents water from getting in, cracking.

The problem: When the weather stripping cracks, it allows water to seep in when it rains. As the temperature drops and the water freezes, your doors can freeze shut. (This is especially gross and equally annoying in the summer: water + warm = midew.)

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The fix: Weather stripping should be treated with a vinyl protector, like Armor-all, to prevent cracking. Your locks can also freeze, but spraying a little WD-40 in the key slot will prevent it.

Issue #2:

Oil weight.

The problem: Some oils are only good down to

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a certain temperature. If the oil drops below that temperature, flow will be compromised and can cause severe engine damage.

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The fix:

Make sure your car has oil that is the recommended weight (check your manual) and make sure it is stable to at least 32 degrees F, if not lower

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Issue #3:

Water in gas tank/fuel lines.

The problem: Water can get into your gas tank and fuel lines in a number of ways, including refueling on rainy days and from condensation forming inside the tank during temperature changes. Water and gas normally separate, but if it gets in your fuel lines, it can freeze and block fuel flow. While this will not damage the car in any major way, it will prevent your car from starting until it thaws.

The fix: Dry gas is a mixture of methanol and other additives which bond with water molecules and keep them from freezing (pure ethanol freezes at -175 degrees F). "HEET" is a popular brand and is available at most parts stores,

gas stations, and grocery stores. It can be used year-round but is especially important in the winter.

Issue #4:

Tire pressure, tread, and dry rot.

The problem: Tires need to have the right amount of air in them at all times for optimal performance and gas mileage. Tires, like weather stripping, need to be treated periodically since the rubber will start to dry rot (develop tiny cracks) over time from the expansion and contraction due to changing temperatures. Dry rot decreases traction, especially on wet roads, and weakens the rubber which makes it susceptible to blow outs.

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The fix: Keeping your tires at the lower end of the suggested PSI (pounds per square inch) range will give you a little better traction. Apply a vinyl protector, like you used on your weather stripping, to prevent dry rot. Use the "penny test" to check your tread by putting a penny in your tread. If the tread is not up to Lincoln's head, think about new tires before the next snow.

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Issue #5:

Engine temperature.

The problem: When an engine isn't given time to warm up, oil doesn't have a chance to reach operating temperature. In the cold weather, the oil is thicker which impedes flow, which causes friction and slowly wears down your engine.

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The fix: Car engines are designed to run at a certain temperature, and warming a car up is as simple as letting it run (in Park or neutral) until your temperature gauge shows normal. Some cars slightly expand at full temperature and running them below that stresses them unnecessarily. If you don't have time or ability to warm up, make sure you drive gently. Avoid flooring it!

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Cost of repairs or prevention:

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My Bucket List

Everyone has a vague idea of what they want to do before they die. Inspired by the movie, "The Bucket List," starring Morgan Freeman and Jack Nicholson and the television show "The Bucket List," students in Lisa Brodini's EN1101 class created their own Bucket List. Tell the Free Press what you would like to do before you kick the bucket. Email a list and your photo to: freepress@mcDaniel.edu

1. Skydive
2. Live in another country
3. Climb a mountain
4. Make an invention
5. Adopt a dog

ASHLEY MEISTER

1. bike through most of the countries around the world. Especially JAPAN!!!
2. master 5 different kinds of language to an extent that no one recognize I'm alien
3. be invited to give a speech at any ivy league and laugh at the audience
4. love passionately and romantically, at least once in life
5. create something with value, that did not exist in this world before. It can be a book, album, music, painting, design... anything! Anything that would mark my worth.

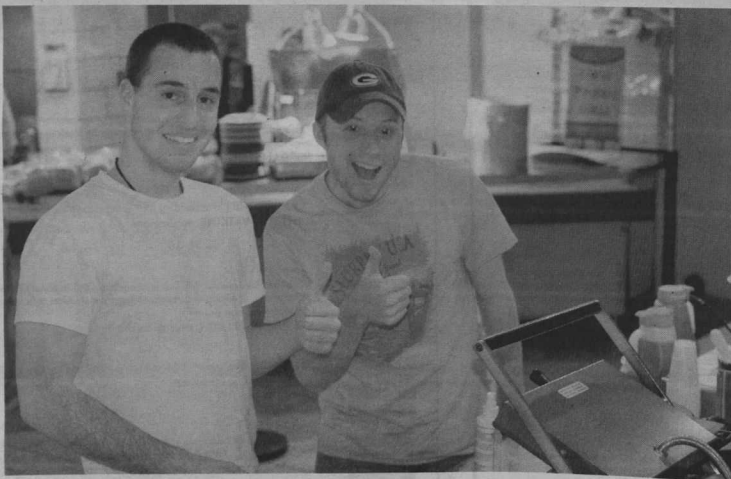
YICHONG LI

Travel the world
Write a book
Go see all the Broadway shows
Shop with no limits
Shop for someone else with no limits

ANGELA BALDWIN

1. Skydive
2. Live in Paris, France for at least a year
3. Sing and play guitar in front of an audience of 100+ people
4. Write a best-selling novel
5. Write/direct a short film

RYAN POWELL



Brandon Campbell and Jack Kinn show their approval of the new panini maker. Students on campus have noticed the delicious addition to Olor, located near the sandwich station. Now, students can now stop getting creative with the waffle maker to enjoy a warm sandwich. "I've never been happier with the sandwich line," said senior Tiff Robertson-An opinion many McDaniel students are sure to agree on.

EVAN TICKNOR

"If you liked it, then you should have put a ring on it."

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



So far in my writing for this column, I've touched on many sexual issues. However, safe sex is not something that's come up. This is an issue that I think is extremely important and obviously relevant to anyone who is sexually active.

On campus, there are few ways to get free condoms. You have to go to the health center, and awkwardly take a handful of condoms from that Halloween bowl, and with that method you have to go back often. You can also do something similar at counseling services. Additionally, you could go off campus to various family planning or women's clinics and get some there, but there's got to be an easier way.

Last week the Women's Issues Group hosted a table that distributed candy, condoms, single-serving packets of lube, dental dams, and female condoms for national condom week.

"Our main goal was to promote safe sex awareness on the McDaniel Campus," says junior Bryan Yarrington, president of W.I.G., "having sex is OK, just be safe."

Students seemed to respond extremely well, no one seemed to be embarrassed about coming up to the table to take some condoms and a tootsie roll.

"We got rid of 1,000 condoms in a week," said Yarrington, "but we also found that people were taking informational packets as well."



The Women's Issues group received condoms through Planned Parenthood, an organization that generally holds negative connotations for college students. Parenthood is generally thought to be the worst possible outcome of sex, so Planned Parenthood seems to be a place to avoid. However, this is far from the way the organization does. Parenthood recognizes the choice that people have when it comes to sex, and they respect everyone's right to privacy. Spreading ideas of safe sex on college campuses is one of their many outreach programs.

"They got back to me immediately after I called and expressed interest in doing a safe sex

campaign," Yarrington explained "She told me about National Condom Week and asked me if I wanted a box of 1,000 condoms. It's hard to turn that down."

So when it comes down to it, somewhere, someone is trying to give away free condoms, and that's taken advantage of.

Keep an eye out for more Women's Issues Group events, such as the rescheduled Vagina Monologues on April 2, 3, and 8.

More information about Planned Parenthood, contraception, and much more can be found at www.plannedparenthood.org.

Editor's Note: This column, written by Naomi Raphael is dedicated to exploring some of the 'taboo' topics about gender and sexuality. To contact her regarding Sex on the Hill, email freepress@mcdaniel.edu.

Blood Wedding a bewitchingly performed dark drama



SAM SEGAL

Simone Davis, Yichong Angeli Li, Britt Burr, Shelley Hiersteller, and Annie Herbert are pictured as part of the cast of Blood Wedding.

SAMANTHA LAMBERT
Staff Reporter

Walking onto the strange and unsettling set of Blood Wedding seemed to be the proverbial hors d'oeuvre before the main course, the dramatic theatrical entrée.

Blood Wedding is a great play of dramatic events in rural Spain written by the Spanish dramatist, Federico Lorca. The play takes place during a usually joyous occasion, a wedding; a bloodbath ensues over passed grudges, passion, and love.

The audience sits around the perimeter of the main stage and the actors to perform on a defined stage in the middle of the audience. This set-up offers audiences a good view of characters' faces at all times — no one has to miss the deep-set emotion so many of these scenes convey.

So many scenes of this play were executed with such a defined emotional voice and movement that the audience experiences the same events played out by the young actors. For example, everyone feels the pain of the Mother's (Jen Solomon) grief over her dead family; most audience members can relate to the apprehension of the Bride's (Colleen Alford) decision of

marriage; and many people can relate to Leonardo's (Chris C-Mo Mollory) conflicted feelings of love and passion.

Few people can escape feeling remaining actors and actresses' dark acceptance of the spilt blood on a would-be beautiful day.

The character of death, a Man (Brandon Senter) and the Girls (Shelley Hiersteller, Britt Burr, Ann Hebert, and Yichong Angeli Li) who depicted the moon put on a wonderful symbolic scene with the woodcutter Boys (Mike McNulty, Ryan Powell). The scenes symbolizes not only death, (death of the end of human life), but also the end of relationships. What is left? An endless, meaningless life.

Shout outs to Katie Cooper and Maggie Powell for their beautifully tragic fore-shadowing lullaby, Julia Williams and Simone Davis for adding the touches of warmth when needed; and the beautifully played love scene in the forest between Miss Colleen Alford and Mr. Chris Mollory.

Director Ron Miller said in his notes that the characters "descend into the darkness of human passion and compulsion." And they do — they really do so bewitchingly. Bravo.

CORRECTIONS:

The McDaniel Free Press would like to apologize for a factual error mistakenly published in our last issue. In a commentary article about the status of public transportation in Carroll County, we unfortunately attributed several quotes from the State of the County Address to County Commissioner Michael Zimmer when in fact they are statements by County Commissioner Dean Minnich. Additionally, in the section of the newspaper that reads, "McDaniel Community gathers hope, donations for Haiti," the Get Stupid with the Cupids party on February 13th was actually thrown by the BSU and not the Gerontology Club.

This space is reserved each issue in the event that the Free Press feels it necessary to run a correction from a previous issue. We at the Free Press strive every issue to produce a paper free error.

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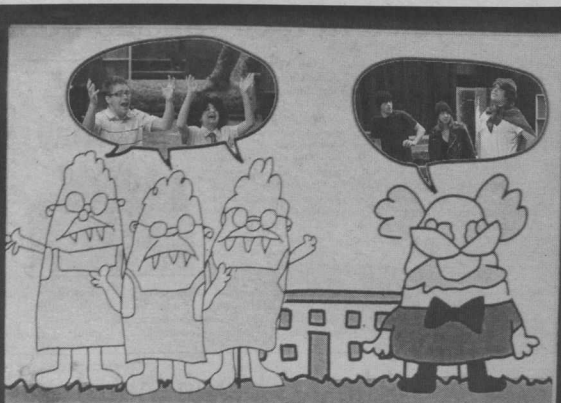
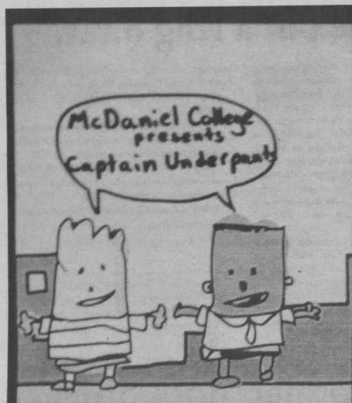
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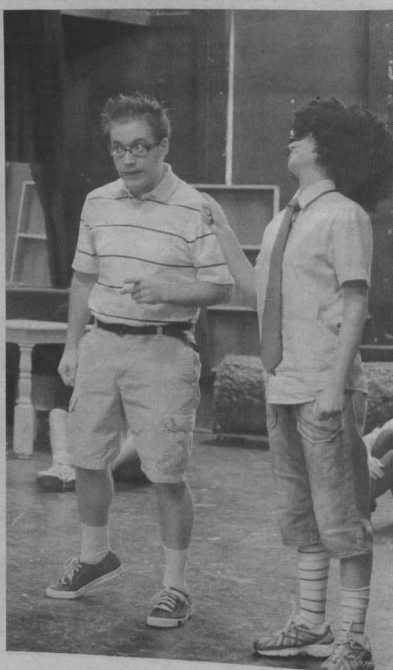
Various members from the children's show, "Captain Underpants," are pictured. The show took place on the weekend of Feb 27 in the understage of Alumni Hall.

PHOTOS AND GRAPHIC BY EVAN TICKNOR

The Annual Children's Show



BOTTOM LEFT: Darcy Elburn, Nina Minodakis, Megan Magee and Zander Roell entertain local kids as they act out a scene.
BOTTOM RIGHT: Brett Myers and Cindy Sordo are shown during the show.

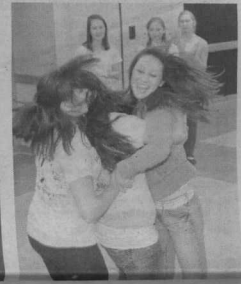




On Friday Feb 26th the sororities on campus celebrated in the Forum to welcome their new members. The ladies cheered on their new members' arrival with songs and chants while some fraternity members watched in support. This year, 34 girls went through recruitment and 27 accepted bids from a sorority. Phi Alpha Mu gained four new sisters, Phi Mu gained ten, Alpha Nu Omega gained six, and Phi Sigma Sigma gained seven. Phi Mu membership director Carly Dubick said the amount of girls that went through recruitment this spring was "one of the highest we've had." Ellen Tuesday Shank, member of Phi Alpha Mu was also impressed with the amount of girls that went through. Shank said, "The turn out for girls going through recruitment was amazing." Spring recruitment was also successful for fraternities. Sophomore member of Alpha Sigma Phi Matthew Barboe said, "We found the gentlemen we were looking for."



PHOTOS BY EVAN TICKNOR



Government subsidies help raise cost of college tuition

ROSS SMITH
Contributor

How come petty goods like plasma televisions, cell phones and laptops increase in quality and fall in price each year, while a college degree becomes less valuable and more costly every semester? Why is a college graduate more likely to have an iPod, X-box and computer rather than health insurance? Isn't it ironic that politicians never talk about making the next line of Gucci bags more affordable, yet they continuously get less expensive, while on the other hand, elected officials often promise to make college more affordable, yet tuition keeps rising. The reason for all of this is that our government handicaps the free market and prevents its powerful forces from being unleashed.

The fundamental explanation for why college degrees continue to fall in value while tuition costs rise each year is pure and simple... GOVERNMENT! The vast majority of college students receive government financial aid, enabling them to pay for college. On the surface, having the government help students pay for college sounds great; however, nothing could be further from the truth. If the government did not provide financial aid, most students could not afford college. Accordingly, classrooms all over the country would become nearly empty. In response, colleges would have to lower tuition fees, making it more affordable for potential students.

Unfortunately, this concept was completely ignored last semester, as McDaniel College's president, Dr. Coley, sent out a campus-wide e-mail urging students to vote against the state ending "its program of monetary support for private colleges, mainly to help them pay for financial aid." While this program would indeed help McDaniel College and its beneficiaries in the short run, the point is that government subsidies in education contribute to rising tuition costs. Despite the fact that I voted "YES," as many times as I could, this

e-mail was offensive because Dr. Coley assumed "the correct vote would be 'NO,'" ignoring the benefits of voting "YES." In an environment in which students should think for themselves, it is unfortunate that Dr. Coley never suggested to students that they should investigate the matter for themselves. It certainly would have been more appropriate for Dr. Coley to present the matter by saying, "in my opinion, the correct answer is 'No'."

Nevertheless, failed policies continue to be implemented in Washington. During the State of the Union speech, President Obama announced a plan that will allow college graduates to pay just 10 percent of their income on student loans, and after 20 years, default. Furthermore, if that college graduate chooses a career in "public service," that 20 year period will be cut in half. This will undoubtedly put more college graduates in debt and continue to push up tuition fees. More students will need student loans, and the process will continue as before, even since the federal government started subsidizing education.

Milton Friedman, a Nobel Laureate economist, once said "If you put the federal government in charge of the Sahara Desert, in 5 years there'd be a shortage of sand." No other organization can drive quality down while increasing prices. Just imagine if you put the government in charge of selling movies. This year they'd be selling Blue Ray disks for twenty dollars; the next year they would VHS's for thirty dollars.

A real solution to rising tuition costs is for the government to step back and allow the free market to work. Accordingly, college would become less expensive and more valuable, one of the great benefits of market forces.

If you are upset with both parties and seek a party that promotes peace, freedom and prosperity and want to learn more about Libertarianism, contact Ross Smith at rs010@mcdaniel.edu

DIGGING DEEPEER

Old sorority tradition revealed

SAMANTHA LAMBERT
Staff Reporter

Delta Sigma Kappa, sorority of '42, holds special a tradition recently revealed.

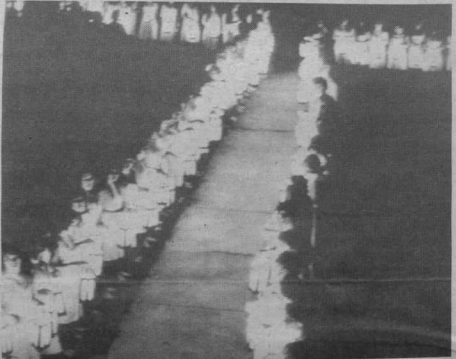
I discovered a past tradition that warmed my heart and sparked an urge in me to report on; since it is relevant to the past Bid Week on campus and other Greek traditions I thought it was seemingly appropriate.

The local sorority Delta Sigma Kappa which was formed in 1925 had a tradition of fating their graduating sisters, as many sororities do. However, their tradition included lighted lanterns made from sanitary napkin boxes. That's right ladies and gentlemen; these lanterns were made of Kotex boxes.

A former sister of the sorority, Ruth Hagemann Hiltz, wrote that "the lanterns were always made of Kotex boxes, blue inside. Church window holes were cut into three sides of the lantern and orange crepe paper was glued over the holes. The candle stuck onto the bottom and I didn't know how we didn't get burnt fingers."

The freshmen started the procession right at nightfall and came down the hill singing on their way to the football field, followed by upperclassmen and then finally the seniors. All sisters were naturally dressed in white robes.

Hiltz goes on to say, "It must have been a lovely sight, all those lanterns proceeding down the hill and lighting the area. It was a lovely ceremony of an era gone by. I think this probably was the last lantern chain. The war changed everything and life was never so simple again."



The freshmen women of Delta Sigma Kappa line up with their paper lanterns as part of a fating ritual for the seniors in 1942. COURTESY SAMANTHA LAMBERT

Have you ever written a newspaper article?

STUART FISCHER
Staff Reporter

Have you ever written a newspaper article? Well, I hadn't either until this very moment, and you could turn your life around just like me if you would sign up for the Newspaper Practicum class offered here at McDaniel.

For someone with little or no journalism experience (until now), the only experience I've had has been watching the movie Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas (a lot), the very title of this class can be intimidating. But, as I have recently discovered, there is nothing to be afraid of and plenty to even be excited about.

Admittedly, the practicum is a little overwhelming at first. As soon as you get into your seat the first day, you find out that you don't always have to go to class. A great deal of the learning, and work, is done at odd hours in strange

places. This is cool. Then Lisa Breslin starts talking at high speed about deadlines and "leads" and "60 seconds" and "McCrisis" and the fact that you get to pick your first assignment. You have absolutely no idea what's going on. As it turns out, that's fine.

Breslin is extremely open to questions, and she is one of the more laid-back faculty members to be found here. Rest assured she is acutely aware of how hectic the newspaper process seems at first, and she is more than willing to help you improve from any starting point. You even get to come up with your own first assignment, if you so choose and if your idea isn't terrible.

So I'm here to tell you from experience: if you have even the remotest interest in writing for the paper, or for any other reason find yourself in a position to take the Newspaper Practicum, don't hesitate. There's nothing to worry about. You get to meet some cool people, and you get to see your name in print, which is awesome.



Even the squirrels had a hard time with the snowy weather last month. Despite the weather pattern, March started off much better with some 50 and 60 degree days. SAM SEGAL

JOB OPENING

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Freshmen athletes take on Terror spring sports

As seniors prepare to leave, we look to new talent

CATLYN FLYNN
Co Sports Editor

For most of us, spring holds warm weather, spring fling, and saying goodbye to our graduating seniors. But for our new freshman athletes, spring is only the beginning. Although we take the time at the end of the sport's seasons to recognize the seniors for all of their achievements, there are plenty of new freshman that are hoping to carry on the traditions of their seniors.

The women's softball team recognizes seven new freshmen this season. Ashley Crawford, who plays middle infield and outfield for the Green Terror, went to Lingoore High School in Fredrick County where she played soccer and volleyball and led her team to the state semi-finals for two seasons. When it comes to contributing to her team this upcoming season, Crawford says, "I just want to do anything I can to help the team, even if it means getting to play in the field, pitch, or just be there in case someone gets hurt or sick."

This season, Crawford is most looking forward to making new friends and ultimately seeing the difference between high school and collegiate level softball.

Terror baseball also has some talented freshman that will add to the team's success this spring. Pat Christopher, who plays rightfield for the Green Terror, attended St. John Vianney in Holmdel, New Jersey, says his best memory from playing high school baseball was being able to play for a state title his senior year in memory of his grandfather, who passed away only a year earlier. His strengths include speed and energy on the field, as well as an overall confidence in the success of his team.

One main goal for this season is to make it to the conference tournament, and he is looking forward to having the chance to play baseball at the collegiate level.

Skippy Clary is only one of the 14 freshmen on the men's lacrosse team this year. A graduate of Cranville High School in Baltimore, Clary is a talented midfielder whose strengths include getting up and down the field well. This season, he hopes to use his strengths to help the team get to

the conference championships. His personal goal, however, is to score some goals and to help the team in any way possible. He adds that he is excited to play with a new team, new players, and start winning games.

The McDaniel women's golf team only has one freshman addition to their team this year. Morgan Koopman, who went to McDonough School in Owings Mills, will definitely prove herself as a strong asset to the team this season. Aside from golf, Koopman also played basketball and soccer, but quit both sports in order to focus all of her time and energy on golf. In high school, she was recognized at the Baltimore Sun player of the year in 2008 for golf, won the girls' golf IAAM (Inter-scholastic Athletic Association of MD) championship in both 2007 and 2008, and won every single match during her golf season her senior year.

If this doesn't say enough about her overall golf talent, she adds that the strength she will be able to contribute the most is her consistency, and the fact that she is always putting forth the best effort because she is a very competitive player. Her personal goal for this season is to shoot lower rounds, and she hopes her team can win conferences.

"I think what I am most excited for this season is our spring break trip to Myrtle Beach," adds Koopman. "It will be fun to just travel around, experience new and different courses and meeting new people."

McDaniel's Track and Field team is proud to have freshman Kelsey Dickman as one of their newest additions. From Bel Air, Maryland, Dickman just recently earned a bronze medal by finishing third in the shot put. Her toss of 11.62 meter helped lead Terror track and field in the 2010 Centennial Conference women's indoor track and field championship hosted this past Saturday at Haverford. Certainly this will be only the beginning of Dickman's achievements here on the hill.

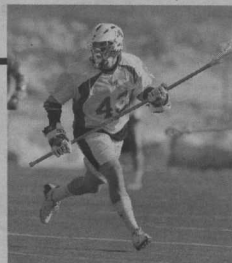
So while McDaniel may have a hard time saying goodbye to the seniors who have dedicated the past four years to our athletic programs, there is plenty to look forward to. These are only a few of the many freshmen that will continue our senior's traditions, so we can get used to hearing their names and achievements in the future.

TERROR SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: MEET the GREEN

KELLY TOMS
Staff Reporter

Men's Lacrosse

Matt Mummert is a junior on the lacrosse team has high hopes for the 2010 season. His goals for this season are to return to the Centennial Conference playoffs, and continue onto the NCAA playoffs. Mummert, a three year starter on the team, plays long pole midfield. He owes a big part of his success thus far in his college career to his strong support system of family and teammates. Mummert's younger brother, a freshman, Andrew Mummert is also on the lacrosse team this season. Matt and Andrew are keeping their love for the game, lacrosse, and hardworking lifestyles in the family.



Women's Softball

Bethann Fusco is a junior on the Terror softball team this season. Though Fusco is an all around great athlete on the field, she specializes in two positions, second base and short stop. Fusco's proudest moment as a college athlete was, "when we played Messiah last year, who eventually went on to win the D3 NCAA national championship. We ended up losing 2-0, but as a team we played well and proved to ourselves that we could compete with anybody," she explains. Because this year's team is older and more experienced, Fusco has set high standards and hopes for the 2010 season. Fusco is also looking forward to being able to play beside her younger sister, a sophomore, Lauren Fusco this year. Lauren, who didn't see much playing time last season because of a shoulder injury has recovered and is likely to get more playing time this season. As a dominating duo, the Fusco sisters will be a hard force to stop.



Spring sports begin new season determined

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

As spring sports get underway, the Free Press takes a look at several Green Terror teams and their strengths and weaknesses.

Women's Lacrosse

The Women's Lacrosse team opened up their season with a reverberating win over Lycoming by a score of 15-3. This win should serve notice that the women are ready to make some noise this year in Conference play. In the Lycoming win, Brittany Baer and Brittany Lins paced the squad with three goals each. Paige Messersmith and Lisa Jurd had two goals apiece. This team has plenty of senior leadership to lean upon throughout the course of the season. Look for Brittany Baer, Erin Hopkins, Stephanie Serban, Emma Ardolino, Sarah Mixx and Leanne Hollinger to lead the way for the women's lacrosse team this season.

Softball

The women's softball team has been severely affected by the snow so far this season. Confined to indoor practices, the team has been focusing on the fundamentals and conditioning. Look for the softball team to kick off the season in Virginia for a few games before heading down to Florida during Spring Break. The Florida trip will provide the team with much needed warmup and actual games. These games should form the foundation of a successful season for the women. They hope to bring the momentum gained in Florida up north into Conference play. Seniors Lauren Toomey and Samantha Reigel will provide the leadership on a team that will rely heavily on the younger players.

Men's Lacrosse

In the season opener, the Men's Lacrosse team displayed a powerful offense and stifling defense as they defeated Moravian 20-3. DJ Rickels, T.J. Willoughby, and Gibbs Preston led the way with four goals each. Matt Dean was crucial in winning 16 of 24 faceoffs in the game. The men face a decisive test against #1 Salisbury on March 3. This game could be a launching point for a great season. Seniors Kyle Hadden, K.R. Schultz, Brad O'Brien, Chris Goe, Gibbs Preston, and Anthony Falgares lead the men into this season with lofty goals and expectations.

OutPickNick

Despite all of the white stuff that still covers McDaniel, spring is in the air and Major League will soon be among us. That means it's time for some bold predictions. Here is just a quick overview of how the season will go, for a more in depth preview be sure to check out the McDaniel Free Press online.

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

NICK BRUNNER
Co Sports Editor

According to Nick...

Yankees. The defending champs got even better by adding Javier Vazquez and Carlos Granderson. There is no reason not to expect a repeat.

Evans Longoria. Already a star this triple crown candidate will lead the Rays back to the playoffs.

Phillies. The Mets will compete as long as they stay healthy and develop some pitching behind Johan, but the Phillies will prove too tough.

Albert Pujols. Puts up triple crown contending numbers to every year. After leading the Cards to the Series Prince Albert will be a lock.

AL East

AL MVP

NL East

NL MVP

According to Matt...

Red Sox. This rotation will be able to shut down opposing lineups in their division, the question is will this team have enough offense?

Joe Mauer. Mauer will be the 2010 American League MVP, posting an average above .350, over 30 home runs and over 100 RBIs.

Phillies. A full season of newly acquired pitcher Roy Halladay and offensive players in their prime, the Phillies simply too strong.

Chase Utley. Chase Utley will lead the league's best team in average, while displaying power and great defense.

GREEN TERROR

CHAMPIONS



PHOTOS BY SALLY GRACE

TOP: The Women's basketball team gathers for a photograph with their Centennial Conference trophy. The women won the conference for the fourth time in McDaniel's sports history.
CENTERS: The seniors and Head Coach Becky Martin are pictured showing off their trophy.
BOTTOM: The team relaxes on the bus on the way to the championships.

Women's b-ball wins fourth championship in college history

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

Yet another women's basketball championship has made its way to the Hill. This year's version came after a resounding 72-56 win over #22 Muhlenberg on their home court.

Seniors Ashley Lyles, Ali Moreland, and Sally Grace led the way for the Green Terror who claimed their fourth Centennial Conference Championship in school history. Lyles finished with 15 points, Moreland with 13 points, and Grace with 12 points, as the women essentially controlled this game from start to finish.

McDaniel held a 32-20 halftime advantage and withstood a furious rally from the Mules in the second half to claim the Centennial Conference crown. Senior guard Sally Grace reflected, "We came back after those two consecutive losses and rededicated ourselves to defense and rebounding."

The two losses Grace referred to came against Ursinus and Johns Hopkins. At the time, the team looked out of sync, but it is clear Coach Martin went back to the drawing board and made the necessary changes to make this team a champion.

Credit is due of course to the efforts of the women on the squad who didn't back down from the challenge and reasserted themselves as championship caliber players. Junior forward Whitney Snoops, who added a double-double in the championship game, commented, "The effort from the whole team was one of the main reasons we were able to win and come home with the trophy."

The team is now reaping the benefits of their year long dedication to achieving one goal, the Centennial Conference champion-

ship. The dream doesn't end here though, as the Lady Green Terror have earned an automatic bid to the Division III NCAA Women's Basketball Championship.

McDaniel has been placed in the Christopher Newport part of the bracket, where the first and second round games will be held. In the first round, McDaniel will take on Roanoke College, which has a record of 23-3 and is an at-large bid in the tournament after losing in their conference playoffs. The winner of the McDaniel-Roanoke game will take on the winner of the Christopher Newport (28-0) - Washington and Lee (18-9) game in the second round.

College athletes dream of the opportunity to take part in a national championship. The women's basketball team is now presented with this opportunity. One dream and one heart beat will carry McDaniel into the tournament. While relying on one another, the women will lay it all on the line. Be sure to show your support and appreciation of this team that has represented the College with honor and excellence on the court.

Women's basketball eliminated from NCAA tournament

KATE DELENICK
Co Editor-in-Chief

On Friday March 5 the McDaniel women's basketball team faced Roanoke in the first round of the NCAA Division III basketball tournament. The Centennial Conference Champs got off to a slow start and could not recover, losing 77-66 to the Maroons. Katelyn Fischer and Ali Moreland led the Green Terror with 16 points apiece.

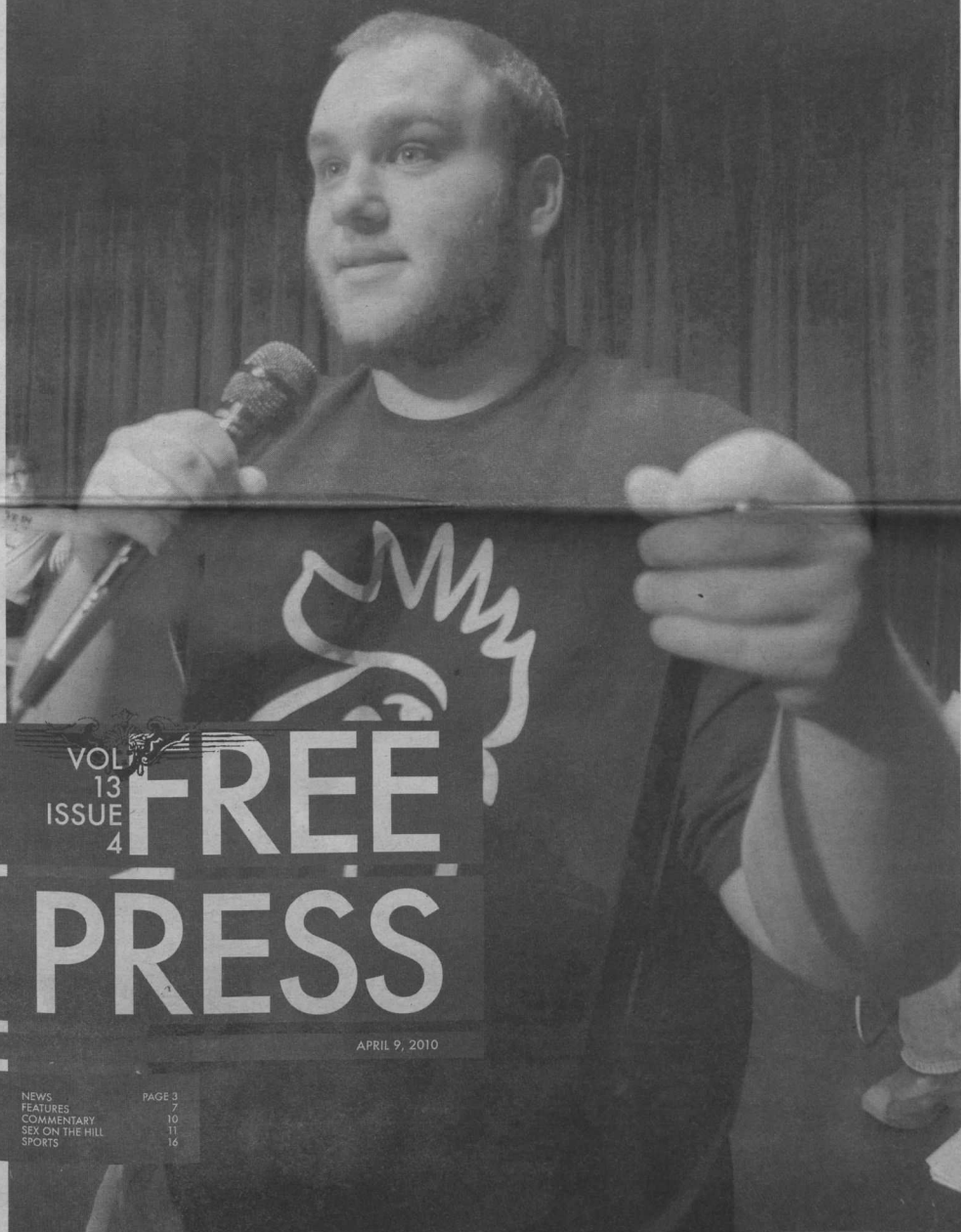
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Mike Mandel performs a monologue during Cocktales, which ran March 31 and April 1. The event, which goes on every year, raises money in conjunction with the Vagina Monologues. For the full story, see page 7.

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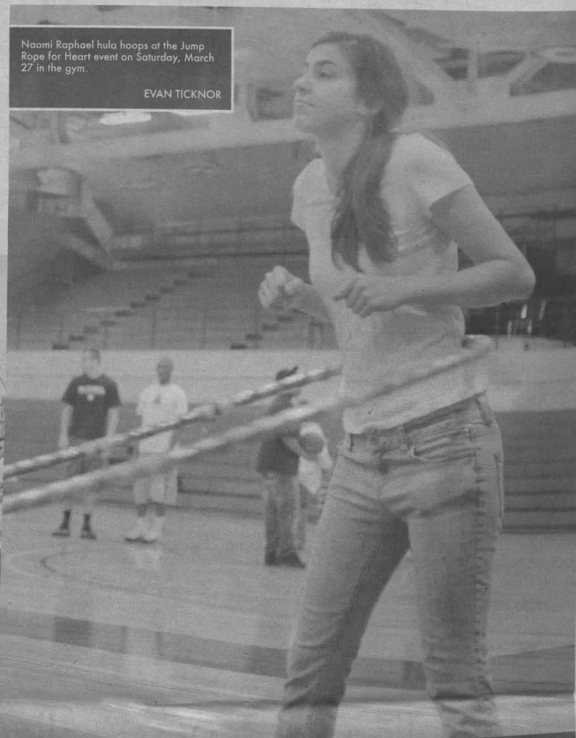
Naomi Raphael hula hoops at the Jump Rope for Heart event on Saturday, March 27 in the gym.

EVAN TICKNOR



ABOVE: Danger Sauce entertains the crowd at St. Jude's Up 'Til Dawn on Friday, March 26 in Gill Gym. The event revealed that the campus raised just over \$40,000 for St. Jude's hospital from the letter writing campaign last semester. BELOW: St. Jude's hosted a clubroom during the overnight event.

EVAN TICKNOR



TWO WEEKS IN
PHOTOGRAPHS

95 DRESSES



The 95 prom dresses donated to Operation Prom Dress were collected by the English department.

HEATHER GORSUCH

Operation Prom Dress collects hope for girls

HEATHER GORSUCH
Staff Reporter

Prom night has always been considered a milestone in many girls' lives. While many girls anxiously anticipate the "big night," others are unable to afford all the expenses. The costs of shoes, makeup, accessories, and the dress leave many girls in McDowell County, West Virginia unable to afford this memorable night.

Last year, the students in Professor Julia Jasken's Writing for Nonprofit Organizations course met with the Non-profit Community Service Council in Westminster, where they were acquainted with Leslie Shaub. He runs an organization called the Appalachian Poverty Project. The primary focus of this organization is to collect appliances for the poverty areas of Appalachia.

During this discussion, he spoke of another component to the organization: Operation Prom Dress. The purpose of this dress drive is to collect gently used formal dresses for girls who live in McDowell County, since many of the girls cannot afford to purchase their own prom dresses. These dresses will be an incentive for the girls to stay in school, where the drop out rate in this area is over 75 percent.

Shaub expressed his need for more donations at the meeting, and students were immediately willing to help promote the drive at McDaniel.

In order to promote the event, students in the course created a public relations campaign where they posted information on Facebook, hung fliers around campus, and participated in a public relations event outside Glar on March 10. During this event students wore formal attire including tuxedos and prom dresses to encourage students to participate in the dress drive.

During the course, Jasken created an assignment where every student in the class had to design a flier to promote the event. The class voted on which flier was the best and would be used for the campaign; Andrew Velnosky's flier was chosen as the winner. "It's definitely challenging but at the same time it's really rewarding to get hands on experience," said Velnosky.

Bobby Anderson, the secretary in the English Department helped gather the prom dresses that were donated to the organization. She explained that with each prom dress donated, a story was attached. Senior Melissa Kelner, donated a black and white floral, knee length gown.

"I come from a very Jewish community and during middle school we had a bar/bat mitzvah almost every week-

end and felt a lot of pressure to wear a new dress to each one despite having only been worn once," said Kelner.

Kelner was lucky enough to have a cousin a year older than her pass down all her old formal dresses. "There was no way I could afford a new dress for each party, nor was my mother willing to spoil me for no good reason like that," said Kelner.

When she went back to Massachusetts for spring break, it turned out all of her dresses were still in the back of her closet and in good condition. "I was glad to be able to donate them to a great cause," said Kelner.

In addition, several faculty and staff members donated their dresses to the organization. A women working at the information desk in Decker had a friend hand make a two-piece dress for her to wear to her daughter's wedding. Ironically, it was the same designer who had made the bridesmaid dresses for Anderson's son's wedding.

According to Anderson, 95 dresses were collected this year ranging in various styles and colors. Gently used shoes and jewelry were also collected. One student and her mother also sold makeup and donated their unused samples to the organization.

"It's great for students to see what a tangible effect that they can have on communities in need," said Jasken.

Injustice, poverty, hunger: Advocacy Team is on it!

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

For students who are interested in trying to make an impact or doing something good, there's a new club this semester which might be appealing: Advocacy Team.

Freshman Mara Seibert, junior Bobby Baker, and senior Rebecca Odegaard, the co-founders of the group, were inspired after attending a conference. Seibert said, "The club came about due to a global missions conference we attended in December called Urbana."

Baker said, "At this conference, the other co-leaders and I were exposed to the injustice that takes place everyday both internationally and in our backyards."

After the conference, the co-founders did not simply return to McDaniel and carry on as usual. Instead, they used their experience to come up with the idea for a new club. Baker said, "We hope to make a difference in the world or maybe just in our little town by advocating legislatures for those without a voice, collecting food for the hungry, using our consumerism to discourage injustice and most of all spreading awareness so that those with more resources may do the same."

The group has already been very busy. Baker said, "So far, we have made food for a YANA (You Are Never Alone), a program that offers support for former prostitutes and trafficked women, on a biweekly basis, we have mass called Maryland State Senators and Delegates to lobby for the passage of human trafficking bills, and we have conducted research on the products in the school

store to determine whether the school is selling slave made goods."

As shown through the leaders' attendance at a Christian missions conference, Odegaard said "one of our big motivations is our faith. We do pray at the end of each meeting."

However, everyone should feel more than welcome to attend meetings. Odegaard said, "You don't have to have a faith to come."

Baker added, "We're affiliated with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, and have received a lot of support through them-at the start that's where we got the base of our members. Since then however, it's branched out and others are also hearing about what we're doing."

The Advocacy Team is also planning a Justice Week. Seibert said, "Justice Week will be from April 5-9 and each day will focus on a different

human justice issue. The idea is to make the campus aware and involved in human justice issues and to spread awareness about Advocacy Team."

In addition to checking out Justice Week, Seibert said, "You can also join Advocacy Team, where we have weekly meetings every Tuesday night from 9-10 alternatively in Hill 110 and North Village PA 201, suite 101."

Seibert said, "We've committed to always do something productive, whether it be making food, signing petitions, researching, making calls or planning future events. So you'll never come to a pointless meeting."

Odegaard said, "We made a promise to do something every Tuesday. Anyone who would like to make that same promise and get involved should be sure to attend a meeting Tuesday night."

McDaniel Increases Tuition Almost \$2000

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Earlier this semester a letter was sent home to McDaniel students informing their families of a tuition, room, and board increase of about \$2,000 for the upcoming 2010-2011 school year. This increase pushes the total costs just above \$40,000 per year, depending on meal plans and housing locations.

Forty thousand dollars may seem like a lot of money for students to pay, but it's nothing compared to the operating costs of the school. The school is budgeting to spend about \$56 million to operate the school next year, according to Vice President of administration and finance, Ethan Seidel.

Although the operating budget for next year is only about half a million dollars more than the current year, the college's income has decreased. The biggest decline in income is from the State of Maryland's educational department. Last year McDaniel received about \$700,000 less than expected from the state. The state has been substantially contributing less to McDaniel and other private colleges in the past few years. Seidel explained that "while they are cutting the funding to private institutions they are increasing or holding the line at state institutions."

Additionally, due to the damaged economy, the college's investments have not been growing as well as in previous years and therefore the endowment has been contributing less to the operating budget than in past years.

The college is facing more than just a decrease in funding; it's also facing an increase in cost. Every year the college considers inflation when budgeting for the upcoming year. However, inflation is not the only rising cost. Next year's utilities will also cost more than usual. The City of Westminster has recently expanded its water plant, which has caused a rise in the cost of water for all residents including McDaniel College.

With the increase in operating costs and the decrease in state funding, the school has decided to make up the needed difference with the tuition increase. About 77 percent of the

school's income comes from tuition, room, and board. The remainder comes from donations, the endowment, and state funding.

Some students are questioning the decision to raise tuition, given the success of the recently ended Carpe Diem campaign, which raised over \$77 million, 19 percent more than its goal. However Seidel explained that the \$77 million is a pledged total, and much of it hasn't actually been received yet. Additionally, Seidel said the Carpe Diem campaign began six years ago in July 2003, and much of the money was spent as it came in.

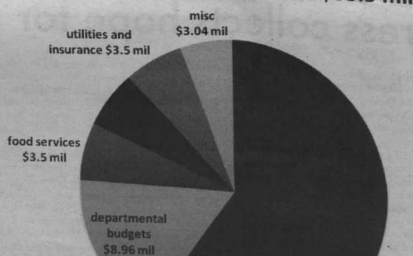
He said that the majority of the money spent was used on physical improvements. Specifically the renovations of the Blanche Ward dormitory and Garden Apartments were partially funded by the campaign, and the additional North Village apartments, along with some of the building costs for Academic Hall. Seidel noted that the money allowed the school to accomplish "more than I thought we'd ever be able to accomplish in that amount of time." He then added that a smaller portion of the money was invested, and another small chunk was indeed used for operating costs.

Many students are upset about the increase. Junior Megan Roach said she found the increase "depressing," mentioning that even small increases "add up." Other students, however, are taking a more optimistic perspective on the increase. Junior Elyse Sparks said "We have one of the cheapest room and board prices for a private institution in the country."

Students shouldn't worry too much about paying for the price increase. Seidel said that the financial aid budget will be larger next year to help students pay for the increase in cost. Seidel said, "[McDaniel] allows for the fact that if we're going to have an increase in tuition, room, and board, then we're going to need to have an increase in the financial aid budget."

The school recognizes a tuition increase isn't going to be favorable with many students. "Going up four percent doesn't make anybody happy," said Seidel. However the school "tried to hold the line [on cost] as much as we can," and "increase as little as possible," he said.

McDaniel College Expenses \$55.5 mil



This chart shows the total operation budget for the college, \$55.5 million dollars, and the breakdown of where the money goes. Over half of tuition costs go to salaries. Although the college's expenses have only increased slightly, McDaniel is receiving less state money to help offset operation costs.

Changes Made to Stafford Loans

EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter

The tuition increase, registration, room and board for next year, books, class fees...

These are just a few of many reasons why it is extremely important to pay close attention to the financial aid process.

Along with a modest increase in McDaniel's tuition for the upcoming academic year, some changes have been implemented for financial aid as well, particularly in regards to Federal Stafford Loans.

Worry not, as these modifications are meant to benefit students rather than to work towards their disgruntlement. So what are the most important things to know about the Stafford Loan changes?

Patricia "Patty" Williams, the Director of Financial Aid, has the answer.

"Students will now be borrowing from the U.S. Department of Education rather than from private lenders. Any loans before now could be either staying with the private lenders or sold to the U.S. Department of Ed."

Most students wouldn't think twice about where their loans come from, as long as their school bills are getting paid. However, while tedious in its beginning stages, this change will be advantageous for students who receive these loans.

"Students should begin to see more of their loans going to their account with fewer fees taken out," said Williams.

Beginning in the Fall 2010 semester, the Federal Stafford Loan Program will be replaced by the William D. Ford Direct Loan Program (Direct Loans), which is where students will now borrow their Federal Loans from.

For the 2010-2011 academic year, the Direct Loan interest rates will be 4.5% for subsidized loans (which is lower than last year) and 6.8% for unsubsidized loans.

In order for everything to work out smoothly, students must complete their small portion to receive these loans including the Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note and the Direct Loan Entrance Interview. Each takes about 20 minutes to complete.

Junior Olivia Sykes has been dreading the process because of the required short quizzes that accompany each portion.

"I've been receiving emails, but I read them and get overwhelmed with it," said Sykes. "I will definitely be more educated as a result, but I tend to procrastinate."

Carlos R. Hernandez, freshman, didn't mind completing them. "They were really easy to understand and provided a detailed explanation. It's good to know what's going on with the loans," remarked Hernandez. "It was also pretty cool that hints were given to make the process easy and painless."

Williams thought that the added quizzes were at least a general idea of what their financial aid package is, since the loans are in the students' names.

Also, Williams would like to remind students to look at their financial aid packages and take notice of how much of that comes from McDaniel grants and scholarships.

"We strive to help students come and stay here, and it is nice when they have an understanding of their situation," Williams remarked.

For those students wondering where their previous loans are, the answer varies, as these loans could be in many places. Many loans are sold for a variety of reasons, but the Exit Interview should provide a more detailed explanation of that when graduation rolls around.

"Students who have not completed their MPN and/or Entrance Interview will keep getting annoying emails from me," Williams added as a reminder, because these are needed in order to complete the process for the 2010-2011 year.

An additional reminder, ALL financial aid materials are due on April 1st!

For more information on how loans work, which loans have already been taken out and who has them, please visit www.nafsa.edu.

Another very informative and useful site to visit is www.fafsa.gov. It is vital to answer those emails, pay attention to the financial aid process, and understand how loans work. Staying on top of financial aid is an essential part of being a college student.

McDaniel professor uses Twitter to conduct philosophical research, invites student participation

STUART FISCHER
Staff Reporter

Ever wonder what other people are thinking? Thanks to Dr. Peter Bradley, associate professor of philosophy at McDaniel College, you may be able to help find out. Bradley is currently working on a project that he hopes will provide a glimpse into what people are thinking at random moments in time.

Based on the theories of psychologist and philosopher Wilhelm Wundt, the project involves randomly timed twitter prompts sent to the cell phones of participants. When they receive the message, they are to respond with whatever they were thinking about before getting the message,

which will then appear as a "tweet."

"The idea came from the class discussion itself - we were talking about the introspection protocol, and I had just heard about this talk at a consciousness conference," said Bradley, referring to a presentation in which the conference audience would be randomly prompted by a beeping device. The idea comes from Wundt's work on the reliability of introspection as a source of information in psychological studies.

The project is temporarily on hold due to some server software issues. Bradley went into while writing a program to implement the experiment, he explained. But once he finds some time during which students are not using his server, Bradley will be able to get things going and start collecting data.

"The project is really pedagogical in nature: to teach people how Wundt's protocol was supposed to work, and what he thought we could learn from it," Bradley explained. "If it works, we could use the system to create a set of publicly-accessible introspective reports, which may actually be useful in research on the validity of the technique."

Adam Dolbey, a junior at McDaniel, was intrigued by the idea. "That actually sounds pretty interesting. It would be cool to see what sorts of things people are thinking about at a given moment."

When asked about possibly taking part in the experiment, Dolbey responded, "Yeah, I might do it. It helps science, it sounds easy, and I would be very interested in the results."

Anyone who would like to be a part

of this experiment may do so. In order to participate, go to twitter.com and create an account (unless you already have one). Send following the account named McDaniel2010. Then, set your account options so that direct messages are sent to your phone. When the experiment begins you will start receiving prompts on your phone, at which point you will reply with a tweet regarding what you were thinking.

Editor's note: For more information, contact Dr. Peter Bradley (pbradley@mcDaniel.edu).

Health Care Reform: Now that it's passed, How will it affect you?

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Staff Reporter

Americans have spent the past year watching Congress get down and fight dirty over the sweeping health reform legislation that President Obama officially signed on March 23.

It has been an ugly fight, complete with name calling, probably some off-screen hair pulling, and the battle is not even close to being over. As this article is being typed, twelve states' attorney generals, all of whom are Republicans, have already filed suits to block the health care bill, labeling it an "unconstitutional" breach of ethics.

It's arguably the biggest issue that has been tackled since Obama took office last January, and it's being heralded as both a sign of the coming Socialist Apocalypse and Obama's shining legacy, depending on what side of the aisle you frequent. Either way, as Vice President Joe Biden so eloquently pointed out, this legislation is indeed "a big f---ing deal."

That's all very well and good, but when all the talking is done, what do these changes actually mean for the average American citizen?

In plain terms, the legislation is meant to provide coverage for as many as 32 million people who have up until now been shut out of the market, whether because of pre-existing conditions, illnesses that caused insurers to label them as too sick, or simply because they are unable to afford increasing insurance premiums.

For those people who are already covered by a large employer — in other words, most Americans — the effect would not be nearly as significant.

"We think it's a big step forward," said Bill Vaughan, a policy analyst at Consumers Union. "It's going to provide a piece of mind that many Americans who really want or need health insurance will always be able to get a quality product at a reasonable price, regardless of their health or financial situation."

Of course, there would be costs to consumers too. Affluent families would be required to pay additional taxes, and most Americans would be required to have health insurance and would face federal penalties if they, for whatever reason, did not purchase it. It is also still unclear what effect, if any, the legislation would have on rising out-of-pocket medical costs and premiums.

For college students, the most important piece of the legislation is that dependent persons will be eligible for coverage under their parents' plans up until the age of 26 — instead of current state-by-state rules that often cut off coverage for children between ages 19-21. These changes in policy will go into effect in roughly six months, and it, one of "the most valuable parts of the legislation" says Seileen Mullen-Murphy, the Chief Operating Officer of Martin, Blanck, and Associates. This clause is also one of the least controversial, especially when compared with other issues like abortion and a public option (neither of which made it to the final piece of legislation).

Furthermore, people in their 20's will be given the option of buying a "catastrophic" plan that will have lower premiums. Mullen-Murphy does point out, however, that if you are listed as a dependent and you are offered health care coverage through your employer, you "can't say, 'oh, my mom's coverage is better' — you have to take it."

Though many changes will not go into effect for several years, some will be evident much sooner. Six months after the legislation is enacted, most plans will be prohibited from placing lifetime limits on medical coverage, and likewise would not be allowed to cancel the policies of people who fall ill, or deny coverage to children with pre-existing conditions.

Many Republicans take issue with the facet of the legislation that states that those uninsured Americans who do not obtain health insurance by 2014 would face a federal penalty. The first year, consumers who did not have insurance would owe \$95 — or 1% of their income, whichever was greater. For every year that they continue to go uninsured, the penalty would increase.

Uninsured people would be required to buy insurance through one of the new state-run insurance exchanges. People with incomes of more than 133% of the federal poverty level, or about \$29,327 for a family of four, would be eligible.

After a year of watching Congress scratch and claw at each other, it remains to be seen how these changes to the health care system will play out for citizens. But, as Mullen-Murphy points out, "this isn't really health care reform — it's more like health insurance reform...but it has to start somewhere."

It's kind of comforting actually, to think that no matter what you believe, for the moment, Tea Party Activists and Ted Kennedy enthusiasts alike, we're all in the same boat.

All we can do is wait, and see what happens.

Timeline of health reforms

INFORMATION GATHERED FROM CNN.COM

THIS YEAR	Dependents can remain on parent's health insurance until they reach 26.
	Dependents cannot be excluded because of pre-existing conditions.
2011	Limits on benefits are prohibited.
	New plans must offer free preventative coverage.
2011	A new 10% tax on indoor tanning will be imposed after July 1.
	Beginning October 1, 2011, Medicaid can begin to cover home and community services for the disabled.
2011	Prescription drug costs for Medicare enrollees will begin to decrease.
	Health information must be entirely digital.
2013	More residents over 65 will become eligible for a tax credit.
	A hospital insurance tax of 0.9% for those earning over \$200,000 will take effect.
2014	All residents, unless exempted due to hardship, are required to have health insurance or face a fine.
	Businesses with 50 or more employees are required to offer health insurance or face a fine.
2014	Health insurance can no longer be refused due to pre-existing conditions.
	Insurance providers will be charged based on insurer's market share to companies whose total premiums exceed \$25 million.
2018	"Cadillac" health insurance plans (plan providing over \$27,500 in coverage for families and \$11,850 for individuals) will face an excise tax.

SGA welcomes members

MEGAN ROBINSON
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On April 8th at 4:30 in the forum the Student Government Association is holding an inaugural event to induct the new executive board and introduce the cabinet members.

The event is open to the entire student body to attend. Senior Ben Cowman, current SGA president, said that at the event he will be speaking, along with the president elect, junior Nick Bender, and President Coley.

The event hasn't been held for many years, despite being a requirement listed in the SGA bylaws. The SGA decided to begin hosting the event again this year in order to open up the induction ceremony to all students on campus, according to Cowman.

The ceremony is bitter-sweet for Cowman, who served on SGA in various positions for four years. Cowman has seen many changes occur within the organization throughout his time on SGA, including the re-organization of SGA and the start of digital signage (the LCD televisions and programming).

However the accomplishment Cowman is most proud of SGA achieving is approval of the activity period earlier this year. Cowman described it as a milestone they weren't sure they were going to be able to achieve.

The inaugural event also has special significance to the new president-elect, Nick Bender. Bender decided to run for president after some prompting from Dean Gerl and Cowman. Bender had previously served as a senator for SGA, and as president of Phi Delta Theta.

Bender plans to focus on remarketing CAPboard during his term, in order to improve college activities. In addition Bender wants to improve communication between students, staff, and administration. Bender is also planning for future goals as well. "Goals will come as I meet different college services," said Bender.

The organization Bender will come to run is certainly different than the one Cowman entered four years ago. Cowman said that every year the effectiveness of the SGA is rated on a one to one hundred scale by a national organization called the American Student Government Association. Cowman said last year McDaniel's SGA was rated as a seventeen. However, this year the rating was a sixty-four, quite a jump in such a short amount of time.

Bender shared that Cowman told him he was jealous of the SGA Bender will take over, as it's much more improved than it previously was. Cowman also thought the incoming executive board had a lot to build off of.

Bender said he thought Cowman did a fantastic job in his time on SGA and he laid a great foundation for the incoming SGA members to continue building upon. Cowman said he hoped the new executive board continued the momentum of the outgoing group, and said that they thought they had a lot of potential.

In addition to Bender four other students will be inducted into the other executive board positions. Zach Weeden will be vice president, Ha-Young Kim will be treasurer, and Robert Kapp will be secretary.

Bender expressed his excitement to be working with them. He said Weeden brings great experience from his previous SGA positions as vice president of college activities. He described Kim as a particularly smart girl and said Kapp was extremely professional. Cowman also described them as a great group.



HANNA BARKER
Freshmen Clara Burgess and Krystina Shultz put together health kits during a Circle K International (CKI) service project with the Brethren Services Center in New Windsor. These kits in particular will be sent to Haiti, but the Center has similar projects occurring year-round that will benefit many different groups of people. For more information on CKI, email Max Ebert (jme006@mcdaniel.edu) or check out the facebook group.

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Man sentenced to 10 years in hit-and-run of McDaniel student Thomas Rouleau

KATE DELENICK
Co Editor-in-Chief

It has been over a year since the death of McDaniel Student, Thomas Rouleau. Rouleau was killed on February 6, 2009 in a hit-and-run accident involving four other McDaniel Students.

According to the Carroll County Times, on Thursday, March 25, Shawron Bibbs, the man responsible for the accident was sentenced to 10 years in prison. In the case the maximum sentencing was 11 years. Bibbs was convicted through a plea deal of negligent manslaughter by automobile in a hearing last Thursday. Bibbs pleaded "not guilty" but agreed not to challenge the case so it would not go to trial.

While authorities believe that a 10 year sentence fits the crime because Bibbs cooperated with police after he was arrested, those from the McDaniel community and friends of Tom feel differently.

McDaniel Student and close friend of Tom, Nina Minadakis spoke on behalf of those closest to Tom. "The sentencing of Shawron Bibbs was the first time he had to really see the pain



Thomas Rouleau

and horror he's caused. Ten years doesn't seem to do any justice for the crime he committed. This world will never be the same without Tom; and for those of us affected by the accident, it will never be the same anyway. I just hope that Bibbs thinks about Tom, his family, and his best friends every single day, so that maybe one day when he is released, he will come out a better person. Maybe in ten years, he will be able to change his life, but in ten years, Tom will still be gone."

Library open house rescheduled for April

MEGAN ROBINSON
Staff Reporter

The Hoover Library open house has been rescheduled for April 16th from 2-4 PM. This open house will familiarize campus members with the new creative learning spaces and the future plans. Refreshments will be served and at 2:45 pm, the library director, Jessamine Ferguson, will give comments on the progress to the library's vision.

The open house is an important event for students to give their opinions on the new learning

spaces. Ferguson explained that the new additions are experiments and future purchases of learning spaces will depend on the students' reactions to them. She expressed that the library wants to know "what appeals to students that helps them do their work better, and go in that direction."

This event is being rescheduled from its originally date of February 5th, which was postponed due to the massive snow storm. Self-tours will be available all day. For more information visit the project's news blog at <http://newslib.mcdaniel.edu> or contact Jessamine Ferguson at jferguson@mcdaniel.edu

McDaniel Internet users: Beware of malware

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Staff Reporter

The Information Technology Department is seeking to raise awareness on campus about malware, a technological nightmare for potentially all computer users.

Malware can hide itself on your hard drive in such a way that attempting to erase and reinstall everything [from scratch] doesn't get rid of it; it can send your information to others over the Internet, and slow down your computer's performance drastically.

"Malware is really coming of age. Malware is moving fast-globally. The damage that is being done now is worse than ever before," says the college's Chief Information Officer for Information Technology Dr. Esther Iglich.

"Malware, short for malicious software, is software designed to infiltrate a computer system without the owner's informed consent" (Wikipedia). It includes viruses and spyware that range from benign to destructive.

According to Marilyn Bell, I.T. Help Desk Manager, "Malware can appear in the form of tracking cookies which web sites can use to keep track of what sites you visit and what you do on those websites... items can be as destructive as a root-kit which allows someone else to access your computer remotely... as if they were sitting in front of it."

Malware can even insert itself into your

computer via connections to legitimate sites.

The best defenses against malware are to keep up with your Microsoft Windows updates and to invest in up-to-date anti-malware software and anti-virus software that is of good quality.

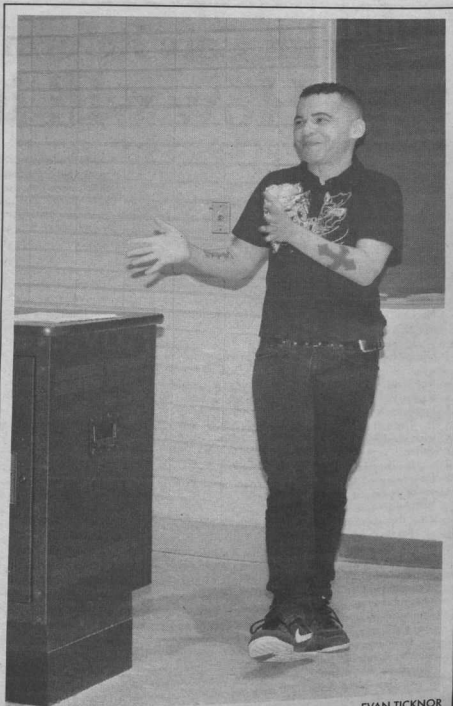
You may be able to buy these programs in a combined package but be aware that they serve two completely different purposes. Make sure that you don't run more than one of each kind at the same time, especially the anti-virus programs. They can conflict with each other and lead to more problems.

A good anti-malware program that is used on the McDaniel campus is called SUPERAntiSpyware. If you use Firefox as your primary web browser, the AdBlock Plus extension will block most of the advertisements that appear on web pages.

"Almost all of the malware out there is targeted at Microsoft Windows computers," Bell said. "It could change, so don't get complacent. [At the moment] Mac users are at a very low risk for malware."

Almost 100% of the computers on campus have been infected with malware, if you include benign tracking cookies. However, if you consider malware to only be software that is harmful, the number is estimated to be between 1/3- 1/4 of [unprotected] computers.

"The message of these destructive 'bots' is 'if I can't have your computer, you can't either,' Bell said.



EVAN TICKNOR

Craig Seymore, author of the book *All I Could Bare*, came to speak in Decker Auditorium on Thursday, April 1st.

College Activities Programming Board Corner April Events

Fri., April 9

6pm

Decker Auditorium

Movie: Precious

Gabourey Sidibe, Mo'Nique, Paula Patton and Mariah Carey star in the story of Clarence "Precious" Jones, a sixteen year old African American girl born into a life that no one want. Set in Harlem in 1987, she's pregnant for the second time by her absent father. She finds her answers when she is asked to join a special school that lead her from darkness into the light. A panel discussion will follow the movie. It is being co-sponsored with the Social Work Action Team (SWAT) and CAPBoard.

Sat., April 17

7am (bus leaves)

New York City

NY Trip

The long time running, Tony award winning musical: CHICAGO is playing at the Ambassador theatre near Times Square. The show is at 2:30pm so you will have roughly 3 hours of free time before and 3 hours after the show to explore NYC, but you MUST see the show! The cost is just \$50 for the bus ride and ticket to the show. Tickets are for McDaniel College students only unless the bus is not filled.

CHAIRPERSONS For the committees needed!

If you are interested in being the chairperson of one of the committees for next year, you can pick up an application in the Activities office. The committees are:

Around Town Committee—local trips & activities

Concerts & Shows Committee—trips to show in & around the Baltimore area

Annual Events —Orientation, Homecoming, January and Spring Fling events

Films Committee—movies on Fridays and Sundays

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McDaniel students raise money for charities in a week of various genitalia-related shows



Senior Katie Bonaduce performs her piece during the dress rehearsal of *The Vagina Monologues*, a series of stories based on interviews done by Eve Ensler. The play raised money for the Democratic Republic of Congo as well as local charities. SAM SEGAL



PHOTOS EVAN TICKNOR
ABOVE: Senior Max Robinson performs his monologue.

BOTTOM LEFT: Lucas Sperber amuses the audience with his original piece.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Cindy Sordo tells the audience what she "f*cks like."

CockTales entertains with original monologues, shocks with candor

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

CockTales is definitely not a "male" Vagina Monologues.

For starters, it's much more informal. Sitting in the audience, you'll know the show is about to start by the audible cheer coming from backstage. The monologues are peppered with banter between the performers and the audience, and there was even some friendly heckling of the sound technician when the microphones didn't work right.

The eight men and five women that formed this year's cast wrote monologues that discussed their personal experiences with a surprising amount of frankness—even for CockTales.

Of course, that frankness comes with its share of humor in the form of shock value and dick jokes. The monologues this year touched on a variety of topics ranging from the phenomena of "anonymous dong" on Chatteroute to the fantasies of an anal sex virgin.

The cast also found fresh ways of performing their pieces. Jake Friedman rapped about how middle school girls are easy, and Naomi Raphael wrote a narrative poem.

Junior Nancy Franklin thought Matthew Bisenius' new form of CockTale, "Nadlites" (during which "stank pocker" was a noun suggested by the audience and used), was "funny and seemed well researched."

Many of the monologues offered interesting facts—did you know the average speed of an ejaculation is 28 miles per hour? Or the "real" average size of penises?

Rachel Fortner's rant about the unfair reputation that the uncircumcised penis has was poignant...and offered a list of uncircumcised celebrities, including Vladimir Putin and Billy Mays.

Returning cast member Mike Mandel ('10) reflected that this year, regardless of the joking, was "more serious, which was a good thing actually. Everyone had a moral they were trying to get across."

Pam Knopp ('10) has enjoyed representing the female perspective in the past two years.

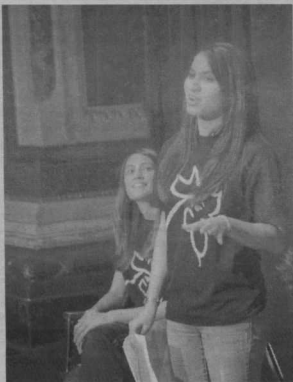
"The point of the show is to talk about men and the male experience. Leaving out how women experience men or their respect and admiration for them would be leaving out a crucial piece."

Pam was one of only two women, including Professor Sara Raley, the group's faculty advisor last year. The dynamic didn't seem to change with the addition of three more women this year.

"While we make a lot of jokes, there is a lot of respect amongst the cast. They never made me feel like I didn't deserve to be there because I didn't have a penis."

Mandel agreed that having the girls helped, "because it isn't about the male experience, it's about cocks in general."

CockTales shares the profits of their show each year with a charity. CockTales 2008 raised proceeds will go toward Dads Works, a free Carroll County program that helps men become better fathers. Last year they donated \$300 to MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) in honor of Tom Rouseau. This year, they raised almost \$1000, half of which will be donated to Dads Works, a local program to help men become better fathers by offering services to help teach better decision making, financial management, anger management, and by improving communication.



America's Next Top Fashion Show delights



ABOVE: President of the BSU, Kandice Wilson, dances as Michael Jackson in the finale to the BSU Fashion Show on March 27.
BELOW: Stephon Kelly show his style at the fashion show.

EVAN TICKNOR



PHOEBE BAFU
Staff Reporter

On Saturday March 27, McDaniel's own Black Student Union (BSU) hosted its annual fashion show called "Mystery at the House of Color" in Alumni Theatre to an excited crowd.

The fashion show, which was both aesthetically and conceptually appealing, presented acrobats, trapeze artists, daredevils, and animal trainers draped in innovative and stylish clothing.

Members of the BSU executive board Niya Wills (the "ringleader of the show")

and Kwei Parek (one of the show's model) started rehearsal for the "Mystery at the House of Color" in early February and recruited some models from St. Mary's College. With the help of other members of BSU, Wills and Parek made custom outfits and designs for the show instead of having a clothing store sponsor them.

The results were fresh, fierce outfits that would rival the fashions shown of Project Runway and bold, confident walks from the models that would impress America's Next top Model judge Miss Jay.

BSU's collaboration with St. Mary's College resulted in a fantastic fashion

show which raised over \$600.00, which is a \$200.00 increase from last year's revenue. Some of event's the proceeds will be given BSU's Relay for Life team.

"The biggest reward of all the hours of practice put into the show is the show itself," said Dwight Carmon, a member of BSU, who also said he was happy with the show's success.

Gestly Fisher, an attendant of "Mystery at the house of Color" believes that his \$8 was well spent. He said it seemed like those in the show and those watching it had a lot of fun.

Isn't that the same goal of respectable circus? Bravo.

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Appetizers of Westminster

SOPHIE DIVEN
Staff Reporter

Tired of Glar food? I know I am! As a McDaniel College student, I embarked on an adventure to find inexpensive, yet satisfying, appetizers from local restaurants. Each restaurant is within walking distance from McDaniel College and each one offers affordable appetizers that will satisfy your taste buds. I discovered the most popular appetizers and several weekly specials that are a great alternative to the usual routine of Glar.



Salsarita's Fresh Cantina: The best appetizer is a full plate of nachos with melted cheese sauce (\$3), which is big enough to be a meal replacement. McDaniel students are able have a full meal for \$5 at Salsarita's.



Rafael's Restaurant: The favorite appetizers are a close call between the bruschetta (\$7.95) and the grilled asparagus (\$8.95). During Happy Hour (Monday- Friday 4p.m.- 7p.m.) there are half price appetizers, excluding seafood.



Johansson's Dining House: The favorite appetizer, by a long shot, is the nachos (\$8.99). Don't be fooled by the price, the plate will fill you up. Don't forget, \$4 burgers on Mondays, half price wings on Wednesdays and steamed shrimp at \$6.50/lb. on Thursdays.



O'Lordans Irish Pub and Restaurant: It's a close call between the Gaelic Prawns (\$11.50) and the Crab Dip (\$12.00). There are varying dinner specials daily.



Ernie's Place: The mozzarella sticks (\$4) are the definite favorite. There are also varying specials everyday of the week.

Census 2010

The 2010 census is happening now, an important process required by law as part of the US Constitution. Having an accurate count of the US population helps determine representation in government as well as the distribution of federal funds for critical community projects. Residential students of a college are counted in the area of their institution, so the Office of Residence Life is working with the federal government to collect this information from our students. Please take the 5 minutes it takes to fill out this 7 question form and make sure you are counted in the 2010 Census. ☛

Forms going in student mailboxes on
4/2/10

Forms due to the Office of Residence
Life on 4/12/10 at 9am

Reduce-Reuse-ReFashion: Show off your recycling



RICHEL ROSS
Staff Reporter

Has no one touched the overflowing recycling bin in your common room for over 3 months? Here's a suggestion: empty the bin on the floor. Get yourself a pair of scissors, some tissue, some tape, and some brain juice—then make a dress.

McDaniel students did just that in The Forum on March 25 at the "Reduce, Reuse, ReFashion" show, which was presented as a collaboration between the Environmental Action Club and the Art Club.

Nine teams of two to five people were given 90 minutes to create fashionable ensembles out of less than fashionable recycled materials. Each team was presented with a starter kit containing items such as plastic bags, cardboard, newspaper, glass and plastic bottles, and cans.

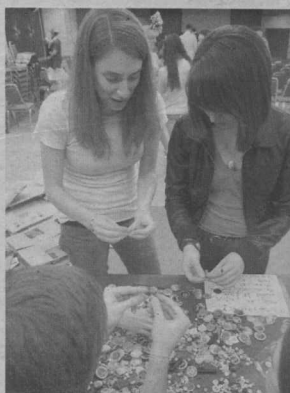
In just a short time, the basic materials were morphed into not only dresses, but hats, jewelry, and other runway "props."

Senior John Sullivan said his team "put a lot of time into thinking about the look before we actually started." Sullivan was part of "Team Maternity," whose model, sophomore Shelby Parenteau, took the runway show to the level of performance art. Her "undrag pregnant prom-queen" outfit, complete with racy props, won the "Audience Favorite" award by a landslide. The imagination and ingenuity of the teams were on full display as the outfits went down the runway. The range of styles was astounding. Junior Erin Duffy's ensemble, which won the "Best Overall" award, featured a bubble wrap skirt, cereal box vest, and an M&M cardboard belt. One team even created a full belly dancing outfit, complete with operating jingles, made out of soda can tabs. Senior Karly

Ziegler's dress, which won "Most Sophisticated," was an impressively crafted cocktail dress made out of newspaper and colored cardboard. "I'd buy that off the rack," said senior Jes Ostrow, Art Club President and event organizer.

Ostrow, an Arts Management major, was the principle organizer behind the event, but attributed its success to the collaborative spirit exhibited by all of the groups that were involved. "Having the teamwork made a huge difference. It became a campus event rather than a club event."

Although Ostrow is graduating this May, she has big plans for the future "Reduce, Reuse, ReFashion." Next year the organizers plan to reach out to Faculty, Staff, and other members of the McDaniel community to participate. "I'd love to see Mitch Alexander in a dress made out of plastic bags." So would I, Jes. Wouldn't you?



ABOVE LEFT: Several contestants in the ReFashion shows, put on by the Environmental Action Committee and Arts Nova, line up on the runway. **ABOVE RIGHT:** Students sort through the recycled jewelry sold by Arts Nova, made from buttons, bottlecaps, and other reused items. **LEFT:** Megan Robinson helps construct an outfit on Karly Ziegler out of newspaper. **PHOTOS BY SAM SEGAL**

Deaf Culture and Heritage Month raises awareness

JENNA LITTLE
Staff Reporter

Walking into Decker Auditorium, you see the room full of about 40 students and wonder what could have drawn people out. ASL's Movie Night was March 23; they showed the movie titled *Audism*. Unveiled with an open group discussion afterwards. This movie and discussion was the first event to kick off a series of events for the nation wide American Deaf Culture and Heritage Month, which is from March 22 through April 16.

Senior Ginny Odierno, an ASL and Deaf Studies minor, says "I believe that the concept of audism was fairly new to many of the students that attended the movie night, and I think that most people learned a lot from the movie and group discussion."

The movie shared Deaf individuals' personal experiences with audism, which is the discrimination against Deaf or hard of hearing individuals.

A discussion took place following the movie to give students the opportunity to discuss their thoughts about audism and to try to gain a better understanding about it. Deaf individuals were also at the event and shared their personal experiences.

In the second event for the month, on March 30, lecturer Debra McQuid shared her experiences with teaching signs to a gorilla named Koko. Other events included a panel on cochlear implants Tuesday, April 6. The ASL Literacy Night will wrap up the series of events on Tuesday, April 13. Students do not need to be enrolled in any ASL classes or have any knowledge of ASL to attend.

Literacy Night will feature an open mic where anyone can get up and tell stories in ASL. Samantha Reigel, a senior and a Deaf Studies minor, says this is a fun event because "Storytelling is extremely valued in deaf studies in ASL. They have some perform a couple of stories and it's amazing. The stories create a picture in your head."

The month is meant to make McDaniel students more aware of Deaf Culture. According to Odierno, "Deaf Culture and Heritage Month allows students an opportunity to attend events with

Deaf individuals and learn more about American Deaf Culture."

When Deaf Culture and Heritage Month ends there are still a lot of activities and involvement on campus with ASL and Deaf Studies. The department stays busy throughout the year. McDaniel's close location to Gallaudet University in D.C. and the Maryland School for the Deaf in Columbia and Frederick allows ASL to have tons of off-campus events around the area. The Deaf Awareness Club, Eye to Eye, also is on campus.

"There are always several Deaf events each semester and many are sponsored by the ASL House," explains Odierno.

"These events help students interact in a deaf community, and the activities are more for people interested in the deaf community after they take the ASL classes and help them get to know the culture," says Reigel.

Additionally, each year there is a Deaf Night in the ASL House where grad students, instructors, and alumni all come together. In the past there have also been events in the game room. There are fun activities that still incorporate the language.

Going to events is a great way to practice using ASL as a communication skill. The language is not always exactly like it is taught in the classroom. Reigel says, "The department does a really good job at making opportunities for students to get involved. Students can learn sign language in class, but not other factors and so that involvement is important. The activities do a really good job to help students learn and experience the culture more."

"Since the deaf community is so small there are definitely barriers between people. Deaf people want you to know the deaf community and respect them and our department is good at that," explains Reigel.

How much students want to get involved in ASL events on campus is really up to the student and their interest level in learning to communicate with the deaf community but Reigel explains "The month also helps students who don't necessarily want to learn ASL by spreading awareness of the deaf community."

DEAF SAVVY

The correct terminology for the deaf community

MARISSA GRAFF
Staff Reporter

For many people, common words to refer to those who have a hearing loss are: deaf, hearing impaired, disabled, deaf and dumb, or hard of hearing. In the past, all of these words have been acceptable at some time or another. Today however, the Deaf community rejects all but two of these labels as accurately depicting a person who has a hearing loss. Those two labels are Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Within these labels there are further distinctions of how involved a person is within the Deaf community. If a person is heavily involved, and uses American Sign Language, ASL, as a means of communication, then he/she would be considered Deaf. Deaf is distinguished from deaf, meaning that a person has a hearing loss but is not involved in the Deaf community, by the capitalization of the letter 'D'. The same rule applies to the term Hard of Hearing.

Believe it or not there is a Hard of Hearing community. It consists of people who are not Deaf and not hearing (people who have full use of their hearing organs and use spoken language to communicate). We (I am Hard of Hearing as well) have developed our own community of sorts by not belonging to either hearing or deaf communities. We understand each other and also tend to use ASL to communicate. There are people who are hard of

hearing (not the lower case 'h') who do not use ASL and although have a hearing loss, do not belong to the Hard of Hearing Community.

You may be thinking that those of us in the Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities are awfully picky. Let me explain. We as a united culture do not believe we are disabled. We are fully functioning people. We can hold jobs, maintain families and relationships and enjoy the fullness of life. In the words of former President of Gallaudet, I King Jordan, "The only thing we can't do is hear." We use a different language to communicate. Spoken languages are not the only ways to communicate. In fact, there is as much diversity in signed languages as there are in spoken languages.

I wear a hearing aid when I am among hearing people, where speaking is the norm. When I am with my Deaf and Hard of Hearing friends, my spirits come alive. We use a language that is completely accessible and we are not disabled.

This perception of disability is not appropriate to be attached to Deaf and Hard of Hearing people, which is why those communities reject labels that refer to us as disabled. When a person calls me hearing impaired, I feel as if I am a lesser being, like I am not a whole person when I am. It's not different than when a hearing person walks into a Deaf bar and tries to understand the bartender. That hearing person is now disabled, because he or she cannot understand the bartender. It's all a matter of perception.

McCribs

THE BEST AND WORST OF DORM LIFE

Freshmen lounge in style

RULA ZARU
Staff Reporter

How often do you run into a cool freshman dorm room? Probably never.

President of the HVZ club at McDaniel, Torin Grosso, and basketball player, DJ Whiten, reside in the common area "quad" on the second floor of Rouzer Hall. Interestingly enough, they are the only two living in the quad. That means two televisions, four beds, two wardrobes, two closets, four desks, four dressers, two fans, two doors, four refrigerators, and two microwaves.

Can this room get any better?

Yes. The floors are carpeted and there is a large couch in the center of the room. Oh wait, can't forget the beautifully painted tan walls and the large amount of space in every corner of the room.

"I was excited to be living with four people," Torin said. "But when one guy never moved in, and the other moved to the fourth floor it got even better."

DJ said he "loves the size and the space," which make it feel more like a bedroom.

Not the typical freshman, Torin has several favorite things about his room: five dodge balls, several chain mails that he has created, four Nerf guns, 50 Warhammer 40k collectable models, fighter movies, his PSP, and his magic cards.

Not only does Torin store a variety of gadgets in the room, but he also uses his room in order

to work on projects of his choice. Torin spends time creating chain mails, which are scattered around the room and add uniqueness to it. "My friends are always in here...we watch a lot of fighter movies."

Torin also owns "Bruce Lee's Fighting Methods", the complete edition, and he passes the book around to many of his friends to read.

Whether you like playing with magic cards, a PSP, swords, Nerf guns, dodge balls, or watching a good fighter movie, this room is the place to be.

As DJ puts it, "the room has a homey feel to it."

Now if you think you have a lot of shoes, you'll appreciate the massive collection on top of DJ's wardrobe. 20 pairs total - Nikes, Adidas, and Jordans. If you ever need to borrow a shoe, DJ's the guy.

Beside DJ's desk is a 32 inch flat screen TV. DJ enjoys watching basketball games on the large screen and his friends are always in the room glued to the television or playing Madden T0 on his Xbox.

"There is always a place to sleep," DJ explains. With two extra beds DJ enjoys the luxury of space and the ability to have his friends crash in his room without any inconveniences.

This McCrib is the coolest freshman dorm room. Not convinced? Go to Rouzer and visit Torin and DJ; you'll have a good time. Chances are you won't want to leave and you will go back a second time.

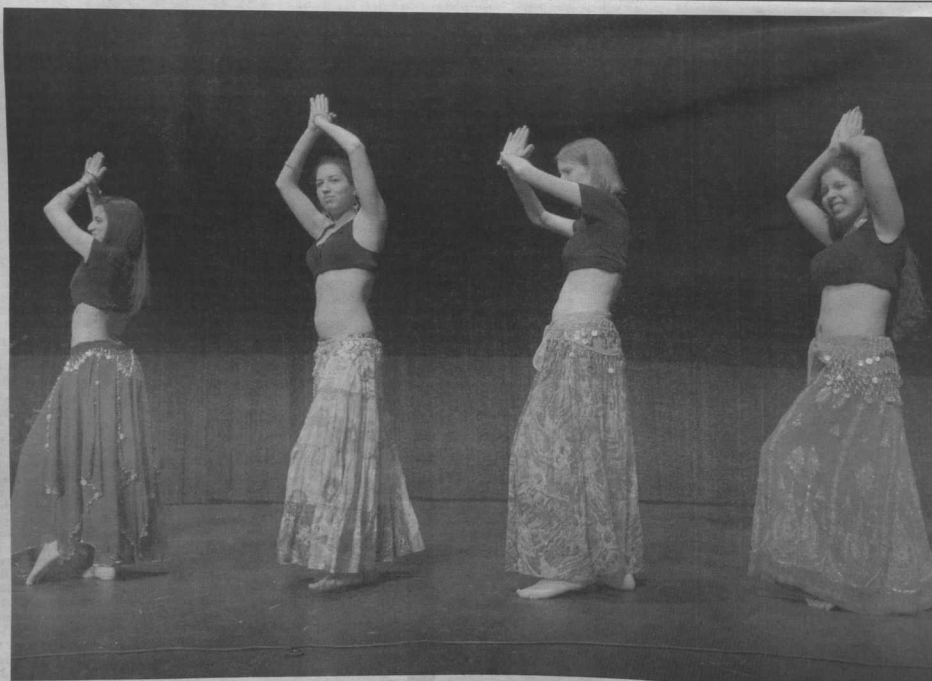


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ABOVE: The freshman duo made use of the lounge furniture to create a nice space.

LEFT: Torin Grosso shows off a piece of chainmail he hand made.

BELOW: With all the space, the guys could even spread their shoes out.



Members of the McDaniel Belly Dancing Club show off their belly dancing skills at the Commuter Student Association's talent show, which took place on the mainstage at Alumni Hall on Saturday April 3.

SAM SEGAL

... Do I know you? The post-one-night-stand meeting

NAOMI RAPHAEL
Staff Reporter



Benefits of a small campus: Ability to get to know people well, close relationship with professors, short walks to class, etc.

Disadvantages of a small campus: Only one dining hall, limited course selection, the inevitability of seeing someone you have hooked up with over and over and over.

There is a range of ways to interact with a post-one-night-stand. You could ignore them completely, making the situation even more awkward,

and, thus draw attention to yourself and your awkwardness. However, you can carry something like that on only so long; after all, it's only a matter of time before you see that person at another party.

There is the seemingly casual, "hey" and head nod. This is a step up: you are acknowledging that you have interacted with this person before and you have developed a casual but formal demeanor when interacting with this person. Or, you can interact with



that person like you have never seen them naked, and carry on. This is especially easy if you were friends with the person beforehand.

But what if a post-hook-up decides that they want to take the first route of ignoring you? Being ignored by someone who you have seen pantsless is a huge blow to the ego. It leaves a build up of all sorts of questions: What do they want from me? Am I really that bad? Do they even remember? Was it even that person?

The best thing you can do in situations like those is to remain cordial. Don't ignore the fact that it happened, just respect the hook-up. We are all adults. It would be best if everyone could be mature about stuff like this. We can all appreciate the enjoyment that comes out of hook-ups; no one's saying stop. However, do what you can to make that post-hook-up daze a little easier for everyone.

Editor's Note: This column, written by Naomi Raphael is dedicated to exploring some of the 'taboo' topics about gender and sexuality. To contact her regarding Sex on the Hill, email freepress@mcdaniel.edu.

McDaniel offers variety of interesting fall classes

ANDREW VELNOSKEY
Staff Reporter

It's that time of the semester—time to register for classes. Of course, you can't just take any old class. You have to keep in mind what you must take for your major and your BLARs or McDaniel Plan requirements, and you can't have time slots overlap. But being able to make it through class without nodding off is also nice. Here are a few classes that may keep your attention next semester:

ENG-3363-01 British Literature: Sexuality

Sex is a topic near and dear to the hearts of many college students. Turns out, it was also a significant issue for twentieth-century British writers. This course will explore how sexuality in British literature changed in the twentieth century. It will compare changes in how sexuality was depicted in literature versus how it actually changed in society. Prerequisites: ENG 2213

REL-3365-01 Sufism

For those interested in world cultures, this is the course for you. This course will examine the mystical Islamic tradition of Sufism—its history, ideas, traditions, rituals, social aspects, and Sufism in today's world. You may be happy to know that no prior knowledge of Sufism is required for this course.

SIS-2010-01 South Park

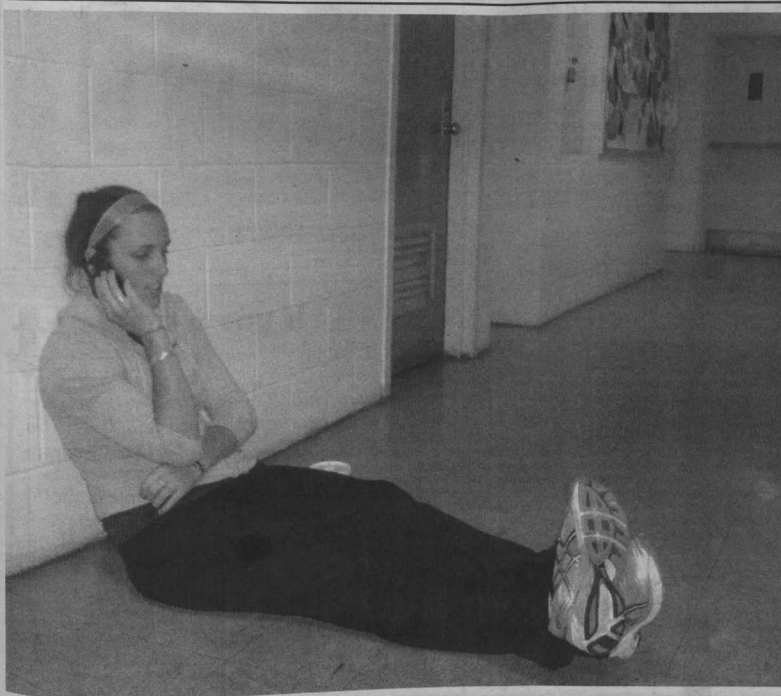
Yes, South Park. This sophomore interdisciplinary studies course studies the show's use of humor to address serious contemporary issues within society. Don't expect the class to be one gigantic marathon of South Park however. The class uses sociological and philosophical theories and techniques to analyze the show, in the process showing students the value of interdisciplinary approaches in understanding social issues. Unfortunately the class is not open to everyone. It is designed for sophomores, and no juniors or seniors can take the class without permission from the instructor.

HIS-2267-02 Poland in the 20th Century

It was here today, gone tomorrow for Poland in the Twentieth Century. Poland was able to re-emerge as an independent state following World War I, only to be consumed by Hitler's Germany and then the USSR. This course will examine the impact of Poland's tumultuous century and how such upheaval shaped the country after its newfound independence in 1989. Prerequisites: None

AHY-3306-01 Chinese Painting and Calligraphy

This course will examine Chinese landscape painting throughout the history of China with special attention given to the relationships among painting, poetry, and calligraphy. Students will also participate in hands-on experiments with different painting techniques. The class will culminate in a field trip to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. Prerequisites: None



Freshman Anna Beaudry sits in the hall to be courteous to her roommate while on the phone. She is discussing her upcoming birthday plans with her mother.

SOPHIE DIVEN

FREE PRESS REVIEW

To laugh or to cry: *The Last Song* brings mixed response

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

Nicholas Sparks meets Miley Cyrus in the tear-jerking teenage romance, *The Last Song*. Sophomore Megan Robinson and I were happy to receive passes to a free advance showing of this film during our recent trip to New York City for a college media conference over spring break.

During the screening, there were mixed audience reactions. I noticed many people with water leaking from their eyes, but just as many shamelessly giggling and commenting. These contradictions are justified, though. After watching the movie, I felt conflicted about my opinion of what I just saw. It made me cry, but it wasn't technically good.

It was difficult to see Miley Cyrus as anything but Hannah Montana. I couldn't take her

seriously as Ronnie Miller for quite a while into the movie. Her voice kind of bothered me. For example, when her character was supposed to be emotionally disturbed and frustrated, she just came off as bratty. Not all of the acting was horrible, though. Greg Kinnear as her dying father was really very believable; he carried the cancer plot to the emotional levels that reduced me to tears.

The script was kind of cheesy, to be honest. Some of the moments that came off as bad acting could probably be attributed to bad scripting. Similarly, there was bad editing that resulted in rough transitions and strange changes in audio levels.

The movie wasn't horrible, don't get me wrong. It was totally worth the free movie ticket and a couple hours of my life. Rather than spending money to see *The Last Song*, though, wait for it to come out on Netflix.



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FREE PRESS REVIEW

Ingrid Michaelson plays at Ram's Head Live

AMBER SLATER
Staff Reporter

"This skirt makes me look so lumpy from the back. I figured to one would see me from the back." Her eyes widened. "But you're all around me!"

She turned to one of the wrap-around railings. "Maybe I'll just sit to this side." She turned again. "Or this side. Oh, you're all around me!"

So began Ingrid Michaelson's set at Ram's Head Live on March 20. She kept the laughs going by explaining to reluctant boyfriends in the audience that dancing makes penises grow (studies have been conducted, apparently), taking someone's camera from the front row and singing an entire song to it, and making up a song called "Emo Boy, Why, Why, Why" and claiming that it will appear soon on a "Grey's Anatomy" episode.

Michaelson is, of course, not just an entertainer, but a soulful musician with a range of skills. During her hour-long set, she showed off her talents on the guitar, ukulele, piano, and drums. She played not only her own songs, but covered Radiohead and Britney Spears. She chose light-hearted numbers such as "Be OK" and "Everybody" as well as ballads like "The Chain" that appealed to my friend who had been dumped the week before.

Michaelson's range and liveliness appealed even to those who had never heard of her. Even the large, brooding man to my left who had obviously been dragged to the show by his wife and who donned a cut-up flannel shirt and a visor that said "mayonnaise" muttered that Michaelson was "pretty good" during the show.

Michaelson's show did not have the special effects or large crowd that typify other concerts, but she created a closeness with the audience by singing, playing, joking, and laughing

her way through the night. Her show not only made her cult-followers want to kneel down and propose, but persuaded skeptics to respect her as an artist, lumpy skirt and all.



Check out these songs:

- ☐ Can't Help Falling in Love (Live at Daytrotter) - Be OK
- ☐ You and I - Be OK
- ☐ Keep Breathing - Be OK
- ☐ Soldier - Everybody
- ☐ Maybe - Everybody
- ☐ Die Alone - Girls and Boys
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- ☐ The Way I Am - Girls and Boys
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EMMA SIMON
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WHAT'S THE FUNNIEST APRIL FOOLS DAY HOAX YOU'VE BEEN A PART OF?



"I kidnapped a friend from school on our Senior Cut Day, which happened to fall on April Fools that year. We lured him into the parking lot with comic books and then shoved him into the car and zip-tied his hands together."

MIKE PFEIFFER, junior



"My one friend got naked and jumped into my other friend's bed. Then he took a picture of himself on his phone and sent it to the other friend whose bed it was while he was in class. He flipped out! It was hilarious!"

GIBBS PRESTON, senior



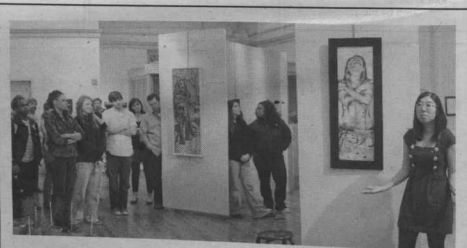
"We had applied for Affinity Housing, and right around the time when decisions were supposed to come out, one of our friends from the group called our other friend pretending to be the contact person saying that we didn't get it and that everything got messed up."

MOLLY BARKER AND SARAH GAMBOLATI (NOT PICTURED), seniors



"Someone I know took apart an entire car, brought it inside piece by piece, and then put it back together! I wasn't a part of it thankfully, but it was funny!"

ROBERT KAPP, freshman



Senior Kim Clemens talks about her art at the opening reception of the art department's senior Honors show, called "That's What She Said," on Tuesday March 30. Clemens and five other artists were showcased.

EVAN TICKNOR

If you feel down.

"Be careful! Bees with honey in their mouths have stings on their tails."

-Fortune Cookie

Sadly, there are two-faced people in the world. The ones who say the sweetest things to you can hurt you the most, so use the label, "friend," sparingly and guard your heart.

-Phoebe Bafu

↑.pick this up



Kim Williams, Natalie Fitzpatrick, Joe Ottomano, Becky Putnam, Autumn Morrison, Anna Martin, and Kim Moran learn how to build fires during Survivor Week. This week featured events sponsored by the Outdoors Club. KRISTEN BEHRLE

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Get the conversation flowing.

Free Press visits New York for CMA conference

Over spring break, three Free Press staffers went to the College Media Advisors Spring Convention in New York City. This three day intensive convention featured workshops and guest speakers from all over the country to help college students fine tune their media skills and help bring their campus the news as best as possible. The guest speakers included New York Times writer Brian Stelter, NBC Nightline News Anchor Terry Moran, and Time magazine editor and New York Times #1 best seller Mark Halperin. The Free Press looks forward to implementing some of the innovative new ideas it learned at the convention and continuing to bring its readers accurate and quality news. Pictured are some photos taken of the Free Press's time in NYC.



RIGHT: Megan Robinson poses at Strawberry Fields as part of the photo series, *Free Press in Unusual Places: NYC edition*. Check out the full series at www.mcDaniel.freepress.com. Submit your own photos with the *Free Press* to freepress@mcDaniel.edu, and they may be featured in our next issue!

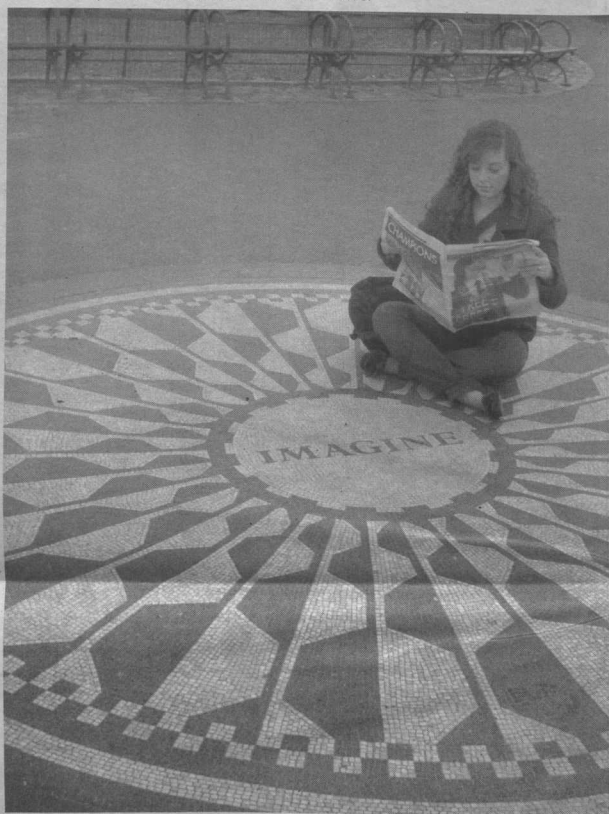
UPPER LEFT: Megan Robinson stands with two NYC cops reading the *Free Press*.

MIDDLE LEFT: Megan Robinson poses with the *Free Press* in the New York Times building.

BOTTOM LEFT: Sophomore Megan Robinson, freshman Hanna Barker, and junior Kim Williams explore Times Square after a long day of seminars.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Senior Jack Rinn shows off his decorative door on the first floor of ANW. It is decorated with the March issue of the *Free Press*.

PHOTOS COURTESY MEGAN ROBINSON



LETTERS FROM ABROAD: Students write to McDaniel

Hello McDaniel College,

Over Spring Break I visited Managua, Nicaragua. My friend Andrea's father lives in Nicaragua and offered us a place to stay. This country is one of the poorest countries in the world but has some of the most beautiful scenery I have ever seen. The tropical scenery that was a part of every beach we visited always took my breath away. Throughout the week I was there I traveled with my two friends (who also go to school at McDaniel).

We bought the plane tickets in December, during our Winter Break, but the culture and adventures we experienced during Spring Break 2010 will never be forgotten. The culture there was shocking in every aspect. Not once did I feel like I was still at home. Everyone spoke Spanish (I knew very little) and they always knew right away just by looking at you; you were not native to the country. The only way we could slightly get by was through Andrea. She looked native and although her Spanish was much better than mine it was still not comparable to the natives. Of course we were dead-give-aways the moment we spoke English.

We experienced the night life and met college students just like us (who always seemed to want to have a good time). They told us about living in Nicaragua and showed us around the parts that were inaccessible to tourists. Not every aspect of Nicaragua was all fun and games though. We met American Troops and teenage missionary groups who helped provide cleaner water systems and volunteered in orphanages by taking them to the beach for the first time.

By the way, the driving there is nothing like it is here. All of the people drive like maniacs; avoiding many traffic safety laws that we abide to here. The beep of a horn is just a kindly reminder that occurs every two minutes while driving and does not signify road rage like it does in America.



Elizabeth Oakley, Andrea Arguello, and Devon McAndrew at dinner on their last night in Managua, Nicaragua.

PHOTO COURTESY DEVON MCANDREW

Experiences like those made it just as much a learning opportunity for me as it was a fun vacation time. But, the simple pleasures of water fountains providing free, clean water and clean, trash-less roadsides were some things I've become

more appreciative of after returning to America.

Sincerely,
Devon McAndrew

Dear McDaniel Campus,

Spring seems to finally come our way and embrace us with the long sought and desired sunshine and warmth we so much miss.

After a very white and cold winter, Budapest is slowly awakening from its dormancy of the last few months, new and exciting possibilities arise in the horizon as day become longer and outside becomes more appealing to us.

At present we are focused on our mid-term exams and we have been pretty much buried into our books and notes lately, so the thought of spring break coming fast our way and the possibility of enjoying being outside again turns into a very tempting reward.

Recently we organized an International Evening, an event where all students are invited to share their home cultures and flavors and mingle in a cosmopolitan atmosphere that is always present in the Campus here but rarely enjoyed amidst all our endeavors.

Among the delicacies on offer one could find the tra-

ditional Hungarian paprikás szalámi, the Spanish tortilla served with the customary Sangria, Humus and Falafel from Israel, Iranian stew, Norwegian waffles as well as Portuguese and American specialties. Besides the nourishment of the body we also were served wonderful sights to nurture the mind such as the Japanese Kimonos, the Nigerian colorful outfits, and the smiles of all the different nationalities present there. The night was concluded with an entertaining and amusing talent show with students from all over the place performing songs and music pieces from their home countries.

This year Hungary is hosting one of the European Capitals of Culture in the beautiful city of Pécs, south of Budapest near the borders with Croatia and Serbia. With a very rich and diverse culture offered, together with the architectural beauty of the city, this for sure will be a charm to draw many of us there this Spring. You can find more information about this at <http://en-pecs2010.hu/> (specially if you are considering coming over for the fall semester this year).

Budapest is also a fantastic city to walk around and

enjoy when the weather is fine. There are lots of small squares with cafes and bars who display terraces from April onwards and they are just perfect to end your afternoon having a nice cold drink, chatting with your colleagues and friends, or just watching everyone going about their lives at the end of another busy day. I am sure that we will make good use of such places in the coming months!

Anyway, I believe we are all looking forward now to our Spring break, having the chance to get our minds off our studies and enjoy a few and well deserved days of rest, doing the things we like the most, and for some of us allowing the brief return to our home countries to revisit the places we could only experience in our memories over the last few weeks.

We hope all is well over there and we are looking forward to hear more about what is going on over there in Maryland.

João Salviano Carmo
McDaniel Budapest



Students tour McDaniel College on a sunny Spring day. The admissions office runs anywhere between four and 30 tours a day. Tour guide Jessie Dunn notes, "We're good at walking backwards."

LAUREN MILLER

TERROR SPORTS



Track and Field has strong opening at Battleground Relays

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

The men and women of the track and field squad opened up their season in Virginia at the Battleground Relays on March 20. On the men's side, the young talent was on full display as freshman Chuck Kronmiller and sophomore Jake Nichols led the way. Kronmiller finished fourth in the javelin and sixth in the discus. Nichols ran a personal best and hit a qualifying standard in the preliminaries of the 110 hurdles. He then went on to finish fifth in the finals.

Seniors Roxanne Fleischer and Emily Hajjar were the only female competitors from McDaniel in the event. They both performed well, with Fleischer posting a personal best and conference qualifying mark while finishing sixth in the 1,500 meter. Hajjar placed 24th in the same event.

Seniors Kevin Bowman and Rob Kelvey, both mid-distance runners, will provide the leadership and example on the men's squad this year. Look for these two to end their careers on the Hill with a strong season while providing the necessary leadership for the program to succeed years from now.

The women are paced by seniors Roxanne Fleischer, Emily Hajjar, Heidi Davidhizar, and Lisa Katchan. Look for these ladies to lead the charge, with the underclassmen stepping up and showcasing their talents.

Kevin Bowman and CJ Naper run the 1500 meter at Bridgewater College on March 27.

ROXANNE FLEISCHER

McDaniel baseball team returns from Florida

TIM MCCLISTER
Staff Reporter

On Friday March 12, the McDaniel College Baseball team took a trip down to Winter Haven, Florida. The team gave up much of their spring break time to compete in the respected RussMatt Central Florida Invitational. The Terror had a great opportunity to compete against teams outside of the Centennial Athletic Conference. McDaniel Baseball competed

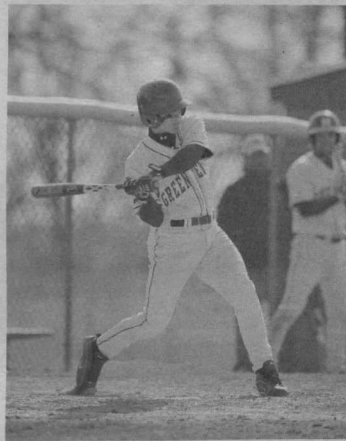
against many well-respected teams such as Fairleigh-Dickinson University, Hamilton College, Fitchburg State College, and University of Massachusetts at Boston.

The trip not only provided challenging competition, but it also proved to bring a greater sense of camaraderie among the players on the team. Freshman Pat Quinn said, "It was a great quality bonding experience with the team throughout the trip." In fact, the Saturday following arrival in Winter Haven, the team's games were cancelled giving them the day off.

Turns out that the unscheduled day off proved to be one of the best in terms of team bonding, not to mention a chance to catch some Florida sun rays, as the team decided to spend the day together around the pool.

When it came to playing baseball games, the team held their own and represented McDaniel well. The Green Terror came home on the positive side with four wins and three losses. Even though the teams' Saturday games were cancelled, they competed in several double headers and at least a game every other day. Throughout their trip the team competed at a high-level and came together as a family.

The Terror must now carry this confidence and all the lessons they learned into Centennial Conference play. If they do, anything is possible for this group of McDaniel athletes.



LUKE STILSON

Brandon Kline prepares to swing.

TERROR SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: MEET the GREEN

MATTHEW BODNAR
Staff Reporter

Spearing blazing fast line drives, picking short hops, and knocking down bad hops all while standing a mere 90 feet from the batter.

Such is the life of McDaniel Baseball's third baseman, Matthew Pace. Matt is a junior and three year starter from Baltimore, Maryland. During his three years on the Hill, Pace has become a constant force in the McDaniel's lineup. Known for his imposing stance in the box, and his cat-like reflexes in the field, Pace is an all-around baseball player whose game has no glaring weakness.

As a freshman, Pace appeared in 15 games while hitting .280 with a home run. In his sophomore year, his first full year as the starter, he really broke out hitting .353 with 3 home runs and 25 RBI's. When asked what his personal goals are for this year, Pace responds, "Keep the offense up and play better defense." When evaluating himself so far, Pace continued, "I feel I've played better defense, but my hitting has been slow to come around."

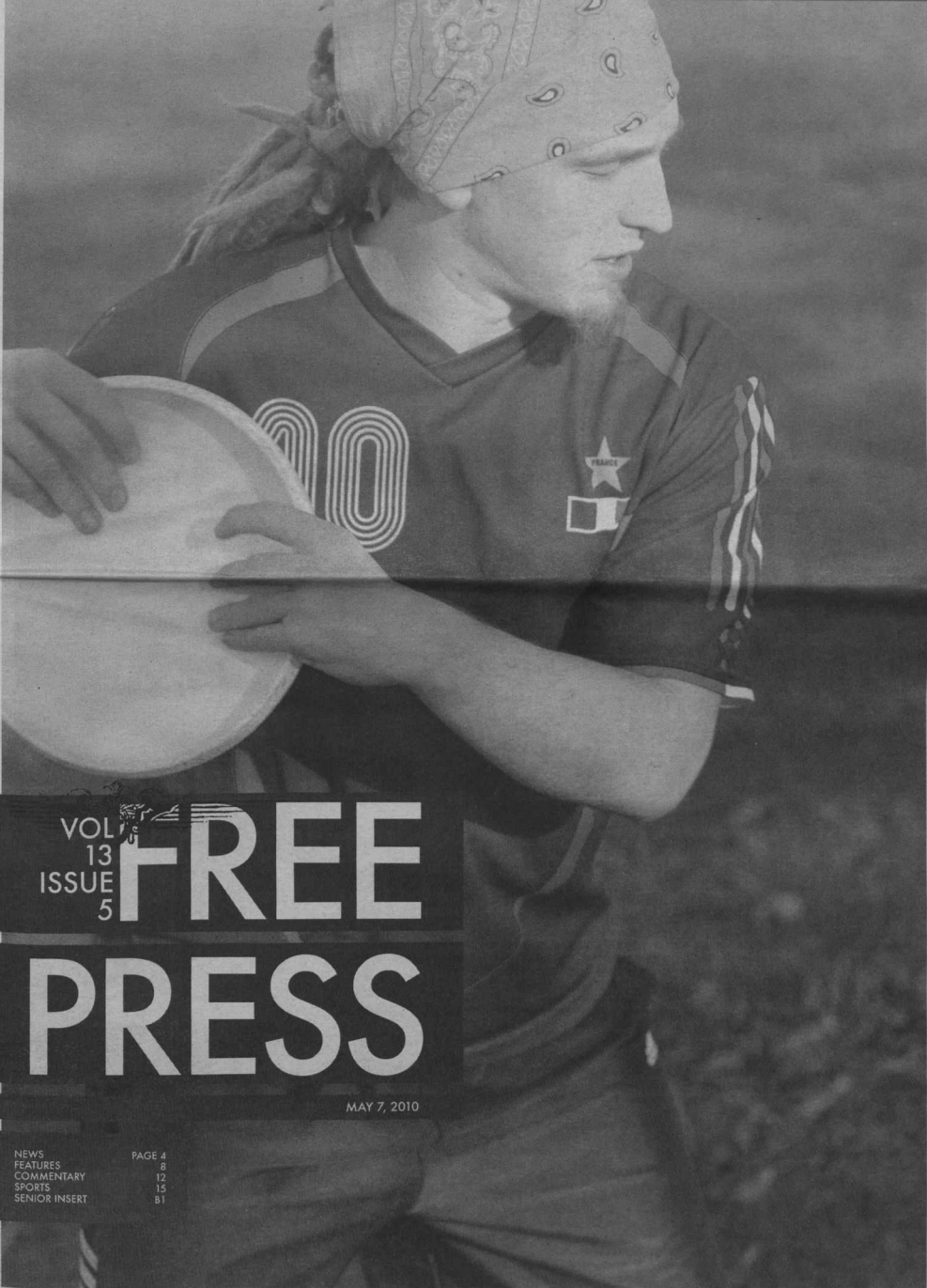
In terms of team goals, Pace notes this is a young team. Personnel losses from last year have hurt, but Pace believes this year's squad needs to play better fundamental baseball. "We need to pitch better, play better defense, and



execute situational hitting. The fundamentals are essential to our team's success." Players who have impressed Pace so far have been Junior Brandon Kline and freshmen Zach Jones and Giovanni Frichione. In closing, Pace stated, "I've seen a lot of improvement from the fall. I see the potential in our young guys and I think the future is bright. Wins and losses will not ultimately determine the success of McDaniel Baseball in 2010."

Have any awesome photos?

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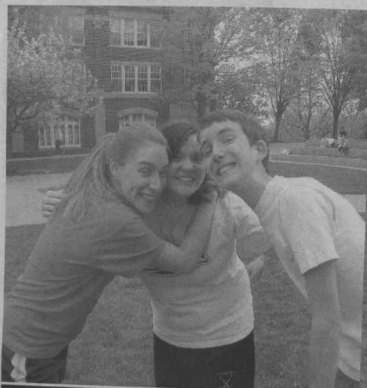
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John Sullivan prepares to throw the frisbee during an outdoor game.

OMAR BROWN

McDaniel students gather to enjoy some nice spring weather and play frisbee.

OMAR BROWN



ABOVE: Senior Claire Turpel, Junior Kristin Behrle and Quentin Renson after participating in Holi. Holi was hosted by the International Club Thursday, April 15, 2010 in Red Square.

BELOW: Junior Cindy Sordo, Junior Sunita Pathik, and Sophomore Paula Senff pose after Holi

KIM WILLIAMS





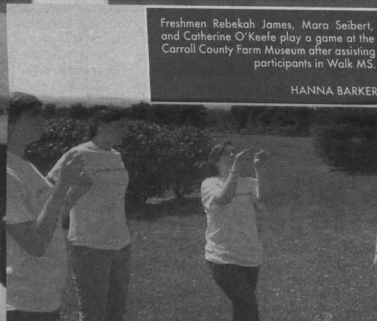
Lee Anderson shows off his karate skills for McDaniel, sponsored by Alpha Nu Omega.

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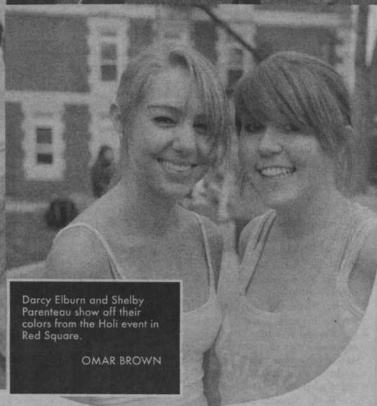
Participants enjoy Dell-a-palooza on the terrace at the pub on April 23.

EVAN TICKNOR



Freshmen Rebekah James, Mara Seibert, and Catherine O'Keefe play a game at the Carroll County Farm Museum after assisting participants in Walk MS.

HANNA BARKER



Darcy Elburn and Shelby Paranteau show off their colors from the Holi event in Red Square.

OMAR BROWN



TWO WEEKS IN PHOTOGRAPHS

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Alpha Nu Omega faces uncertain future

KATE DELENICK
Editor-in-Chief

The spring semester for the Alpha Nu Omega Sorority was supposed to be filled with community service, fundraisers, weekly meetings, and social events but that all changed after an investigation was launched by the McDaniel Administration after a student reported an incident directly to the Associate Dean of Student Affairs, Elizabeth Towle.

The investigative process was started a week before Spring Break and started with a phone call to the sorority's president. Throughout the weeks to come the "Omegas" were unsure of the process or why the investigation was taking as long as it did. With promises made to hold different community service events and the administration telling the group during the investigation they could not meet as an organization many of their promises to the community were broken.

An anonymous Alpha Nu Omega soror-

ity member said, "It's frustrating, stressful, and embarrassing."

As a result of the long investigation not only were the girls unable to congregate as a sorority but they were forced to join the housing lottery which essentially meant they would lose their floor in Blanche Ward Hall. Our source noted that they did not technically get housing "taken away" by the administration but because it took place over the time period that housing was being chosen for the following year the girls had to enter the lottery system.

When the investigation was finally over the administration left the girls with three options: Rebuild as a group, which according to the sorority will give them the opportunity to change and make additions to their current constitution. However it is an eight step process which will mean meeting with faculty and following benchmarks. "It's good but it just takes a lot of time," the source said. The second option laid out would be "to go National." It is an option that the local sorority is looking into but having mixed feelings about. They just recent-

ly celebrated their 30th anniversary and there is a certain pride that they take in still being a local McDaniel Chapter. The last option given by the administration is one that the sorority is not even considering and that is completely dismantling or in Greek terminology, "dying out."

When the administration was reached for comment Towle said, "It's not going to comment on any investigation that has or hasn't happened. If the community needs to know they will know whether that is the sorority telling them or me telling them."

The sorority was told to make a decision by April 30 and according to our source have recently pledged to rebuild. This means their current pledge class is given the option to rebuild with the sorority if they choose to.

While for some it may seem the hard part is over, the sisters are now facing the hard part ahead that will change the future of their sorority as well as patching old wounds that this investigation has left. The girls can now only think of what the semester could have been

like and although they're looking forward to a bright future the lingering feelings from the long investigation are still fresh.

"It might be nice if there was [an investigative] process in writing, not just for us but for other organizations," our source said. "I want Greek life at McDaniel to thrive and in the future have organizations with the administration to make it better. Greek life does have a place on campus just like clubs and sports. It just needs to be correctly monitored so it can live on."

Towle had similar to say about the future of Greek Life, "I hope it continues to grow as a community because I think for students who are interested it a good way to get involved. I want to see Greek Life continue to grow."

It has also been recently confirmed that the Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity is also currently under investigation. When asked to comment a member of the fraternity told the Free Press they were "not able to comment at this time," but "would be free to talk once the investigation is over."

Local versus national sororities: the difference

JUJIAN GUILLRE
Editor-in-Chief

The main difference that sets Local and National Greek organizations apart is one simple fact: for local sororities and fraternities, they are the only of their kind. For National, they have other chapters in colleges all across the country.

According to McDaniel College students, can be both a benefit and a drawback. Jessica Lagares, senior and vice president of Alpha Nu Omega (Local), loves that "if you talk to another Omega, you know she went here and you can talk to her about the campus. We just had our 30th reunion, and when I talked to some of the alumni, I felt like they are us, just 20 years older."

Abby Walker, member of Phi Alpha Mu, likes the fact that they are unique, and think it provides a great connection with alumni. "We have over 1,000 wonderful alumni, who are all really supportive," she said.

On the other hand, the benefit of being National is the increased amount of alumni, which provides for better networking opportunities. "I have sisters all around this country," said Elyse Sparks, junior and vice president of

Phi Mu. "I can search 'Phi Mu' on Facebook and find any of my sisters. I actually did that once and found a girl I went to middle school with that had moved to Tennessee and joined Phi Mu at TSU!"

Jordan Doss, junior and president of Alpha Sigma Phi, loves being able to wear his letters and run into brothers of all different ages. "They will recognize you as a brother and then ask about your chapter, tell you about their and exchange stories. It is an instant connection," he said.

Other differences between the two are the price of dues and the governing body concerning the constitution and budget, philanthropy, and membership quota. National organizations have a quota of 50 members; locals can stay smaller.

According to Doss, new members pay a pledge fee of \$99, an initiation fee \$250, and then a lifetime membership fee of \$250. "The most expensive thing is insurance but we can reduce that cost by keeping our GPA up, living on a substance free floor, attending national events, and just staying out of trouble in general," said Doss, who added that he believes his fraternity has the lowest dues on campus.

Largent enjoys the fact that her local soror-

ity governs themselves. They can change their constitution when they deem necessary, which helps them stay current, and they decide their own budget. Local organizations also do not have a set philanthropy, or one organization that National chapters raise money for. This way, Largent says, they can do more local service and pick the projects that are important to them.

"One of our members, Lee Oliver, wanted to raise money for the Leukemia Society, in honor of a friend's sister that had Leukemia," said Largent. "So the sorority became involved with the Lacrosse team's 'Terror Two' fundraiser."

Doss finds the national fraternity very helpful, especially in order to provide insurance and assistance to the chapters. "They offer programs that send a national representative to our campus to see how we're doing and help us to improve. They also just helped us to set up an endowment fund for our chapter...it will grow over the years and gather interest that we can then put towards education needs of the chapter," he said.

If a local organization runs into trouble, it is the school's administrative body that deems what punishment is necessary. If a national organization does the same, a national representa-

tive comes in to talk to the school.

"The college is in control of the local group," said Amanda Rose, who was the Assistant Director of College Activities at McDaniel for 5 1/2 years. "When a national group is investigated the Headquarters for that group is notified of the situation. Consequences depend on the violations," she said.

These could include suspension of certain privileges like wearing letters, community service, alcohol or hazing education, re-amping the group's new member education program, among others. (More thoroughly explained in article on investigation of organizations).

Organizations may switch from Local to National, and this requires researching all possible sororities/fraternities and finding the one that fits the group best. Then the group would have to have a colony established, and everything goes smoothly during a trial period, then the colony is made into a chapter.

McDaniel College has six National Greek organizations - Alpha Sigma Phi, Kappa Delta Rho, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Mu, and Phi Sigma Sigma. Local organizations on the Hill include Alpha Nu Omega, Alpha Gamma Tau, and Phi Alpha Mu.

McDaniel College's Greek investigation process

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

For an individual student who has violated college policy, the guidelines for what to expect are clearly outlined in the student handbook. However, when investigations into Greek organizations occur, this is not the case.

The investigation process can begin in a number of different ways. Associate Dean of Student Affairs Elizabeth Towle says, "The Hazing Hotline tends to be the most common way an investigation begins because they don't need to say who they are when they leave a message. At the same time, when I hear anything that might be potentially happening in a group we follow up on that to determine."

Towle responds that what happens to a group while under investigation "depends based on the circumstances and from the information I receive. We want to act to prevent any potential risk to personal safety."

"When a group is being investigated, all chapter activities are suspended until the outcome of the investigation. This means there is to be no chapter meetings, activities, social,

community service projects or new member activities. The group's involvement in campus activities is also on-hold until the outcome is known. This is done to allow time for information to be gathered to determine the validity of the reported information. This way if there are valid concerns the situation can be solved without any further incident," says Amanda Rose, the current Coordinator of Student Life at San Jacinto College in Houston, Texas, the Assistant Director of College Activities at McDaniel from December of 2003 to August 2009, and a member of Phi Mu.

Towle says that for a group that is found responsible, "There's a whole continuum from some very basic educational sanctions to help the group recognize and understand where they might have gone wrong to prevent it in the future up to 'for these set of reasons we can no longer recognize you.'"

Towle says that the time period involved in an investigation "depends. It truly varies based on the situation."

Rose says that it generally takes two to three days to schedule individual meetings with members of the group and continues, "I tried to get those meetings completed in 2 days. It

all depended on the students' schedules... Once we came to a decision I would meet with the chapter president and give them a letter with the decision and any sanctions given. How long should a group expect to wait to hear a decision? From start to finish I would say 7-10 business days, but there could always be things that could change that."

Rose says, "When I worked at McDaniel, there was not a written investigation policy, and adds that "I left in August 2009, so I am not sure if any policies changed since then."

When asked if the guidelines for the process of investigation are written down, Towle responds, "No. There is for individuals and that's in the agenda book."

The process for individual students is easily accessible for anyone interested in looking that "the following summary of the most common processes used to address matters of student misconduct are offered so that the College community may become familiar with the process in general." (67).

In response to being asked how a group should know what to expect if under investigation, Dean Towle says "typically what happens

in the case of an individual or a group once I get information, the first person I call in is the president or the individual student and say based on that information this is how the college is proceeding."

Towle was asked, "Do you think there should be written guidelines to the investigation process written down and available to students involved in Greek life? How things proceed with individuals is in the agenda book, but is there anything available for sororities or fraternities to refer to while under investigation?"

She responds, "While there are no procedures currently included in the Handbook, once a complaint is received regarding an organization, the first person contacted typically is the president or head of the group to inform him/her of the concerns and explain how the College will gather the necessary information about the complaint."

In regards to the investigation process, as Towle says "Our administrative process is in place to maintain the health and safety of the community."

Campus buildings starting to mold

MEGAN ROBINSON
Co-News Editor

Mold on indoor surface areas can cause serious health problems including throat infections, eye irritation, memory loss, chronic body aches, and more. Surface mold that can cause these types of illnesses have been found on McDaniel's campus in this past year.

Different cases of mold have been reported in various buildings. George Brenton, the Director of Physical Plant, explained that his office receives two to three mold complaints a year. He said that the office tries to deal with the work order as fast they can and based on the severity of the complaint. Brenton explained that his office receives over 5,500 work orders in a school year.

One student, who wished to remain anonymous, said he found large amounts of mold in his dorm room in ANW, along the back walls of his closet. This student said he notified Residence Life about the issue, and a staff member was sent to remediate the mold the same or next day. This student expressed satisfaction with the speed and manner in which the mold was cleared up.

Garden Apartments appears to be another building susceptible to mold. Sophomore, Shelby Parenteau said there is mold growing in the windowsills of her common room and two of the bedrooms. Shelby's housemate, junior Mike Mandel, said that he reported the mold to his resident assistant but has received no response to the issue.

Brenton acknowledged the presence of mold in the Garden Apartments. He said his office is unsure of the cause of the mold outbreaks so far, but that the contractor of the apartments is investigating the cause. Although he suspects the cause to be related to the recent renovations of the building, the new air conditioning system, and the damage to the gutters.

Another student living in a different Garden Apartment reported mold growing on her windowsill against her bed, to her resident assistant in February. After receiving an email from an area coordinator assuring her that the mold would be taken care of, it took the school over two months to clean up the area. Brenton explained that cases like this are often caused by miscommunication between the Residence Life Office, who receives the complaints, and the Physical Plant, who solves them.

In her email she explicitly mentioned that she believed the mold to be the cause of some chronic illnesses she had been suffering from including headaches, a common health effect of mold exposure. Although the student has not been diagnosed with mold allergies, an associate at Hanover Express Care Doctors Office said a person does not need to have mold allergies to be medically effected by mold.

However, there are some campus members that have been diagnosed with mold allergies that did come into contact with mold on campus, professor Priscilla Ord reported that she suspected mold was growing in the staircase below her office, on the ground level of Hill Hall. While Ord's health was not affected by the outbreak, she expressed concern that if the mold were to reach her office, it might.

Ord said she first contacted the physical plant when she noted the ceiling and window were wet. Bobby Anderson, English Department Secretary who also witnessed the mold outbreak, said that she noticed the area was hot. Anderson said that after the heat and dampness were prevalent for a while, a visible mold began to appear. Anderson said the mold covered parts of the wall and ceiling.

Ord said that although there was a long break in time between her initial complaints and the visible remediation of the mold, she believed the Physical Plant to be working on the problem. Indeed, Brenton confirmed that the Physical Plant began working on the remediation process gradually.

Brenton explained that for cases of large mold outbreaks, such as the one in Hill Hall, outside mold remediation specialist company INX-Tech are used. He said that initially INX-Tech tested the air for allergens, and determined them to be non-toxic.

He then said that solving the cause of the mold outbreak, a leak in a steam pipe, was tricky because it broke during winter. Brenton explained that to fix the pipe the heat had to be turned off in two buildings, and so his office had to plan to fix the pipe when the least amount of people would be in the building. Eventually however his office was able to fix the leak in the pipe, stopping the cause of the mold growth.

Brenton explained that INX-Tech cut out parts of the wall and floor, and removed a bench penetrated by the mold. He said the wall was then sealed with a primer called Bulls Eye 1-2-3, which is a mold resistant stain killer, and the bench was replaced with a wooden box to better



MEGAN ROBINSON

Mold found in the Gardens Building 155, apartment 201.

cover the steam pipes.

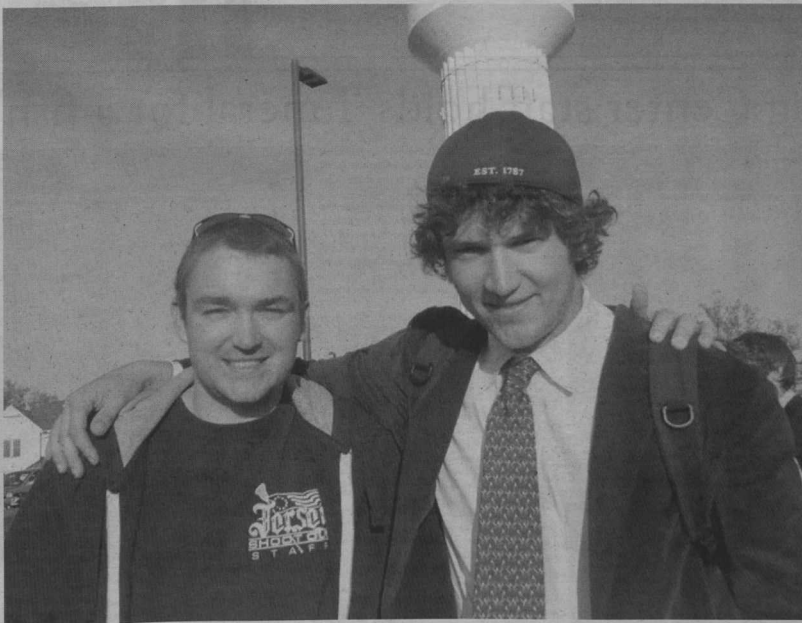
Brenton said that the manner in which the mold is taken care of depends on the severity of the mold. He said that mold in smaller amounts, is typically treated with a liquid substance of bleach and another chemical, and then sealed with a mold resistant paint. Although he noted that an outside expert is always consulted on how to handle different mold outbreaks.

The correct remediation process of mold is disputable. Brenton said that INX-Tech advises to his office that if the drywall is dry and has not been damaged the surface can be treated, and does not need to be removed. However, Ivelin Kostadinov, an associate at EHI Mold Remediation Incorporated, said that mold always needs to be cut out of the surface it is growing on in

order to prevent it from returning.

The Environmental Protection Agency website said that the proper treatment of mold does in fact vary from case to case, and can differ based upon professional opinion. However, the EPA website does advise against using bleach to treat mold, especially in living areas.

Many campus members have strong opinions about the mold issues on campus. Parenteau said she wishes the school would've built the Garden Apartments correctly, so that the mold wouldn't be an issue that needed correction. Sophomore Timmy Connors, would like to see the school improve ventilation in mold prone areas, and senior Ashleigh Smith added, "I want [the school] to take care of the building that I'm paying to live in."



Sophomore Tim Kenny poses for a picture with his brother Sean after McDaniel Men's Lacrosse team beat Franklin and Marshall 11-10.

SOPHIE DIVEN

SGA changes allocation process

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Staff Reporter

Changes in the SGA Allocation Process: Meeting with Outgoing and Incoming Presidents, Dean Gerl; Organization Council.

Many people on campus shudder just hearing the word "allocation."

All they can think about is paperwork, waiting, receiving less money than requested, or getting denied altogether.

Hopefully all that is about to change.

An excerpt from the new Allocations FAQ sheet hints at what we should be expecting next year.

"Devised by the SGA, the allocation process is a system of disbursing funds to campus organizations that meet the stated guidelines...This process is implemented to ensure fairness to all campus organizations and to encourage fiscal and event planning for entire academic year."

Revisions of the allocation process are not quite finished, but so far the changes indicate some major shifts that the incoming Student Government Association's executive board is hoping to implement. The overarching plan is to see allocation money used to impact as many students as possible, increase the transparency of the SGA's workings, and encourage better accountability all around.

The Organization Council was held Thursday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. Under 20 club leaders and proxies attended, presumably because it was held at the same time as the annual Riding-ton lecture. The Hispano-Latino Alliance (HLA), Asian Community Coalition (ACC), Allies, Outdoors Club, and at least two Greek organizations were some of the groups represented.

The SGA is eager to see the relationship between the SGA and the student body grow, as well as the relationships between clubs. By giving preference to groups who choose to co-sponsor events, larger and better planned functions

will be held, which will allow funding to reach more students.

"The SGA total budget for 2009-2010 was \$37,800, 59% of which was used for allocations. The projected budget for 2010-2011 shows \$38,700 with 51% going toward allocations. The decrease was necessary in order to make room for new campus projects and continuation of the older ones, like the installation of the flat screen TVs this year."

The changes in the bylaws and requirements are all moves toward "using money more effectively and efficiently than ever before," says Dean Gerl, Vice President of Student Affairs, who attended the Organization Council. Details about the new process, and many other SGA documents, should be available on the Student Intranet by the end of the semester at stuntranet.mcdaniel.edu.

In an e-mail after the meeting, president-elect, Nick Bender wrote that he thought "the meeting was informative, and it was necessary to get the new changes out to clubs and organizations before the start of next semester so they can have ample time to strategically plan for the upcoming academic year."

Bender was also pleased with the feedback he received, and hoped he adequately responded to the "tough questions," since he wants "to make this process as clear cut and transparent as possible." The SGA plans to hold another session for clubs who were not able to attend or need help understanding the changes.

Bender also outlined the new regulations about what the SGA would and would not be funding next year, most notably: no direct donations to charity, food for regular meetings, or traveling expenses for groups smaller than 30 students.

There was some concern during the meeting about whether these changes would negatively affect smaller groups.

Kim Trang, the secretary of the Asian Com-

munity Coalition (ACC) has been frustrated with the process. The few meetings she has been able to attend have made her think "that the whole process is not organized. Only a few organizations are represented, either because the meeting times are inconvenient or because clubs feel like [the] SGA is not helpful."

The executive board is certainly eager to dispel these feelings.

Graduating president Ben Cowman has seen the allocation process change over the past few years, but is confident that the additions to the process will help. He hopes that as clubs start to plan and budget more efficiently, funding requests will become more accurate and successful.

"It's always a struggle to try to be as fair as possible," but he hopes that once students learn the new regulations they will find that they were made to "be inclusive" and encourage planning.

"Everyone, including the SGA, needs to be more accountable about how money is spent."

Dean Gerl hopes to see better transitions from year to year and more effective record keeping in the future from the clubs and the SGA, which would make spending trends more visible and accountability simpler. Student leaders have "the responsibility to learn" the new process and the SGA has "the responsibility to fix" any issues that may come up.

As to the monthly status reports, Dean Gerl does not think it is too much to ask. It gives the current organizations a chance to assess their own events and budgeting to see what worked well, and future groups the ability to reference the reports and learn from the past.

What's the take-home message? Yes, there are changes that will require clubs and organizations to fill out more paperwork and stay in better contact with the SGA, but these measures will ensure that allocated money is spent appropriately and will reach the greatest number of students.

Allocations of the 2009-2010 Budget (\$22,177)

Active Minds \$200
Allies \$280
Amnesty \$470
Art Club \$319
Asian Coalition \$300
Black Student Union \$1,500
Canine Puppy Club \$330
Cheese Club \$1,042
Christian Fellowship \$640
College Libertains \$475
Commuters \$800
Dance Company \$50
Environmental Action \$750
Flying Disc \$225
Flying Disc United Peoples \$220
French Club \$100
Hispano-Latino Alliance \$2,500
International Relations \$570
Jewish Student Union \$450
Justice League \$500
MD Student Legislature \$1,500
MSEA \$300
Outdoors Club \$1,030
Palabras 2 Words \$200
Phi Alpha \$150
Phi Delta Theta \$1,000
Phi Sigma Sigma \$900
Psychology \$600
Relay for Life \$350
Senior Class \$2,500
Sophisticated Ladies \$160
Ultimate Frisbee \$461
Up 'Till Dawn \$1,000
Women's Issues \$325

New Club Requirements

- Submit a budget outlining their revenue (from dues, anticipated fundraising, donations, and contributions from academic departments, ODAMA, etc.) and their expenses (from promotional materials, registration fees, etc.)
- Plan to participate in at least one community service event each semester
- Sign a contract once funding is approved
- Submit a monthly status report about how money was spent

Writing Center staff holds 'funeral for a fish'



Wednesday, April 7, 2010, Spring yawns awake, shaking off the oppressive chains of winter. A few tentative tweets from the birds fill the air, bugs lazily drone and awake, and life is renewed.

But not all was well on this tender Wednesday afternoon. While the world had its new beginnings, one member of our campus sadly met his end. Danny Hughes Jr., one of the newly bought fish at the writing center, was found gasping slowly on his side at the bottom of his tank. His thinning brethren swirled around him, while he slowly slipped into darkness.

Danny Hughes Jr. was only here for a few days' time, but in his short stay here at McDaniel, he truly left his mark. All who saw his gipping, unerring stare were immediately changed. They were calmer, and somehow happier. This was just the kind of effect Danny Hughes Jr. had on all of those around him.

On April 7, hours after his untimely departure from the living, Danny Hughes Jr. was ceremoniously memorialized by his surviving friends after his body was briefly used for a prank involving a pencil sharpener. On a traditional Roman pyre, made of computer paper, pencil shavings, index cards, and a staple box, Danny Hughes Jr. was burned.

Since then, all but two of the original 20 fish brought to the WritingCenter for an April Fool's Day prank have passed, but none were as influential as Danny Hughes Jr. Danny Hughes Jr. is survived by his father, Danny Hughes Sr., his friends at the WritingCenter, and the two remaining goldfish, Rosenkrantz and Guddensern. All who wish to pay their respects may do so any time at the McDaniel College WritingCenter in Hill Hall.



ABOVE: The pyre of Danny Hughes Jr. burns outside of Hill Hall.
LEFT: Kim Williams, Rebecca Tilyou, and Danny Hughes and friends stand watch over the proceedings.

STAFF PHOTOS



Left to right: Freshmen Dani Allen, Ciara Burgess, and Ana Salverda walk around the track at Relay for Life just after the opening ceremonies on April 30.

HANNA BARKER

Relay for Life: Walking for a cause

LAUREN MILLER
Staff Reporter

Every year students look forward to the 24 hour period in spring when they have an excuse, other than studying, to stay up all night.

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. At Relay, teams of people camp out at a local high school, park, or fairground and take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event. Because cancer never sleeps, Relays are overnight events up to 24 hours in length," according to www.relayforlife.org.

At McDaniel senior Jodi Feehan plays a large role in the production of Relay. An event that some may take for granted

as a fun night is actually the culmination of a lot of work done by the Relay Committee.

"The chair/president starts organizing the next years relay during the summer. Once returning to school the committee meets and starts thinking of new ideas for the next years Relay," said Feehan. "It takes leadership and a lot of hard work to put this night together. Everyone works together to make this night happen."

Feehan has worked on the Relay Committee for three years. She has been a committee member, the luminair chair, and this year she is the president of the whole event. For her Relay is not just about fundraising. It's about remembrance.

"Relay is not only a fundraising event but a time to remember," said Feehan. "Cancer never sleeps which is a reason why the Relay is a 12 hour walk. There are tons of schools that participate in Relay. Most people have either known someone who has battled cancer or have a loved one who has to fight this disease." Which, she says, makes Relay an event appealing for most people.

For her personally this event is about remembering her grandmother and high school friend who both lost their battles with cancer.

Students aren't the only ones getting in on the act. Faculty also participate in this yearly event. "This year it was my goal to have more faculty and staff involved with Relay."

We have an Admissions team that has been the number one team, fundraising wise, and we also have a professor from the [Exercise Science and Physical Education department]," said Feehan. "I hope we can continue to involve the whole campus in this amazing, life changing event."

This year's Relay was held April 30th-May 1st in Bair Stadium. Not only was there a lot of walking, but there was also a moon bounce, an inflatable movie screen, various clubs performing, games, and activities throughout the night's event.

"Relay is a great opportunity to thank, remember and fight back to those who have battled or lost their lives to cancer. Relay is one night that everyone can come together to celebrate, remember and fight back," said Feehan.

Rising classes participate in housing lottery

EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter

The month of April was vital for returning McDaniel students, as the housing lottery took place on several dates throughout the month.

For those students who paid their housing deposits by the strict deadline of March 12, the lottery process was generally a positive one. Sophomore Kelly Clancy was very pleased with the way the lottery went for her, as she got the option she wanted without having to even attend the lottery.

"I had class, so my other group members just took my I.D. to the housing lottery. We tried for North Village, and I was a little nervous for the next round when we didn't get it," said Clancy, "but then we pulled a number for

Gardens and got it!"

Clancy is excited about her living arrangements next year in a five person Garden Apartment, and was enthusiastic about the Housing Lottery Process, noting that "It's a stressful process – but it really pays off."

McDaniel's lottery process "is largely based on seniority, which provides priority to students based on their anticipated date of graduation," said Michael Robbins, Director of Residence Life.

The process for dorm room selection is slightly different from apartment selection, but both involve seniority as well as the drawing of a lottery number to differentiate between students with the same anticipated graduation date.

To students who argue that the process is unfair, Robbins said, "I would encourage them to come in and talk with me or go to Student

Government Association and see if other students agree and would be interested in meeting with me as a group to talk about their view point, possibly do some assessment of the student body, and look into making changes."

Robbins is already looking into advertising the lottery process next year in new ways that may grab students' attention more, such as Facebook. Robbins said that he has "already talked with SGA about using their Facebook site for next year."

"Simple" was how Junior Jared Ginsberg described the lottery process. "We just picked numbers, and I ended up getting a single in a 4-person Garden for next year. I'm excited!" said Ginsberg.

To Michael Robbins, "the easiest part is for the 95% of students that get what they want in the lottery. The hardest part is working with the

students who did not pay their deposits on time, don't have a roommate in mind, or who are rising juniors/seniors who had their heart set on a particular location that did not work out."

One thing that McDaniel students can feel at ease about as opposed to other larger colleges and universities, is that they will always have some type of campus housing guaranteed.

Although the Housing Lottery for the 2010-2011 year has come to an end, Robbins wants to remind students who will have to participate in next year's lottery that it "is a lot like registration – everyone needs to pay attention to email announcements about it and keep those dates and times in mind. If someone does all that, then they are likely to have smooth sailing."

For more specifics about the Housing Lottery Process, please visit <https://www.mcdaniel.edu/6581.htm>.

Dining Services to see some changes

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

Bored by Glaz? Unsatisfied with Sandella's? Disappointed that Fourth Meals are only available after 7 p.m.? As early as next semester, the answers to all of these questions should be a resounding negative.

Students can anticipate many changes to dining services, effective Fall 2010. Plans are in the works for dining hall renovations, the addition of meal equivalencies, and an overhaul of the menu at Sandella's.

A group of administrators met mid-April to begin the design phase of dining hall renovations. Members of the committee included Dean and Vice President of Student Affairs Beth Gerl, Vice President of Enrollment Management Florence Hines, Director of Auxiliary and Conference Services Mary Jo Colbert, Director of Facilities Planning and Capital Improvements Ed Sell, and Vice President of Administration and Finance Ethan Seidel.

Possible work to be completed this summer would include minor changes, such as painting and replacing light fixtures. More intensive work could possibly happen over the next Jan Term, in which case the Forum would be used as a temporary dining facility.

"It's safe to say that when students arrive in the fall,

they'll see some changes," said Dr. Seidel.

Dean Gerl will be involving students in the process at a later date, because it is still early and the team is just brainstorming at this point.

Changes to the structure of meal plans are anticipated to begin in the fall as well. Meal equivalencies will be added. Similar to Fourth Meals, meal equivalencies will come out of a student's total allotment of meals for the semester. Students can use them to eat at Sandella's at any time throughout the day that it is open for business.

It is unlikely that meal equivalencies will be available at the Pub, because its limited capacity would not be able to handle the increase in patronage. There has not yet been any decision made on how many meal equivalencies will be allowed per meal plan.

To go along with this change, the menu at Sandella's will be totally revamped. The current menu was chosen by students back when Merrill Fitness Center was constructed. McDaniel is working with Sodexo to come up with a new menu that will include a more varied range of selections.

There are plans to invest money for more panini-style sandwiches. Additionally, Sandella's will introduce items such as soups, salads, deli selections, and regular pizza offerings. A "grab and go" option will also become available.

Sodexo is here to stay

A Q & A with Ethan Seidel

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

There have been rumors circulating that foretold the end of Sodexo at McDaniel College. To find out the truth, I talked to Dr. Ethan Seidel, Vice President of Finance and Administration.

Q: Is Sodexo's contract up for renewal?

A: The contract is structured in a way that either party can discontinue the relationship at relatively short notice. We have had a long standing and good relationship with Sodexo, but the contract is not a long-term contract. So in a sense, the contract is always up for renewal, but there are not plans to discontinue the relationship between us.

Q: What factors influence the decision of whether or not to continue the relationship?

A: We review quality of service, cost, customer satisfaction, et cetera on an ongoing basis.

Q: Who is involved in this decision? Can stu-

dents be involved, and if so, how?

A: The evaluation process is ongoing and students are continuously involved through the SGA committee, and through the opportunity to submit napkin board comments and to participate in web-based surveys from time to time.

Q: How long has the college had contracts with Sodexo, and to what expense?

A: We've had a contract with Sodexo for around twenty years now. It's probably not a good idea to divulge financial terms of the relationship for competitive reasons.

Q: Are other companies being considered at this time?

A: No.

Q: Why has Sodexo been chosen over other companies in the past?

A: Extent of experience, large market share in high education, purchasing power, large management pool from which to select, and responsiveness to client requests.



Petition to 'Clean Up Sodexo' on Internet

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

There has been a lot of promulgation of the "Clean Up Sodexo" project on the Internet of late. This project, initiated by the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), is meant to raise awareness of the many issues that Sodexo allegedly hides.

According to cleanupsodexo.org, Sodexo's workforce lacks access to affordable healthcare, faces racial discrimination, and fear retribution when reporting concerns. The company also supposedly fails to provide nutritious meals.

Sophomore Lydia Hubble agrees with this last allegation, and says, "The food is cold and high in cholesterol. It feels like I'm biting into fat whenever I'm eating anything."

Sodexo's website emphasizes the company's commitment

to helping college students make healthy eating decisions. "Sodexo is proud that it uses zero trans fat oils for all frying in our campus locations," claims www.sodexousa.com.

Nonetheless, McDaniel students overwhelmingly harbor negative feelings about the food offered in Englar Dining Hall.

"The food sucks and is too expensive, but I do not blame that on the employees," says freshman Ashlyn Parker. "The [Sodexo] workers at McDaniel seem pretty happy, so I don't know if they face problems here."

According to the SEIU, some Sodexo workers cannot afford the health insurance that the company offers. Also cited are examples of wage theft, discrimination lawsuits, and unsafe working conditions.

Tom Mackall, Vice President of Employee and Corporate Relations at Sodexo, posted a blog as a rebuttal to the "Clean Up Sodexo" campaign. He says that the SEIU is blam-

ing the impact of many unrelated issues on Sodexo, which is misleading.

"Many independent organizations recognize Sodexo for its success in creating a diverse and inclusive work environment," said Mackall.

He also explains that Sodexo workers earn wages that are "competitive within the industry," and employees have access to a variety of health plans to meet their needs.

According to Dr. Ethan Seidel, Vice President of Finance and Administration at McDaniel College, Sodexo employees get the same raises at the same times as McDaniel employees in the same jobs. He explains that Sodexo is "just paid a flat fee to manage our food services. There's no profit incentive to cut corners."

Parker says, "I'd be very upset if [the claims against Sodexo] were true, because the workers try to connect with the students. They are kind of like family."

DEAF SAVVY

Sign languages around the world

MARISSA GRAFF
Staff Reporter

American Sign Language (ASL) is not a universal language. In fact, there are many different signed languages around the world. Just as there is a multitude of spoken languages, such as French, Spanish, German, Russian, etc., there are just as many signed languages. With every spoken language, more than likely there is a signed language. Italian Sign Language or Lingua Italiana dei Signi (LIS), Spanish Sign Language or Lengua de Signos Espanola (LES), and French Sign Language or Langue des signes Francaise (LSF) are just a few examples.

A common assumption is that ASL should be a universal language so that everyone would be able to communicate more

freely and understand each other. This is very true and I wish we all could understand everyone. But it isn't the case. This same argument can be made for spoken languages. Wouldn't it be easier to understand everyone if the world only spoke one language?

Of course! But that just isn't the case, and everyone holds their own language dear to their hearts. The same is for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people who use ASL to communicate. It's a beautiful language and if we were forced to only use French sign language, part of our culture would be destroyed.

This is the last edition of Deaf Savvy and I am glad I was able to share a culture with you that means so much to me. Have a great rest of the school year, and thank about the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community here on campus!

Coffee Coffee Coffee

New coffee shop to open soon in Westminster

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Features Editor

A new coffee house is being opened by Ms. Sherri Joseph, who says "We hope to be up and running by June 1."

Joseph says that the coffee shop, Birdie's, will sell "all coffee, espresso and tea drinks available—iced and hot—including our very own signature 'Birdie's Blend'—a fantastic Costa Rican coffee. Smoothies, juices and soups, sandwiches and baked goods. Some featured items will include a hummus plate and freshly baked muffins and brownies."

Sophomore Anna Martin says, "As a coffee drinker and lover, I approve of any business that is dedicated to this delicious concoction."

Junior April Rutledge says "I feel that everyone is already hooked on the Station and Starry Night Cafe." So why should students venture to Birdie's

once it opens?

Joseph says Birdie's will have "free Wi-Fi—and an inviting atmosphere, plenty of room to socialize and study. We will feature two artists every other month and live music and poetry weekly. McDaniel students will receive a 10% discount with valid ID."

Martin adds, "If the coffee house opens, I will definitely visit—there is no doubt."

For anyone who shares Martin's opinion, keep an eye out. Joseph says "the location is still to be determined, but we are looking at several spots within easy walking distance of McDaniel on Main Street."



Calling all volunteers

McDaniel students lend a helping hand at two community nonprofits

HEATHER GORSUCH
Staff Reporter

Looking to boost your resume or earn internship credits? Volunteer at two local nonprofits: Access Carroll or DeafMD.org.

"Access Carroll is a free primary care facility for Carroll County residences with low income, more specifically those with income 200% below the federal poverty level," said Founder, Dr. Robert Wack.

According to the Executive Director, Tammy Black, Access Carroll is an independent organization, yet is collaboratively supported by the Partnership of Healthcare in Carroll County, Carroll County Hospital, and the Carroll County Health Department.

According to Wack, there are 15-20 thousand uninsured people in the county. Many employees are provided healthcare through their jobs, but due to the high cost of living and today's economy they can't afford to have money docked out of their pay.

Access Carroll is a recipient of the Maryland Community Health Care Resources Commission. The State Committee provides grants to help aid the organization. "It provides us with high end care we could never get before for our patients," said Black.

With an average of 70 new patients a month, Access Carroll was provided a new home located on Route 27. This new establishment will be double the size of their current residence on Main Street. The new location will include seven exam rooms, a large waiting room, a dental care suite, a pharmacy with an electronic

health record unit, and practitioners will have their own offices. At the current location, practitioners share a small office that makes it difficult to have one-on-one conversations with patients.

According to Black, "This will allow more private, confidential patient conversations, an ideal setting to give folks the respectful, dignified, and peaceful environment to communication their very intimate healthcare issues."

Access Carroll plans to move into their new location by the end of this year. With a larger location, there is going to be a greater need for more volunteers and donations to keep it running. Senior Lauren DiNatale volunteers at Access Carroll after having learned about the opportunity through a friend.

"I believe that even with the small amount of work that I can do at Access Carroll is one less thing that someone else has to worry about; ultimately it will help more patients receive the medical care they need faster and more efficiently," said DiNatale.

DiNatale plans to go into the medical field and become a Physician Assistant. While gaining more experience in the medical field, she is able to contribute to the community in a positive way. "This experience will provide me with a greater depth of understanding of patient needs and help me become a better clinician in my future career," said DiNatale.

DeafMD.org is another nonprofit organization located in Carroll County. The concept of creating a website that contains videos, in which interpreters sign medical information for people in the deaf community, was created in 2002

by Casey Davis. The website was finally launched in 2008 and now contains 500 videos covering over 200 health care topics.

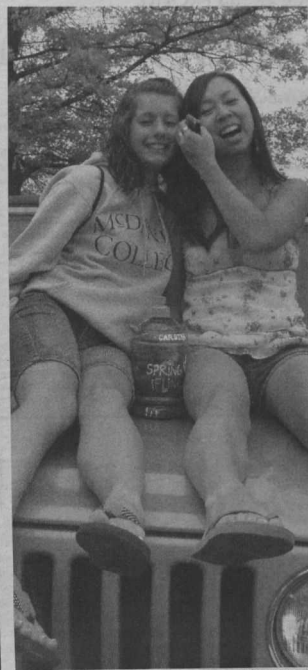
Like Access Carroll, this organization operates off of donations and volunteers. In order to raise funds, Davis set up a sponsorship program, where companies can place ads on the website for a small price. According to Casey Davis, "We've had 177,000 visitors since day one. I hoped that if each visitor donated \$1 we wouldn't need funding," said Davis. Davis explained that donations go towards paying their employees, malpractice and liability insurance, webvideo hosting, out-reach efforts, and creations of new topics.

Junior Jordan Doss is currently volunteering at DeafMD.org. Doss is an ASL minor at McDaniel and finds this experience very beneficial for him. "The more exposure I have to the language the better," said Doss.

Like DiNatale, Doss is volunteering to give back to the community. "I enjoy helping others so this seems like a perfect way for me to help others while doing something I am interested in."

Besides having a passion for ASL, Davis enjoys photography. This past winter, Davis took several photographs of downtown Westminster during the blizzard. In order to raise additional funds he is selling the 16 inch by 20 inch matted photographs on his websites. They can be purchased for \$120 each.

To donate or find more information about volunteer opportunities contact Tammy Black at black@carrollhospitalcenter.org or Casey Davis at Casey@DeafMD.org.



JETONNE' ELLIS

Senior Jess Minocapelli and junior Carmen Wong tailgate at the Mens Lacrosse game on April 24.

Health Comm class promotes Carroll County nonprofits

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Dr. Robert Lemieux's Health Communication class has taken on quite an unusual assignment for the typical undergraduate student. Lemieux and the 16 students enrolled in his class are in the process of working on health campaigns for two local Carroll County organizations.

After discussing their options, the class agreed to work with Access Carroll, a healthcare provider for residents of Carroll County that are under or uninsured, and DeafMD.org, a website that provides health information to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing population.

Early in the semester, Dr. Robert Wack, Director of Pediatric Services at Frederick Memorial Hospital, and Casey Davis, founder of DeafMD.org, stopped by to speak about their respected organizations and hear the innovative ideas of how the students could help.

Because the class is only a semester long, Lemieux had to stress to the students that they needed to focus on projects that could be done in a timely manner.

"It's very important to stress our time frame...we don't want to say to our clients 'sorry we didn't have time to finish,' that makes every one look bad," Lemieux said.

With time ticking away the students focused their attention on their main goals for each organization. The students involved with the Access Carroll campaign realized that donations and volunteers were what they wanted to focus on. Creating a new television commercial and raising funds for the health organization was where they felt they could most help. Those involved with DeafMD wanted to revamp their current website's

opening video as well as their Facebook page and newsletter.

An afternoon visit to the Access Carroll office in downtown Westminster and frequent emails and class visits by Casey Davis gave the undergrads all the fuel they needed to start working.

Within a few days the DeafMD Facebook page was revitalized thanks to students Andrew Carr and Saralyn Silbert.

"It's something simple enough that we can do, but it will really help spread the word about DeafMD," Silbert said. "It's the little things that all add up."

With only one student in the class completely familiar with video editing, the students knew they were up for a challenge when it came to shooting the commercial for Access Carroll and the new opening video for DeafMD. Senior Oliver Onyskoff led a group of students as they underwent many hours in the studio creating and editing the videos.

While the projects are still underway, it is certain that the students enrolled in Health Communication 3381 have learned a great deal of what it takes working for a real health organization and that is exactly what Lemieux was hoping for.

"I hope the students have a better understanding of an area of health and culture that they didn't previously understand or appreciate. I hope the students take that with them and continue to be involved in their communities when they leave here."

If you'd like to get involved and donate or become a volunteer at Access Carroll visit their website at <http://www.accesscarroll.org/help.asp> or call them at 410-871-1478 and be sure to check out <http://www.deafmd.org/> where the class' new video will be uploaded shortly as well as their revamped Facebook page.

The College Activities Programming Board Corner

The College Activities Programming Board is being restructured. We are looking for chairpersons for the following subcommittees:

AROUND TOWN

- * Trip(s) to the Inner Harbor in Baltimore
- * Trip(s) to Towson Town Mall
- * Trip to the National Harbor
- * Trip(s) to the Gettysburg outlets
- * Trip to Carroll Arts Center
- * Trip to Agricultural Center
- * Trip(s) to local events

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

- * Trips to theaters in and around Baltimore & Washington
- * Trips to lectures & speakers at area colleges and universities
- * Trip(s) to theaters in New York City
- * Trips to dinner theatre shows

ANNUAL EVENTS

- * Orientation events
- * Sunday night movies
- * Families Weekend events
- * January Term events

FILMS

- * Friday Night movies
- * Cosponsored movies on campus
- * Spring Fling Week

AFTER HOURS

- * Campus events after 10pm
- * Bowling trips
- * Karaoke
- * Comedy Nights
- * Bands in the Pub

CONCERTS & SHOWS

- * Trip(s) to comedy clubs
- * Trip(s) to 1st Mariner Arena
- * Trips to Ram's Head, 9:30
- * Orioles trip(s)

MARKETING

- * Update the facebook page
- * Coordinate advertising on Terror-TV, McDaniel Free Press, WMCR, etc.
- * Campus advertising of the subcommittees' events on campus

INTERESTED?

Pick-up an application in the College Activities Office between 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., weekdays. Interviews will be scheduled after the application has been received.

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Mitch Alexander is g-to guy for CAO

KRISTIN BEHRE
Contributor

Ever had questions about rooms for club meetings, fundraising, or where to put up posters? If so, you have probably met Mitchell "Mitch" Alexander, the Director of College Activities for 21 years and the man with all the answers. The "go-to guy" for everything related to campus activities and clubs, Alexander is located in the College Activities Office across from Glar.

Alexander has a Masters in Administration Education from McDaniel, along with a Bachelor's degree in history and a minor in education from McDaniel. Not only does he have a staff member's perspective of the college and its rules, but he also has the firsthand experience of a student at McDaniel.

Alexander is an "advocate for the students," says Erica Immler, the Operations Supervisor for College Activities who oversees Decker College Center and helps him plan events. Alexander estimates that about half of the clubs come to talk to him for

help or information. He says it's usually about room availability, how to access their account, how to get more members active, or to see if ideas they have are possible to set up.

Sophomore Bryanna Bongioni, who works in the College Activities Office, says that "without Mitch, certain aspects of campus life would be very unorganized."

Knowing what students want helps Alexander to coordinate and facilitate between students and the college at large. He has a direct or indirect hand in two-thirds of all the events that happen in Decker, with "at least three events that happen every two weeks" through College Activities or CAPBoard.

Some of the events he organizes are trips to New York City, Spring Fling, CAPBoard movies, guest speakers, bands in the Pub, and the Blood Drive. His favorite events are Spring Fling week and the trips to New York City, Alexander especially likes New York trips because it brings students to another town full of cultural enrichment. He says, "It's fun to see students in a different environment."

Along with organizing events, Alexander is a li-

aison between the students and the college. Senior Russel Morin, who started the Ultimate Frisbee Club, says that for a very busy individual, [Alexander] seems to also be extremely available to help my club and I can only assume all the other clubs on campus."

When asked what club's events surprised him the most this year, Alexander said that the Up 'Til Dawn events and the Time of Asia dinner were very successful and surpassed the previous years attendance. He also liked the innovative ideas of the Cheese Club's Cheese Ball and the Residential Assistants' Michael Jackson dance, both of which showed an interest of students in dance-type events.

With all these activities to plan and oversee, Alexander is a very busy man. However, he always has time to talk to students. Bongioni says there are many students who talk to Alexander. "He knows so many people, and is always willing to help in any way he can."

Alexander can always be seen at events held by the College Activities Office or CAPBoard, usually staying late into the night so that students can have

late-night activities.

"I often see Mitch leaving campus well after normal work hours, and back in the college activity office early in the mornings," says Morin, "and always participating in the events with a smile."

Alexander says his favorite part of his job is "interacting with the students, faculty, and staff." It is this dedication to the students that makes him such a great person and so good at his job.

When Alexander is able to go home for the night, he goes back to his wife Mildred and two children—an 18-year-old son, Blake and a 12-year-old daughter, Paige. In his free time, he enjoys traveling—his favorite family vacation spot being Myrtle Beach.

If he isn't traveling, Alexander enjoys reading, watching television, and especially going to the movies. He can't get enough of 3-D movies and saw both "Avatar" and "Alice in Wonderland" in 3-D. Luckily for Alexander, he can watch "Avatar" again during Spring Fling week at the drive-in movie at the football stadium.

FREE PRESS PROFILE

College Archivist dedicated to past

CHRISTIE DEBEIUS
Contributor

Four young men smile up from an old black-and-white photograph from the 1920s. Frozen for one moment in time, they sit together on a fence, beaming, all the promises and opportunities of the future shining before them.

This, says dedicated College Archivist Barbara O'Brien, is her favorite item from the Archives. Even among the collections of diaries from past college presidents and the research and accomplishments of McDaniel alumni, this picture stands out. It represents the beginning of a story for all four students, and stories—whether from real life or from a good historical novel—fascinate her.

Originally an English major, O'Brien avoided history at all costs during her years at Green Mountain College in Vermont. She grew up in Connecticut, close to New York City, and preferred reading Shakespeare in school to learning about boring historical events from a textbook. After graduating from Green Mountain, O'Brien moved several times around the U.S. before settling in Maryland with her husband and two high school-age children. It was then, while she was volunteering at the Farm Museum in Westminster, that history finally began to appeal to her and she made the decision to go back to college.

Initially unsure of where to go with her sec-

ond degree, O'Brien studied history at UMBC and says she just "fell into archives," becoming fascinated with the interesting stories she could find there. This newfound love of history ultimately led her to McDaniel where she has worked for the past ten years, a welcome change from her former job working with retirement plans at T. Rowe Price.

This change turned out to be a good one for McDaniel as well. Her co-worker in the library, Access Services Librarian Jane Sharpe, says that thanks to O'Brien the "Archives are in better condition and better organized than ever."

Sharpe says that O'Brien is always ready to share an interesting item or piece of information she comes across in her work. Driven by her own interest in the stories she finds and a willingness to share her knowledge with others, O'Brien works with students and faculty alike and encourages them to take advantage of the unique resources the Archives hold.

"I don't know of anyone else at this institution who can do what she does," says History Professor Bryn Upton, who admires her expertise and enthusiasm for the archives. O'Brien enjoys discovering unexpected and intriguing facts connected with the college and wants to make sure students know that they can do the same.

"Luck favors the prepared mind," is her personal motto. "Opportunity happens," she explains, and you have to be ready for them when they do. She sees this proven time and time again in the sto-

ries she finds in the archives, stories of McDaniel alumni who went on to accomplish extraordinary things—some of the first women doctors, influential cancer researchers, and educators who traveled the world.

Apart from her job, her love of reading, and keeping in touch with her family, O'Brien's thirst for knowledge keeps her busy learning watercolor, knitting, and cooking new foods from different countries.

With such an appreciation for the way opportunity shapes our lives, O'Brien faithfully follows any new story she acquires for the Archives, watching the interesting turns they take as they progress.

"It's kind of like a puzzle," she says, she enjoys putting the pieces together even though she never knows if it will end up complete. Any piece of the story, even just the beginning, is enough.

So it all comes back to the picture of four boys on a fence, a moment captured so long ago and still surviving today, partly due to the care and expertise of Barbara O'Brien. She makes it possible for students to access the wealth of information that McDaniel keeps there, keeping snapshots of the old generations alive while helping the new generations create histories of their own.



COURTESY CHRISTIE DEBEIUS
College Archivist Barbara O'Brien keeps the history of McDaniel College.

FREE PRESS PROFILE

Fin Aid director helpful, versatile

EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter

She is an adventurous backpacker, a world traveler, a wife, a mother, and a soon-to-be first-time grandmother.

She is Patricia "Patty" Williams, the director of Financial Aid at McDaniel College. From grants and scholarships to federal loans to government paperwork, she is a hard worker for the sake of McDaniel students.

Born in California and raised in Minnesota, Williams moved around a good bit before settling outside Westminster. While her father was in the Navy, she became accustomed to a life of spontaneity and travel and it shows.

"The financial aid world is one of constant change," says Ellie Geiman, Associate Director of Financial Aid. "Patty is able to turn on a dime and keep up with everything from the change of the economy and how it affects students to the ever-changing government regulations."

For Williams, there is no average day of work, even after 16 years at McDaniel. "There are a wide

variety of things that have to be done depending on the time of year," she says.

No matter how hectic things are in the Financial Aid Office, Williams stresses that "the students come first."

When sophomore Megan Robinson was considering transferring last spring, her final decision was solely based on what her financial aid package would be. However, she needed to decide whether she was staying at McDaniel before financial aid packages for returning students were expected to be completed.

"When I discussed my issue with Patty, she told me that she would figure out my package early so I could make a decision," says Robinson. "My financial aid ended up being even greater than I anticipated and I decided to stay." Her situation resulted in a great outcome because of Williams going above and beyond to help her.

"To me, Patty Williams is literally the reason that I am at McDaniel College right now," comments Robinson.

Christine Mathews, also a McDaniel staff member, has been walking with Williams almost daily on their lunch breaks since December of 1995.

"I guess the walking tradition started because we both know that we do so much better in our jobs if we get some exercise in the middle of the day," says Mathews. "Their walks are not always in perfect weather either."

"Yet there have been a couple of times over the years when we have come back to campus soaked through—but it was also kind of funny," reminisces Mathews.

Both she and her husband are very active in the Mountain Club of Maryland. Williams loves hiking and backpacking off the beaten path. She has traveled to the Swiss Alps twice, to Italy, to remote areas of the wilderness out west in the U.S., and various other places.

She ventured to the Arctic Wildlife Refuge in Alaska and saw everything from a grizzly bear to a moose. This summer she is hoping to go to Scotland with her husband.

Asked if she would ever leave her job, Williams replies honestly, "No, not for another job. For early retirement or opportunities to travel - Yes!" Her sense of humor along with her passion for adventure is apparent.

Back home, Williams is a proud wife, a mother of one, and is extremely excited to become a grandmother in three months. "My daughter doesn't want to know the sex of the baby, and she's not telling us about names either," says Williams.

Williams cares a lot about McDaniel students, but is also able to separate work from her personal life and doesn't take work home with her. "I do that purposely so that I can be refreshed," says Williams.

Williams always makes sure to help keep everything in the Financial Aid Office running smoothly. Her continuous dedication, reliability, and charm are just a few of the reasons why she is admired by McDaniel students and faculty. Patty Williams cares, and that is apparent in how she runs her life both at home and here at McDaniel College.

The stories on this page were written for Terry Dalton's Intro to Journalism class.

FREE PRESS PROFILE

17-year-old does it all

High school senior takes college classes, runs his own paranormal activity business, and has published two books

MEGAN HILDEBRAND
Staff Reporter

At 17 years old, Alex Martin is taking college courses, and has two published books along with his own business.

While most kids his age are worried about getting into college, Alex Martin is already taking college courses at McDaniel, has published two books, and has his own paranormal activity business.

Martin, a senior at Susquehannock High School in Glen Rock, PA, is enrolled in dual enrollment in order to obtain college credit. So far he has taken Introduction to Astronomy, Calculus I and Introduction to Psychology. After graduating from high school Martin will attend Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA.

Martin has published two books and is currently writing his third. The science fiction novels are a part of a four part "Shadows Cycle" series. The first novel, *Shadows*, took Martin about eight months to write, but it was not as easy as he thought.

"I started writing back in June of 2004; however, I gave up the same day I started, but when I found the papers 1.5 years later in December 2005, I continued writing," says Martin.

In order to get his book published Martin looked through "Writer's Market," a service that allows writers to connect with literary agents, but eventually Martin used a website that allows writers to self-publish their books.

Martin is currently working on his third book of the *Shadows Cycle*, but with the success of his previous two books Martin is looking for another publisher.

"I was surprised to find out that he was sev-

enten, and he had published not one but two books," says classmate Heather Gorsuch, '10.

Along with his writing career Martin also has his own paranormal activity investigation company. This company uses special equipment to investigate whether there is paranormal activity or not.

For more information about Alex Martin's novels please visit www.theshadowscycle.webs.com. To find out more about OPS Paranormal Investigations please visit www.opsparanormal.webs.com.



AMBER SLATER
Staff Reporter

Have you ever considered what it would be like to attend college in the same town where you grew up? For some students, McDaniel is not a home away from home, but a home within their hometown.

Of the 1,254 students who reside on campus, 131 have roots in Carroll County. That's about one in ten.

"I've never felt the need to get away like some high school kids do," freshman Nate Adamczyk says. "Besides, living this close allows me to run home every weekend so my mom can do the laundry."

Adamczyk noted the ROTC program and "mountain of financial aid" he received as key factors in his decision to attend McDaniel. Some of the money was through the Carroll County grant of \$2,000 that is given to all residents of Carroll who choose to attend McDaniel.

Freshman Casey Dunn did not always share Adamczyk's confidence in the idea of attending a school so close to home. "I was worried I wasn't pushing my boundaries enough, and that I wouldn't be getting the full college experience."

Living on campus, however, changed his mind. "It's great attending a college 30 minutes from home. I get to be independent when I want to, but I also get to go home every few weeks if I want," he explains.

Freshman Forest Fleischer also saw the benefits of attending a school close to home, though she admits, "At first a lot of my friends would tease me for being a townie, but after a while they realized the advantage

of having a friend who was familiar with the area."

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HANNA BARKER

Freshmen Luke Schmidt, Hanna Barker, Kerri Morrison, Rebekah James, Mara Seibert, and Dani Allen hold Catherine O'Keefe after a morning of assisting participants in Walk MS at the Carroll County Farm Museum.



Sophomore Alex Alexander '12 paints a picture of the Soddy Daisy barn in Tennessee. For their watercolor class, students were asked to paint a portrait of a landscape that they have visited.

J. ELLIS

60 SECONDS

THE FASTEST ARTICLE YOU'LL EVER READ.

SOPHIE DIVEN
Staff Reporter

WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST FEAR WHEN THINKING ABOUT LIFE AFTER YOU GRADUATE?



"Getting a job. There is no roof over your head anymore."
BRIAN APPLEBY, senior



"What am I not scared of? I'm afraid of not knowing what I want to do. I've thought about going to culinary school. Or, doing food writing and activism."
ANNE HEBERT, senior



"Having to temporarily move back in with my parents because the job market sucks. [It] makes me wonder if I'll ever be successful on my own."
COURTNEY LOGSDON, senior



"Having to find a real job and trying to pay off student loans."
ELIZABETH ENNIS, senior

A take on recent date rape debate

NATHAN WUERTEBERG
Commentary Editor

It is possible that some of you reading this have recently encountered the name Alex Knepper in popular news sources. It is also possible that some of you have even read his March 28, 2010 article in the American University Eagle as it spread throughout the Internet and made waves across the national news scene and caused storms of outrage. Finally, it is possible that my response to this article will only be another drop in the ocean of that outrage. Despite this possibility, I feel the necessity to continue.

In this article entitled "Dealing with AU's anti-sex brigade," Mr. Knepper, among other claims, most notably argues that "date rape" is not, in fact, rape. What? Let's rewind that and review, shall we? Although this is not always an accurate indicator, if the crime is included in the name of the act, there's a good chance it's a crime.

But, I admit, that's not enough. Let's look at the example Mr. Knepper uses of a typical date rape situation and determine if it qualifies as rape. "Let's get this straight," Knepper declares, "any woman who heads to an El party as an anonymous onlooker, drinks five cups of the jungle juice, and walks back to a boy's room with him is indicating that she wants sex, OK?" I don't know how many of you are familiar with jungle juice (it's a college campus, so I'm assuming a large portion), but this particular concoction is frequently comprised of a juice-esque liquid and whatever cheap liquor can be obtained. This often includes grain alcohol. To take a page from Knepper's book, let's get this straight: THAT SHIT CAN MAKE YOU GO BLIND, and not like "inspiring Ray Charles-blind." More like "I keep tripping over/ninjaring small children-blind." At best, five cups worth of jungle juice will make your face go numb. At worst, a bunch of small children have bruises because of you. At what point in that experience does a person have the capacity to indicate consent. Simple answer: they don't. That's what rape is: sexual intercourse without that person's consent. Simple rule of thumb: ladies and gentlemen (because a man can be raped too): no definitive consent—don't do it.

In the course of his article, Knepper also offers a blistering critique of feminism in which, he implies, the feminist movement is attempting to make women more powerful than men. Let's be clear: that's not feminism. Being a feminist simply means that an individual believes that men and women, politically, socially, and economically, are equal (or at least have equal opportunities to succeed in any or all of these categories). Personally, I mean you believe everyone has the right to choose their own destiny. Believe that? If you do, congratulations. You're a feminist. Now you can be as pissed off as I am about the things Knepper said.

First of all, Knepper compares feminism to Pat Robertson. Given this particular individual's frequent criticisms of the feminist movement, such a comparison seems a stretch. Second of all, he labels feminism a "religious dogma." For those of you who haven't taken an introductory religion course (or haven't actually lived on this planet), that's not true. In order for a set of beliefs to qualify as a religion, it must possess three basic characteristics (often referred to as the ABCs of religion). These are: Axioms, salvation, Beliefs in a precise theology, and Converts non-believers. At what point does feminism assure salvation? No feminist ever told me I would go to heaven for supporting the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009. Furthermore, anyone familiar with the myriad of different feminist movements (including but not limited to women's, LGBT-focused feminism, anarchy feminism, radical feminism, liberal feminism, and environmental feminism) can hardly claim that feminist theology is "precise." I might be able to give Knepper the "converts non-believers" category. After all, I believe everyone should have an equal opportunity to succeed, why don't you? Maybe you should reconsider whatever you're about to say to that.

Third, Knepper completely abuses the idea of "social construction theory" (which, by the way, has not been "disputed" by neuroscientists and psychologists and is actually correctly termed "social constructionism" or "social constructionism"). In fact, I could be wrong, but I'm fairly certain Knepper isn't talking about social constructionism at all. Social constructionism is devoted to the study of how social phenomena like stereotypical gender roles (i.e. girls are nurses and boys are doctors) become widely accepted traditions. It is not completely focused on the study of gender roles, but that study is part of the wider social constructionism theory. Nowhere could I find in my admittedly brief research before writing this response any theory that argued that "men are essentially born as eunuchs, only to have wicked masculinities imposed on them by an evil society." I did happen upon some interesting findings in the field of gender identity research that claimed individuals do not develop a functional gender identity until they are 2 or 3 years of age. As far as I can ascertain, that particular study has not been "disputed" by neuroscientists and psychologists. Questioned, maybe. In a competitive scientific world some questioning is inevitable. But it hasn't been disregarded. Perhaps if Knepper had done a modicum more research than the poor uneducated sap who is writing to you now, such a mistake would never have been made, and readers would have been more likely to take his opinions seriously.

Fourth, Knepper offers to his readers a series of what he calls "pro-sex" essays. Personally, I wasn't aware anyone over the age of puberty was not pro-sex. There are those who advocate celibacy before marriage, and there is absolutely nothing wrong with saving yourself for marriage. But that isn't to say that after marriage you can't bump uglies like

there's no mafia. According to Knepper, "the goal of contemporary feminism and Gay Party activism is not to explain sex, but to abolish its passion." This passion, according to Mr. Knepper, is characterized by "spontaneous, raw energy and control (or its counterpart, surrender)." I will agree with Mr. Knepper on several points: sex can in certain situations be improved by "spontaneous" and "raw energy." Furthermore, if your own individual sexual preferences include the possession of "control" or the act of "surrender" in that situation and you can find someone else who will give their consent to be your "counterpart," feel free to act out those fantasies. But that does not mean that such sexual practices are always 100% of the time, appropriate (as Mr. Knepper implies). But, a sexual relationship of mutual respect, love, and caring is. It may sound naive to some of you for me to say that. It may even seem unnecessarily obvious to others. However, it has to be said. Sex doesn't always have to include the "inherently gendered thrills of fetishism, sadomasochism, kink or cross-dressing" as Knepper argues. Sometimes sex isn't about simple gratification. Sometimes it's about expressing the feelings you have for a person in the most intimately physical way possible, which makes Knepper's glorification of "anonymous sex" seem a bit shallow and immature. One has to wonder if Knepper has ever experienced a mature, responsible relationship himself.

Finally, Knepper "altruistically" offers five of his favorite books on sex and gender. "The Myth of Male Power" by Warren Farrell, "The Sexual Spectrum" by Olive Saxe Johnson, "Yamps and Tramps" by Camille Paglia, "Philosophy In the Bedroom" by the divine Marquis de Sade, and "Who Stole Feminism?" by Christina Hoff Sommers. The first has most often been used (wrongly, it would appear from my brief research) as the anti-feminist Bible. The second unabashedly uses personal stories to bolster scientific findings (and, if you've ever taken a psychology class, you know that anecdotal evidence doesn't actually represent evidence). The third is written by an author that argues that in order to "revamp" feminism "the lady must be a tramp" and calls the idea that homosexuals are born gay "ridiculous." The fourth is just creepy, but again, if you're into that kind of stuff, feel free to check it out. Finally, "Who Stole Feminism" is by a woman that once claimed that feminists were "just mad at the beautiful girls." Personally, I find the idea that a movement devoted to promoting equity and respect between the genders requires inappropriately to be successful counterintuitive and ridiculous. Furthermore, the idea that homosexuality is any more reversible than heterosexuality is offensive. Finally, the idea that feminists are just ugly girls jealous that they aren't more sexually appealing is a stereotype. I looked up.

But, again, I have only performed the briefest research in preparing to write this article. I could be wrong about everything I believe. However, like Alex Knepper, I have the right to tell anyone who disagrees with me to fuck it in a public forum.

Scandal in the Church and the power of belief

ANDREW VELNOSKY
Staff Reporter

Just when the sex abuse scandal in the Catholic Church seemed to be dying down, another round of accusations has surfaced in recent months. The most recent case to come out is one claiming that Vatican officials have tried to cover up the sexual abuse of two teenage girls by a Minnesota priest from 2004-05. This is especially disconcerting for a number of reasons. First, this alleges that the Vatican itself knew about the abuse but did not act. The Vatican has often blamed local bishops for ignoring the problem and not passing information on to Rome, but, as this case indicates, knowledge of the situation seems to have gone much higher.

Second, while the vast majority of allegations have concerned abuses that occurred decades ago, this latest development shows that the problem has persisted.

This latest allegation claims that Father Joseph Pavaunel Jeyapaul abused two girls while serving in the diocese of Crookston, Minnesota from 2004-05. Evidence that the Vatican knew about the abuses and did nothing is obvious in the form of repeated letters sent to the Vatican from Victor Balke, bishop of the diocese in Minnesota. To make matters even worse, Balke also complained that large amounts of money had been disappearing under the watch of Jeyapaul. Still, the Vatican did nothing.

So where is Father Jeyapaul today? He is in India, his native country, where he is head of a church education commission, and still a Catholic Priest. Addressing this lack of action by the Church, Jeff Anderson, attorney for one of the abuse victims said, "This is systematic. All roads ... lead to Rome and the top officials there," and, "As horrific as the rape of children by Jeyapaul is, the cover-up of it is every bit as horrific and criminal." The country attorney in Roseau County, where the abuses occurred, is trying to extradite Jeyapaul from India for trial in the United States. As of April 5, Jeyapaul was still in India.

The issue of abuse has been an ongoing one for the Church since at least the 1970s, but it was in 2002, amid a flurry of media attention, that the issue became widely publicized. An estimated 80% of accusations worldwide have occurred in the United States.

The Church seems to have put itself in a very undesirable position through its reaction to the problem. It has been criticized for reacting too slowly or for not seeming to care at all. Some of this has resulted from misunderstandings between the Vatican and Catholics in the United States, as many Church officials have stated that the Vatican finds American Catholics strange and ignorant of the ways of the Church in Rome. Whatever the reason, this has unquestionably led to further outrage over the abuses.

One thing the Church should have recognized about Americans is their love for conspiracy theories. Americans love to think of a big, bad, evil plot somewhere out there, whether it is the government, the corporations, or even aliens. And while this may be irrational, the Church has given people plenty of reasons to suspect a large-scale cover-up operation.

Whether or not this is true, this is what a growing number of Americans believe. And more than anything, the Church should understand the power of belief.



Freshman Luke Schmidt talks on the phone to his sister while Rebekah James does homework. James says, "I like to do homework in his room because we're BFFs!" Luke responded, "We are not. I despise her and only allow her to work in my room so I have no temptation to talk and get distracted." James replied, "He's in denial."

HANNA BARKER

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From the Office of President Joan Develin Coley: A letter

Dear Students of McDaniel College,

More than at any other time during my 37-year career here on the Hill, I can most relate to what the seniors are going through right now. I, too, will be "graduating" soon, stepping into the next phase of my life. A big, somewhat mysterious adventure awaits and it is as exciting and a bit scary to contemplate. I know I am prepared to seize the opportunities that come with my retirement, thanks to all that I have learned as a member of this College community, and, especially, from what you students have taught me.

Your boundless curiosity, courage and compassion - even in the midst of the sometimes confusing and challenging changes that come with profound personal growth - has always inspired me. Every day, you demonstrate to me that it means to put the liberal arts in action: you've founded clubs for lovers of cheese, alter-

native films and skydiving; immersed yourselves in the cultures of Budapest, Cameroon, China and Italy; created haute couture out of trash; cramed records on the athletic fields, and volunteered your time and energy for an array of good causes, including a Nicaragua clinic and the local Boys and Girls Club. You've proven that everything is possible when you work smart - even becoming the College's first quadruple major, as Eric Lemmon did, with studies in Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Biochemistry.

In each of my roles here, first as professor, then Graduate Dean, then Provost and, for the past decade, President, I've relished the challenge to get to know many of you and to watch with an insider's perspective as you set about making this campus, and the world, a better place.

I remember, during the early days of my "freshman year" as President, the moment I first realized what a wonderful neigh-

borhood I had moved into. It was the morning I accidentally locked myself out of the President's House. Clad only in my nightgown and bathrobe, and without a cell phone, I had no choice but to traipse across the lawn to the nearest student residence. I knocked on the door and was greeted with a smile by a wonderful student; she invited me in while she called Campus Safety, and then we shared a good laugh over the mishap.

This campus is indeed my cherished community. And membership in it is something that I - we all - will take with us. At Commencement, I will receive McDaniel's highest form of recognition: an honorary degree that will make me a member of the Class of 2010, and forever Green and Gold.

I look forward to continuing my education as I read about you, and all of your accomplishments, in the pages of The Hill magazine. Remember that there is no place like McDaniel - and that it's all of you who make those words ring so true.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Invest in self respect

A reader's response to Sex on the Hill

DEVAN HAMRIC
Contributor

If we all got dirt on our faces, I could almost believe that we'd all just have to let there, add to it, talk about how we like to wear it, and deal with the problems of having it on our faces.

Never would the thought cross our minds that we could just wash it off or be embarrassed that we're walking around looking like a filthy mess. Instead we'd act like it was something "cool." We'd act like we were proud of it.

Society does this all the time. Maybe it's an attempt to be "accepting." Whatever the cause, we're not our common sense and tastefulness. While some may think that they are only flaunting their sexuality (and that is harmless), I find our social lack of courage disturbing.

We make mistakes (fall in "the mud") and there is, of course, no sense in beating ourselves up about what we can't change. But we can have a little dignity, if not propriety. We don't have to

make a public spectacle of things no one should be proud of.

We live in a much different time. No one is going to stone a girl for losing her virginity and guys don't have to buy the whole cow before they get the milk. People can have very different opinions about sex and what is considered "okay."

But acting like a "one-night-stand" is something that everyone does and talking about it like is funny and cool? Do you really think that makes you look good?

People laugh about it as if it's no big deal and even view it as the world "I'm so hot." Really all it's saying is "I'm easy and don't value myself." And if you don't value yourself, then why should anyone else?

It also tells prospective interests, "this person is loose, I could probably get with them but then again so could just about anyone." If you have any respect for yourself, then the past fifty years? How will you prove it? Talk is cheap and your reputation won't exactly scream "integrity."

KARLA HOLLAND
Staff Reporter

This year, McDaniel says goodbye not only to the graduating class of 2010 but also the last generation to have BLAR as their academic plan. Many freshmen have probably heard debates over the nature or obsolescence of the McDaniel plan. As I learned researching this topic, the issue regarding this new plan is much more complicated than many students may realize. According to Communication Chair Deborah Vance, the plan changed because students on BLAR "would try to get every [general requirement] out of the way soon and faculty were hoping the new plan would get rid of that way of thinking, but it hasn't."

Kathleen Leventovsky, a Junior, history major and peer mentor, understands why they make us take these requirements but I wish they wouldn't go completely off kilter from my focus. "So why are students taking classes they don't need? First, each department interprets the plan according to their focus. Unfortu-

nately, the gross miscommunication between administration, staff, faculty and/or whole departments have led to students missing out on classes they needed and wasting time on classes they didn't."

On the other hand, Junior and religious studies major Jeff Gripenrot sees the plan differently because he "can't take water classes or aerobics classes because of [his] disabilities." "I've tried to take archery and bowling," Gripenrot said, "but the classes filled up quickly."

As Jeff reminded me, there are issues that can hold students back regardless of the plan in effect. The recession has forced cutbacks that have made departments cut courses out of their curriculums, including requirements. Adding to these difficulties, new time codes have been set which force students to choose between requirements being taught at the same time. If that was not enough, absences from teachers on substantial make requirements unavailable for up to several semesters at a time, forcing some students to extend their graduation date to a year or longer. According to Jeff, his

roommate, George, is also dealing with these problems: "He's a Bio-Chem major but he needs a language and the only language classes are at the same times as the classes he needs for bio. All that's left is Spanish. Why does a doctor need Spanish anyway?"

As for why George may need Spanish, I can only think about my mother, a physician who returned to school for her MBA when I was still in high school. Among her general requirements was a basic Spanish course. Did she ever use it? Well, let's say I wouldn't ask her for help in my SPA 1102 final. My point is: If the McDaniel plan has any silver lining right now, it's that it reminds you that the biggest obstacles to fight for in life are the ones that will hold you back the most. By then, other barriers look like mere gaps in the road.

Writer's note: I would like to thank everyone who provided their personal perspectives for this commentary.

Students' take on McDaniel plan

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A Wellness Center Tale & other stories

EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter

Along with college, there comes homework, studying, activities, clubs, and the winner: a whole bunch of sick kids in close proximity with one another! With everyone inevitably sharing germs, the Wellness Center in Smith House can be known as either a go-to spot on campus or a notorious one, depending on who is doing the talking.

The Health Center offers a variety of different services to McDaniel students, resulting in either their contentment or dismay. Upon being asked about their experiences with the Wellness Center, students' answers are generally diverse in reference to their satisfaction with their visit.

When freshman Lauren Handel first arrived for orientation on move-in day, she had to cope with the normal anxieties that new students face: Adjusting to a new environment, trying not to pass out in the heat while lugging their lives into dormitories, meeting new people, and getting used to an unfamiliar place. Unlike most others, Lauren also had to handle something extra: becoming extremely ill and not knowing where to go or what to do.

"As it turned out, the Wellness Center was not an option at that point in time, so I had to call Campus Safety to take me to the hospital," said Lauren. After the fact, she was pleased with how Campus Safety dealt with the situation, but remained disappointed that the Wellness Center was not open during such a crucial time for students.

Once she was finally in the swing of things, Lauren started feeling under the weather again and sought after help from the Wellness Center. "I called them and they told me that based on my symptoms, I probably had cervical cancer." Terrified and shocked, she went in for an appointment to be told something completely different. "When I went in they told me it was just a problem with my birth control." Needless to say, Lauren's view of how her situations were handled is very much below par with the exception of Campus Safety's help.

Another student who fell victim to a much less than desirable circumstance with the Wellness Center is sophomore, Kristen Houpt. During her freshman year, she came down with the flu and infection.

"I went to the Wellness Center to get checked out and to hopefully get some medicine. I wasn't sure if they'd be able to offer me anything since I'm allergic to most antibiotics," said Houpt. "They gave me an

antibiotic that I had never had before and a few days later, I began breaking out in hives. When I went back to get the hives looked at, they told me that they probably shouldn't have given that medicine to me in the first place because they had a feeling I'd have a reaction to it. They gave me some Benadryl and when I woke up the next day, the hives were worse, my lips were swelling, and my throat was closing up. Campus safety had to rush me to Carroll County Hospital and from there, they gave me better medicine and treated me for the reaction."

The Wellness Center's image has remained scarred in Kristen's eyes since her experience there last year. Can you blame her?

Others have had pleasant experiences at the Wellness Center, like Kara Owens, Sophomore. "I went in because I was sleeping for days and couldn't get up. They tested me for strep and mono, and I tested positive for mono so they sent me home. I'd say it was handled efficiently."

Senior Jordan Hawthorne has had to make his way over to the Wellness Center quite a few times in the past four years. "For the most part I would say my visits there were good experiences," said Hawthorne. "Even though they say they no longer take walk-ins, in certain circumstances that called for it I was able to get in. The only downside that Hawthorne mentioned was that 'the hours need to be extended faster.'"

Junior Jason O'Neil has had generally good experiences as well. "Well I like that they are cheap," said O'Neil. "The charge was minimal for the steroids they gave me when I had poison ivy so that was good."

Personally, I have had both positive and negative experiences with the Wellness Center. I have been treated quickly and efficiently for basic illnesses such as colds, and I have also been asked the notorious question that our female students are more-than-often asked upon entering the back rooms: "Are you pregnant?" (The answer was no, especially since I went in for reasons that show no correlation with pregnancy.)

Whether your preference is going to a private doctor or to the Wellness Center, not all diagnoses are going to be correct 100% of the time. The medical staff is always trying to do their best, but sometimes medicine can be a trial and error problem with no strict equation to follow. When it comes to your health and wellbeing, remember to be inquisitive, stay informed, and never be afraid to ask for a second opinion.

A few health-related resources... and where to get a second opinion.

When it comes to your body, it's always nice to get a second opinion. Depending on your schedule, what services you need, and what hours work best for you, here are some affordable (and some free) options in the area to mix and match:

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What they offer: Free consultations to full-time students, minor medical treatments, and many other health and counseling services (some are free, fees apply to others). They also offer free condoms and a variety of informative brochures.

Hours: Mon-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Contact: (410) 857-2243

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<http://www.uniurgentcare.com/>

Sleep trouble?

STUART FISCHER
Staff Reporter

It's dawn. You sit on a rock on the bank of a river, the cool morning chill contrasting vaguely with the hot orange sunrise. The mist coils and rises from the river, disappearing into the pale sky above. You sit quietly as you officially begin your 24th straight hour awake, and there is one question you have to answer: how will you sleep today?

That's what I had to ask myself when I decided to take a week and try out a new sleep pattern. I had read about a particular sleep pattern which supposedly could make you more productive.

The basic idea is that you sleep for about half an hour every three hours, and in about 10 days your body will adjust so that virtually all 30 minutes are spent in R.E.M. sleep, where your brain gets most of its rest, thereby allowing you to sleep only half the amount of a normal person.

It's easier to get into a new pattern if you get out of the one you're in first, so my friend Tyler Langdale, 20, and I took some tents and supplies out to the woods on a sunny April Sunday and stayed up all night. Monday morning we sat on a rock awaiting our

scheduled 7:00 a.m. nap, alarms at the ready.

The first three days are grueling. Not sleeping the way you want to sucks, and tempting yourself with short naps is tortuous at best. Camping actually helps because you're occupied all the time so you don't think too much about it.

The fourth, fifth, and sixth days aren't bad. You have that weird, dreamy feeling you get from staying up too long, but you don't want to sleep. Tyler hyperbolizes, "I don't feel tired. I feel like I would be tired if I honestly believed I was awake." Productivity does go up somewhat, but you get tired easily.

The seventh and eighth days (which were the last two I could do) bring on some confidence that this new schedule can actually be adjusted, to though if you're not careful you could easily slip back into a normal pattern.

Unfortunately we had to cut it short there. I was never fully adjusted, but I think I would have gotten there with a little more time. It's rather difficult to keep yourself going at first, but once you get some momentum you roll. If you can pull it off, congratulations, you've achieved maximum efficiency. And a really inconvenient sleep schedule.

It's fun to try it, though.

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TERROR SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: MEET the GREEN

In 'Student-Athlete,' student comes first

MARCUS DYSON
Contributor

He wakes up at 5:30 every morning for either a weight-lifting session or a run with his football teammates. After a meal, he comes back to his room and attempts to get an extra half hour of sleep before his first class at 9:10 a.m.

After classes, he starts his homework. Next, he might have a captain's meeting for the football team. Throw in another meal or two and an afternoon workout, and there is a typical day for Bill Gerdes at McDaniel College.

In the off-season, Gerdes, however, doesn't mind his schedule, which other college students might consider exhausting. Originally from Old Bridge, New Jersey, Gerdes attended Coxsack Neck High School and was very involved. Not only did he play lacrosse and run track, but he committed himself to dozens of hours of community service annually. He was also the company commander of the naval ROTC program.

Gerdes understood in high school that his first priority in school was academics. Being involved in extracurricular activities was considered a privilege in his household. "My parents made it clear that being the best student I can be was more important than trying to make it to the NFL," says Gerdes.

Gerdes plans to graduate with a degree in business administration. His professor of accounting, Susan Milstein, suggests that Gerdes' hard work has earned the respect of his teachers and his classmates.

"Bill's always paying attention, unless a pretty girl walks into the classroom," jokes Milstein. She notes that he rarely, if ever, misses class for a football-related activity and that football never seems to distract him from his work.

While his professors may not see him sweat, Gerdes does feel the pres-

sure of performing in the classroom and on the field at times. "There will be days when I have two practices, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, and in between that I'll have two quizzes or a presentation. It can get a little crazy at times, but that's when I know I have to come through in the clutch for my teammates, my parents, my teachers, and myself."

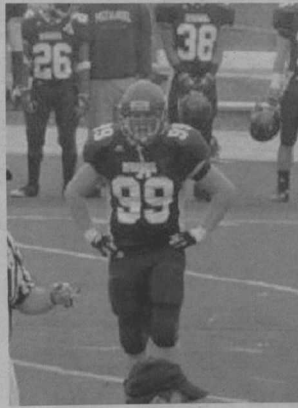
To make things easier for himself and other college athletes, Gerdes says he would like to see the scheduling of classes changed. Early classes would leave more time in the afternoon and evening for things other than sports, such as homework, food, and leisure time.

McDaniel finished with a 5-5 record this season, its most wins since 2006. Gerdes says a conference championship would cement a successful career as a defensive lineman for the Terror. He lists three things as his essentials to accomplish his goal: "commitment, hard work and perseverance... both on and off the field." Junior Michael Ford, a fellow defensive lineman, notes that Gerdes' work ethic makes up for his lack of natural abilities.

"He may not be the tallest or fastest defensive lineman we have, but he is the hardest working. Eventually that dedication is going to pay off." It already has paid in the classroom, as demonstrated by Gerdes' 3.1 GPA.

Does Gerdes take pride in the notion that he has earned the respect of his teammates, coaches, teachers and friends? "Not exactly," says Gerdes. "I appreciate how other people view my work ethic, but if I get too complacent with where I am now I will stop progressing." Gerdes recognizes that since high school, his mother would give him academic goals for each marking period. If he got anything lower than a B for two consecutive periods in the same class, he would have to stop playing sports.

"I think it really stuck with me, to be a student before an athlete. It's just become a habit." Just as habitual as waking up at 5:30 every morning.



BILL GERDES

Volleyball player involved, diligent

KELLY TOMS
Contributor

Though Sarah Byron only stands five feet two, she is looked up to by many of her peers, teammates, and even her elders because of her successful involvement on the McDaniel college campus and in the Westminster community.

Byron is a 2007 graduate of Winters Mill High School in Westminster. When deciding where she was going to attend college, McDaniel was one of her top choices. Unlike most eighteen year olds, Byron chose McDaniel because it was close to home and a school where she would have the opportunity to continue her volleyball career. These two reasons, as well as academics, were high on Byron's priority list because family and sports are two things she holds close to her heart. Byron is the second oldest of four in her family. Having two younger siblings is what stimulates Byron's efforts to be a role model for her younger brother and sister.

Though Byron is looked up to by many she owes a lot of her success to her parents. Her mom is her biggest fan and supporter. A diligent work ethic was instilled in Byron at a young age by her parents. She carried this hardworking attitude throughout her junior and high school years as she won many academic and athletic awards which included second team all conference for volleyball, county champs for cheerleading and she was a winner on the honor roll.

As Byron entered college with this ready to take on anything this new transition threw at her. With confidence, she entered the McDaniel College volleyball tryouts with high hopes of making the team, but she did not make it her freshman year. After this minor setback, Byron

was "heartbroken," she explained, but didn't let it stop her from getting involved on campus. Because of her size and experience, as soon as she showed up and heard that Byron was not playing volleyball they asked her to be on the team, which she accepted and was a cheerleader for both the fall and spring semesters of her freshman year.

In Byron's eyes, while she missed playing volleyball it gave her more free time to branch out and meet new people, many of whom were involved in Greek life. In spring of 2008 Byron joined the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority which has become a huge part of her life. Most of the girls who persuaded Byron to consider joining a sorority were already Greek and were also part of her cheerleading squad. Byron explained that she decided to join a sorority because, "I joined Greek life because I saw how much fun the ladies already actively involved in so because I saw how much fun they were having. I joined Greek life because I always stood out to me," she said with a sparkle in her eye.

Byron's love for her sorority shines through her leadership roles in the chapter which include, Scribe and Chapter Excellence Chairwoman and her biggest achievement was when she was elected Archon and her biggest achievement was when she was elected Archon and her biggest achievement was when she was elected Archon and her biggest achievement was when she was elected Archon.

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as, "triumphant and gutsy," and she feels the reason why Byron is so successful in life is because she never gives up.

Many may wonder how Byron makes being involved in so much and achieving academic success look so easy. But, that is not always the case, she explains. "I think this really shows how being involved can enhance your academic performance as well as how much Phi Sigma Sigma encourages academic success. So, while stress does exist due to my involvement I would say that it is always manageable," she said. Byron believes that "organization is key" when being involved in so much.

Some strategies she uses to keep herself organized include making a lot of to-do lists, daily plans and she uses her agenda effectively and keeps all of her due dates and events in one location as an easy reference.

Byron's involvement and time management skills are seen by many who she spends time with, one person in particular is her sorority chapter leader, Rachelle Seeds. Seeds describes Byron as, "Enthusiastic, energetic and a leader" and is impressed with all she does. Seeds also feels that Byron's ability to be a team player on the volleyball court carries on to her success in the sorority, in her academics and will help her in the future.

"Being involved in so many different activities on campus will help Sarah in the future to balance the responsibilities of life," Seeds explains. Though Byron is small in size, she does big things here on the McDaniel campus.

These profiles were written for Terry Dalton's Intro to Journalism class.

Phil Mickelson takes Masters Tournament, celebrates with wife

GREGORY NOLEN
Staff Reporter

"That's a win for the family." CBS commentator Jim Nantz told the television audience as Phil Mickelson birdied the 72nd and final hole to secure his win at the 74th Masters Tournament at Augusta National on April 11.

Overshadowed earlier in the week by Tiger Woods' return to the game, Mickelson's win ended an arduous 11-month personal journey that began in May with devastating news and ended Sunday with the ultimate triumph.

Last May, Mickelson's wife, Amy was diagnosed with breast cancer. The stunning diagnosis put Phil's golf future in question. Driven by emotion, Phil finished second at the 2009 US Open at Bethpage Black in New York.

That wasn't the worst of it. In July, Phil's mother Mary was also diagnosed with breast cancer. After this

diagnosis, Phil skipped the 2009 Open Championship to be with his mother while she underwent surgery. After returning in August, Phil wasted no time when he won the Tour Championship in September when he won the Tour Championship in September when he won the Tour Championship in September.

To finish the season, Phil trailed Lee Westwood by 5 strokes after 12 holes in the third round and seemed on his way to yet another runner-up finish in a major. After closing to within one stroke by the end of Saturday thanks to the help of two consecutive eagles and four birdies, Phil shot 67 on Sunday without a single bogey, securing his third green jacket and the most memorable victory of his career.

After his winning birdie, Phil and Amy engaged in a tearful, memorable embrace that won the hearts of everyone who watched the tournament in person or on television, and will not soon be forgotten.

While Tiger's return was one of the stories of the weekend, Phil Mickelson's win, and embrace of his mother, will be what most fans remember the 2010 Masters.

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SPORTS FILE PHOTO

Matthew Pace prepares for a pitch at the F&M game during spring fling.

The staff of the McDaniel Free Press would like to congratulate all of the Green Terror athletes who worked their hardest this year, and to the senior athletes, good luck!

TERROR SPORTS

Experiences of an intramural ref

BEN GRANT
Staff Reporter

As the sun rises over McDaniel campus, weary students stir. Still bleary-eyed after a late night of studying or partying, they emerge from their covers to face the day. Many are thinking of the next class or social event, but some students are preparing for a day with an extra responsibility: they are a part of the work-study force.

Freshman Zack Rickman does not work in a peaceful library or an office answering telephones. When he reports for duty, Rickman will be facing bouncing balls, flying pucks, flailing bodies and possibly hot tempers. Rickman is an intramural sports referee.

"The funniest thing that ever happened to me was also the scariest, when a hockey puck was deflected right at my face during a game," Rickman recalls.

Rickman went to high school in Towson, Maryland where he played in the outfield for his baseball team. He enjoys watching baseball as much as playing it.

Rickman didn't feel he was good enough to play baseball in college, but wanted to continue to have sports as part of his daily life. When he searched the list of available jobs to meet his financial aid requirement of work-study, he was intrigued by the opening for intramural ref.

"Once I saw intramural sports ref, I knew the job was for me," he says. "I applied and got the job without even knowing what sports I would have to ref. I assumed just softball, because it is similar to baseball, and maybe basketball, because I have played that."

As it turned out, Rickman found himself refereeing intramural football and outdoor soccer in the fall, basketball and hockey in the winter, and softball, volleyball and indoor soccer in the spring.

Rickman also participates in intramural basketball. This year his team made it into the second round of the playoffs before losing.

"He is a decent player, has a nice all-around game and clearly understands the game of basketball. But if he would stop playing, and just ref, then I wouldn't have to

ref his games," laughs Jimmy Gibbons, a fellow freshman referee.

"I worked soccer, basketball and football games with Zack so far," Gibbons says. "Some refs figure that because it is only intramurals the games don't really matter, but Zack always paid attention and got the call right."

Asked if he ever missed a call, Rickman says, "I have never missed a call that would have affected the outcome of a game. I may miss a small foul or something, but no one is perfect. I can only call what I see."

Freshman Dan Lamond, a soccer player, recalls an instance where "I went in for a loose ball and I got bowled pretty hard in the nose... It turned out my nose was broken, I feel if my nose was broken, then I was probably fouled. I realize it wasn't his fault and every other game I think Zack did a fine job. But my nose was broken. Calling a foul was the least he could do."

When asked about this event, Rickman answers, "The ball was kicked downfield and so I followed the ball. I did not see Dan get elbowed. It is unfortunate it happened that way but that's part of refereeing. You can't see everything."

"He handled the situation as best as can be expected, he stopped the game and got Dan to the sidelines, which is why we have referees for soccer and football," says Scott Singleton, head of intramural sports.

"The other sports aren't really contact, so the refs don't do much besides set up the equipment and make sure the right teams play each other. But in this situation it was good to have referees who could step in and handle the situation. I have seen Zack ref a few football games and he did a fine job. I expect to see him again next year."

When Rickman was asked if he would do the job next year, he responds, "In a second!" He continues, "I get to work a lot of games and make a lot of money, which is very nice. It is also a great way to meet other students who like sports. It is just a great job and I am shocked more people don't do it."

Spring sports coming to a close

MATT BODNAR
Staff Reporter

With the spring semester wrapping up, here's what the Terror looked like this season:

Baseball

With two weeks remaining in their season, the baseball squad has a record of 3-9 in Centennial Conference play and is 7-13 overall. Despite the lack of wins, there have been several success stories thus far. Freshman pitcher Zack Jones was named Conference Pitcher of the Week for the week of March 22-28. In that week, Jones recorded a win against Dickinson throwing seven shutout innings with 11 strikeouts. For the season, the freshman is 2-1 with a 3.03 ERA and 30 strikeouts. Offensively senior Russell Coover reached a milestone in McDaniel's victory over Washington on April 9. In that game, Coover tied the program's career hit leader and ultimately claimed the record with a game-winning hit. For his career, Coover has 135 hits with 10 games left to play. For the year, he is hitting .329 with 14 runs scored and a team-high 28 RBIs.

Softball

On the year, the softball squad has an overall record of 11-17. For the week of March 22-28, sophomore Erinne Warrenfeltz was named Conference Player of the Week. This marked the second week in a row the sophomore was player of the week. For the second week, Warrenfeltz hit .700 with 1 home run. She had a .833 OBP and slugging percentage of 1.300. For the year, Warrenfeltz

is hitting .418 with 5 home runs and 26 RBIs. On the mound, she sports 2 wins and 25 strikeouts. Fellow sophomore Hope Batista is hitting .384 with 28 hits and 19 RBIs. Freshman pitcher Ashley Meister leads the club with 6 wins on the year, boasting a 3.53 ERA.

Women's Lacrosse

With three games remaining on the schedule, the women's lacrosse team has a 2-4 record in Conference play and an 8-5 record overall. Senior Brittany Baer has been the story throughout the year, and broke into the record books once more in the victory over Washington on April 13. Having already claimed the program record for draws won, Baer scored 6 goals against the Shorewomen to claim the record for career goals scored. On the season, Baer has 44 goals and 8 assists. Fellow senior Sarah Mintz has been distributing the ball nicely throughout the year and has a team-high 21 assists to go along with 9 goals.

Men's Lacrosse

With three games remaining on the year, the men's lacrosse team finds themselves in third place in the Centennial Conference with a 3-2 (6-5 overall) record. On April 10, the men claimed an important victory over Muhlenberg 11-6. Sophomore D.J. Rickels led the way with 5 goals. Senior Gibbs Preston added 2 goals to the tally. Rickels was named Conference Player of the Week for the week of March 29-April 4. During that week, Rickels led the team to victory over Swarthmore with 6 goals and 2 assists. For the season, he has a team-high 33 goals to go with 8 assists. In addition, he has four of McDaniel's five game-winning goals.

Gburg Bullets drop Terror lax

The McDaniel Men's Lacrosse season came to an end Friday, April 30 in Gettysburg. The top seeded Bullets entered the Centennial Conference tournament with a record of 15-1 and were ranked second in NCAA division three lacrosse.

The McDaniel men knew they had their work cut out for them but seemed to be up to the challenge early on. After falling behind by three, Gibbs Preston and DJ Rickels netted a pair of goals to pull the Terror within one.

The Bullets quickly pulled away scoring five consecutive goals and really putting the game out of reach.

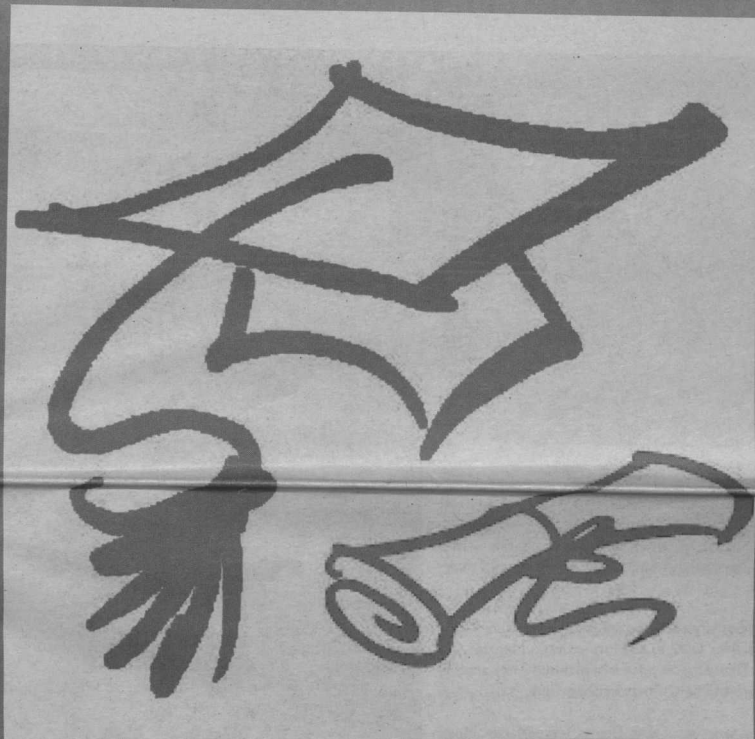
With three goals in the game, DJ Rickels brought his season total to 42, the most by a McDaniel player since 2002.

While it did not end quite as they had hoped, it was a very solid season for the Terror men. This year was a step in the right direction and the future looks bright for the McDaniel Lacrosse program.

Tennis

Senior Jaime Latham has stood out so far this year with 3 single match wins and 5 doubles match wins. Fellow senior Kristen Shavrov has added 5 wins in singles and doubles matches. The men's squad has posted a 4-7 overall record with senior Dan Hovorka leading the way. On the season, he has four wins, joining Hovorka with 4 wins are juniors Ben Faber and Justin Ward.

Senior Issue



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ABOVE: Roxanne Fleischer, Lisa Katchan, and Emily Hajjar at a Cross Country Meet at York College in the fall.



Ellen Larson

ABOVE RIGHT: Natalie Hartman, Ellen Larson, Sarah Gambolati, and Molly Barker have fun during Spring Fling of their sophomore year.

RIGHT: Jess Curtis, Sarah Gambolati, Jake Lopes, Alex Ryan, Rachel Diamond, Tyler Carr, Russ Morin, Kirstin Menzies, Amelia Reiniger, Ellen Larson pose in a pyramid. They are the founding members of The Ultimate Frisbee Club.



Kirstin Menzies

BELOW: Heather Gorsuch, Sarah Chavis, Terre Martin, Megan Hildebrand, Jess Peyton, Melissa Fisher, Meg Johnston celebrate Heather's 20th birthday in September 2009..

BOTTOM RIGHT: Frannia Bryant and Tyler Kudravetz hang out at the 72 Day Countdown party.



Megan Johnston



Frannia Bryant



Megan Johnston



Kiki Stellakis

ABOVE LEFT: Sara Hanlon, Julia Coleman, Kaylee Beal, Tim Lowe, Chris Gore, Gibbs Preston, Meg Johnston relax on a trip in Belize in 2009.

ABOVE RIGHT: Lauren Howe, Carla Schwager, Stephanie Banik, Kiki Stellakis and Anna Donaldson stand on the wall.

LEFT: Kristen McGeeny and Dawn Aldrich look classy at the 2010 Founder's Dinner.

BELOW: Stephanie Banik, Kristin McDaniel, me and Krista Ricigliano enjoy drinks at a bar in Prague, Czech Republic in fall 2007



Dawn Aldrich



Kiki Stellakis

This section is dedicated to the Class of 2010 and it was created by three dedicated news staffers: Hanna Barker ('13), Heather Gorsuch ('10), and Jetonne Ellis ('10). Calls to all seniors for their favorite memories and mentors went out and much of what unfolds on these pages reflects what came in. Still want to be a part of the Senior Issue? Email your contributions to freepress@mcdaniel.edu and we will add them to the online issue of the college paper.

Class of 2010 - You will me missed -- but not forgotten.



Academic Departments Host Annual Picnics

EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter

With the end of the academic year quickly approaching, McDaniel students and faculty are having a variety of events to celebrate its conclusion.

Along with an assortment of other happenings on campus, another popular and anticipated end-of-the-year occurrence is the picnic that many departments host for their students to have fun and relax a bit before attacking the stress of finals week.

Generally, the events are for majors and minors and occur at the beginning of May, but it varies from department to department. Some are just open to seniors, some to all classes of majors/minors, and some to any students interested.

Many departments have outside gatherings at Harvey Stone Park, while others hold their events in academic buildings or at a faculty member's home near campus. The best way to find out about a particular department's event is to ask a professor or an Academic Secretary.

Carole Klapper, the Academic Secretary for Biology, Chemistry, and Environmental Policy & Science, encourages students to attend their department's event.

"In my opinion, it is a good social experience," says Klapper, where students can "have fun with their peers, maybe meet people that they have not met before, and get to know the professors in a relaxed, social setting."

Sophomore Daniel Green attended the Political Science picnic last year and had a blast.

He also met all his friends and had a great time. Klapper says that all students take advantage of their department's event.

For more information, refer to the sidebar of scheduled events and watch for sign-up sheets and/or emails from your academic department.

DEPARTMENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Biology/Chemistry	May 5	4-8 p.m.	Harvey Stone Park
Communication	TBA	TBA	3rd Floor Lewis
Economics and Business Administration	TBA	TBA	Harvey Stone Park
History	May 5	5:30-7 p.m.	Off Campus
Political Science	May 3	5-7 p.m.	Harvey Stone Park
Social Work	May 2	11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.	Off Campus
Departments	TBA	TBA	TBA

Commencement: Is it worth the cost?

MEGAN HILDEBRAND
Staff Reporter

After you pay tuition and room and board for four years there is one more day that may take a toll on your bank account, graduation.

On average the college spends \$60,000 on the commencement ceremony each year, according to Mary Ann Friday, executive assistant to President Coley. However, Commencement can cost the average student at least seventy dollars, which only includes cap and gown. When students get their cap and gown along with graduation announcements the cost goes from seventy dollars to approximately two hundred dollars.

Graduation announcements are cards that are sent to extended family and friends to announce your graduation.

Some seniors had trouble meeting the deadline to purchase the high cost announcements. "I didn't know the deadline to get announcements, so I could only get

my cap and gown," said senior Shiril Bryson.

Senior week events this year includes, casino night, a trip to Oriole Park at Camden Yards, and the crab feast. The total cost to attend all of these events is, fifty-one dollars. These events, along with other costs for seniors add up.

"Along with graduation costs I have spent over \$300 on Capstone materials," said senior art major Jackie Buehrle.

The administration subsidizes the seniors' costs quite a bit, according to senior council member, Mario Valone.

"If we didn't have funds from [the administration] we would not be able to keep the cost as low as they were this year; in fact, the week might not even happen if we didn't have those funds."

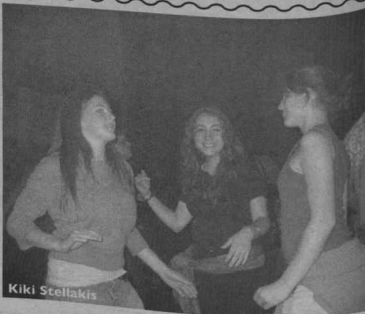
Luckily for students nothing is mandatory, and you only have to pay for what you want. However after four years of hard work most seniors can't wait to celebrate during senior week, and are willing to pay the cost.

Tuition for Four Years	\$160,000
Cap and Gown	\$70
Casino Night	\$15
Baseball Game	\$18
Crab Feast	\$18
Getting Your Degree	PRICELESS

MEMORIES



Frannia Bryant



Kiki Stellakis

LEFT: Students have a blast at the Gettysburg Step Show.

RIGHT: Krista Ricigiano, Stephanie Banik and Kiki Stellakis dance the night away at a club in Prague.



Senior Investiture Honors Convocation List of Honors

Academic Awards

Dr. Mary Ellen Elwell '80 Distinguished Social Work Award.....	Lindsay Marie Anderson
Vox Magna Clara Award.....	Jesse Edward Nagle
Joan Devellin Coley Award For Excellence in Education.....	Christina Bandula Storie
McLuhan Award For Excellence in Communication.....	Tyler Delaney Carr
Richard A. Clower Award For Excellence in Exercise Science and Physical Education.....	Emily Theresa Ardolino
Award For Excellence in Chemistry or Biochemistry.....	Eric Michael Lemmon
Robert Joseph Weber Award For Excellence in Political Science and International Studies.....	Sarah Marie Martin
Class of 1938 Award For Excellence in Music.....	Keith Ludington Adams
	Sabrina Rashelle Clarke
	Tyler Allan Buisch
Dr. Reuben Holthaus Award in Philosophy.....	Lin Sun Oo
Phi Delta Gamma Award.....	Tyler Marie Mullan
Frank and Margaret Malone Award For Excellence in a Foreign Language.....	Nadine Leatherman Heron
	Christopher Joseph Rondo
Malcolm L. Meltzer Psychology Award.....	Jessica Lynn Dunn
Michael and Polly Beaver Award For Excellence in Education.....	Jennifer L. Thompson
David Brian Cross Memorial Award For Achievement in Mathematics.....	Stephen Raymond Hardy
Makosky Award For Excellence in English.....	Melissa Rachel Atkinson
	Andrew Thomas Velnoskey
Hugh Barnette Speir, Jr. Prize.....	Kara Elizabeth Constantine
Phillip and Azalea Myers Award For Creativity in English.....	Eric Michael Lemmon
Eloise B. and Lowell S. Ensor Award For Graduate or Professional Study.....	Rachel Elizabeth Held
M. Louise Shipley Art Award of Excellence.....	Eric Michael Lemmon
H.P. Sturdivant Biology Award.....	Lauren Marie DiNatale
	Colleen Marie Alford
Esther Smith Award.....	Stephen Raymond Hardy
Dr. Clyde A. Spicer Award.....	Wendy M. Dunstan
Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award.....	Matthew Gray Dungan-Abney
United States History Award.....	Melissa Rachel Atkinson
Maria Leonard Senior Book Award.....	

Activity and Leadership Awards

Greek Man of the Year.....	Michael Droulias McNulty
Greek Woman of the Year.....	Casey Elizabeth Crough
Elizabeth Lintz Burkhardt Memorial Service Award.....	Lindsay Marie Anderson
Steve Robert Wilson Memorial Award.....	Heidi Lynn Davidhizar
	Robert Joseph Kelvey
	Lia B. Snow
Western Maryland Norman E. Sartorius Gift and Citation.....	Aaron Douglas Slaughter
Charles W. Havens Award.....	Adam Reese Sommers
John D. Nawrocki Memorial Award.....	David Simon Castle
Student Government Assembly Award.....	Benjamin Ross Cowman
	Jesse Edward Nagle
Michael L. Waghelestein Memorial Award.....	Dawn Nichole Aldrich
Alumni Citizenship Award.....	Benjamin Ross Cowman
	Jessica Ariene Bello
Lynn F. Gruber Medal.....	Michael G. Weick
John A. Alexander Medal.....	Alexandra Patricia Moreland
Faith Millard Medal.....	Claire Elizabeth Turpel
Mary Ward Lewis Prize.....	Matthew Paul Emery
Bates Prize.....	

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Favorite Mentors

"I have been working on my senior Honors independent research project for the Psychology Department this entire year. In November, Dr. Madsen planned a trip for me to meet a researcher at the University of Delaware, where I received my data. At this point, Dr. Madsen was literally 9 months pregnant. One day in her office she asked me if I knew how to drive stick shift. I said no, and she said something along the lines of 'Well I guess I'll take the automatic car then...' I didn't know what she meant at first, but then I realized she was worried about going into labor on the trip! She didn't, but I was pretty nervous when we drove across the Delaware Bridge! I won't forget that experience, and I am so grateful for all of the work Dr. Madsen put into advising my project before she went on maternity leave!"

-JESSICA DUNN

"Getting involved on the hill was one of the smartest things that I have done. Being a writing tutor and part of the Free Press staff for 3 years has given me the opportunity to get to know people around campus that I would not have ordinarily met. Because of my involvement in these two organizations, I have had would like to thank for all her hard work and patience, and the time she dedicates to everyone she comes in contact with."

Being a part of the Cross Country and Track and Field team has also given me the opportunities to set goals and reach them. My teammates have become my closest friends and I would have had a very different college experience without them. Thanks to Coach Renner and my teammates for expecting more out of me than I did!"

-ROXANNE FLEISCHER

"Jonathan Slade - my Adviser, increased my passion for film, his classes were always the most entertaining AND informative."

Lisa Breslin - Newspaper advisor, one of the best people to know at McDaniel College, always willing to help out and give advice, I consider her a teacher and first and foremost a wonderful friend."

-JULIAN GUIFFRÉ

PROFILE: Brittany Baer



**Matt Bodnar
Staff Reporter**

Passion, devotion, love of the game, family, and school.

It's what motivates Brittany Baer, a senior here at McDaniel, whose name has become synonymous with women's soccer and lacrosse. Anytime you ask about the team's success, you'll find that Brittany Baer has been the leader on the field in the fall and in the spring. The change in seasons does little to slow Brittany down, and we on the Hill have been privileged to watch her play the sports she loves.

Baer will be graduating with a major in Communication and a minor in Sports Coaching and Management. She began her collegiate career at Towson University, where a lacrosse scholarship had her name on it. After one year, Brittany decided it was time for a change. "I missed playing soccer and I missed home," recalls Brittany. McDaniel provided Baer with the opportunity to play the two sports she loves, lacrosse and soccer, all within her hometown of Westminster.

Coach Bliss, head coach of the lacrosse team, summed up Brittany's presence on the team this way: "While her points (goals and assists) certainly have been a tremendous asset to our program, she is more than just points to us." Coach Bliss goes on to describe Brittany as "a work horse, who truly cares more about the team's success than her own."

Brittany's success on the field can be attributed to her knowledge of the game, which allows her to make her teammates better, while putting herself in prime position to be an offensive force.

Brittany has lit up the scoreboard like no other female lacrosse player in the school's history. In her senior year, Brittany broke the school record for career goals finishing with over 180 goals. She also owns the school record for draw controls, with over 160 for her career. In all Baer owns 10 school records.

The success at lacrosse continues to the soccer field, where Baer led the team in goals and points this year. Two of her goals were game winners as Brittany led the young squad throughout the season with her incredible skills and engaging personality. According to Baer, "The team has everything in place to compete." The younger players certainly benefited from playing with Brittany and her impact on the team will be felt for years to come.

One would think Brittany's most special sports moment would involve her playing soccer or lacrosse. But those who know Brittany realize personal glory means nothing to her. In fact, when asked this question, Brittany responded, "Watching my older brother's football games with family and friends were the special moments I'll always remember."

Once Brittany leaves the Hill, she hopes to begin her career coaching, with dreams of the collegiate level in her sights. With the numerous accomplishments she has accrued throughout her career, it is safe to assume coaching will be no different.

Brittany has been special to this school and her teammates. Her obvious skills are well-known, but her humbleness and willingness to help others is what really stands out. Her successes do not consume her and her desire to win is contagious. Brittany is a person who followed her love of sports to college and dared to be great. She has been nothing short of great, as her name, Brittany Baer, is certainly in the conversation as one of the best female athletes to compete at McDaniel College.

PROFILE: Benajmin Cowman

**EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter**

As graduation creeps up on the class of 2010, McDaniel senior Benjamin Cowman seems ready to take on the real world as he has taken on college in a proactive fashion.

Cowman, a Political Science and International Studies major and Environmental Policy and Science minor, has been involved in the McDaniel community since he first stepped foot on campus as a freshman. From the start, he knew what organization on campus he would completely immerse himself in for the next four years: SGA.

Although he was a commuter for his first three years, Ben became a well-known face on campus as his Class President of SGA his freshman year. He continued holding notable SGA positions throughout his four years at McDaniel as Treasurer his sophomore year, Executive Vice President his Junior and Senior year, and finally as President in his final semester.

Asked what he likes most about McDaniel, Cowman replies, "I like that it is a smaller school so I can have a bigger impact in SGA as well as a bigger potential to get things done."

That is a modest understatement for all of the productive things that he has done for the college in just four short years. From establishing a campus master calendar to implementing an online voting system to increasing voter turnout in SGA Elections from 5% to 38%, Cowman's accomplishments on campus would be hard to surpass.

Cowman's other accomplishments include passing the "Going

Tray-less" resolution and forming an Organizations' Council, along with many other admirable undertakings.

One of Cowman's proudest moments at McDaniel was "getting the activity period passed," he says, so that there will be "no class during that time." If returning students were initially confused at the new times for course offerings, this newly implemented change is the reason.

A charismatic student who thinks out of the box, Ben's favorite class and professor at McDaniel were outside of his major.

"Approaches to Everyday Discourse, a 3000 level English course taught by Dr. Kate Dobson, even though it wasn't part of my major, was really beneficial," says Cowman. "The speaking and rhetorical skills apply to all majors, and I recommend that class to anyone."

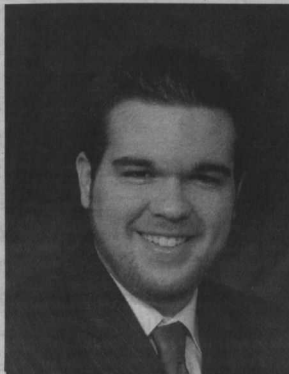
As for his favorite experience at McDaniel, Cowman "really enjoyed being a part of the presidential search process and being able to have an impact, working closely with trustees and faculty," he says.

"Moving into the 4th floor of ANW," he says laughing, was his least favorite experience.

After he receives his degree, Cowman plans on continuing his education at McDaniel by entering a Master's program in Human Resource Development. He is "interested in a Developing and Leadership program on campus," where he will be a "Graduate Assistant in Student Affairs with a focus on Student Leadership."

Advice that Ben has to offer to current students and incoming freshmen is to "take advantage of your four years here, because it's only going to be what you make of it."

The most important thing? Ben says, "Find your passion - and just run with it."



PROFILE: Michael Weick

NICK BRENNER
Co-Sports Editor

The McDaniel football family finds itself having to say goodbye to one of its best senior classes in a long time. Heading this class is captain and the heart and soul of the Green Terror defense for the past three years, inside linebacker Mike Weick.

An All-American candidate and first team All-Central Conference performer this season, Weick's on-field accolades speak for themselves and put him in some pretty elite company among the all-time McDaniel greats, but even more than that, it is the man beneath the helmet that his teammates and coaches will miss the most come next August.

Despite how dominant a player he was on the field, Mike never lost sight of the belief that team success and the success of the football program is far more important and rewarding than any individual accomplishment. Coming from a guy who preached the importance of team before self, it only makes sense that the things Mike will remember the most about his four years at McDaniel aren't the records or individual honors, but rather all the great times he had on and off the field with his teammates and coaches.

Mike says that without a doubt his favorite part about playing football at McDaniel is the relationships he has been able to make with his teammates day in and day out. As he put it, "My teammates are like brothers to me. I've been fortunate enough to make those relationships. I've seen the point of my life. Whether on or off the field, the relationships that I have developed with my 'brothers' really defined Mike's four years on the Hill. He adds, "Whether with its practice, morning workouts, eating at Glar, or just hanging around, I'm always with my brothers who've been gone to battle with on Saturdays and I'll have a brotherhood that I'll have for the rest of my life."

Without question, the best days of Mike's college career came on Saturdays in the fall at Bair Stadium. Mike says it best, "There's nothing like game day. It's the culmination of all the hard work, meetings, and morning work-

outs. Going out there with sixty of your best friends to play the game you love in front of 5,000 fans, that's about as good as it gets."

When it comes to the person that has helped him grow the most as a man while at McDaniel, Mike considers himself fortunate enough to be able to play under so many great coaches and linebacker coaches, but Coach Mike Daley is the one who has stood out the most. According to Mike, "He just has such high expectations for us as players and as men. His attitude and passion are on display every day as he demands excellence. He is the kind of coach that you just want to give your all for and win for because you don't want to let him down."

The thing that Mike is most proud of as a McDaniel football player is just the progress the program has made in his four years here. He says, "My freshman year this program graduated five seniors. This year that number will be twenty-two." Thanks to the hard work and dedication of seniors like Mike, a foundation of excellence has been laid. They have set the bar high and have been a great example to younger players of what it means to be a Green Terror football player.

Mike has given everything he has to the McDaniel football program since the first day he stepped foot on campus. That kind of passion and dedication does not die quickly and this is evident by the fact that Mike continues to give his all to the program as a graduating senior. When he isn't student-teaching at local schools, Mike is giving back to the football program. He designed and implemented a new conditioning program. With this behind some other great coaching football players, Mike was in the gym helping returning football players get quicker and faster two days a week.

Mike continues to come to as many spring football practices as possible and help the program as much as he can. McDaniel will be losing one of its great ambassadors of football this spring and we are all thankful for the time and effort Mike Weick has given to this school and its football program. We wish Mike well in whatever endeavor he chooses to pursue including coaching the game he loves this upcoming year at Kings College.



Mike Weick sends a St. Vincent Lineman flying.

McDaniel student, Jes Osrow, begins Outdoor Amphitheater Project

RULA ZARU
Staff Reporter

Committed, energetic, dedicated, ambitious, creative, spirited, and self-assured are just a few of the words that were used to describe, senior, Jes Osrow, by McDaniel faculty & staff members, Ira Domser, Priscilla Orel, and Gina King.

Osrow is a triple major in Theatre and Arts Management, Fine Arts, and Spanish. A large population of the McDaniel campus knows her for stage-managing a world premiere musical, "Bring Me Gaints," one of her several accomplishments at McDaniel.

She studied abroad in Quito, Ecuador fall 2008 and this past October she assisted her grandmother, Rowena Smith, with an art show on campus.

During Jes' sophomore year, spring semester, she presented the idea of building an outdoor "Greek style" amphitheater on the hillside next to Harvestone Pavilion to Dean Reiff. Luckily, the idea was approved and the theatre will soon be a part of the McDaniel campus.

With the help of Dean Reiff, Dr. Tom Falkner, and especially Ira Domser and Dr. Ethan Seidel, Jes is in the process of making this theatre come to life. She is currently fundraising for this project and would appreciate all of the support she can get.

"Every dollar counts," said Jes. "I would like to get a lot of groups involved since I think the space can be used by many groups on campus, not just the theatre." When Osrow was asked why? She responded with "why not? We need a space like that [outdoor theatre] on campus. It would greatly enhance outdoor activities and give a great space for concerts, shows, gatherings, meetings, ceremonies, etc."

Although incredibly confident and optimistic, Jes anticipates a few challenges in completing this project. She is currently struggling to come up with the necessary amount of money needed to build the theatre through fundraising.

As ambitious and dedicated as she is, Jes appreciates her mother and her grandmother, "the strongest forces in [her] life." She is very thankful for the encouragement she has received from them throughout her 4 years at McDaniel.

They have taught her "that anything is possible...but failure and mistakes always occurs," and concluded with "one must al-

ways learn from those [mistakes and failures] and move on and be smarter, more aware, and with the confidence to do better in the future."

As her advisor, mentor, and sounding board since her first day at McDaniel, Ira Domser has encouraged Jes tremendously and has been endlessly supportive until this day.

"Alumni, Jon Teter and Matt Weese, have been the 'big theatre brothers' that I always wanted and needed...they have been there for the highest highs and the lowest lows that have occurred during my experiences with the theatre department."

Jes' message to undergrads is "go for it." She believes that one has nothing to lose by going for what they want. "I have no timeline," said Jes. "Just the knowledge that if [her capstone project] will happen."

Although the project has not yet been accomplished, Jes' efforts are incredible and she continues to work hard in order to make her visions become real. Although rarely heard in Jes' peers and faculty members, she stated, "it is not complete...but I have done something and for that I am incredibly proud of myself." Her humble thoughts, her optimism, and her dedication are some of her strongest assets.

Her mantra for the next stage in her life are "try, fall, dust yourself off, learn, try, fall, dust yourself off, learn..." She believes individuals must always trust in themselves and always ask for help when it is needed.

Any support you might be able to provide would be of great service to the project. All donations are tax deductible; checks should be written to McDaniel College's Outdoor Amphitheater Project and sent to Amphitheater Project, Thompson Hall, 2 College Hill, Westminster, MD, 21157; if you would like to make a cash donation please contact me for more information. If you would like to donate using a credit card please use this link which is certified through McDaniel College: https://www.mcdaniel.edu/forms/annual_giving1.cfm

If using a credit card please specify in the "If you have selected Green and Gold Athletics Club or Others, please specify sport or project" box that the money is for the Outdoor Amphitheater Project.

Beneficiaries will be recognized on the site of the amphitheater.

I REMEMBER...

"I remember studying in the Gazebo all night and watching the sun rise in the morning."

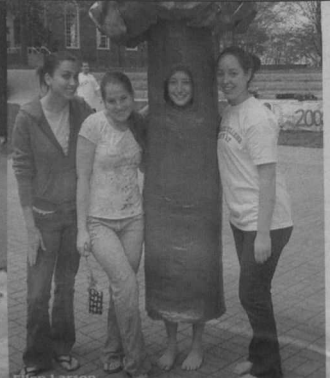
I remember gathering together 7 or 8 people and giving everyone a light saber or some other child's version of a weapon. Like a chainsaw or a jack hammer- and organizing a fight scene outside the window of a classroom where the teacher's back faced the window.

I remember mudsliding in front of Whiteford and building a bathtub out of duct tape. I remember piling cushions in the Rouzer lobby and jumping off the banister onto them while photographing our cool moves. I remember hide-and-seek at Harvestone, playing ultimate frisbee on the football field, and watching meteor showers into the night. I remember complaining about the food and then missing all the people I got to see while eating it. I remember all-nighters in the common room, interrupted by sing-alongs and debate. I remember the feeling of accomplishment after finishing a big paper and the panic of finishing last minute assignments. Being a student was an adventure."

- RACHEL DIAMOND

"BUDAPEST Spring 2009 - the most amazing experience ever! Also visited Ireland, Croatia, Venice, Vienna, and Prague. Others - Spring Fling, my work with the Free Press, film classes, chicken tender Thursdays, homecoming games, cookouts at Harvestone, SNOWMAGGEDON!"

- JULIANN GUIFFRE



TOP LEFT: Roxanne Fleischer, Emily Peoples, Lisa Katchan, and Emily Hajjar are dining on a cruise in December '09.

ABOVE: Natalie Hartman, Amelia Reiniger, Ellen Larson, and Sarah Gambolati give out free hugs on Earth Day.

FAR LEFT: Ellen Larson mudslides down the hill outside of Whitford, while Kirstin Menzies and Amelia Reiniger watch.

LEFT: Dawn Aldrich and Jessie Dunn have fun during the 2007 Relay for Life event and begin an incredible friendship.

BOTTOM LEFT: Seniors Tyler K. Udravetz, Frannia Bryant, Nikki DeJulius, Brittany Guzman, and Lyndley O'Dell attend a Baltimore Ravens Pre-Season football game.

BOTTOM: Kirstin Menzies, Molly Barker, Sarah Gambolati, and Amelia Reiniger duck taped Ellen Larson to the wall for no apparent reason.

Kirstin Menzies

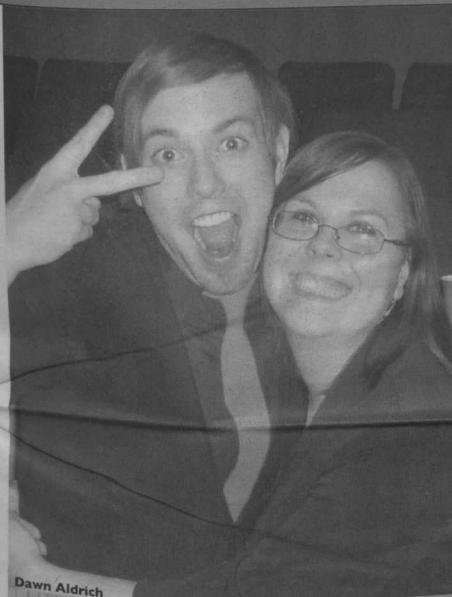
Dawn Aldrich



Frannia Bryant



Kirstin Menzies



Dawn Aldrich



Frannia Bryant

LEFT: Senior Dawn Aldrich and junior Bryan Yarrington celebrate after directing the Vagina Monologues in April 2010.

ABOVE: Kandice Wilson, Kendal Ford, Ashley Day, and Frannia Bryant pose for a picture in the dance studio.

BELOW: Molly Barker, Sarah Gambolati, Amelia Reiniger, and Natalie Hatman support their friend, Kirsten Menzies, by taping her name across themselves for a lacrosse game.



Kirsten Menzies



Calendar of Senior Week Events

Tuesday, May 18 Orioles Game 5 pm

A bus will transport students to and from Camden Yards to watch the Baltimore Orioles play the Kansas City Royals.

Cost: \$18

Wednesday, May 19 Crab Feast 4:30 pm

The Alumni Office will sponsor the traditional crab feast at Harvey Stone Pavilion. There will be beer, crabs, hot dogs, veggie burgers, snacks, desserts, a DJ and cool giveaways!

Cost: \$18

Thursday, May 20 Casino Night 8 pm

A formal casino night will be held in the Forum. Cost includes an open bar, cocktail food, casino games, and prizes.

Cost: \$15

Friday, May 21 Baccalaureate Service 7:30 pm

A Baccalaureate service will be held in Big Baker Memorial Chapel for students, friends, and family. A free all campus party will follow the event.

Cost: Free

To the senior staff of the Free Press-
You will be missed! Good luck, seniors!



TOP ROW: Kate Delenick, Juli Guiffre, Ashleigh Smith, Karla Holland

BOTTOM ROW: Roxanne Fleischer, Andrew Velnoskey, Naomi Raphael, Evan Ticknor, Angela Baldwin, Jetonne' Ellis

Sam Segal

*The McDaniel Free Press
congratulates the
graduating class of 2010!*