RESIDENT ASSISTANTS LAUREN FISCHETTI, RIGHT, AND TORI PICKETT, BOTH JUNIORS, ENJOY A DAY OF EXERCISE AND STRIKE POSES DURING RA TRAINING IN AUGUST.

PHOTO BY SAM SEGAL
Enjoy college by getting involved

First year team offers advice

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Co News Editor

Dean Violanti, Dean Johnson-Ross, and Dean Towle comprise the first year staff. According to Dean Towle, first days differ men. Violanti said these first days are to help freshmen adjust to college life and Dean Towle is the “career advising director,” she suggested using the website c.eulearnaboutreources,themonidan.edu to ask for help when you need it. 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 these seminars are the first year seminars, and they’ll tell you “It is the best job on campus.”

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

If social, community service, and a desire to help others are for you, then a fraternity or sorority is your perfect college experience for anyone new to campus. While student participation in Greek Life is now declining, 15-16% of student body involvement. McDaniels College still has some vital Greek letter organizations for those interested. The collagen of the sororities Alpha Nu Omegas, Phi Alpha Mu, Phi Mu, and Phi Sigma Sigma. The social fraternities are Alpha Phi, Kappa Delta Rho, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma and Alpha Gammas (Tau Beta). One feature of Greek Life is giving back to the community. For example, Casey Crouch, president of Phi Mu is a social secretary and also participated in community service. As a national organization, Phi Mu also has a national philanthropy, Children’s Miracle Network. Lindsay Anderson, president of Phi Sigma Sigma, says that “Phi Sigma Sigma is a social sorority and also take part in community service. As a national organization, we give back to the community.” In regards to choosing a fraternity or sorority, it’s important to consider the bonding, the positive effect of the organization on the members’ lives. The bonding process will be enlightening as to which organization is the best fit, but in reference to the Greek Life experience many students had positive remarks. Anderson continues that “I see our chapter’s mission to not only set a good example in our community, but to help the positive change in.” She continues, “I believe she could consider rushing Phi Sig because we are fun and classy women. We take it time to improve the outlook of collegiate activities as well as taking the time to hang out and make lasting memories.” Crouch says about her sorority “that Phi Mu provided me with a wonderful group of sisters who I am proud to say are my sisters.”

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C rences that a non-Greek student will graduate without.” While McDaniels, a member of Phi Kappa Sigma, remarks that “Joining Phi Kappa Sigma gave me a connection to an awesome group of guys that I know I can always depend on no matter what.”

Katie Reynolds, president of Alpha Omegas, says “The way I would always describe why someone should consider joining Alpha Nu Omegas is because we are a very diverse group of girls that know how to have fun with each other, but also how to get down to business when necessary. We aren’t the stereotypical sorority from the movie; we are just a fun group of girls.”

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Although Towle mentioned that the team offers advice, she is right. Many of you have never been to college so it is no surprise when students are scared. 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 these seminars are the first year seminars, and they’ll tell you “It is the best job on campus.”

MEETYOURCLASS, 2013! Incoming freshmen are diverse, accomplished

If you’d like more information please contact Betsy Beveridge at bbeveridge@mcDaniel.edu or ext 2588.
As a Post 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 Post has decided to punish us by forcing us to sit through a seemingly endless first half.

I don't care. I don't have a problem with the system. I have a problem with Post. If the first half suddenly disappeared, why the fresh meat on campus should With the system, I have a problem with CCSsStory, someone why Fate has decided to punish us by math? I don't care. I don't have a problem seeming standsnil. But I might have ended up after the first half.

Some of the points Gladwell made were that the numbering system in their language was more logically organized. I know there's a place in this society for mathematics. I'm just not a math whiz, however. Sometimes it seems as if the people who can jump on the bandwagon and cry discrimination every time someone says anything even remotely off-color. Some of the points Gladwell made were that the numbering system in their language was more logically organized. I can buy that. I can even buy that these are a lot of successful Jewish lawyers who worked in power firms and were forced to practice law in unconventional ways that eventually became the popular norm. I'm sure that some people who twist stereotypes into what ever they want to make them. Gladwell says anything even remotely off-color. Maybe.

My problem is that Gladwell thought that to get past these characters carry beyond that first generation. Wrong. I might not be accepted by powerful firms. As if I were 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 bagpiper, and I wouldn't be caught dead in lederhosen.

Minor: Law
Major: Communication
Year: Senior
Favorite place on campus and why: The Campus center is home to me, and being close to friends.
Most memorable class: Criminal Law, because I spend a lot of time there with friends, especially Chet.
Favorite hangout: The Campus Center, because it's a great place to get focused.
This year, Communication students have the opportunity to attend a competitive field hockey conference, the Mid-Atlantic Hockey League (MAHL), which will provide them with a chance to compete against some of the top teams in the conference. Coach Jones of the McDaniel field hockey team has high expectations for her team, and with her veteran lineup, she believes her team can perform well in the upcoming season.

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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.

SAM SEGAL

Resident Assistants check freshmen into their dorm rooms during orientation.

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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

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 members: Phillips G. Emmitte, '71, Ralph D. Fish, '94, James I. Melhorn, Julie Mercer, Albert J. Merzantonio, '78, and Coley. The committee also includes Hill, but he will not have a vote in the final election.

"The overall consensus, according the Gring, was that the next President of McDaniel College." 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."
Ira Zepp: Words We Will Remember Him

ANGELA BALDWIN
Copy Editor

Verses from the Bible.
The Lord's Prayer.
The Qur'an - in both English and Arabic.
The moving 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 said 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 Develin Coley told the crowd that filled every inch of space in the chapel that Zepp was also an influence on her life.

"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.

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 an 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.

"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."

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

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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, 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 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 canisters 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-stand- ing 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 clean."

So keep your eyes open and your hands clean. New hand sanitizing units can be located in the finest center, gymnasium locker rooms, Dickey 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."

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

DEAN GERL

What are the symptoms?

Basically, the same as the regular flu. Symptoms include: nausea, vomiting, fever, coughing, running nose, and congestion. People who have the swine flu exhibit at least two of those symptoms. It is 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 it 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 more (or your roommates) 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.

Food cooked to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F (71 C) will kill the virus, so eating properly cooked pork is perfectly safe.

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.
EMMA BARBATO
Staff Reporter

Recycling is such a waste of time. They don’t really care at McDaniel College. Students have seen groundkeepers 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 fact that’s already so overdone. 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; it’s not waste our time. Recycling Mania can’t say anything that hasn’t been heard before ad nauseam.

It’s thoughts like these 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 activites. They promote a “gotta catch em’ all” attitude in regard to anything that can be put in a blue bin. At junior Colleen 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 every body. To kick the year off Garden Apartments plans to have a recycling competition among its three buildings throughout the month of October, aptly named “Stick 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, individually easy. The college in 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 so 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 it is, it’s really worth the effort,” said Liz Kiler, 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 cans is shown.

EMMA BARBATO
Staff Reporter

Freshman David Habel had a stronger reaction to Coke going away. “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 altered. I started to ask myself how I could go onto the field and watch games without being able to enjoy the alternative Pepsi products.”

Administrators charted and compared qualities of both products. Seidel said, “We 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 hide 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 between the two contracts. When you added up all the money, it was almost dead even,” said Seidel.

“It was extremely close and he 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,” said Seidel. “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 Snapple,” 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 CROUCH
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 attention 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 cheese," said Shank. She also explained that there is an abundance of cheese clubs in other countries and to learn some of the history along the way. Currently, the club has a few outstanding "cheesy" positions open, 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 "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.

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

This club is 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 Cheese Boxes 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, and 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 Cheddar or Cheese Nips are preferred, or how quickly someone can eat two boxes with no beverages.

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 est001@mc.daniel.edu, or check out the group on Facebook.

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Cheese club may go without

BRENTON GREEN
Staff Reporter

This year the Cheese Club may have to operate without ever eating cheese. The Student Government Assembly recently ratified a restructured constitution adding new bylaws and altering others. One of the laws says that money cannot be allocated to student clubs for food based events. However, the club does plan to hold several food based clubs such as the Cheese Club.

"Fondue can contribute significantly to the academic atmosphere of McDaniel because food is a big part of culture," said sophomore Megan Robinson, Publicity Officer and Assistant Big Cheese. The Cheese Club 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...as we move forward with our ratified S.G.A., anything is possible" said Matt Burdette, Vice-president of College Services.

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A Visualization of Sophistication:

The Sophisticated Ladies club hopes to bring growth to students

J ELIS
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 Maduor-Parek during this past 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, Maduor-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. "Sophisticated Ladies" will have an 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."

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 Maduor-Parek at km003@mc.daniel.edu, Secretary Renee Kabako at rkk002@mc.daniel.edu, or Treasurer Musi Imakando at rmi002@mc.daniel.edu. Meetings are held every other Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in Garden Apartments 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 collie spray painted “X.” These are the reminders people walk past going to work every day.

For me, New Orleans still means being in 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.

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 to Westminster through such volunteering.

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 student opportunities for service.

“I love the job, so far it’s going really well,” stated Hiltz.

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

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

First she accepted the school position, and then went to training in Philadelphia in August. AmeriCorps 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.

“We got 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 includes: Boys and Girls club, Communal Media Center, Chamber of Commerce, Senior Center, Children Services, and Barcbranch. 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 such work.

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

I believe Chinese fortune cookies should not contain Brooklyn passwords. 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.

GORDON LYNES

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I believe in expanding one's mind, wasting hours of my life on school, giving them enough knowledge to know not to talk about it. This is something the need 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 most of them are really relevant anymore. If people want to talk about sex, than people should talk about sex.

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DEVON McANDREW

I believe the smell of the old streets, the gunsmells, the overcrowdedness, the tax, the cars, and the people. I believe in the breeze, the smell of smoke, the restaurants, the old buildings, the lights, the sun, the move, 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.

RUJU ZARU

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Walk-A-Mile benefits Rape Crisis Center

JULIANN GUIFFRE
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Saturday, Sept. 12. Dressed in women’s shoes, team members wobbled and hobbled around Dunster Park in Waltham until they had clicked one mile.

Their efforts garnered more than $2,000 for the local Rape Crisis Intervention Service (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 Dunster Park. McNulty terms had the most impressive showing, Junice Reppert, 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 members Jim Knu, Jerry Pauk, Herb Smith, Eric Bird, Jane Flores and Henry Reiff (Joe DeAngel and Mark Hsu 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 an action ‘Save,’ said Max. "When the class hit its challenge for them to raise $50, Kore (two) turned up and taught Friday’s class in high 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 write "cham inged.

"These shoes are two sizes too small, but I’ll walk a mile before the race," said Andrew Rush 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.
Danger Sauce looks for new ingredients

Auditions for the college's improv group Danger Sauce took place on Sunday, Sept. 12. Michael Bryna and Lucas Sperber become new members of Danger Sauce. Returning members include: Max Robinson, Julia Williams, Dave Arnold, Mike Reifler, Jock Blum, Andy Fleming, Cindy Sando, 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. For left top, new students and their parents attend the convocation ceremony. For left bottom, President Coley demonstrates how to ring in the new school year. Center, Eric Wallus 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

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 was “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 Rob was lying in the middle of Park Avenue, lifeless. Apparently he had rolled out of an open window during one of the several flips the truck experienced. None of us were seatbelted.

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 infection 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 am I going to go to look for my boyfriend? Will he ever remember who I am?

Shock Trauma finally released him to Kornosh Orthopedics and Rehabilitation Hospital, where he endured physical therapy for a week and a half. He started walking and talking again. And in my opinion, he was still the same person. He moved back in with his roommates when he left the hospital because he still couldn’t see or talk 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.”

For weeks after the accident, Rob hosted in Shock Trauma. Now enduring physical therapy and living at home, he told me:

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**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 on permanent record

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**Lighter Side of the Campus Safety Blotter**

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

KATHERYN MCGINLEY  
Web Manager

The Ravenshow training camp is always a very good time on campus—less, of course, you’re the dude who was sneaking unauthorized 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 problems letting, um, other things go. Like their bladders.

We’re guessing that it was not the goal of the two students busted for taking a while 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 Rouzer 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 picking up 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 Rouzer 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, (oh, we guess), and maybe it was a little of that stress that contributed to another Rouzer-escapee one that involved a student threatening his roommate with a knife. Boys, boys...can’t we all just get along? Will we ever remember who we are?

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 outthere. Please don’t drink and drive. Look at me, it’s worth it.”

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**QUICK VIEW**

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**CAMPUS FACILITIES**

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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  
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*Editor’s Note: This column by Katheryn McGinley is dedicated to some of the most insane calls to which Campus Safety officers respond—we should respond. Incident actually occurred, but the names of the victims are not included to protect the non-innocents.*
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 F. 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. 25 after a 15-month struggle with brain cancer. But why was he important, you ask? Because while he was an influential man, especially in the arena of national healthcare, which he deemed important to Americans.

Now, I am not a Democrat. That's not to say I'm a Republican either. Hesitant to spurn the news between classes and studying and adjusting to college life. Political leanings, it is difficult to deny that this nation has issues within its healthcare system. The current system has its flaws, and the Obama administration proposes changes that superficially seem pleasant and beneficial. However, these are all just final products of purely political agendas. Getting there will not be as simple. The President's Budget for 2010 sets aside $675 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 context. There are additional controversial aspects of the proposed legislation. Some people fear that this is pushing America in a socialistic direction. Others worry that private insurers could go out of business because of the creation of more competition in the health insurance market, while businesses must fight to stay afloat, the government can see its role more clearly.

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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 as 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."
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 rearranged performances from the past, and more than likely, something that a 60's nostalgia-minded audience would have appreciated.

But instead, it was a really bad movie. It was one of the worst movies I have ever seen. The movie was a 2D experience of watching the concert. I was not able to fully appreciate the music that was performed at Woodstock. Instead, I was bombarded with naked people, sex, drugs, and violence. It was a complete waste of my time.

The movie was slow going for most of the 100 minutes it ran. It was difficult to follow the storyline and the characters were not well-developed. The movie lacked a clear focus and it was hard to understand what was happening.

I also found the music to be disappointing. The performances from the great artists were not well-done. I was not able to fully appreciate the music that was performed at Woodstock. Instead, I was bombarded with naked people, sex, drugs, and violence. It was a complete waste of my time.

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

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Commentary Editor

How much do you tip your waitress? Fifteen percent? Twenty? Feeling generous? In an exceedingly overheated 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 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 waitresses I know and asked for their opinions. One, who had already heard about Oprah's advice, was more than 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 crux of a very scandalous 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. 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 very 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, 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 tips, it's Oprah. The Internet is pick one of the most influential African Americans in the United States today. It's disconcerting that such a thing could still exist, even in a 'harmless' Internet 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 "Rock of Love Bus," killed his fiancée Megan) a Millionaire became a fugitive after being charged for the murder of his wife, Jasmine Fiore. The manner which caused 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 statements remained vague.

"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 pursued any future airings. That is a tragic situation and our thoughts go out to the victim's family," the release stated.

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 top was correct, because as a Canadian citizen, Jenkins' criminal record would not have been included if he was questioned and allowed to immigrate to the United States. However, after Jenkins was reported as a suspect, TMZ immediately uncovered court documents that found Las Vegas dating back to 2005 that included charges of assault and misdemeanor battery not just 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 acookiec approach to the tragedy. Gabor & Demeterco reported an October 2008 incident where VH1 and 51 Minds denied responsibility when a drug-depriving 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 circuit that has surrounded TLC's Jon & Kate plus 8 is not as much of the fault of the production as it is the stars. With the tabloid circus surrounding the couple becoming inescapable, 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 career of their family. Jackie Alhanem of Grandparent.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'Connell 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 streams 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 outspoken manner, which began to manifest in the way she treated her children and husband while also a double standard filter, Jon is sympathized and praised as a bachelor while Kate, who is moody caring for the children on her own, is denigrated for all her action. TLC producers could have provided counseling for the fairly young couple when the relationship began to fall under the stress, 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: do not mister who draws the line and when, as long as someone does so. In the end no one did, and the consequences became very real.

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

Tigers - Defense and Adrian Peterson should get this team the division crown. Brett Favre shouldn't be able to miss this up until the playoffs.

Green Bay - Preseason, an easy schedule and an emerging star in Aaron Rodgers ensures the Packers will challenge during the division.

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

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

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

Minnesota - Gonzales will help take the offense to the next level, but if the defense doesn't improve, this team will struggle to make the Wild Card.

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

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

AFC West

Arlizona - 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 if they are a few years away.

Predicting the World Series

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 by Pablo Sandoval. The Rockies, on the other hand, don't have much depth pitching wise but have a strong starting top three in Ubaldo Jimenez, Jorge de la Rosa, and Jon Lester. 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 finishes between the Boston Red Sox and the Texas Rangers. Both teams have added additional 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 Joe Gar札ld, Angela James, and utility player Ronnie Belliard.

The Rockies need 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.

This looks like the world series again in Boston, but if it isn't then it will be another close game.

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LOOKING AHEAD: GREEN TERROR SOCCER

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 CROUCH
Staff Reporter

As of September 8, the men's soccer team is off to an at least 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 Boys 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 opponent 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.
McDaniel football suffers two torn ACLs

ZACH WEEDEN
Staff Reporter

"Just 'cause we're hurt, doesn't mean we quit," senior captain Aaron Slaughter couldn't 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 show in the season.

With 23 senior 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 linemen coaches in Alonso Escalante and Josh Wright. 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. Wright comes to McDaniel with a solid college career receiving freshmen linemen 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 Krafft could've said enough about all the hard work this year's senior class has put in this practice. The team's hard work in the off season to turn things around was evident as their success was expected through out the St. Vincent's game, while allowing only 59 rushing yards.

The McDaniel offense was led by sophomore quarterback Tom Massucci's career high 238 passing yards and four touchdown passes. Tom and his receiving corps, including Starting Wide Out Sam; suffered a torn ACL in the St. Vincent's game, causing McDaniel to sink to a respectable amount 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 line, and the rest of the defense combined to get a total of three sacks and 10 tackle assists.

Unfortunately, Slaughter, like Slaughter, misses the entire season. Aaron is still active with the team, helping to put himself in position for the senior's game. Aaron is expected to fill his shoes this year 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.

Terror football hurt but not quitting

PHOTOS BY EVAN TICKNOR
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.

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

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

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TWO WEEKS IN PHOTOGRAPHS
New paperless SGA elections an improvement

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION DITCHES PAPER BALLOTS FOR HIGH-TECH VOTING

SCOTT WELKOS
Staff Reporter

If it seems empty outside of Gar in 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 first time this year, was created with the help of Dean of Student Affairs Beth Gerl said that the results of this year’s election show a “renewed energy” in McDaniel students. 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 Schuler (Commuter Student Association), Brandon Campbell (Albert Norman Ward Hall), Anna Moffett (Blanche Ward Hall), Luke Schmidt (Daniel MacLea Hall), Nicholas Bender (Gordon Apartments), Zach Werden (McDaniel Tower), Zach Swopes (North Village), Ryan Spicer (Bosser Hall), and Hayoung Kim (Whiteford Hall). Pennsylvania Avenue is currently without a representative, having had no candidate run for it in the SGA. These senators are responsible for reaching out to their constituents and communicating information to KAs 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 116.

Day of Peace challenges students’ worldview

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 mixture 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.”

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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.

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Jan Term provides opportunities to explore

ANDREW VENOSKEY
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 warmer.

But the face 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 winter 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,” “Globe-trotting: China,” “From Aztecs to Anglos: A Cultural Journey.”

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

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 Term courses are 2 credits.

JAN TERM 2010 Study Tours

Tropical Marine Biology
BIO 172 - Randy Morrison
SCUBA Diving the World: Cayman EPE 271 - Geir Dahl
Study Trip to Bangladesh: Exploring Diversity
GNI 1131 - Carol Waddell
From Aztecs to Anglos: A Cultural Journey
Treasure of Central Europe
IDS 1142 - Mohamed Esa
Exploring Belarus
IDS 1144 - Herb Smith
Globe-trotting: China
MUL/SCC 1142 - Robin Armstrong and Deb Landa
Landscaes of Memories: Israel & Prague
REL 1142 - M. Goldman and L. Goodheart
Theater in Argentina
THE 1142 - Elizabeth van der Bogaard

There ain’t no party like a swine flu party

H1N1 spreads in Md., brings fears and parties

KATELYNN MCGOLDRICK
Web Manager

While the cases of H1N1 continue to spread at nearby Towson University, Johns Hopkins University, and College Park Universities, the virus more commonly known as “swine flu” has also made confirmed its arrival in Maryland. As of press time the college had confirmed that at least one student has contracted the disease, and many students are concerned that the H1N1 virus will affect their schools.

“I can’t really afford to get sick right now,” says junior Valerie Hudson. “I’m so busy with school, and I feel like missing class [due to H1N1] would really put me behind.”

Unfortunately with an H1N1 vaccination still a few weeks away from being released to the public, many of the country’s top universities are taking matters into their own hands in an effort to build up an immunity disease, “Swine flu parties” — where healthy persons contact in contact with someone 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.

But, before you run to Facebook to extend an email invite to your friends, keep in mind that Maryland state health officials do not advocate this practice and stick to their statement that students should choose to contact with someone infected with H1N1, setting 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;}
She became McDaniel's first female president in 2000 and presided over the school's name change in 2002. 

"Students want more options, more convenience and long-term interests, said Coley. "We have a thorough contract with Google that ensures the confidentiality and security of our data that they keep," says Palsgrove. "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 accounts 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 Palsgrove. "The college is currently testing to make sure 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.
New director brings life to a renamed OMS

J ELLIS Staff Reporter

Mahlia Joyce, Westminster native and graduate of McDaniel College, is back in the Acting Director of the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. Last year to work Ms. Zephyra Bryant's resignation at 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 at the age of 18 years at Gateway where she was working for the Office of Multicultural Services (OMS) part time as a Graduate Assistant. She had to leave McDaniel with such care and precision. She knew that someday, she would return to McDaniel again. Joyce and McDaniel share a deep-rooted connection, or as she would like to call it "a relationship."

Joyce is looking forward to many new experiences here in McDaniel and hopes that she will be able to impact the lives of the students that she cares in concert 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 OMS, Calla Cregan, class of '10, has been at McDaniel College all four years and says that besides the major change from the OMS to The OMS, it is hard for a student that is new to the college to adapt to the large amount of students they serve. Joyce is an excellent addition, and she is excellent at what she does.

The only thing that I would really like to see happen is The OMS gains more publicity on campus, but there is no doubt that Ms. Mahlia will make it happen.

Joyce likes to think of her life as having existed in two or more worlds. Personally, I love the work that I do to be an examiner of who I am as a person in the sense that I try to bridge those multiple parts of my identity. My goal is about maintaining that balance between the two worlds, especially when they seem to add conflict with each other.

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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 tight, here are some tips for how to save some money.

1. Free movies sponsored by CAP-Board: 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, there are resources for cheap fun. Friends and housemates are like a free Blackstone.

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 free books, so don't be dismayed by the numerous books for that research paper you've been pushing off. You can access them on McDaniel ID. Remember the $50. This money can be saved to buy coffee at the Budapest Coffee, anything in the bookstore, etc. This prevents a trip into town, meaning not only money out of the bank is saved but gas money, too!

4. Skip the pedicure: The manicure bars are great, but anyone strapped for cash can save the $30 and paint their own nails.

5. 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 malls run out, walk to the stores and consider it a workout.

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

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

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

9. Just be smart: Next time you consider buying that new pair of shoes or a video game, do you have the cash to spend or is it more something you need? Be sure to check your budget before you start spending.

"I also use my vacation days on holidays and their birthdays," Brown states. "They only get one day a year dedicated to just us, and I want to be the one 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 during all his visits is... „shopping. His hobbies consist of shooting pool, basketball, fishing, hunting, running, working out, and playing handphones.

"I've never seen a person in Glar that doesn't enjoy eating. Brown says. "That's why I always remember the $50. This money can be saved to buy coffee at the Budapest Cafe, anything in the bookstore, etc. This prevents a trip into town, meaning not only money out of the bank is saved but gas money, too!"
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 backstab each other. 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 E. DIVEN

I believe in God and the power of faith; believing 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 justice for those who deserve it, and doing what is right.

I believe in working hard for your first car and knowing it's yours.

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“Air-Borne” school provides worthwhile summer experience

DEVAN HAMRIC
Contributor

Free Donning GA, "Home of the Infantry," conducts the most prestigious "Air-Borne" school in the world. Each week a class of roughly four-hundred cadets graduate with their "jump wings" proudly pinned on their chests. Among these graduates are soldiers in the Army, Marine, Navy, and Air Force both officers and enlisted, as well as members of our allied armed forces such as Brit-
sish, Israeli, and Hungarian. One last group, the one that gave me the opportunity to earn one of these coveted dust and my wings, is Army ROTC.

My personal experience as Charlie 26, a title that identified the 26th female cadet in 8 Compa-
ny, 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 run-
ners fly a red flag symbolizing "heat cap 5," meaning dangerous heat, as early as nine o'clock. When you see colonies of insects gathering on the water jug, it was really a question of "if" but "when" this precau-
tion would be given. When it is, even the newest Sergeants Airborne cannot make you run. How-
ever, this fact and even the small uniform alterations such as freezing your shower are of little comfort when you can feel the sweet 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 training. If you can't keep up, you are expected to do ten be-
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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

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sting of McDaniel College students.

The experience I gained was invaluable. Each week at airborne was dedicated to a cer-

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For ROTC thoughts, see page 73, for

we practiced existing techniques from

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 Colonial thought... A new perspective...

Since we last checked in with that merry band

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PA AVE
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Fire extinguishers growing in popularity, despite a lack of fires

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DRAFT CENTER
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COUNTRY SIDE of the Campus Safety Blotter

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Obama's first months fulfill promise of change

ANDREW VELINSKLEY
Staff Reporter

Last year as we began the school year, the nation was in frenzy over the upcoming elections. Some people wanted McCain, some Obama, and some 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 homefront fell silent for the first time in his administration to pass most of the problems 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 are just 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 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 that were expected, a sign that job losses are slowing, but Obama has learned that a lot of what is going to happen to people last their jobs months ago. According 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. Transporation, leisure, hospitality, and retail jobs remained mostly flat, while health care jobs posted slight gains. But manufacturing and financial sector jobs continue to decline. The biggest losers continue to be construction, losing 65,000 jobs in August.

Of course, Obama has had 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 hopes 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 cured vice in Iraq. But with a good plan and good execution, many Obama policies have a real chance to make a last- ing, positive change.

Palin should be out of public spotlight

TRAVIS COMPTON
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It's been nearly a year since we last saw Sarah Palin to matter in management 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 enough to manage of things, but we still saw her in the news long past her two years tenure. But 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. Is it the shenanigans so far? Nothing like not knowing the Bush doctrine... However, for this piece I will spare you my personal泰国 and go back to the matter at hand. Why is she still in the news?

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It is because she shares the same qualities as those in the news today: a woman with little experience in rise, and no position in a political party that has heavy hitters like, Carl Rove and Michael Steele. Normally I'd be bashing Palin on the radar. It's a simple answer. Somewhere along the lines the news industry became a corporation that became immersed in profit margins instead of actual stories. Stories that I think should take up the time that Palin is getting, the reason why the U.S. hasn't stepped in to Defeat, the official death toll from Hurricane Katrina which has up until now been nothing but a game of hide and seek. Even if only 100,000 people are out of work, is it really that unimportant?

I believe we must take all of the things that she has done and lump them together into a group well call "things Palin has done". This includes, non-executive name. These things done in single events have made her a pariah among the Republican Party. Even her status as an ex-pariah has rem- ded her immune to the normal ramifications of not speaking coherently with Katie Couric, or wing during a debate or simply lying about who her opponent is. It might be the Bush doctrine...

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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.

-Torreka Jordan

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BROTHERS ANTHONY AND JOE RUSSO DIRECT THE GOOD AND BAD OF BAD TV SITCOMS

Arrested Development worm 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 network. 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 J. (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 most important comedic series. Filmed like a documentary and written with the intention of parodying every possible thing, the show taps 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
USA VASAPOLLO
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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, the blonde, the nerd, 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 realistic 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

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Laurel-Blances 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 walehing this album, duh. Never heard of it next year (2010) I guarantee this album for the last month and my downstairs neighbors who inevitably heard me practicing my Honor Roll (and the Gayne Wetsky). Sorry to my Honor Society is probably the best band you've ever heard of. The Band consists of six members, the fates of one of the Top 10 albums on iTunes, as well as being one of the top five for the Pop album as well, and selling out as many venues 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. Just imagine me shooting from the roof top 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 Rostn(31)-keyboards, guiws, and vocals, Andrew Lec(29)-bass and vocals, and Akxander 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 brand of music from the Jonas's family friendly pop. With lyrics like "I see you walk across my mom in nothing but the moonlight. Now I love to see you in the dark." from "You in the Dark,” you'll hear the song "Two Brides" just to name a few of my favorite songs on their album.

Their debut album features the beloved hit “You in the Dark,” learn the Honor Roll from your favorite 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 realistic 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.

The thing that I really love about Honor Society, other than just their insane talent for performing and song writing, is their likability. In a world where celebs are more transparent than ever with twiter, youtube, and live, it's rare when they're sincere, genuine and damn funny guys. Seriously check out their face book chat, or even watch a video of a previous live chat on facebook, if you don't laugh hysterically at least once, and if you aren't genuinely entertained let me know and we'll try to find you a better sense of humor. I feel like after 700 weeks 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 you review my review of Honor Society, I am currently on their tour. You can definitly enough to make you want to buy the album, well I'll let Joe Jonas, from the DVD, have the last word on the gentlemen. They are nice young men. They smell good. They look good, Honor Society.
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 design, 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 "Nerds," 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.

Paper Moon offers great menu

SAMA BARRATO
Staff Reporter

A brightly colored mannequin hangs from the ceiling as I check out the deep dish apple pie, Oreo pancakes, 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 dirty old suits, sinks, and statues of elephants make up the outside 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 a 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 some alternative options like vegan nachos and a better than usual hummus plate. 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 little 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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Field Hockey player can balance school and fun

MATTHEW BOGNAR
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 an enjoy.

Then is the life of a Division I athlete in today's ultra-competitive, winter 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 those 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 of 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 success with transferring were her family members. McDonald. Her stepfather is in the McDaniel Hall of Fame for football, and her stepbrother, A.J. Bonacorso, is a senior here on the hill.

This fall 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 freshmen, and I didn't really experience that at Georgetown." The camaraderie on the team stems 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 has. She thinks for the first time into the working world. We're so close in the season and a lot of players are just getting used to playing with each other. "This year the 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 season why the Green Terror cannot be a strong force in the Centennial Conference.

Battista has experienced two seasons in the collegiate sporting world their past two years. She has experienced the bloodthirsty environment of Division I athletics, and the more relaxed pace of Division III competition. The difference 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 echelons of collegiate sports. Unfortunately, in Division I it appears the student aspect of athlete is often forgotten and certainly not promoted by many. The glory of championships and perhaps more importantly, sponsorships and prize money overshadows the glories of scoring an A in the classroom. After discovering the former lifestyle Battista embarked on, 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 the hill, the primary focus is obtaining a great education. Battista's practice and game schedule is certainly more manageable, her coaches are more approachable, and her teammates are more free to pursue their interests. Battista's desire to prepare for a future in the real world. Division III athletes have found a delicate balance between sports and academics. Division III philosophies 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 the student-athlete's academic program." (NCAA.org)

McDaniel has embraced and lived up to this fundamental belief of Division III sports. Battles, 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 take the field 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 of the playing field by placing them in classrooms with dedicated and compassionate professors. After the final whistle blows on a game at McDaniel is up, it is this philosophy that surely many young adults up for a lifetime of success

Every week one bruce sports reporter will get the chance to not only show knowledge by going one-on-one with the authors. This week new Coons will be the first victim.

OutPickNick

According to Biss...

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

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 intensely 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 rough and will win a close one.

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

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

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

Cincinnati vs. Cleveland

Bengals pound.

Boston vs. New England

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

Tampa Bay vs. Washington

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

Tennessee vs. Jacksonville

Jaguars Ugh, after the Titans are not the same team they were last year. If the Jaguars can find a way to hold the Titans run game in check look for them to get it done at home.
Students gathered outside GLAB on Saturday, Oct. 17 to watch their peers hold string 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. Essa on Monday, October 12.

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

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

Essa, the chair of the Foreign Language Department at McDaniel, was honored 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 realms, as well as charitable, or philanthropic work.

"I think you have achieved quite unusual inspiration with your students," said Scharioth, who praised Essa's unorthodox 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, Essa has offered training workshops to teach 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 Basday, a senior.

"His classes are never boring," said Lauren Hamby, sophomore. "He's insane, but in a really good way," said Megan Plair, sophomore.

Essa 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 Ian Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award, the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG) Merit Award, the Certificate of Merit from the Goethe-Institute, and The Federal Republic of Germany Friendship Award.

Essa 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 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 roundabout ways to do great things."

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

Essa'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."

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TOP: Around 30:40 of Essa's friends, family, and colleagues attended the award ceremony, including President Joan Deswol Coley and Trustee Dolly Snyder.
CENTERS: Essa invited several students of his, both past and present, to attend the ceremony at the German Ambassador's own residence.
BOTTOM: Dr. Essa, above all, thanked his wife, Andrea, and two sons - Gibson and Anour, for giving him the happiest days of his life.

GERMAN-AMERICAN DAY 2009

TOP: Students drew their own ideas of a fairy tale for a workshop taught by Wyatt Basday 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 slides in Ensor Lounge as model portions of the Berlin Wall.

CHRIS RONDO
On any other day, if you saw him walking through the McDaniel campus, you most likely would assume he is a student of some sort. Adorned in a brown fleece, jeans and Nike shoes, Malcolm Gladwell blends in with everyone else, but really he is an outisde to disguise.

Having published three New York Times best sellers and countless contributions to The New Yorker, Gladwell indisputably sees 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 Fell, 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 capitalism, an idea he "thought of a lot and that helped form his book Outliers: The Story of Success." Capitalism, as Gladwell defined it, "is what we think of as the management of our assets, our actual end up doing that.

Gladwell stated that he thought there were three main elements that prevent capitalism from happening. For the first element, poverty, Gladwell described Michael Lewis' book The Blind Side. Evolution of a Giant. Gladwell stated that in Memphis, the capitalization rate of football players that enter the NFL is one in six. Many of the players have the ability to play in the National Football League, but they are too poor to get their education, practice and put in the necessary hours. Gladwell suggested that there were two or three capitalists and then choose from the best players of each group. Capitalists are preventing some of the future players from ever having a chance because of cause of childbirth. Gladwell told the audience that culture is the final element that prevents capitalism. Gladwell stated that the society that "all Asian kids are good at math. But why is that?" Gladwell asked. He stated that it was because of the emphasis placed on math in Asian countries.

Their teachers have more rigorous expectations 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 so much work is put towards math. The teachers could then use similar methods in their classrooms to see if 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 for too much of the idea of success is based on wealth and material things.

When The Hill played field questions from the audience he was asked about when he comes up with this "stuff." Gladwell chuckled and answered, "Well you have to read a lot." Gladwell explained that there are a lot of good books out there to read but, "the problem with that cool stuff is that it's not worth cool." Gladwell encouraged the audience to go to the next chapter, the less interesting part of the book. Gladwell suggested that everyone who has been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

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The Headstrong Foundation hosted a Fall Ball Lacrosse tournament every fall in order to raise money and awareness for lymphoma. This program is held in the heart 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 Cullen, a former Lacrosse player at Salisbury University who lost his fight to Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma after a 14-month battle.

Head McDaniel Men's Lacrosse coach Mar- chewa Hartman says, "The team sees this as such a special opportunity to dig deep and 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 hope to let him know we are behind him every step of the way."
A day in the life of a commuter student

STEVEN CARNEY, 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 to 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, ticketing, road hazards, and safety concerns.

One of the more 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 ‘outskirt parking lots’ like Horizon 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.

SGA Representative for Commuter Students Jessica Schlicher acts as the liaison between The Commuter Student Association and The Student Government Association. According to Schlicher, 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," students choosing to commute, these students choose 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 off-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, commuter students can’t. Carney laughs, recalling a joke that is common among commuter students: "In the mornings, commuter students have already dodged shared door 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 missing 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 on the work.

From Carney’s perspective, the biggest obstacle for commuters is overcoming the label of community: "I can refer 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."
Bless My Soul: Transvestites galore in ‘Rocky’ show

SAMANTHA LAMBERT
Staff Reporter

Props Bag, Check, Dino Bell Check, Fashion Check, Virginia 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 entertained audience members with glimpses of what to expect on stage, an excitingly eerie production.

While some faculty and parents seemed a bit uncomfortable, McDaniel students were more than willing to participate in “de-virginizing” and practicing the first steps of an exhilarating production.

The night started with a bang as we strolled the whole scene together, highlighting the sexy scene singing in a climactic dance party while pulling the audience with them.

The production was highly satisfying. "Show must go on!" For his excellent rendition of Dr. Frank-N-Furter, he pulled the entire audience to the center of the stage and had them laughing at his impertinence.

The show was finally ready for the public.

One of my friends was in the role of Brad. A freshman getting such a good part would be unheard of at my old school. He was so excited he promised to work more for weeks before the show. When he would finally appear, he would be in a sleepy stupor. I decided that the more bags we used under his eyes, the better the play would be. The right before we saw the play, the bags under his eyes reached his cheeks.

The night was dinner at top speed, taking three hours to taste. We decided to order 20 minutes early to make sure we found prime seats. We gathered in Anne's room. The lighting for the night covered her like a blanket. Showers were necessary if we were going to stay up so late. We splashed our bottoms and took the fumes down easy.

The adrenaline rush we were experiencing could only get us through the first half of the show.

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Marian outfit might have been my favorite. Leggings covered her legs in a black right well. On top of the leggings, she was covered with black blouse 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. Marian hair, like Carol's, was pulled into a high ponytail adorned with a sparkly hair band. She gave the impression of Kelly's younger sister. This Kelly, however, was ready for the audience.

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. She constantly said, "Oh, I 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 sheer short jean skirt with tall, forming boots and a purple nose ring. Her hair was half up and half down with one arm of hair coming through to the side.

The play was amazing! I really think it was one of the umpteen production I have ever seen. After the show, the audience exploded in applause, and, sadly, the night was over.

Contributor LISASTARR

"Call Backs": A Rocky Horror Review

LISA STAR
Contributor

The full theatre production at McDaniel College was The Rocky Horror Show, which show is filled with shocking twists and unexpected personality actions. McDaniel put the play on for four nights, with a double feature on Friday nights.

My friends were all excited about the chance to participate in 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 the produce 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!

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Marian outfit might have been my favorite. Leggings covered her legs in a black right well. On top of the leggings, she was covered with black blouse 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. Marian hair, like Carol's, was pulled into a high ponytail adorned with a sparkly hair band. She gave the impression of Kelly's younger sister. This Kelly, however, was ready for the audience.

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. She constantly said, "Oh, I 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 sheer short jean skirt with tall, forming boots and a purple nose ring. Her hair was half up and half down with one arm of hair coming through to the side.

The play was amazing! I really think it was one of the umpteen production I have ever seen. After the show, the audience exploded in applause, and, sadly, the night was over.

(Editted by: Featuring Lisa Starr submitted story under the Rocky Horror Production for an English assignment in Ms. Priscilla Old's class.)

TOP: Tucker, Chase Bums, Brooks Hair, and other cast members pose in their show attire.

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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.

- Torreka Jordan

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THE ANGRY VAGINA IS BACK

Becky Carpenter and “The Vagina Monologues” return for a seventh debut

Casey Crouch Staff Reporter

Professor Becky Carpenter will be preparing to or- ganize for her seventh year with “The Vagina Mono- logues” in February 2010. For those who are unaware, “The Vagina Monologues” is an episodic play written by Eve Ensler. Female-empowerment pieces from different perspective provide audience members with a chance to reflect on the experiences 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 previously the sole of professor of English, which is a huge accomplishment.

“A lot of women never make it past auditions,” Professor Carpenter has done a good job preserving equal opportunity for women,” said Carpenter.

Carpenter said she gained interest in the project when she started teaching a Gender Literature class. She said she built 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 was a little hesitant, went for the auditions, she was accepted by the group of diverse women and got the role of the “Angry Vagina.”

“The performance was extremely successful. The line was 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. Get sisterhood.”

Carpenter has participated in roles such as “Ouraganic Fact,” “Smell,” “Comfort Woman,” and “Hair” a couple of years, she Carpenter made it clear that her favorite role has been the “Angry Vagina.”

“I got to wear my ‘commy house’ for the role,” said Carpenter.

As the end of the production, one of the cast members share one of their experiences with violence.

“Each year is a different and great experience. We have new, fascinating, and brave students that end with their personal story. It takes an enormous amount of energy,” said Carpenter.

Interested in participating in “The Vagina Monologues”? There is only one requirement for those who want to participate:

“You do have to have a vagina,” said Carpenter.

However, since the show encourages both men and women to come and show their support. The show is not to be construed as ‘male bashing.’

“The show do not blame all men; it is not what it is about,” said Carpenter. She also comments that the show provide a feminine argument for pro-men. Yet, Carpenter believes that, “violence is caused by the length of a skull; we have reached a sad pass with men.”

Auditions and interest meetings are underway. For more information, contact Dawn Adelich at dcadeli@macdaniel.edu

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 philosophy? Although the club has been relatively inactive during the past three years, the Philosophy Club is once again gaining presence on campus.

The main goal of the Philosophy Club is to Vice President John Friedman says, “finding problems and trying desperately to solve them.” But that’s not all Philosophy Club can do. It can also provide a place for students of like-minds and similar interests to get together,” says Friedman.

Students can also present problems for discussion. It is a place to freely discuss ideas in a friendly social setting, and it is open to any who are interested in philosophy. Choosing philosophy as a major and just general interest will be a great start this year; they are hosting bi-weekly Speed- shops in Reeder Square at 4-6 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 104. For more information, contact Vice President Jake Friedman at jkf006@macdaniel.edu or Co-President Lin Sun (ls1002@acs.unc.edu) or John Medina (jmm21@macdaniel.edu).

Rejection Connection

Naomi Raphael Staff Reporter

The art of rejection is one that has been devel- oped over centuries, and is something that will con- tinue to be explored for eternity. Everybody at one point in his or her life will need an excuse not to go, to avoid having sex, to escape something horribly awkward and/or life al- tering, 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 fall on break-up, to rebuffing somebody on the dance floor, to throwing out of bed before the other per- son wakes up.

List and excuses in this order are not as easy as “he dog ate my vaginas” (although that would be 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 ‘whys.’ If you’re going to reject me just do it, I don’t want 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 hold somebody in limbo.”

It’s incredibly unfair to be somebody think that there are moral feelings, when those are clearly not. The further the relationship goes and the more physi- cal the relationship gets, the more difficult it will be to call the whole thing off.

Bonnie 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, and it’s always a struggle to give up that good.

“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.
The 5 best places to study on campus

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

Studying: It's always listening, 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 or air. By sitting down, opening a word document, and making a study guide. Sophomore Cindy Sordo says of her favorite place to study, "If I have to choose, in my room with some chill music in the background." As Sordo suggests, if the sound of housemates frisking downstairs threatens to distract, put on some peaceful music and get started.

2. A room in the library: None is available, the rooms downstairs in the library are an ideal place to settle down. With plenty of table space and silence, students can spend out and get some real work done. Plus, the books are already there should extra consultation is necessary.

3. In the grass next to Red Square: Offers filled with groups of people studying; for those who have trouble getting work done with noise, this may be the perfect spot.

4. Benton Sculpture Garden: It's quiet, usually pretty empty, and even has a fountain. If you're able to get comfortable on the wooden benches, a lot can get done.

5. The Budapest Cafe: The chairs are comfortable and, even better, a coffee joint right at hand. Order a coffee and inspiration is sure to come. The only downside is the unusually 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

JENNA LITTLE
Staff Reporter

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 we okay, although I prefer the sub from the Pub. I also tried the flatbread pizza. The pizza was disappointing; the flatbread flatbread becomes soggy. The items are decent but not as good as the Pub, which also definitely has more options.

Sandellas offers healthier food options; although its limited hours of operation and location in Gill Complex make it a less convenient option.

Sophomore Deana Humein said, "Sandellas is kind of out of the way so I forget about it, and it just doesn't have the "hangout" feeling because hardly 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...

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Music honors society brings tunes to the Pub

SCOTT WILKOS
Staff Reporter

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 various entertainers over the years, these musicians are unique. They are students themselves, members of Beta Alpha Chi, Musician'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 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 8 p.m. 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 & CAMBoard, 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 our Patit Hall for an application. Requirements include a Major or Minor in music, music focus, 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."

Since Beta Alpha Chi has taken on the role of hosting Thursday Night Pub events, I am hoping that this trend will continue."

Adams believes that these events will serve the musicians themselves along with those watching. "The best type of being a musician is 'can you play for people'! Playing in the Pub is proving that."

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Commentary: Land of the Not-so-Free

ROSS SMITH
Contributor

It is ironic that just a few weeks ago the political science department celebrated Constitution Day, marking the 231st anniversary of our Founding Fathers laying the foundations of America's principles. Yet, we are in unprecedented times where political correctness from our founding and entering into a new era where the government runs our lives and imposes on our people is a reality.

One cannot simply deny this. We must take a look at our history to see the two fundamental reasons why we, simply put, do not live in a free country anymore. First was the enactment of the Constitution Act of 1917, also known as the "draft." The idea that our government can force you to join the military, at any time, cannot hold true in a free society. It fundamentally means the government has control of your life. Even though the draft was ended in 1973, the Selective Service System still exists, which forces men between the ages of 18 and 25 to register in order for the possibility of a draft to be re-activated. Secondly, many of our freedoms were lost on February 5, 1933, where the sixteenth amendment of our constitution was ratified, the income tax. The income tax also cannot exist in a free society because it means the government owns an individual's income and consequently, allows them to keep a certain percentage of it.

The reason why our freedoms are in a new age of threat is because America has adopted a philosophy of the " nanny-state" where government is involved in our everyday lives, telling us what to do from cradle to grave. While I am very sympathetic to President Obama's intentions of helping America, the sacrifice of one's heart does not come one's ideas. The law of un-intended consequences has never been more prevalent in Washington D.C., as politicians are enacting new policies that are in the name of helping our citizens, however, achieving polar opposite results. Policies like Cap and Trade, Cash for Clunkers, and most recently, Healthcare Reform, all have the most genuine intentions and the most devastating of consequences.

Consequently, societies that depart from these principles are always worse off. I challenge anyone to show where the masses have benefitted from adapting socialist ideals. In spite of this new ideology, I am taking the liberty (no pun intended) of organizing a club on campus in order to inform the public of these freedom-threatening policies and to promote the ideas of small government, free markets, and individual liberty. This is a philosophy known as Libertarianism, which asserts that you can live your life better that the government can. Libertarianism, most simply put, encompasses the conservative philosophy of economic freedom and the liberal philosophy of social freedom. While I would love to continue on and thoroughly back up each one of my claims, I can not do that with just this article. That is why I would like to continue to submit articles on specific individual topics and debunk many of the misconceptions out there and show how individual liberty, like our founding fathers intended, really do promote the most prospering...for EVERYONE!

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Lighter Side of the Campus Safety Blotter

Fire extinguishers growing in popularity, despite a lack of fires

KATEYNN McCRORY
Web Manager

Hey there, my little Gamma Tots. Remember when you were younger and every time you did something naughty your parents would yell at you. Now, you're all grown up and the axe is calling. Let's take a look at some of the more common things that get picked up for screaming around the rock of Diederck. I won't lie - it is kind of amazing.

Another story near and dear to my heart is the issue of Safety on our dormroom, who was using the fire extinguisher to heat their apartment. You'll, you know, time, the resident halls find an "empty food", turn the heat up, McDuff and "oh, you're in for some trouble...". And then things might catch on fire, it would be a whole situation, and really giving us a few extra degrees worth of promise. I promise.

So, while those stories may get a fire extinguisher for the simple fact that they thought they were on a mission, we must note, the use of the extinguisher is not just a fun party tool. We have windowed strawheads of cars burning to the ground, many unknown sources from Warren's and destruction from the students. The idea of extinguishing is not just a fun party tool, but a real danger to those who are around.

There are still far too many examples of fire extinguishers for my tastes. Unfortunately, there have been instances of extinguishing fire that I don't really see the need to break out at parties. But, someone, seriously - tell me what people are doing with these things. I'm curious.

And last but certainly not least is the special huck flower that got swept for drunk and reckless driving in Northern Village. Personally, I find these campus speed bumps difficult enough to handle without alcohol (especially the stupid ones in North Village that look like they've been purposefully camouflaged to NOT look like speed bumps...). But maybe this person thought she'd get lucky. Wrong-o. Look, drinking is never funny. You could get hurt. Other people could get hurt. It may not seem like a big deal, but it is. So, we are going to sit this one out...the next time you see someone driving, don't.

There, there. Leave your toilet seat up.

McDuff. Nothing will get you down.

Stay safe, and stay entertaining.

Quick View
Blotter by the numbers

(Campus Facilities)

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Decker Center- 1
Alcohol- 1 Larceny- 1
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DMC- 1
Alcohol- 1 Larceny- 1
Disorderly conduct- 1
North Village- 3
Assault- 1 Harassment- 1
Larceny- 1
Disorderly conduct- 1
DUI- 1 DWI- 1
Reckless Driving- 1
PA AVE- 1
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(End Notes) This column by Kaydey McGee is dedicated to some of the most recent news accounts on campus Safety officers responded - or should respond. Incidents are normally reported, but the names of the culprits are not included to protect the innocent.)

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Obama's Peace Prize a "dog treat" of encouragement

NATHAN WUERTENBERG
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 (since 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 I 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; Obama is 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 only just mentioned "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," and he has yet to address the issue of the past tortures 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 pat on 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), Yasser Arafat (for deciding not to be a terrorist anymore), Jimmy Carter (for engineering a peace plan between Israel and Palestinian 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) get jack didly.

Maybe 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 ears.

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**TEROR SPORTS SPOTLIGHT:**

**MEET THE GREEN TERRORS**

**Q & A with the Green Terrors**

1. Name, Grade, Sport, Years on team, Position
   - Tim Wineke, Junior, Midfield, 1 year

2. What are the benefits of playing at a D3 level?
   - It's 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 a little cozy 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 inside deep down—a desire, a dream, a vision." —Muhammad Ali

5. Favorite memory of a Daniel Sports?
   - My freshman year, we were playing against some. I go to our coach and got ready for the game because we were just about to make the playoffs. But I didn't lose sight of my favorite sports quote. 

6. Where do you see yourself upon graduating from the Hill?
   - I'm finishing up my classes at McDaniell College this semester and 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 US, I hope to find a job in the business industry.

**NFL TEAM RANKINGS:**

**How Accurate Are They, Really?**

- According to Matt... pick their top teams, but again the fans will often disagree. Ask many NFL fans and they will agree that the results are not always accurate. "The best team is either the Steelers or the Patriots because they play well at a level," said former Oakland Raiders head coach Art Shell. "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 hasn't always been the case. Consider the 2007 Patriots, who won 18 of 19 games, but were not remembered as the best because they lost the most important game of all.

- OutPickNick... in every week one brave sports reporter will get the chance to test their football knowledge by going one-on-one with the editors. After a display of their dominance in the first round of picks, Nick Brevenger is coming off of a perfect week and is ready to take on this week's challenger Matt Bluhm.
Fencing freshmen hope to bring sport to Hill

ROXANNE FLEISCHER
Web Manager

For Jake and Wes Wacht, jobbing at each other with metal sticks is a past-time that has more meaning than typical brotherly fighting. The brotherly twosome and freshman at McDaniel, are fencers.

For six years, since they were 12 years old, the Wacht 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 ranked fencers, the highest ranking 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. 

Épée, one of three divisions of fencing, is "more advanced than foil," according to Wes. With foil, a fencer can only get points by hitting a small target area in the counter phase. With épée, on the other hand, the target area is anything but specific. The less points a fencer has to give, the more control the fencer can earn points, and all three divisions differ in the types of swords 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 right time period to be up once he has the points he needs. Jake, however, is more aggressive.

Volleyball hopes for the win

CAITLYN RYNN
Co-Sports Editor

With a 13-5 overall record this season, Green Terrier Volleyball was one of a possibility to win the Centennial Conference Title this year. The team began their season with a big 5-0 win against Stevenson, but followed with three consecutive losses against York, Fitchburg and Goucher the next week.

Despite this small slump in their season, McDaniel has certainly more than held its own against the higher levels of competition. In its first tournament, the William & Mary Invitational, McDaniel finished third out of eleven Division II schools. This tournament provided our girls on the Hill with tournament experience and confidence that has helped carry them for this season. In each succeeding tournament, McDaniel has finished in the top ten, while missing in a few top five finishes.

The success of the team as a whole does not diminish the excellent play of junior KJ Marzuck. Coach Moyer named KJ's performance in the Vakon 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. Marzuck did one ever get, while finishing with the best two round sound of his career and finishing ahead of the Division II champion from last year. The performance of he and the other guitar on the team is a testament to the high quality of golf that exists on the Hill, all put together by Coach Moyer without the assistance of scholarships and Division II preps.

The McDaniel golf team finished in second place with two more tournaments, the Gettysburg Fall Invitational and the Wm Wilkerson Shooutout. The Wm Wilkerson Shooutout is another Division II tournament that will continue to prepare our girls, as they take on the top of the best in the upper levels of golf. On the upcoming tournaments, Coach Moyer 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 girls and the leadership of Coach Moyer, is a winning atmosphere that seems to be contagious. McDaniel has experienced success against the upper levels of golf, the experience gained during these events will no doubt serve the team well during the spring season. Coach Moyer 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.

Golf looks to strong season

MATTHEW ROYHAN
Staff Reporter

Each year, the McDaniel men's golf team pursues the goal of winning championships at the forefront of its goals for the season. The hours spent on the driving range and putting greens point these golfers in the direction of the championships they cover most. In addition to the personal desire shown by each golfer, the schedule Coach Moyer 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 two against Division I opponents. Coach Moyer made the decision to play in these tournaments as his team desire to "play up." Coach Moyer 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 William & Mary Invitational, McDaniel finished third out of eleven Division II schools. This tournament provided our girls on the Hill with tournament experience and confidence that has helped carry them for this season. In each succeeding tournament, McDaniel has finished in the top ten, while missing in a few top five finishes.

The success of the team as a whole does not diminish the excellent play of junior KJ Marzuck. Coach Moyer named KJ's performance in the Vakon 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. Marzuck did one ever get, while finishing with the best two round sound of his career and finishing ahead of the Division II champion from last year. The performance of he and the other guitar on the team is a testament to the high quality of golf that exists on the Hill, all put together by Coach Moyer without the assistance of scholarships and Division II preps.

The McDaniel golf team finished in second place with two more tournaments, the Gettysburg Fall Invitational and the Wm Wilkerson Shooutout. The Wm Wilkerson Shooutout is another Division II tournament that will continue to prepare our girls, as they take on the top of the best in the upper levels of golf. On the upcoming tournaments, Coach Moyer 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 girls and the leadership of Coach Moyer, is a winning atmosphere that seems to be contagious. McDaniel has experienced success against the upper levels of golf, the experience gained during these events will no doubt serve the team well during the spring season. Coach Moyer 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.
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

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
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 is currently the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost of Rollins College in Florida, where he will replace current president Jo DeVinne, who will retire on July 1, 2010.

"Never in my life did I see this happening," said Casey. "But I came to see that I thought 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 done," said Mary Lynn Durham, vice chair of the Board of Trustees. "He is so outstanding in 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 friends, saying 'go get him!' said Durham.

Casey joined Rollins College in 2000 as Dean of Faculty 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 appears 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. You're limited to only 140 characters," he said.

"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 account, with which he posts quotes he admires, opinions on current issues, and even references to popular culture (i.e. "That just be Paula Abdul will hold up 'Death Panel' 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 faculty about improvements to the website and how we can further web-based communication.

"He's very interested in technology and we can use to teach, but that 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 Laci 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 Presidential Timeline: The history of McDaniel's leaders

1867-1868
James Thomas Ward, D.D.

1868-1890
Thomas Hamilton Lewis, A.B., D.D. L.L.D.

1890-1933
Alford Norman Ward, A.B., B.D., D.D. L.L.D.

1933-1947
Fred Garrigan Holloway, A.B., B.D., D.D., L.L.D., L.H.D.

1947-1972

1972-1984

1984-2000
Robert Hunter Chambers, III, A.B., B.D., Ph.D.

2000 - 2010
Jo DeVinne, A.B., M.E.D., Ph.D., L.H.D.

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Dr. Roger N. Casey

A Sampling of Dr. Casey's Tweets

- "Twit: 'Commentators have already thrown much dark on this subject. I shall soon know nothing about A. Healthcare reform.
- "You said that education is not the filling of a basket but rather the lighting of a fire but is the fire under the pot in it?"
- "Congratulations Watson 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.
- "Nedelman: There are more cures for male impotence than malaria. Isn't this a problem?"

A Presidential Search: 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 McDaniel College in Florida where he worked as Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost. Dr. Casey was named president by the President's 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 had knowledge of the institution's policies and administration.

Cowman felt it was "important to have a student member 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 situation." 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 last part of the fall semester to address concerns from a variety of different students. This focus group was made up of students from various organizations around campus including the All Collegiate Council, the President's Assistant, 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 candidates they selected. Cowman believes that the Presidential Search Committee chose the best 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."
Students studying in the library this semester might notice some new additions. The library recently invested in some new furniture to accommodate students' needs 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 comes 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 presentation or screening a movie. Movable furniture is yet another innovation in the library. Several chairs and desks on which 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 cards are located on the lower level. These are better suited to students that need quiet, individual study. They are U-shaped and provide more space for the student to spread out their school work than the typical wooden cards.

These additions were chosen and designed by Jeanne Ferguson, Director of Hoover Library. She worked together with a Creative Learning Space Group, which consisted of the head of Information Technology, Eric Iglit, 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 is needed. 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 Ferguson@mccd.edu.

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 student 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 form which can be found on the student intranet. Ben Cowman, Executive Vice President of SGA, said the channel was created to take general information and provide it in a way students would be interested in looking at.

The LCD televisions displaying the channel are located in Engler 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 residence 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’ closed circuit cable. The channel itself is maintained by SGA Vice President of Communications, sophomore Brandon Call.

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

**Thursday, Feb. 11**

9pm - 11pm **Earser Lounge**

**Stuff-A-Buddy**

Come and create your own keepsake stuffed animal. You can make one for yourself or as a giveaway. The buddies are: black labs, eagles, Bengal tigers, pandas, lions, cows, kittens and love bears. There are a limited number of animals.

**Friday, Feb. 12**

7pm **Decker Auditorium**

**Movie: Law Abiding Citizen**

Jamie Foxx and Gerard Butler star in this thriller that 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.

6:30pm **Decker Auditorium**

**Twilight Saga: New Moon**

Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner star in this LA premiere 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.

**Sunday, Feb. 14**

6pm **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.

**Friday, Feb. 19**

10pm **Pub/Terrace Room**

**Comedy Night #2: Arvin Mitchell**

Arvin has his 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.

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Come to the Free Press staff meetings, Mondays at 7:30 in the Writing Center.
McDaniel community gathers hope, donations for Haiti

HANNA BARKER
Staff Reporter

The McDaniel College community is organizing a coordinated effort between campus organizations to raise money for Haitian relief in a week-long series of events called Hearts for Haiti.

Organizers have invited local and international artists to participate in fund-raising efforts. Keenan community members will also have the opportunity to directly provide relief to Haiti.

ARTISTS BAND TOGETHER TO PRODUCE ‘HOPE FOR HAITI’ CD

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 its leader as well as hope for the people when it had survived previous small earthquakes and a larger one in 1946. As it lay in ruins, it serves as a reminder that Haiti will never be the same; it’s history has changed forever.

On January 12, 2010, The 7.0 M earthquake struck Haiti, leaving 760,000 dead (as of January 26, 2010). There are still over 30,000 missing and 1.2 million homeless, 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 feel encouraged and not longer hopeless about the effects of this tragedy on Haiti.

The chorus: “When the sky falls and the earth quakes we gon’ put this back together we went back.” 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 us that she is not alone; the world is here to help.

Hope for Haiti Now hailed over 150,000 album downloads within 2 days of release. All profits go to Haiti Earthquake-Relief Donations.

McCandscape speaker runs literacy education foundation in Ghana

MAIKE HUNTER
Staff Reporter

Six years ago, Kwein Koomsan and her wife Melissa, both teachers, moved to Ghana and opened their first school, the Esiom Heritage Academy. Since its launch, the school has grown to serve 140 students, including teachers and supplies.

According to a census from 2000, only 57.9% of Ghanaian primary and public schools are funded by the government, which offers means they are unreliable in providing teachers and supplies.

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 12th grade.

They are currently implementing a new program to begin summer 2010 that will offer scholarships to Ghanaian 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-room classroom block, setting up a school garden, and making tables and chairs for elementary school students.

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For more information, visit www.schoerkefoundation.org.

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Established in 2004

Currently serves more than 700 pre-K to grade 15 students in two schools

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The Schoerke Foundation
Epic snowstorm: memorable for some, annoying for others

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Mill and broad were flying off store and they were in the box and
they were new and untouched. As these food shopping, Tuesday of
no other words than wonderful. "I want to do shopping," Tuesday of
the week we were out of the store, and that was the point. It was a
good moment for an amazing day. It was a beautiful day of snow.

As Thursday afternoon arrived, the streets were silent and somber.
Alcohol was not available. On the first day of snow, the campus was
quiet and calm. It was a day of snow and silence.

Saturday, 12:30pm: I went to the gym, worked for 20
minutes on an elliptical, and then I went home. I was
working on my homework and reading friends over the
next few hours. At 3:30pm, I went sledding and thought I was
goin on the way there with the snow up to my thigh.

Megan Robinson, news editor

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. The
snow was falling and the air was cold. I was eager to
get outside and enjoy the winter weather.

Samantha, So.

Saturday, 4:00pm-5:00pm: I found myself
trapped in my room with no internet access and
was bored. I decided to go outside and enjoy the
snowfall. It was a beautiful winter day and
the snow was falling beautifully.

Megan Robinson, news editor

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**PROSE FIRST PLACE**

A Choice of Words

Written by: Seth Marple

If the fence were drawn into its phrases, it'd be quite simple: standing, falling, fell.

The leaves are green. I swear they were green. They were green yesterday. I swear they seemed they'd look green tomorrow, but they're yellow - all bright, shiny, and, well, yellow. It was so quiet; summer was just large with green grass and warm sunlight. Winter is just too cold.

Looking out the window. I see only leaves being plucked from their trees. How beautiful they must've been yesterday, hanging upon their branch. The bright yellow leaves seem to me little jewels dancing across the sky, little stars starting from a falling constellation. If only that didn't mean someone would be so dark.

The brisk wind whips me, strips me. Fogs me; my beauty is torn off. Once, twice, three; four they all are shown off me and cast away, as wrack along the shore. The clouds spin on me, the chills deepen. Forget, the snow comes. I sleep.

You like the leafy crunch under your feet. It's satisfying. Luckily they're bare, like giant hands reaching up towards the ground, between green trees and bare branches, between the sturdy roots, and the firm ground, between green trees and bare branches, between the sturdy roots, and the firm ground, between green trees and bare branches, between the sturdy roots, and the firm ground...

The screams of a falling leaf

The ground, between green trees and bare branches, between the sturdy roots, and the firm ground...

Must we be crushed? Must they be stripped?

Pain every fall,

Joy in standing up.

But the pain, the misery.

See another way; see into life's differentions.

The scream.

So terrible.

So perfect.

The full is the brief period between standing and being sprawled on the ground, between green trees and bare branches, between the sturdy roots, and the firm ground; it's the moment everything is in perfect suspension, as you lower in between standing and being on the ground, the earth, the earth, the earth, the earth...

Trees and oaks and trees

The color of all faith cried and melted and died,

I'm sorry for showing up unannounced...
**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 Greek Wars and Zeta Beta Zeta rivalry were still heating up when the ZBZ’s managed to burn down the Gamma Pi house. Dale and Rusty were fighting over a huge grant for their science projects. Calvin was trying to get Grant to come out so the brothers could keep their relationship a secret. And Casey and Cappie finally rekindled their relationship. All the possibilities combined to make the Monday night premiere of “Greek” destined to be full of drama and surprises.

Spencer Grammar, who plays Casey Carter, 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 Cypress-Rhodes University. This season the last day of college will bring a lot of change and drama.

“Juniors Samantha and Zeta Beta Zeta rivalry was just left with many unanswered questions. The drama and surprises. They’re human beings. I think they’re going to be some of the old white ones,” said Michael Powell, former student of the old white ones, who doesn’t work out the way you think it’s going to be. College is a growing period for people, you know, and where Casey might be going on is where his going. But love overcomes all in the end. You’ll see them dating and you’ll see them in their own lives,” said Grammar.

Also this season the ZBZs are working hard to secure their #1 spot in the sorority ranks. Don’t forget to tune into ABC Family every Monday night at 10 p.m. for new episodes of “Greek.”

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GETTING STARTED

Is America calling for more change?

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"It's not the Kennedy seat, and it's not the Democratic seat, it's the people's seat." One single line could help settle the race for the 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. Senator John Kerry decided at the end of September to bow out of the race, leaving the Massachusetts Senate seat open and creating yet another unbalanced political field. Massachusetts voters are simply told the people of Massachusetts or was it a referendum on the liberal agenda that is being spoken to about the American people? Early indications point to rough waters ahead for President Obama and Democrats come up when they do not distinctly correct their course.

To pull off such a shocking upset, Scott Brown has demonstrated a strong, grassroots campaign to relay his message of government restrain. Most of the time this election would be hardly noteworthy in the state of Massachusetts and back page news almost nowhere else as another Democrat would assume the seat and vote with the state. However, when a seat is won by a non-Democrat one would expect the party's 60th vote in the Senate, ever important as this would insulate that there would no longer be a super-majority and be able to force their agenda through the Senate floor. Lastly, with the recent reduction of the Stimulus Bill, it 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, making Super Bowl Sunday a major event. Playing in that game with the state where he grew up as one of the most despised acts any US President has ever incurred.

Today, President Obama is using the same platform. Flaying his way as a focus to fight terrorism and keep our troops safe, Obama knows that the focus on what happened to Tiger in 2009 is the key. Many are suggesting that Tiger's number of resources in Afghanistan are being concentrated, posing a neg- lible threat to our national security. General James Jones, Obama's top national security ad- visor and "the man with no enemies in Washington" is very damaged. The most minor mis- takes on his part are going to have a major impact on the country, no basis to know he can launch attacks on us or on our allies." Still, many defend Obama's plan on the merits that al-Qaeda attacked in 2001, the years before 9/11, President Bush called our nation to arms in order to defeat those who attacked us. While his ini- tial response was a withdrawal from Afghanistan, it was justly changed, things quickly changed when the world realized that we had been deceived into invading Iraq, a state that was not even as large as one of the most despised acts any US President has ever incurred.

President Obama recently gave a speech on for- eign policy, announcing his intentions to increment troop levels in Afghanistan. In his speech, he announced the plan to win on the war on ter- rorism merely echoed President Bush's deceit— the notion that we are fighting terrorism and making our country safer. Howev- er, over a year has passed since the inauguration and Americans still see no sign of mis change being enacted. Was this VOte for a candidate who would have the courage and vision to truly take change on the national stage? However, over a year has passed since the inauguration and Americas have a lack of options- both the Democratic and Republican parties support this war. However, America has yet to learn that there is another alternative. The Libertarian party is the only party that opposes America's current for- eign policy and truly believes in saving Amer- ican lives and reversing our civil liberty. According to our poll, the American people are in total ad- dorse "peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations, and in every negotiation, we should always invite the voice of our nation was deceived into invading Iraq, a state that was not even as large as one of the most despised acts any US President has ever incurred.

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MLK celebration resonates with thoughts of pride, accomplishment

**Shared Dream**

By Emma Karatula, Elementary Student at William Winchester Elementary, Winner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Writing Contest


I try to do small things. Small things that will help peace prevail. I have even seen the playground in an exhilarating, disturbance. It is disruption of the peace.

**Jordonn' 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 America that would one day realize its self evident truth that all men regardles 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, as a whole, 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, everythings gonna be alright..." For it was Pat Jackson's request, that day at The Lincoln Memorial, that King shared with the world 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 than I would rather be at this moment in time then celebrating the lives of those who fought to eliminate social injustice. To achieve the social equality that Emma so eloquently speaks of. That Little Rock Nine, Mahalia Jackson, Thurgood Marshall, Mary McLeod Bethune, Unda Brown, Medgar Evers, Jackie Robinson, John F. Kennedy and so many others that are unrecognized. Their contributions, no matter how big or how small, is living proof of a shared dream that in 2010 has come true.

**DEAF SAVVY**

Deaf Awareness month approaching

**Marnissa 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 ask and answers provided. Deaf Awareness where Deaf Culture can be discussed, questions can be asked and answers provided. Deaf Awareness where Deaf Culture can be discussed, questions can be asked and answers provided. Deaf Awareness where Deaf Culture can be discussed, questions can be asked and answers provided. Deaf Awareness where Deaf Culture can be discussed, questions can be asked and answers provided. Deaf Awareness where Deaf Culture can be discussed, questions can be asked and answers provided.

When asked if they've ever felt an orgasm at almost every girl I've spoken to has said yes. This remains uncommonly common among women. Most of them 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 it's a one time thing, or a causal hook-ups, guys generally can't even tell if the girl is faking it, and if they do, it doesn't matter as it's a casual thing. Guys in relationships become more understanding and understandable so.

"I can definitely tell if a girl I'm in a relationship with is faking it," says senior Evan Tickle.

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 unsustainable.

This is not to say that sexual acts can't be fun without organs, quite the contrary. However, I don't think lying to each other will work forever.

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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 legislature, 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 email, VOTE! Questions or comments can be e-mailed to me at nabc07@mcdfall.edu.

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**CONFIDENTIAL HIV TESTING**

By: The Carroll County Health Department
When: Thursday, February 18, 2010
Where: The Wellness Center- Winslow Center 2nd floor
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Please contact The Wellness Center for an appointment: (410) 857-2243
Test results will be available within 30 minutes.
Women's basketball sees playoffs in future

CATIE 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 fifth-straight win against conference rival Swarthmore.

The team has pulled out three of those wins in overtime, proving just how 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 of 3.453 for the past academic year, the Green Terror women certainly have something else to be proud of.

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 Championship.

"My players know that they don't want to dwell on streaks; that the goal for the program every year is to toe only quality for the Conference Championships, but to try their hardest to win the title and qualify for the NCAA Tournament," says Martin. "Obviously, 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 to the McDaniel squads that have won championships."

Coach identifies a balanced offense with an inside and outside game, good speed, upper class experience and leadership; not to mention a "go-to person" in Ali Moreland as real strengths of her team.

"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 it unstopable."

Junior forward Whitney Snopes 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 commonly improving on nothing, each other's strengths and weaknesses and this has resulted in some balanced scoring in a lot of our games," says Snopes. "This has definitely helped us because even if a team cities to shut down a certain player we still have plenty of them to help us win."

The seniors, including Becky's 11 cats. Catherine Mill, Ali Moreland, and Sally Green have all stepped up as leaders this year. They have especially flourished on the court this season.

Snopes points out that if the team continues to improve over the next few weeks and in their upcoming games, they will be able to put themselves in a very good sport for the Conference Championships.

"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 WBCAs top 25, we are proud and honored to be included and recognized with the best in the country."

During the Feb. 3 game against Dickinson, Ali Moreland scored 20 points, aiding the women's Green Terror basketball team to a 74-65 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.

SPORTS FILE PHOTO

Every week one brute sports reporter will get the chance to test his football knowledge by giving one-on-one with the editor. Super Sunday has come and gone, and let's see how the predictions stack up to the results of the Super Bowl.

OutPickNick

Toni's Take...
I feel that the Indianapolis Colts will win the superbowl.

The main reason the Colts are so successful is because of their league MVP Peyton Manning. Manning is simply the most dangerous man with the football, making everyone around him better. He even has a nuclear AVERAGE 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 more than before, 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 mash up like this it makes for football at its finest. That said, I think that this one will be decided by halt 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 opportunities 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. Given any NFL quarterback time to operate comfortably in the pocket and he'll more likely than not find somewhere to go with the ball. Give a guy like Drew Brees 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 pouncing 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.
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.
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, senior Ashleigh Smith 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 schedule 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 midterms week.

Senior Joseph D'Olcswaite said he will still attend the reception even though it is now taking place during midterms week. "It will be a great break from studying," said D'Olcswaite. 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, reaching 208 students of attendance at an event that had invited only 150 students that unilateral last years 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 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 changes 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 ticker price.
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 Tarin Grosso and Logan Otremba 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, JON." The club originated at Goucher College, but was brought to McDaniel by the Resident Assistant of Rouzer 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 freshmen 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.

"People should join HvZ because who doesn’t love zombies and playing tag? It seems like a perfect combination!" said Otremba. The club will be hosting a dodgeball tournament in March to benefit the Hearts for Haiti Fund.

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 Arlee Baker went to the Cheese Ball "for a fun evening with [her] 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 more information about Cheese Club or their upcoming events please email Megan Robinson at marOl5@mcdaniel.com or join the Cheese Club on Facebook.
The ‘Bare Naked Truth’ about nude modeling

EMMA BARBATO
Contributor

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Sometimes, when you are stuck in a situation that makes you uncomfortable, you have to make a decision. Should you stay, or should you leave? Should you pretend nothing is wrong, or should you speak up? Sometimes, these situations can be difficult to navigate, and it can be hard to know what to do. In this article, we will explore some common situations that can make us feel uncomfortable, and we will discuss some strategies for handling them.

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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 Pershing Line travels east to Perryville in Cecil County, Maryland. The Camden Line connects Baltimore to Washington, DC. Carroll County is the only county in Maryland with no physical connections to the state mass transit system.

If anything, the MARC trains 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 Atrask itself. Since the Marc train already travels through the same stations as Amtrak, its inclusion would reduce a lot of these obstacles for our-out-state students without car.

Unfortunately, many graduates may come and go before McDaniel students can enjoy the realization of a Westminster MARC train station. The issue regarding mass transit mass is a matter of real necessity and with more 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 Zimmerman explained that one side prefers national business 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 it 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. Zimmerman is right, and the county needs to meet these needs, there are alternatives to MARC. For example, as of February 2, 2009, York, Pennsylvania's Rabbler Transit announced the launch of a commuter rail service which takes people across the state line to Timonita, Maryland, in order to relieve traffic congestion. Carroll has the CATS bus, which is efficient a student needs to get around town, but there are still limits even to this longtime county service. The CATS bus, along with the local gyp 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 come into Carroll if necessary.

For now, cars rule the county, but not all people drive, especially students and workers. Businesses will only go where 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 print institutions, they will have to give in order to get...
I believe 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 from 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 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 reason. I believe that dreams do come true. I believe in an ear, exercise properly and deep 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 flat. I believe in subtle happiness, like a walk on cold winter morning. I believe I would live a long and happy life.

YICHONG LI

I believe in every note in every song. I believe in the full moon, which casts me faithfully, I believe in the world'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 CAUFIELD

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

AMY BARE

(Editors' Note: What thrill's you? What do you want to show from a mountain top or down with a close friend? Send your brief "I Believe" statement to frpress@medford360.edu. Send a photo too. That would be great — and your words and photo will be printed.)
McDaniel sports move practices, games indoors

Physical Plant focuses on clearing snow from stadium.

The snow covered in white, snowmageddon has shook up the events or keeping the fields of the spring sports covered in white, snowmageddon has shook up the sports world on the Hill.

The snow has hit the Gill Center in extraordinary high demands as the winter sports teams try to wrap up their seasons and start their teams are forced to shift practice indoors and keep up with gym time. To make matters 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 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 keep them from getting stronger, faster, 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 is interesting to see how this controversy 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 to make sure we are the best at it. Both teams are expected to be going to Florida for spring break so they can do some work in the sun.

The winning streak came to an 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 positioned for their playoff matchup. Coach Becky Martin will have this team ready to make some waves 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 conference playoffs, Coach Martin believes, “If we can stay healthy, continue to progress and have a little bit of luck, I believe we have a good 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.
Charlie Yim sings in Korean as part of the entertainment at the Taste of Korea Dinner on February 25.

Students gather to listen on Friday, February 26, as the Philosophy Club hosts another soapbox discussion.

Students line up to enjoy the Asian fare at the Taste of Korea dinner.
By the end of the spring semester McDaniel College’s email options on the email login page. Student accounts begin means that the software runs on our servers and in our very own data center on campus. This migration to Google Mail COStand upkeep for the incredible amount of accountscosts the college a lot of money and electronic storage space we must have to keep run the whole email software package, and the cost and upkeep of the server hardware to ten rh of that space. That is why, the institution was thrilled that is why giving a presentation in front of her class was nerve wracking, but she hadn’t experienced fear yet. It takes responsibility, dedication and strength of that space.

Many students might have noticed the new Google email option on the email login page. By the end of the spring semester McDaniel hopes to move the 8500 students, faculty and staff to our current email system, Zimbra to Google. Currently, our entire email system is held in a very small computer center. This means that the software runs on our servers and the emails are all stored on our servers. According to Network Communications Systems Administrator Chris Palgrove, having 8500 email accounts costs the college a lot of time, money and resources.

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 their server software, and it provides the incredible amount of electronic storage space we must have to keep the millions of emails that 8500 people accumulate said Palgrove.

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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 groups, everything from fraternities and sororities to honor societies to clubs.

The program utilizes a series of seminars by professional leadership development speakers. The seminars are available on CD-ROM through the SGA.

But the program does not just put a bunch of discs in front of student leaders and leave them to learn on their own. The SGA has meticulously crafted the seminars and developed guidelines to help leaders determine what seminars are best for themselves and their organizations.

Interested leaders can explore the leadership 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 leader 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 participation." Level 3 is for "senior members of an organization concerned with succession planning and the transitioning of the organization moving forward," said SGA President, senior Beth 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 and strategic planning, involving conflict and consensus building, and succession planning and transition. Based on these two areas of identification, the SGA recommends seminars for each group as far-think based organizations, athletic groups, honor societies, and so forth.

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 being submitted to 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, Deckers Auditorium, as well as several other rooms in Hill Hall and Lower Library are equipped to play the seminars.

Cowman said she was pleased to be able to offer this leadership program on the entire campus community. Last year, he said, the SGA conducted 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 Parliamentarian Procedure," "Developing & Strengthening an Unstoppable Team," and "Encouraging Membership: Criminal Active Members.

No matter what your organization does, the SGA 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 Hospital through fundraising efforts every year. As of the end of this month the IGCC will wrap up their fundraising efforts with a finale followed open to all students.

St. Jude's Children's Hospital treats many ill children without regard to their financial situation. Last year the IGCC decided to begin fundraising efforts to benefit this charitable organization.

The fundraising efforts are organized through a square club called the Up Till Dawn Club. Co-directors Kristi Reynolds and senior Tiff Robertson head the club, which is made up of mostly Greek students but is open to all who wish to join the effort, said Robertson.

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. In other awareness events include a movie night in East Lounge, and a hot dog eating contest held in the fall.

The club meets Tuesdays at 8:30 in the Leidy Room. For more information, contact the club at mcwidth@mymcmail.com.

College Activities Programming Board Corner

CAPBoard is open to all undergraduate students.

Colleges Activities Programming Board Corner

March Events

Wed., March 10
7:30pm - 11pm East Lounge

Massage Night
Take a break from studying for midterm terms with a 10 minute massage. You can get a chair, foot or neck massage. Tea will be available for you while you wait.

Thu., 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 summed with hot punching choruses. There are three things on the Slate of a perfect album: lyrics, music and emotion. Ian's debut album had all of them.

Check out http://myspace.com/iawlsh for his downloads.

Wed., March 23
8pm The Hippodrome, Baltimore

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, helium tanks, and even the stage with magnificent rhythms. "Stomp" finds beautiful noises in strange places, says USA Today. Tickets are $25 for McDaniel students.

Thanks to the members of CAPBoard last semester! They were: Catherine Connors, Luke Schmidt, Roba Rundberg, Lauren Miller, Kristen Nuckles, Luke Schmidt, Roba Rundberg, Lauren Miller, Kristen Nuckles, Luke Schmidt, Roba Rundberg, Lauren Miller, Kristen Nuckles.
"The Desert Sessions" are worth checking out

STUART FISCHER 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, baking in the heat, and getting thoroughly peevish. This is what you’re doing when you listen to the songs on these sessions.

Well, not exactly what you’re actually doing, but once the CD starts playing, you will understand why it would make good background music in that situation. There is no clean, crisp, cutting-edge sound on this CD. Rather, it falls into the category of what is known simultaneously as "desert rock" and "stoner rock" (go figure, but Wikipedia to the rescue).

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The CD in question contains volumes 9 and 10 of the series. Volume 9 was released on a later Queens of the Stone Age album. The Desert Sessions, of which there have been 10 so far, are collaborations between the多名 talented musicians who come together to make great music in the desert and write and record music on the spot (and occasionally on paper). It’s a pretty cool idea, and it yields powerful results.

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The fourth song on the album, "There's Never Been a Better Time," has an extremely laid-back feel and features a large amount of acoustic guitar, bass, and drums, and a background of,Strings and a lot of piano. The song is very soothing, and it's a great way to wind down after a long day.

The fifth song on the album, "Morning Has Broken," features a slow, acoustic guitar and piano, and a beautiful vocal performance. The song is very touching, and it's a great way to end the album.

The sixth song on the album, "The Crane," features a beautiful blend of acoustic guitar and string arrangements, and a haunting vocal performance. The song is very moving, and it's a great way to finish the album.

The seventh song on the album, "The Sun," features a beautiful blend of acoustic guitar and string arrangements, and a haunting vocal performance. The song is very moving, and it's a great way to finish the album.

The eighth song on the album, "The Moon," features a beautiful blend of acoustic guitar and string arrangements, and a haunting vocal performance. The song is very moving, and it's a great way to finish the album.

The ninth song on the album, "The Star," features a beautiful blend of acoustic guitar and string arrangements, and a haunting vocal performance. The song is very moving, and it's a great way to finish the album.

The tenth song on the album, "The Sky," features a beautiful blend of acoustic guitar and string arrangements, and a haunting vocal performance. The song is very moving, and it's a great way to finish the album.
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 appropriate closed captioning accommodations for people who are Deaf and hard of hearing.

Closed captioning technology for movie theaters is very different than subtitling. The captioning system displays reversed captions on a light-emitting diode (LED) text display, which is mounted in the rear of a movie 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 Representation 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 was enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland on Oct. 1, 2010.

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 Redlegs. Hoy’s career facilitated the creation of the modern system of baseball hand signals, which are still used in today’s baseball games, throughout the world. In 1887, Hoy wrote a book explaining how hand signals are being used. Hoy was a former teacher of ASL and American Deaf culture courses at McDaniel.

If you feel down...

“We accept the love we think we deserve.” - The Perks of Being a Wallflower

Instead of questioning why people 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 Bafi

...pick this up

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 15-18: Gallaudet University Presents Charlotte’s Web. The production will integrate ASL and voice.

April 17: ASL Vaudeville will be held in Christ, MD.

April 20: Frederick Community College. The Executive Director of International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and Deaflympics, Tillie Granfor, will give a presentation about DeafSports.

May 4: Frederick Community College. David Martin will give a presentation explaining how Frederick became 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.
BMore Proud Leadership Summit builds community amongst LGBTQIA students

HANNA BARKER
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."

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 rejection and homophobia. 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," said McDaniel Allies members Masha Makhlyagina and Laura Manos-Hey at the BMore Proud Leadership Summit. Other representatives from the club led a session about the challenges faced by straight Allies.

"The locks stories were my favorite. I thought it was put together well and it was creative. I liked that personal lock stories became an essential moment of the evening," said senior Dr. Johnson Ross. The Soul Food Dinner included a dessert performance by The Sophisticated Ladies and Gentlemen.

"My favorite part of the dinner was 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 hilarious. I never heard anyone outside of my family talk about it," said Omar Brown '11.

"My spoken word performance which was all about self-love," said Kailla Pearl '12. McDaniel Allies members Masha Makhlyagina and Laura Manos-Hey led 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.
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 Terehovskiy for his personal entertainment and the entertainment of his friends. The thrill of being transported into a stranger's life is worth the occasional encounter 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 "seeded" within seconds. I took it personally at first, until I became comfortable with meeting people myself.

I've spoken to people in Italy, Russia, the UK, Germany, and Mexico. My friend and I had a calculus party with a French university student (we both had Texas Instruments). I was approached by a trio of frat boys. I watched a teenage boy dance around like a crazy person. I met 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 men. 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 "nine," she'd show me "fours." One particularly creative guy held up a sign that said, "Show eels for Hair." 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 get 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 existed on the Internet, because I'd be too scared to live in a world where you could click people away.

Mary Kay Nevius-Mauser, an alumna of McDaniel College, has taught high school English for thirty-five years.

McDaniel alumna teaches students to be writers

AMBER SLATER
Staff Reporter

Mary Kay Nevius-Mauser is a McDaniel graduate who has taught high school English for thirty-five years. She is an advocate and personal preparer for her students as they make the transition into college life.

Over the years, she has earned nicknames such as Devious Nevius and Chairman Mauser. She is Mary Kay Nevius-Mauser, and her reputation precedes her.

She is a veteran teacher. For thirty-five years, Mauser 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 as junior-level English majors.

She is an alumna. Before perfecting the art of teaching, Mrs. Mauser attended college at McDaniel. She also received two awards from her alma mater after graduation.

"To be reminded by the college you graduated from is touching. I received one award when my daughter, Amber, was due in two weeks. I really felt that knot and gave her a warm hug," Amber went on to say graduate from McDaniel in 2009.

She is understanding, yet demanding. Mrs. Mauser admits that in high school, she was "unreal, and got A's." She expects students to leave her class, however, with more than a grin on their faces. "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, Mauser 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," Mauser explains. "It's important to be able to express yourself clearly because writing is a reflection of who you are."

Through constant assignments and feedback, Mauser helps students to gain the maturity and confidence necessary to "smash the walls of their world of college writing."

"The nicer 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-Mauser is a veteran, understanding and demanding. She is a friend, a guide, a role model.
The Shades of It
by Emily Frazier

The first, a sprinkling
Omens.
The two winners and the runner up are published below. The winners each will receive a $20 gift card to the bookstore.

Sno-ku in 4 Hai-Parts
by Pat Johnson

Man falls on his face.
the ice shimmers on his boots
rum fills his stomach
Launched and rolling.
heavy flakes blue 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.

Immobility.

Lost keeps viewers hooked for last season

DEVON MCANDREW
Stuff 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’ve heard 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 by thebottom 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 intéressant. We see Claire and Kate’s lives connect in the past 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.

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Lost is currently halfway through its fifth and final season. New episodes air on Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m.

60 SECONDS

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER SNOW STORM?

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CHELSEA WATKINS, sophomore

“I would love it! I love sledding and going crazy!”

NATHAN GERLACH, on-call mechanic

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ECHO BEIN, sophomore

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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 = windex.)

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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.

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Issue #2: Oil weight. Some oils are only good down to a certain temperature. If the oil drops below that temperature, flow will be compromised and can cause severe engine damage.

The fix: Make sure your car has oil that is the recommend 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. Water can get into your gas tank and fuel lines in a number of ways, including refilling 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 line, 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 thaw.

The fix: Dry gas is a mixture of methanol and other additives which bind with water molecules and keep them from freezing (pure ethanol freezes at -175 degrees F). "Here's a popular brand and is available at most pet stores.

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Issue #4: Tire pressure, read, and say not.

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 out (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.

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 does not 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.

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 seals slightly expand at full temperature and running them below that stressess them unnecessarily. If you don't have time or ability to warm up, make sure you drive gently. Avoid flootering it.

Cost of repairs or prevention:
$ under $10  $10 under $20 $20 under $50 $50 under $100

$100 > $500

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 hit television show, "The Bucket List," student in Lisa Breitlich 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@macleodlebo.edu

Brandon Campbell and Jack Rinn show their approval of the new points maker. Students on campus have noticed the delicious addition to Gliar, located near the quad. "Now, students can now stop getting creative with the waffle maker to enjoy a warm sandwich. "I'm never happier with the sandwich line," said senior Tiff Robertson. An opinion many McDaniel students can now agree on.

MY BUCKET LIST

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

1. Write a book
2. Go see all the Broadway shows
3. Shop with no limits
4. Adopt a dog
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 life.

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ASHLEY MEISTER
"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 hand a handful of condoms to someone who is sexually active.

Last week the Women's Issues Group handed a box of free condoms to the Health Center. They also gave away free condoms to male students.

Our main goal was to promote safe sex awareness on the McDaniel Campus, says junior Bryan Yarrington, president of W.I.G., saying that people seemed to respond extremely well. We got rid of 1,000 condoms in a week, said Yarrington. But we also found that people were taking information 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, but Planned Parenthood seems to be a place to turn to. However, this is far from what the organization does. Planned Parenthood recognizes the choice that people have when it comes to sex, and they respect everyone's right to privacy.

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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 entry. Blood Wedding is a great play of dramatic events in rural Spain written by the Spanish dramatist, Federico Garcia. The play takes place during a wedding, where a bloodlust ensues over grants, grudges, passion, and love.

The audience sits around the perimeter of the main stage and the actors perform on a defined stage in the middle of the audience. This set-up often allows the audience a good view of characters' faces at all times. So no one has to miss the action 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 (Jan Solomon) grief over her dead family. Most audience members can relate to the apprehension of the Bride's (Colleen Allred) decision of marriage, and many people relate to Leonardo's (Chris McLeod) conflicted feelings of love and passion.

Few people can escape feeling remaining scars and actresses' acceptance of the split blood on a wonderful symbolic scene. The woodcutter Boys (Mike McNulty, Bryan Powell). The scenes symbolizes not only death, (death of the end of human life), but also the end of relationships. What is left? No one's, untroubled, untroubled lives.

Shout outs to Katie Cooper and Maggie Powell for their beautifully tragic foreboding shadowing, beautiful, Julia Williams and Siobhan Darby; for playing the same roles successfully. One of the spilt blood on a wonderful symbolic scene. The woodcutter Boys (Mike McNulty, Bryan Powell). The scenes symbolizes not only death, (death of the end of human life), but also the end of relationships. What is left? No one's, untroubled, untroubled lives.

Thank you to the members of the group for their support and encouragement during the past few weeks. We are all looking forward to next year.

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 omitted

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The Annual Children’s Show

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.

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BOTTOM LEFT: Darcy Elburn, Nino Minodokis, 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 Omegas 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 recruitment. 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 Berdine 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 laptop computers 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, Nintendo wii console and personal health insurance than a newspaper reporter? Isn't it ironic that politicians never talk about making the next line of Gucci bags more affordable, yet tuition keeps rising? The reason for all of this is that our government bails out the banks and prevents its powerful forces from being unlinked.

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 would fall empty, and the country would become globally uncompetitive. In response, colleges would have to raise tuition fees, making it more affordable for potential students.

Unfortunately, this concept was completely ignored by someone, a McDaniel College president, Dr. Coley, sent out a mass e-mail urging students to vote against the state ending “in program of monetary support for private colleges so students could easily help them pay for financial aid.”

While this program would indeed help McDaniel College and its beneficiaries in the short run, the long-term point is that government subsidies in education are a temporary solution. 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 ending “YES.” In an environment in which students should think for themselves, it is unsound. Dr. Coley seems to be saying that they should investigate the matter for themselves. It certainly would have been more appropriate for Dr. Coley to present the matter to the students. 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 would 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 would undoubtedly put most college graduates in debt and continue to push up tuition fees. More students need student loans, and the process will continue as before, even after 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 more 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 wants to learn more about Libertarian Party of Maryland, then you're not alone. We need you.

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Have you ever written a newspaper article?

STUART FISCHER
Staff Reporter

Have you ever written a newspaper article? Well, I hadn't until this month. Before this, you could turn your life around just like me if you would sign up for the Newspaper Practicum class and offered here at the campus. For someone with little or no journalism experience (such as me), the only experience I've had was watching the movie Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas and, I must add, the title of this class can be intimidating. But, as I have finally discovered, there is nothing to be afraid of and plenty to enjoy.

Admittedly, the practicum is a little overwhelming at first. As soon as you get into your 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. It is cool. Then Lou Brelin starts talking at high speed about deadlines and "leads" and "60 seconds" and "McCols" and the fact that you get to pick your first assignment. You have absolutely no idea what's going on. At times such as these, Brelin is extremely open to questions, and she is one of the most laid-back faculty members to be found here. Even among the chaos of how he succinctly describes the newspaper process seems at first, but 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 here I am to tell you from experience if you have ever been the romance between 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.

DISS OPENING

Physicians Weight Loss Centers, a local franchise, is looking for an outgoing, organized individual to campaign for a grand opening.

This opportunity is a great resume builder for Marketing/ Public Relations/ Communications Majors and includes pay and bonuses for a successful launch.

The facility is opening soon in DOWNTOWN Westminister.

Position could develop into full-time/ part-time promotions specialist.

Call Dr. Rob at 410-591-4336 or email kerpwell@gm.com.

Have you ever written a newspaper article?
Freshmen athletes take on Terror spring sports

Calvin Flynn
Sports Editor

For most of us, spring brings warmer weather, sporting events and saying goodbye to our graduating seniors. But for our new freshmen athletes, spring is only the beginning. Although we take the time at the end of the sports season to recognize the season with awards and send off our seniors, there are plenty of new freshmen that are hoping to make their mark on the traditions of their sports.

The women's softball team recognizes seven new freshmen this season. Ashley Crawford, who played middle infield and outfield for the Green Terror, went to Linganore High School in Frederick County where she played soccer and softball and led the 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 everything I can to help the team, even if it means getting to play in the field, pitch, or just be 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.

Women's Lacrosse

The Women's Lacrosse team opened up their season with a 20-3 win over Goucher by a score of 15-3. This win is particularly gratifying to the women's team as they are ready to make some noise this year in Conference Play. In the coming weeks, Runnymede Bazz and Brianna Kreitman paced the squad with three goals each. Paige Messersmith and Lisa Icener also had two goals apiece. This is looking like a very strong season for the Terror's lacrosse team.

In the season opener, the Men's Lacrosse team displayed a strong offensive game plan. Despite the fact that they had a very young team, the Men's lacrosse team has high hopes for the 2010 season. Matt Mummert is a junior on the lacrosse team and said, "I want to carry on the traditions of senior leadership to lean upon throughout the course of the season. Look for Brianna Bazz, Erin Hopkins, Stephanie Selins, Fannin Armstrong, Sarah Minor and Leanne Holzinger to lead the way for the women's lacrosse team this season.

Softball

The women's softball team has been severely affected by the loss of two of their stars. Last year's class included pitcher Jessica collections and ending new and different courses and meeting new people.

McDaniel's Track field team is proud to have freshman Kelsey Dickman as one of our newest additions. From Bel Air, Maryland, Dickman just recently learned the basics in her third in the shot put. Her toss of 11.62 meter helped lead track and field to the 2010 Centennial Conference women's indoor track and field championship this past Saturday at Haverford. Certainly, this will only be the beginning of Dickman's achievements here on the hill.

So while McDaniel may have a hard time saying goodbye to her as a college athlete was. "When we played Messick last year, who eventually went on to win the 130 NCAA national championship. We ended up losing 2-1, but 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 abroad next season, a sophomore. Lauren Evans this year, Lauren, who didn't attend a prep school or of the trajectory. She has recovered and is looking to get off to a better start this season.

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Spring sports begin new season determined

Matthew Bonnar
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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 restored 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 championship. 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.
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.

EVAN TICKNOR

Naomi Rauchel dells 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.

Operation Prom Dress collects hope for girls

HEATHER GORSUCH
Staff Reporter

From 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 Jackson’s Writing for Nonprofit Organizations course met with the Non-profit Community Service Council in Westminister, where they were acquainted with Leslie Shub. He runs an organization called the Appalachia 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 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.

Shub expressed his need for more donations at the meeting, and students were immediately willing to help promote the drive at McDaniels.

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 Gail on March 10. During this event students wore formal attire including shoes and prom dresses to encourage students to participate in the dress drive.

During the course, Jashen 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 Velosky’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 Velosky.

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, knee length gown. “I come from a very Jewish community and during Purim, we costume and do plays where we must be dressed in a costume,” said Jashen.

Kelner was lucky enough to have a cousin a year older than her who had worn her prom dress. When she went back to Massachusetts for spring break, she turned over all 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 cause,” said Kelner.

According to Anderson, 95 dresses were collected this year ranging in various styles and colors. Gentle used shoes and jewelry were also collected. One student and her mother also sold makeup and donated their un-used samples to the organization.

“It’s great for students to see what a tangible effect that they can have on communities in need,” said Jashen.

Injustice, poverty, hunger: Advocacy Team is on it!

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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 Tenm.

The Advocacy Team is also planning a Justice Week. Seibert said, “Justice Week will be from April 3-9 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’re 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 $2000 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. Minus $56 million to operate the school next year, that is 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 $36 million to operate the school next year, which finds some dent 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. This year the school 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 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 having a marketing campaign for the upcoming year. However, inflation is not the only rising cost. According to Assistant Director of Financial Aid, Karen Calvario, tuition costs have increased more than usual. The City of Westminster has recently expanded its parking fees which has increased the cost of water for all students including McDaniel College.

With the increase in operating costs and the decrease in state funding, the school has decided to make up the needed funding with the tuition increase. About 77 percent of the school’s income comes from tuition, room, and board. The other sources come 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. Sounds pretty interesting, 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 on physical improvements. Specifically the renovation 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 be able to accomplish in that amount of time.” He did, however, add 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 Ronch 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 Emily Spake 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 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 the financial aid budget, 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 comfortable with many students. "Getting up four percent doesn’t make anybody happy,” said Seidel. However the school "tried to hold the line on costs" as much as we can,” and "increase as little as possible,” he said.

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 Alan Watts, the project involves randomly timed twitted 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 reliable information in psychological studies.

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Americans have spent the past year watching Congress get down and dirty over the sweeping health care reform legislation that President Obama officially signed on March 23. It has been an ugly fight, complete with name calling, probably the most intense in recent history, and the battle is not even close to being over. As this article is being typed, twelve states' attorneys general, all of whom are Republicans, have already filed suit to block the health care bill, labeling it an "unconstitutional" breach of ethics.

One of the biggest issues that has been tackled since Obama took office last January, and it's being heralded as both the biggest and most significant health care reform legislation is indeed "a historic - king deal." 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.

For college students, the most important piece of the legislation is that dependent persons will be eligible for coverage under their parent's 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 eight months, and is one of "the most valuable parts of the legislation" says Senator Mullen-Murphy, the Chief Operating Officer of Martin, Blatt, and Associates. This clause is also one of the most controversial, especially when compared with other issues like abortion and a public option (rather of which made it to the final piece of legislation).

Futhermore, people in their 20's will be given the option of buying a "catastrophic" plan that will have lower premiums, but 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 rule issue with the fact of the legislation that states that 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 were 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 adds and fixes reform... but it has to start somewhere."

Health Care Reform: Now that it's passed, how will it affect you?

KATELYNN MCGINLEY
Staff Reporter

Timeline of health reforms

Dependents can remain on parent's health insurance until they reach 26.
Dependents cannot be excluded because of pre-existing conditions.
Limits on benefits are prohibited.
New plans must offer free preventive coverage.
A new 10% tax on indoor tanning will be imposed after July 1.

Beginning October 1, 2013, Medicaid can begin to cover home and community services for the disabled.

Prescription drug costs for Medicare enrollees will begin to decrease.

In addition to Bender four other students will be inducted into the organization Bender is about to change the health care system system for as many as 32 million people who have up until now been shut out of the market, whether because of pre-existing conditions, illness 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 political analyst as the Government Union. "It's going to provide a peace of mind than many Americans who really want or need health insurance will always be able to get a quality product at a reasonable regulations of their 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. All of this will struggle what effect, if any, the act will have on rising out-of-pocket medical costs and premiums.

Dean Gerl and Cowman, Bender had previously served as an intern for SGA, and Nick Bender. Bender decided to run for president after some prompting from Mayor Ted Kennedy, and fight dirty over the sweeping health care reform legislation is indeed "a historic - king deal." 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.\n
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SGA welcomes members
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On April 8th at 4:30 in the forum the Student Government Association is holding an informal event to introduce 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 new president-elect, junior Nick Bender, and President Coley.

The event has 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 bittersweet 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 new organization of SGA and the start of digital signage the LCD television's and programming.

The responsibilities of Cowman was most proud of SGA achieving in the activity period prior to this year. Cowman described it as a milestone since 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 at president of Phi Delta Theta.

Bender plans to focus on re-marketing 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 he moves into his new position as a senator for SGA, and at president of Phi Delta Theta.

The organization Bender is about to run is certainly different than the one Cowman entered four years ago. Cowman said that every year the effectiveness of the SGA is traced on a one to one hundred scale by a national organization called Americans the Student Government Association. Cowman said that last year McCabinet's SGA was scored as a sixty-four, 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 would take over, as it's much more improved than it previously was. Cowman also thought the incoming executive board had a lot to build on.

Bender said thought Cowman did a fantastic job, a job on time SGA and he said 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.

In addition to Bender four other students will be inducted into the other executive board positions. Zach Weeden will be the vice president, Ha-Yeong Kim will be treasurer, and Robert Kapp will be secretary.

Bender enjoyed his experience to be working with them. He said SGA brings great experience from his previous SGA positions as the 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.

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HANNA BARKER
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KAREN MCGINLEY
Features Editor

"Cadillac" health insurance plans (plan providing over $2,500 in coverage for families and $1,250 for individuals) will face an excise tax.

To order or learn more about health insurance or face a fine.

Businesses with 50 or more employees are required to offer health insurance or face a fine. Health insurance can no longer be refused due to pre-existing conditions.

Insurance providers will be charged based on insuree's market share to companies whose total premiums exceed $25 million.
Man sentenced to 10 years in hit-and-run of McDaniel student Thomas Rouleau

KATE DELENNICK
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 Minakaki spoke on behalf of those close to Tom. "The sentencing of Shawron Bibbs was the first time he had to really see the pain and horror he's caused. Ten years doesn't seem to do any justice for the crime he committed. This would never be the same without Tom; and for those of us affected by the accidents, 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 15th from 2-4 PM. This open house will familiarize campus members with the new creative learning space.

Food will be served and at 2:45 pm, students will give tours of the computer lab and the new educational spaces found in the Hoover Library.

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 help them do their work better, and go in that direction." This event is being rescheduled from its original 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 Hoover Library/Information Commons or contact Jessica Ferguson at jfergo@mcdboi.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 potential 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; it can steal your identity; it can harm your computer; it can send your information to others; it can even insert itself in your computer via connections to legitimate sites.

The best defense against malware are to keep up with your Microsoft Windows updates and to never run 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 SUPERAntivirus. 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. [As 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 173-174 of [unprotected] computers.

"The message of these destructive bugs is 'If I can't have your computer, you can't either,'" Bell said.

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College Activities Programming Board Corner

April Events

Fri., April 9 6pm
Decker Auditorium

Movie: Precious
Goboubey Sibide, 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 wants. 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 will 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 7pm (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 5 hours of free time before and 3 hours after the show to explore NYC, but you MUST see the show! The coach is just $50 for the bus ride and ticket to the show. Tickets are for McDaniel College students only unless the bus is not filed.

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
Concert & Shows Committee—trips to in & around the Baltimore area
Annual Events—Orientation, Homecoming, January and Spring Fling events
Film's Committee—movies on Fridays and Sundays
Arts & Entertainment—trip to the theatre & lectures/speakers
After Hours—comedy nights, bands in Pub, late night events, etc.
Marketing & Promotions—promote the events and update face book page
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.

ABOVE: Senior Max Robinson performs his monologue.

BOTTOM LEFT: Lucas Sperber amuses the audience with his original piece.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Cindy Scalo tells the audience what she "F".cks like.

CockTales entertains with original monologues, shocks with candor

MAURE 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—everything 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 dongs" on Craigslist to the fantasies of an anal sex virgin.

The cast also found fresh ways of performing their pieces. Jake Friedeman rapped about how middle school girls are easy, and Naomi Raphael wrote a narrative poem.

Junior Nancy Franklin thought Matthew Benthien's new form of CockTales, "Nudibug," during which "stank pocket" 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 "true" average size of penises!

Detective Hunter's rant about the social injustice that the uncircumcised penis has was poignant...and offered a list of uncircumcised celebrities, including Vladimir Putin and Billy Mays.

Returning cast member Mike Mandell (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 $500 to MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) in honor of Tom Routten. 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 "Bucle to the BSU" Fashion Show on March 27.

BELOW: Stephan Kelly shows his style at the fashion show.

ON SATURDAY MARCH 27, McDaniels's own Black Student Union (BSU) hosted its annual fashion show called "Mystery at the House of Color" in Alumni Theatre in an excited crowd.

The fashion show, which was both aesthetically and conceptually appealing, presented acrobats, trapeze artists, daredevils, and animal trainers dressed in innovative and colorful clothing.

Members of the BSU executive board Nyia Wills (the "ring leader of the show") and Kruti Park (one of the show's models) 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 Park 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 Mia Mia.

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.

"Godly Fisher, an attendant of "Mystery at the house of Color" believes that his $18 was well spent. He said it seemed like they in the show and those watching had a lot of fun."

Restaurants

Appetizers of Westminster

SOPHIE GIVEN
Staff Reporter

Tired of stale food? I know I am! As a McDaniel College student, I endeavored 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 cravings. I discovered the most popular appetizers and several weekly specials that are a great alternative to the usual routine of Chip's.

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.

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.
Deaf Culture and Heritage Month raises awareness

JENNA LITTLE
Staff Reporter

Walking into Decker Auditorium, you see the runway filled with 60 students and wonder who could have drawn people out. ASL Movie Night was March 25, they showed the movie titled Audition, a talk with an open group discussion afterwards. This movie and discussion was the first ever kick-off of a series of events for the nation wide American Deaf Culture and Heritage Month, which is from March 22 through April 16.

Glenn O’Keeffe, ASL and Deaf Studies minor, says I believe that the concept of audiism 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 audiism, 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 audiism and to try to gain a better understanding about it. Deaf individuals were also at the event and shared personal experiences.

In the second event for the month, on March 30, because Debra McQuaid shared her experiences with relating signs to a gorilla named Koko. Other events included a panel on cochlear implants Tuesday, April 6. The ASL Literature 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. Literature Night will feature an open mic where anyone can get up and tell stories in ASL. Samara Stoff, a junior and ASL Studies minor, says this is a fun event because “Storytelling is extremely valuable in deaf studies in ASL. They have some present a couple of stories and it’s amazing. The stories create a picture in your head.”

The month is meant to make McDaid students more aware of Deaf Culture. According to O’Keeffe, “Deaf Culture and Heritage Month allows students an opportunity to attend events with

In just a short time, the basic materials were transformed into not only dresses, but hats, jewelry, and other runway "props." Senior John Sullivan said his team did "a lot of time into thinking about the look before we actually started." Sullivan was part of "Team Mantle" whose model, sophomore Shelby Pennebaker, took the runway show in the level of performance art. Her "undergrad preggo-queen" outfit, complete with racy props, won the "Audience Favorite" award by a landslide.

The imagining and intricacy 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, cat-eye, and Converse card. Her team even made full body dancing outfit, complete with operating jingles, made out of soda cans tabs. Senior Kyle Zigler’s dress, which was "Most Sophisti- cated," was an impressively crafted cocktail dress made out of newspaper and colored cardboard. "I’d buy that off the rack," said senior Jos O’Nora, Art Club President and event organizer.

O’Nora, 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 be- came a campus event rather than a club event."

Although O’Nora is graduating this May, she has big plans for the future ReFashion-a fashion. "Next year the organizers plan to reach out in Edgewood, and other members of the McDaniel community will be invited to participate. I’d love to see March Alexander in a dress made out of plastic bags," she would.

This is a fun event because it’s ASL as a communication skill. The language is not limited to making opportunities for students to get involved, but not other factors and so that involvement may be raised awareness.

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 were acceptable at some time or another. Today however, the Deaf community opposes all but two of these labels that are being used to accurately depict 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. The capitalization of the letters "DF" 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 or- gans and use spoken language to com- municate). 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 communi- cate. 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 are a united culture and those of us who are deaf are not disabled.

We can hold jobs, maintain families and relationships and enjoy the fullness of life. In the words of former President of Gallaudet, Dr. I. King Jordan, “The only thing we can 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 is in spoken languages. I wear a hearing aid and when I am talking 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 shut through the gulf of perception. This perception of disability is not ap- propriate 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 it as I am being called, 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 under- stand the bartender. That hearing person is now disabled, because he or she cannot understand the bartender. It’s all a matter of perception.
RULA ZARU
Staff Reporter

How often do you run into a cool freshman dorm room? Probably never.

President of the HvZ club at McDaniell, Torin Grosso, and basketball players, 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 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 PS3, and his magic cards.

Not only does Torin store a variety of gadgets in the room, which he also uses 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 PS3, 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 10 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 visit.

Members of the McDaniell 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.
... Do I know you? The post-one-night-stand meeting

SEX ON THE WARD

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.

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?

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@mcdan.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

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

**AHV-3306-01**
Chinese Painting and Calligraphy

This course will examine Chinese landscape painting throughout the history of China with specific 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
**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 tears streaming down their faces. At least one person even at one point just sat there, 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 at 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 no one would see me from the back." Her eyes widened. "But 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 that dancing makes penises grow (studies have been conducted, apparently), taking someone's camera from the front row and making up a song called "Emo Boy, Why, Why, Why" and singing an entire song to it, and making up a song called "I'm a Soldier - Everybody" as well as ballads like "The Chair," that appealed to my friend who had been dumped the week before.

Michaelson is, of course, not just an entertainer, but a musical 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 Chair" 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-fellowers want to kneel down and propose, but persuaded skeptics to respect her as an artist, humpy skirt and all.

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**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
- Masochist - Girls and Boys
- The Way I Am - Girls and Boys
- Creep - Live Session (iTunes Exclusive)

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**EMMA SIMON**
Staff Reporter

WHAT'S THE FUNNIEST APRIL FOOLS DAY HOAX YOU'VE BEEN APART 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 showed him into the car and ripped 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

"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

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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 Bafi
Got Opinions? We want them!

Come to the Free Press staff meetings, Mondays at 7:30 in the Writing Center.

CORRECTIONS:
There are no corrections for this issue.

This page is reserved each issue in the event that the Free Press staff is necessary to run a correction from a previous issue. We at the Free Press strive every issue to produce a paper free error.
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 Uncommon Places: NYC edition. Check out the full series at www.sectionoffreepress.com. Submit your own photos with the Free Press to freepress@mcodan.edu, and they may be featured in our next issue!

UPPER LEFT: Megan Robinson stands with two NYC cops reading the Free Press.


BOTTOM LEFT: Sophomore Megan Robinson, freshman Hannah 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.

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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 if you were not native to the country. The only way we could slightly get by was through Andrea. She looked native 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 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. 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.

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 roadways were some things I've become more appreciative of after returning to America.

Sincerely,
Devin McAndrew

Dear McDaniel Campus,

Spring seems to finally come our way and embrace us with the long sought and desired sunshine and warmth we were in dire need of. Spring seems to finally come our way and embrace us with the long sought and desired sunshine and warmth we were in dire need of.

After a very white and cold winter, Budapest is slowly awakening from its dormancy of the last few months and darkness that occults us a day becomes longer and outside becomes more appealing we at present are focused on our mid-term exams and we have been pretty much buried into our books and notes lately, so the thought of sleeping break coming fast our way and the possibility of enjoying being outside again runs 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 traditional Hungarian paprika sausages, the Spanish tortilla served with the customary Sangria, Heimis and Falafel from Israel, Iranian stew, Norwegian waffles as well as Portuguese and American specialties. Besides the nourishment of the body we also 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 encompassing and amazing talents 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 Pecs, 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.eu (especially 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, chanting 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 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.

Sincerely,
Ivano Salvatore Carmo
McDaniel Budapest
Kevin Bowman and CJ Naper run the 1500 meter at Bridgewater College on March 27.

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 Knottmiller and sophomores Jack Nichols and Brandon Kline led the way. Knottmiller 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 final.

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 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 seniors 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 Karc, representing the undeniably talented McDaniel Baseball team returns from Florida

TIM MCCLUSTER
Staff Reporter

On Friday March 12, the McDaniel College Baseball team took a trip down to Winter Haven, Florida. The team got up much of their spring break time to compete in the respected Ranch Rest Lake 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 Furleigh-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 great 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. They turned 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 as a family.

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. As if they do, anything is possible for this group of McDaniel athletes.

Have any awesome photos?
Submit them to freepress@mcdaniel.edu.

MEET the GREEN

Spearheading fast line drives, picking short hops, and knocking down bad hops all while standing a mere 90 feet from the banner. Such is the life of Maryland’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 focus 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 weaknesses.

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 RBIs. 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. Personal losses from last year have hurt, but Pace believes this year’s squad needs to play better fundamentally. “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 Frichitone. 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.”
John Sullivan prepares to throw the frisbee during an outdoor game.

McDaniel students gather to enjoy some nice spring weather and play frisbee.

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 Sunil Pathik, and Sophomore Paula Seriff pose after Holi.
Lee Anderson shows off his karate skills for Mr. McDaniel, sponsored by Alpha Nu Omega.

Evan Ticknor

Freshman 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 Parenteau show off their colors from the Pull event in Red Square.

Omar Brown

Participants enjoy Dado-palooza on the terrace at the pub on April 23.

Evan Ticknor

TWO WEEKS IN PHOTOGRAPHS
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 McDaniell Administration.

According to Dboss, 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 within budget, participating in campus activities, and picking the projects that are important to us.”

One of our members, Lee Oliver, wanted to raise money for the Leukemia Society. In order to fulfill her friend’s wish that she had left Doss, and Langston, and it became involved in Greek Life. “They offer programs that give a national representative to our campus, so we can see how we’re doing and help us to improve. They also help us to set up an endowment fund for Greek Life, which is important over the years and gives interest that we can then put towards education needs of the chapter,” said Towle.

If a local organization runs into trouble, it needs to address what punishments is necessary. If a national organization does not, a national representative comes in to talk to the school. “The college is in control of the local group,” said Amanda Bost, who was the Associate Director of College Activities at McDaniell.

The investigation process was started a week before Spring Break and started with a phone call to the university’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 selling the group during the investigation they could not meet or connect as an organization many of their promises to the community were broken.

An anonymous Alpha Nu Omega sorority member said, “It’s frustrating, stressful, and unprofessional.”

As a result of the long investigation not only was the group unable to congregate as a sorority but they also had to go to the housing director to get their housing that was bought with their money. "We talk to her about the campus. We just aren’t sure what we should be doing," said Towle.

When the investigation was finally over the administration left the girls with three options: Rebuild as a group, which according to the sorority will get 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 handshake requirements. "It’s good but it just takes a lot of time,” said Towle. The second option was to leave the school and go for "so it’s an option." The girls are waiting to hear from the administration and will make a decision on April 30 and according to our source have recently decided to rebuild. This means their current pledge class is given the option to rebuild with the sorority if they choose to. While some in the group may be resistant, the sisters are now facing a tough road ahead that will change the future of their sorority. The girls are still pushing old tools with 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 they fear the lingering from the losses they have still been through.

Justice Towle said that she was pleased with the outcome and that the Greek Life community was growing. “It might be nice if there was an investigation process in writing, not just for us but for others as well. I want Greek Life for McDaniell to thrive and in the future have organizations that are better. Greek Life does have a place on campus just like clubs and sports. It just needs to be better managed and monitored.”

Towle had similar to say about the future of Greek Life. "I hope it continues to grow as a community because I think the students who are interested in it, it’s a great way to get involved. I want to see Greek Life continue to grow."

Towle has also been consistently praised for her professionalism and has been a consistent figure at Greek Life events. "We are currently under investigation. When asked to comment a member of the fraternity told the Free Press, "It’s too early to comment at this time," but "would be free to talk once the investigation is over."
Mold on indoor surface areas can cause serious health problems including; throat infections, eye irritation, memory loss, chronic body aches, and more. Surface mold itself 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 as they can and based on the severity of the complaint. Brenton explained that his office receives over 3,500 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.

In her email she explicitly mentioned that she believed the mold to be the cause of some chronic illnesses she has 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 affected 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 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 specialists 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 pipes when the least amount of people would be in the buildings. Eventually however his office was told to fix the leak in the pipes that were causing the mold.

Brenton explained that INX-Tech cut out parts of the wall and floor, and removed a bench present of 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 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.

According to Brenton, mold remediation is an exact science. INX-Tech, however, did remove some mold with a chemical called INX-Fresh, which is sometimes used to his office that if the drywall is dry and has not been damaged the surface can be prepared, and then sealed with a mold resistant paint. Brenton added, however, that the mold wouldn't be an issue that needed correction. Brenton said that in his office remediation is a must, and senior Ashleigh Smith added, "I want [the school] to take care of the building that I'm paying to live in."

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Changes in the SGA Allocation Process

Meeting with Outgoing and Incoming Presidents, Dean Gerl, Organization Council

Many people on campus shoulder 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 in order to ensure fairness to all campus organizations and to encourage fiscal and event planning for the 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 Administration'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 Organisation Council was held Thursday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. Under 20 club leaders and presidents attended; presumably because it was held at the same time as the annual Reading lecture. The Hispanic Latino Alliance (HLA), Asian Community Coalition (ACC), A.I.O., Outdoor 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 $57,800, 59% of which was used for allocations. The projected budget for 2010-2011 shows $58,700 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 TV's 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 Organisation Council. Details about the new process, and many other SGA documents, should be available on the SGA intra-net by the end of the semester at http://inaTRANSGA.

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 sequentially plan for the upcoming academic year."

Bender also pleased with the feedback he received, and he looked forward to receiving feedback in the future as well. The new regulations about what the SGA would and would not be funding next year, most notably, no direct donations to charity, funding travel expenses for groups smaller than 30 members.

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There was some concern during the meeting about whether these changes would negatively affect smaller groups. Kim Trang, the secretary of the Asian Community Coalition (ACC) has been frustrated with the process. The few meetings she has been able to attend have made her think "that the whole SGA is not helpful."

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.

As the monthly status reports, Dean Gerl does not think it is too much to ask. He gives the current organizations a chance to assess their current revenues and budgeting needs. It is what worked well, and future groups do 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 put 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.

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

- Submit a contract once funding is approved

- Submit a monthly status report about how money was spent

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
Engage Club $300
Flying Disc United Peoples $220
French Club $1,000
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
Palabros 2 Words $200
Phil Alpha $150
Phi Delta Theta $1,000
Phi Sigma Sigma $900
Psychology $600
Relay for Life $500
Senior Class $2,500
Sophisticated Ladies $160
Ultimate Frisbee $461
Up Till Dawn $1,000
Women's Issues $325

Writing Center staff holds 'funeral for a fish'

Wednesday, April 7, 2010. Spring mornings awake, shaking off the oppressive chains of winter. A few tentative sweats from the head, fill the air, bugs lightly dance and wake, and life is renewed. But not all was well on this tender Wednesday afternoon. While the world had its new beginning, one member of our campus sadly met his end.

Danny Hughes Jr., one of the truly bright fish in the writing center, was found gasping away, life on his side at the bottom of his tank. His thinning breaths evaded 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, truly left his mark. All who saw him gasping, wailing, were immediately changed. They were kind of effect Danny Hughes Jr. had on all of those around him.

Perhaps, 7 hours after his previously departure from the living, Danny Hughes Jr. was cremated by his surviving friends after his body was briefly used for a prank involving a tomato 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 Writing Center 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 Writing Center, and the two remaining goldfish, Roberto and Gracie. All who wish to pay their respects may do so at any time at the McDaniel College Writing Center in Hill Hall.

MAIRE HUNTER
Staff Reporter
Every year, students look forward to the 24-hour period in April 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.rayforlife.org.

For those students who paid their housing deposits by the strict deadline of April 12, Sophomore Kelly Clancy was very pleased with the housing lottery. "It's a stressful process - but it really pays off," she said.

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.

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Dining Services to see some changes

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Bored by Clai? Unsatisfied with Sodexo’s Disappointing rankings among the best dining services, many students have expressed frustration with Dining Services. The recent changes to the menu and dining options have left students divided. Some students appreciate the new offerings, while others feel that the changes have not been satisfactory.

Students can anticipate many changes to dining services, effective Fall 2019. Plans are in the works for dining hall renovations, the addition of new dining options, and an overhaul of the menu at Sandell’s.

A group of administrators met mid-April to begin the design phase of dining hall renovations. Members of the committee included Dean and President of Student Affairs Beth Gerl, Vice President of Enrollment Management Florence Hines, Director of Auxiliary and Conference Services Mary Jo Calhoun, Director of Facilities Planning and Capital Improvements Ed Sell, and Vice President of Administration and Finances 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 2.5 years, in which case the Work would be to improve and add a range of dining options.

“It’s safe to say that when students arrive in the fall, they’ll see some changes,” said Dr. Seidel.

Dining Services 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 introduced. Similar to Fourth Meals, meal equivalents will come out of a student’s total allotment of meals for the semester. Students can use them to eat at any dining hall.

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 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 Sandell’s will be totally revamped. The current menu 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 options.

There are plans to invest money for more pandemic-style sandwiches. Additionally, Sandell’s will include items such as soups, salads, deli selections, and regular pizza offerings. A "grab and go" option will also become available.

\[Q: What factors influence the decision of whether or not to continue the relationship?\]

A: We review quality of service, cost, customer satisfaction, and other factors on an ongoing basis.

\[Q: Who is involved in this decision? Can students participate?\]

\[A: The evaluation process takes place at the SGA committee level. There is an opportunity for students to submit napkin-based comments and to participate in web-based surveys from time to time.\]

Coffee Coffee Coffee

New coffee shop to open soon in Westminster

KIM WILLIAMS
Features Editor

A new coffee shop is being opened by Mr. Sherry Joseph, who says "We hope to be up and running by June."

Joseph says that the coffee shop, Milky’s, will sell “all coffee, espresso and tea drinks available—kind of base—but including our very own signature drink, the Milky Blend.” A fantastic Costa Rican coffee. Smoothes. Juicy and smooth, soups, sandwiches, and baked goods. Some featured items will include a honey bun and fresh bakes.

Martin adds, "If the coffee house opens, I will definitely stop in. I don’t drink coffee every day."
McDaniel students lend a helping hand at two community nonprofits

HEATHER GORSUCH
Staff Reporter

Looking to boost your resume or earn inter- 
shcep credits? Volunteer at two local nonprofit 
organizations: Access Carroll or DeafMD.org.

"Access Carroll is a free primary care facility 
for the hearing impaired. The community residents with 
low income, more specifically those with income 200% below the federal poverty level," said founder Dr. Robert Wack.

According to the Executive Director Tommy Black, Access Carroll is an independent organization, yet is collabora- 
tively 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 people are provided healthcare through their jobs, but due to the high cost of living and today's economy they can't afford to have insurance covered.

Access Carroll is a recipient of the Maryland Community Health Care Resources Commission. The State Commis- 
sion provides grants to help aid the organiza- 
tion. Providing services with high end 
staff that can get you registered with medicaid, we can put you through the system.

With an average of 70 new patients a month, Access Carroll was provided a new site at 207 Main Street. This new establishment will be a medical facility and provide services on Main Street.

The site will provide even exam rooms for medical appointments and an electronic 
health record unit, and practitioners will have their own offices. At the current loca- 
tion, practitioners share a small office that makes it difficult to have one-on-one 

According to Black, "This will allow more private, confidential patient conver- 
sations, an ideal setting to give folks the 
respectful, dignified, and peaceful envi- 
ronment to communicate their very in- 
timate healthcare issues."

Access Carroll plans to move into 
their new location soonest. With a larger location, there is going to be a greater need for more volunteers and 
donations to keep it running. Senior Laur- 
ona D'InNatale, volunteer at Access Carroll 
after having learned about the opportuni- 
ty 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 efficaciously," said D'InNatale.

D'InNatale plans to go into the medi- 
cal field and become a Physician Assis- 
tant. 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 the future," said D'InNatale.

DeafMD is another nonprofit organization located in Carroll County. The concept of creating a website that con- 
tains videos, in which health practitioners sign 
medical information, was created in 2002 
by Casey Davis. The website was final- 
ly launched in 2008 and now contains 
500 videos covering over 200 health care topics.

Like Access Carroll, this organiza- 
tion operates off of donations and volun- 
ters. In order to raise funds, Davis set up a sponsorship program, where com- 
panies can place ads on the website for 
50 dollars. According to Casey Davis, 
"We've had 177,600 visitors since day one. I hoped that if each visitor donat- ed $1 we wouldn't need funding." Davis explained that donations go towards paying their employees, malpractice and liability insurance, web/video hosting, out-of-state events, and creation of new topics.

Junior Jordan Doss is currently volun- 
teeering at DeafMD, and finds this experi- 
ence very beneficial for him. "The more exposure I have to the language the be- 
ter," said Doss. Like D'InNatale, Doss is volunteering to give a helping hand to the community. "I enjoy helping others as 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 raise additional funds he is selling the 16 inch by 20 inch matted photographs on his website. They can be purchased for $25 each.

To donate or find more information 
about volunteer opportunities con- 
tact Tammy Black or dack/reach/DeafMD.org.
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**Mitch Alexander is go-to guy for CAO**

**KRISTIN BEBELE**

Contributor

Ever had questions about norms for club meetings, funding for special events, or how to make sure students know about new opportunities? If so, you might have already met Mitchell "Mitch" Alexander, the Director of College Activities Office (CAO) at McDaniel College. "Hi, I'm Mitch and I have no idea what's going on," he says with a laugh.

Mitch will tell you that he's there to help connect students with the resources they need. "I want everyone to know that I'm here to help. If you have a question, just ask me," he says.

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**College Archivist dedicated to past**

**CHRISTIE DEBUS**

Contributor

Four young men smile up from an old black-and-white photograph from the 1920s. Frames for one moment in time, these three generations of alumni -- first-year Evan, second-year Bailey, third-year Blake, and fourth-year Sara -- stand tall, proud, and confident.

This is the beginning of a story for all four students, and it's a story of their own, whether from real life or from a good history book. For them, the action begins at Gnar Mountain College in Vermont. She grew up in Connecticut, and her love for history and a minor in education from McDaniel is located in the College Activities Office, where she helps plan events. Alexander estimates that about half of the clubs come to talk to him for help or information. He says, "I usually ask about room availability, how to access their accounts, how to get them on the calendar, or, if we've had a policy change, the rules that give them the ability to set up.

Sophomore Bryanna Benjamin, who works in the College Activities Office, says, "Mitchell, certain aspects of campus life would be very different now."

Knowing what students want helps Alexander to coordinate and facilitate between students and the college. He has a direct line to presidents and with a variety of events that happen in December, "It's the time of the year that the events happen that have to get through College Activities or CAPBoard."

Some of the events he organizes are trips to New York City, Spring Sing, CAPBoard movies, guest speakers, bands in the Pub, and the Blood Drive. His favorite events are Spring Sing and the trips to New York City. Alexander especially likes New York trips because it brings students to another town full of cultural attractions. He says, "It's fun to see students in a different environment."

Along with organizing events, Alexander is a liaison between the students and the college. "Senior Russell Morris, who started the Ultimate Fishers, helped make sure that everyone was aware of what was going on. Alexander says, "I only have to keep eye on the CAO and I only have to keep eye on the other clubs on campus.

When asked what clubs events surprised him the most, Alexander said that the Up Till Dawn event and the Taste of Asia dinner were very successful and surpassed the previous attendance. He also did the interview at the Cheese Club Chees Ball and the Residential Assi- stant/ Michael Jackson dance, both of which showed a lot of students attending and dancing.

With all these activities and events, Alexander is a very busy man. However, he always has time to talk to students. "I'm so many students, and I always want to help in any way I 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 Morris, "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's a dedication to the students that makes him such a great person and as good as his job.

When Alexander is able to go home for the night, he goes back to his wife Miklief and two children, an 18-year-old son, Blake, and a 12-year-old daughter, Paige. In his free time, he enjoys trav- eling—his favorite family vacation spot being Myr- tide 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 "Avatar" and "Arthur in Wonderland" in 3-D. Luckily for Alexander, he can watch "Avatar" again during Spring Sing week at the drive-in movie at the football stadium.

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**Fin Aid director helpful, versatile**

**EMMA SIMON**

Staff Reporter

She is an adventurous backpacker, a world travels, a wife, a mother, and a soon-to-be four-time grandmother. She's a Patrick "Pete" Williams, the director of Financial Aid at McDaniel College. From grants and scholarships to federal loans, "Pete" is able to turn on a dime and keep up with everything from the change in 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," he says.

No matter how hectic things are in the Financial Aid Office, Williams stresses that "the students are our number one priority."

When sophomore Megan Robinson was considering her 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 sent.

"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. "It made a decision a lot easier for me.efined decision was even going up but I wanted to know what should I do?" Her situation made a big impact on the country because of National going up and beyond to help her.

Another thing that "is literally the reason that I am at McDaniel College right now," says Robinson. "It's because of the financial aid office, especially with the new deadlines." The financial aid office is in the College Activities Office, and she's there to help coordinate and facilitate between students and the college. "I want everyone to know that I'm here to help. If you have a question, just ask me," he says.

The story on this page was written for Terry Dalton's Intro to Journalism class.

Back home, Williams is a proud father, a mother, and one of his best friends is a third-year, who's daughter doesn't want to know the sex of the baby, but she's not telling us about herself either," says Williams. "Williams earns 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 I can refresh," she says.

Williams always tries to help keep everything in the Financial Aid office "Pete" is responsible for. "I have continuous dedication, reliability, and charm and also try to be the best at what I do," she says.

When William's family visits him at McDaniel College, they are just happy to see how well he's doing. "I'm surprised at how well she's doing," says Williams. "I'm surprised at how well she's doing," says Williams.
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 credits. So far he has taken Introduction to Astronomy, Calculus I and Introduction to Psychology. After graduating from high school Martin will attend Drexel University in Philadelphia, PA.

Martin has published two books and is currently writing his third. The science fiction novel, Shadows, took Martin about eight months to write, but it was not as easy as he thought.

“During 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 opportunity.

I was surprised to find out that he was seveneen, and he had published not one but two books,” says illustrator Heather Gouzich, ’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 work please visit www.shadowscycle.webs.com. To find out more about OPS Paranormal Investigations please visit www.opsparanormal.webs.com.
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 Minnesota Daily. While Knepper is popular throughout the campus and makes waves across the national news scene and causes moral outrage. Finally, it is possible that my response to this article will only be appealing to some. Perhaps it means to some that feminism is a "religion." We must keep in mind that the idea that feminism is a "religion" is a complex one, and it is not easy to define. However, it is important to remember that feminism is not just about women's rights. It is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights. In order to understand feminism, we must first understand what it is not. It is not about women's rights alone; it is about all people's rights.
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 our 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, and it is at once 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.

You've proven that everything is possible when you work smart, even when you become the College's first quadruple major, as Eric Lennon 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 realized the chance 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 neighbor-
A Wellness Center Tale & other stories

EMMA SIMON
Staff Reporter

Along with college, there comes homework, study- ing, activities, clubs, and the winner a whole bunch of kids in a brand new 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, depend- ing on who is doing the talking.
The Wellness Center offers a variety of differ- ent services to McDaniels students, resulting in ei- ther an encounter or disdain. Upon being asked about their experiences with the Wellness Center, students' answers are generally diverse in reference to their own personal views.
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 some- thing 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 this 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 help before going to the Wellness Center. "I called them and told them that based on my symptoms, I probably had a viral infection," said Lauren. "They treated me for fever and sent me on my way."

The Wellness Center, like Kaiza Owens, Sophomore: "I went in because I was sleeping for days and couldn't get up. They treated me for sleep and mono, and I tested positive for mono so they sent me home. I said I'd be okay."
Senior Jordan Hawthorne has had to make his way over to the Wellness Center quite a few times in the past four years. "Four of the five times that I was able to get in. The only downside that Hawthorne mentioned was that 'the hours need to be ex- tended for sure.'"
Junior Jason O'Neil has had generally good ex- periences as well. "Weill like that they are cheap," he said. "O'Neill". The charge was minimal for the services rendered. "But my experience was that the Wellness Center was not open during such a crucial time for students."

Another student who fell victim to a much less desirable experience with the Wellness Center, is sophomore Kristen Hawthorne. During her freshman year, she came down with a bad sinus infection.
"I went to the Wellness Center to get checked out and 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 Hunter. "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 re- action 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 Carrollton Hospital and from there, they gave me better medicine and treated me for the reaction."

The Wellness Center's image has remained severely 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 Kaiza Owens, Sophomore: "I went in because I was sleeping for days and couldn't get up. They treated me for sleep and mono, and I tested positive for mono so they sent me home. I said I'd be okay."

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, then 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 Langsdale, 19, and I took some temps and just went to bed on the 14th Saturday and stayed up all night. Monday morning we sat on a rock outside our
scheduled 7:00 am nap, alarm at the ready.
The first three days are grueling. Not sleeping the way you want to stick with, and tempting yourself with short naps is incre- dibly hard. 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 too bad. You have that weird, dreamy feeling you get from staying up too long, but you don't want to sleep. Tyler hypnagogizes, "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 deal with 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 three times. I never fully adjusted, but I think I wouldn't have gotten there with a little more time. It's rather difficult to keep going as first, but once you get some momentum you can pull it off. Once you push yourself, you've already achieved maximum ef- ficiency. And a really inconvenient sleep schedule!
It's fun to try it, though.

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 opini- on. Depending on your schedule, what services you need, and what work hours best for you, here are some affordable (and some free) options in the area to mix and match:

The Wellness Center at McDaniel College
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 booklets.
Hours: Mon-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Contact: (410) 857-2243
http://www.mcdaniel.edu/2283.htm

Carroll Health Department
What they offer: Various clinics (including a Women's Health Clinic and an STD Clinic along with others) by appointment at very af- fordable prices or free.
FREE HIV vaccinations throughout March from 9-4 on Weekdays.
FREE STD testing at STD Clinic for Carroll County residents and students.
Hours: Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-5 p.m. (different hours for specific services)
Contact: (410) 857-5000
http://www.carrollepidemic.philanthropy.md.gov

U.N.I Urgent Healthcare Center
What they offer: Almost all of the benefits of a hospital with a much shorter wait time! Insurance is accepted.
Hours: Mon-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Sun. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
Contact: (410) 751-7480
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Email freepress@mcdaniel.edu or come to the Free Press staff meetings next semester, Mondays at 7:30 in the Writing Center.
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!

Matthew Pace prepares for a pitch at the F&M game during spring Ring.

**Baseball**

With two weeks remaining in their season, the baseball squad has posted a 4-7-1 record 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 39 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 Bartista 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 Barr has been the story throughout the year, and broke into the record books once again in the victory over Washington on April 13. Having already claimed the program record for draws won, Barr scored 6 goals against the Shorewomen to claim the record for career goals scored. On the season, she 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 5-2 (6-5 overall) record. On April 10, the team claimed an important victory over Muhlenberg, 11-6. Sophomore DJ Rickels led the way with 5 goals. Senior Gibbs Pennon added 2 goals to go with a pair of assists. 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.

**Experiences of an intramural ref**

As the sun rises over McDaniel campus, weary students arise. Still blurry-eyed after a late night of studing 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 part of the work-study force. Freshman Zack Rickels does not work in a peaceable library or an office answering telephones. When he reports for duty, Rickels will be facing bouncing balls, flying pucks, flailing bodies and possibly hot tempers. Rickels is an intramural ref.

"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," Rickels recalls.

"It was a beautiful day, the sun was shining, for sure. Just realized that he had to go to the other side of the court to get that ball, and I was playing a little way behind him. Like it was flying, and it went right for my face. I jumped back. I think he fell over."

"I think we might have broken a couple teeth. It was a pretty hard hit in the nose..."

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Senior Issue

Class of 2010
ABOVE: Roxanne Fleischer, Lisa Katchan, and Emily Hajjar at a Cross Country Meet at York College in the fall.

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 Reinger, Ellen Larson pose in a pyramid. They are the founding members of The Ultimate Frisbee Club.


BOTTOM RIGHT: Frannia Bryant and Tyler Kudravetz hang out at the 72 Day Countdown party.
This section is dedicated to the Class of 2010 and it was created by three dedicated news staffers: Hanna Barker ('13), Heather Gorisch ('10), and Jetenne 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 be 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 it conclusion.

Along with an assortment of other happenings on campus, another popular and anticipated event of the year is the picnic that many departments host for their students to have fun and relax a bit before attacking the stress of finals week. 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.

For more information, refer to the sidebar of scheduled events and watch for sign-up sheets and/or emails from your academic department.

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 Shirl 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 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 Barthole.

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 these funds." Luckily for students nothing is mandatory and 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.

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Tuition for Four Years
$160,000

Cap and Gown
$70

Casino Night
$15

Baseball Game
$18

Crab Feast
$18

Getting Your Degree
PRICELESS

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LEFT: Students have a blast at the Gettysburg Step Show.
RIGHT: Krista Ricigliano, Stephanie Banik and Kiki Stellakis dance the night away at a club in Prague.
# Senior Investiture Honors Convocation List of Honors

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### 2010 PHI BETA KAPPA Inductees

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- Dawn Nichole Altdrich
- Emily Therese Ardolino
- Melissa Rachel Atkinson
- Molly Schaefer Barger
- Katherine Elisabeth Bonaduce
- Lindsay Marie Browning
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- Jessica Arlene Bello
- Michael G. Weick
- Claire Elizabeth Turpel
- Matthew Paul Emery
**Favorite Mentors**

“I have been working on my senior honors independent research project for the Psychology Department this entire year. In November, Dr. Melsen planned a trip for me to meet a researcher at the University of Delaware, where I received my degree. At this point, Dr. Melsen was literally 9 weeks pregnant. One day in her office, I heard her say, ‘I am not about going into labor on the one! 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 we did putting my project together before she went on maternity leave.”

**JESSICA DUNN**

“Getting involved was one of the smartest things 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 otherwise met. Because of the need to strategize in these two organizations, I found there would be no standard way to do anything. I also felt I would like to thank all of my former work and franchise and the time she devoted to everyone she comes in contact with.”

“Being a part of the Cross County and Track and Field team has also given me the opportunity 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 Kenner and my teammates for expecting me to come out and do my best!”

**ROXANNE FLEISCHER**

“Jonathan Sider - my Adviser, increased my passion for film, his classes always the most entertaining and informative.”

Lisa Breslin - Newspaper advice, 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.”

**JULIANNE BUHFRE**


**PROFILE: Brittany Baer**

**Matt Bednar**

**Staff Reporter**

Passion, dedication, love of the game, family, and school — what motivates Brittany Baer, a senior here at McDaniel, whose name has become synonymous with women’s soccer and lacrosse. According to Coach Bliss, “Brittany has been the leader on the field in the fall and in the spring. The change in seasons doesn’t have 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 wanted home," recalls Brittany. McDaniel, however, provided Baer with the opportunity to play both 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 has more than just points to us." Coach Bliss goes on to describe Brittany as "a work horse, who truly cares more about her team's success than her own." In the fall, she helped begin her career coaching, with dreams of the collegiate level in her sights. With the countless accomplishments she has accrued throughout her career, it is safe to assume coaching will not be different.

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**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 practiced fashion.

Cowman, a Political Science and International Studies major and Environmental Policy and Science minor, has been involved in the McDaniel community since his freshman year as a freshman. From the start, he knew what organizations 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 a McDaniel student who thinks out of the box.

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PROFILE: Michael Weick

NICK BRENNER
Co-Sports Editor

The McDaniel football family finds itself having to say goodbye to one of its best athletes in a long time. Healing this pain is aptly the heart and soul of sports editor Mike Weick, former quarterback for the past three years, inside linebacker or Mike Weick.

As an McDaniel candidate and first team All-Conference performer this past season, Weick’s on field accolades speak for themselves and put him in some pretty elite company among the all-time McDaniel greats, but after this year, it is the man beneath the helmet that his teammates and coaches will remember.

Despite how dominant a player he was on the field, Mike never lost sight of what made him successful. That is the same work ethic and the success of the football program.

Continued...
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TOP LEFT: Roxanne Fleischer, Emily Peoples, Lisa Katchan, and Emily Hajjar are dining on a cruise in December '09.


FAR LEFT: Ellen Larson muddles down the hill outside of whiteford, while Kirstin Menzies and Amelia Reiniger watch.

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ABOVE: Kandice Wilson, Kendal Ford, Ashley Day, and Frannie Bryant pose for a picture in the dance studio.

BELOW: Molly Barker, Sarah Gambolati, Amelia Reiniger, and Natalie Hadman support their friend, Kirsten Menzies, by taping her name across themselves for a lacrosse game.
# Calendar of Senior Week Events

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A bus will transport students to and from Camden Yards to watch the Baltimore Orioles play the Kansas City Royals.

The Alumni Office will sponsor the traditional crab feast at Harvey Stone Pavilion. There will be beer, crab, hot dogs, veggie burgers, snacks, desserts, DJ and cool giveaways!

A formal casino night will be held in the Forum. Cost includes an open bar, cocktail food, casino games, and prizes.

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.

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To the senior staff of the Free Press—

You will be missed! Good luck, seniors!

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The McDaniel Free Press congratulates the graduating class of 2010!